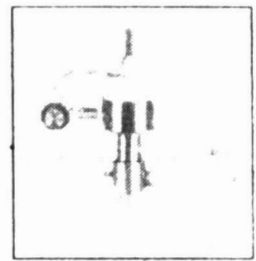


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Counting eggs



Counting his chickens before they're hatched? Brayden Dyson, 5, son of Leanne Dyson, checks the Easter eggs he found during an Easter egg hunt Thursday afternoon at Coronado Healthcare Center as parents, residents and staff members watch the activity. In addition to the plastic eggs filled with treats and surprises, staff members also provided cupcakes and grab bags for the event.

(Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers)

Early voting ends early for runoff election

By MARILYN POWERS
STATE WRITER

Early voting in the runoff election for the Republican primary ended at 5 p.m. Thursday with 65 votes cast as of noon that day, according to Gray County Clerk Susan Wimborne.

County offices closed for Good Friday, and no early voting was conducted. Final totals on early voting will not be available until Monday.

Since Friday, April 9 is Good Friday, county offices are not regularly open for business on Good Friday, then the county is not required to conduct early voting on that day. In 1985, Secretary of State Geoffrey S. Connor in a news release from Austin.

No Democratic runoff election is being held in Gray County. County Republican runoff ballots list a choice between Leanne G. Carrillo and Robert Butler in the race for state railroad commissioner.

Voters in Precinct 2 may also choose between incumbent Chris Locksley and challenger Chris Dufway for the office of constable. Precinct 4 voters may vote for incumbent Frank W. Fair Spaulding or for Don Fletcher for constable.

Registered voters who voted in the March 9 primaries may cast a ballot in the primary runoff election for the same party whose ballot they marked on March 9. All registered voters who did not vote on March 9 may vote in the primary runoff election scheduled for Tuesday, April 13.

Officer's lawsuit moves to federal court

By MARILYN POWERS
STATE WRITER

A civil lawsuit filed by former Pampa police officer Heron Erasmo Garcia Jr. against the city has been moved to U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas, Amarillo Division because "according to information I have, there are allegations of violations of Mr. Garcia's civil rights" included in the suit, according to city attorney Don Lane.

"Federal court would have original jurisdiction in that instance," Lane said in a telephone interview Thursday.

The lawsuit was transferred to the federal court's docket in Amarillo on March 29, Lane said.

The law firm of Sprouse Shrader Smith in Amarillo is representing the City of Pampa in the suit, Lane said. "Pleadings have been filed," and Lane will report the current status of the suit to city commissioners in executive session during a special meeting at 5 p.m. Monday in second-floor commission chambers at City Hall.

Garcia was fired from Pampa Police Department on Feb. 25, 2002 after his indictment by a Gray County grand jury on Feb. 8, 2002 on a second-

degree felony charge of aggravated sexual assault and a charge of official oppression.

Garcia has been arrested and charged with the alleged rape of a 35-year-old Donkey County woman on Jan. 10, 2002. The rape is supposed to have occurred in a hotel in Pampa, and while he was on duty as a police officer.

Bond set by the court is \$85,000, but was reduced to \$20,000 on Feb. 20, 2002.

Garcia was a police officer at Pampa from March 14, 2000, until his dismissal. He had previously been a

peace officer at Cactus. He was placed on administrative leave by Pampa Police Department from the time of his arrest until his dismissal.

Criminal charges against Garcia were dropped Feb. 12, 2004 in 31st District Judge Steven Emmert's court after District Attorney Rick Roach filed a motion to dismiss on the same day.

The motion to dismiss was filed because "the evidence is insufficient," the complaining witness has requested dismissal, and the complaining witness has given an affidavit of non-prosecu-

tion. See LAWSUIT, Page 3.

Andrews to resign at City Commission meeting on Monday

By MARILYN POWERS
STATE WRITER

Pampa city commissioners will meet in special session at 5 p.m. Monday to receive the resignation of Ward 2 commissioner Jeff Andrews and to hear the current status of a lawsuit filed against the city by a former Pampa police officer and in connection with the Tulia drug bust.

City offices were closed Friday, and city officials could not be reached for comment on either subject. Telephone messages to Mayor Lanny Robbins were not answered by press time Friday. Andrews was unable to answer a telephone call Friday morning and had not returned the call by

press time Friday. Andrews was absent or late for most of his recent commission meetings. One agenda item for Monday's meeting is to discuss him for being absent from the March 24 city commission meeting.

The special session will be held in the second-floor commission chambers at City Hall, 201 W. Kane Street.

A special session will be held during the meeting to discuss him. A press conference is expected to be held for Andrews after the commission, which is scheduled to be held May 18. The session will be held at 5 p.m. at City Hall.

Closed for repairs



(Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers)

The northbound side of Price Road at Highway 60 was closed for more than an hour late Thursday afternoon as Burlington Northern & Santa Fe Railway workers repaired a portion of the tracks going across Price Road. No information was available from the railway concerning the type of repairs being made.

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OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

GREGORY, Lillian Jo Ann — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

McPHILLIPS, Raymond Walter, Jr. — 1 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

LILLIAN JO ANN GREGORY

Lillian Jo Ann Gregory, 78, of Pampa, Texas, died Wednesday, April 7, 2004, at Amarillo, Texas. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 10, 2004, at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Carl Newman, associate pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Gregory was born April 14, 1925, in Kingston, Okla. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1946. She was the owner and operator of Jo Ann's.

She retired from the restaurant and bar business in 1990.

She was a Baptist.

Survivors include one son, Jerry Hale and wife Elaine of Amarillo, one brother, Vernon Brown of Michigan; three grandsons, Dwayne Hale, Gary Hale and Shawn Hale, all of Amarillo; four great-grandchildren, Michael Hale, Christina Hale, Sam Hale and Hannah Hale, all of Amarillo; and many nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

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RAYMOND WALTER McPHILLIPS, JR.

BARTLESVILLE, Okla. — Raymond Walter McPhillips, Jr., 79, of Bartlesville, died Wednesday, April 7, 2004. Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 10 at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa, with the Rev. Lynn Garrett, associate pastor of First Baptist Church of Amarillo, officiating. Military rites will be held at the funeral home courtesy of U.S. Army personnel from Fort Hood. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. McPhillips was born March 31, 1925, at Evansville, Ind., to Raymond Walter and Edith Robins McPhillips, Sr. He grew up and attended school in Evansville, Ind., and Hobbs, N.M.

He married Margaret Faye Delver on Jan. 17, 1947, at Pampa where he worked at the

U.S. Post Office for 30 years, serving as postmaster prior to retiring in 1971. The couple moved to Bartlesville in 1999.

Mrs. McPhillips died May 9, 2002.

Mr. McPhillips was a veteran of the U.S. Army, enlisting on April 3, 1945, and receiving his honorable discharge on May 9, 1946.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Jimmy McPhillips; and three sisters, Edith Payne, Winnie Evers and twin, Margaret Ann McPhillips.

Survivors include two sons, Larry David McPhillips of Bartlesville and Mark Steven McPhillips of Wichita, Kan.; a brother, Tommy McPhillips of Houston; two sisters, Margie Storseth and Pauline Watson, both of Amarillo; and five grandchildren.

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WEATHER FOCUS

LOCAL FORECAST

Today's forecast is calling for partly cloudy skies with a 30 percent chance of showers in the afternoon, highs in the upper 60s and west winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight should fall on mostly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of showers, lows in the lower 40s and north winds 15 to 20 mph. Saturday should see mostly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of rain, showers. Cooler. Highs in the lower

50s. North winds 15 to 20 mph. Saturday night, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain and snow. Lows in the lower 30s.

Sunday, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain and snow. Highs in the upper 40s. Sunday night, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain and snow. Lows in the lower 30s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s.

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ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following arrests.

Thursday, April 8

Andrew Joseph Keller, 17, 1527 Hamilton, was arrested for capias pro fines for no driver's license, failure to identify, failure to appear, and criminal trespass.

Jaysun Douglas Cally, 18, 534 S. Reid, was arrested on a warrant for theft over \$500 and less than \$1,500.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Office today reported the following arrests.

Thursday, April 8

Donna Gifford, 44, Lefors, was arrested on a bond surrender for a charge of theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000.

Jere David Hink, 39, 519 Frost, was arrested for stalking.

Michael Gerik, 45, 519 Frost, was arrested on a capias pro fine for open container.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, April 8

7:50 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2100 block of North Coffee and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

9:33 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of West Banks. No transport.

10:37 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of South Christy. No transport.

Friday, April 9

4:30 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of East Kingsmill and transported a patient to PRMC.

5:34 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Seneca and transported a patient to PRMC.

5:35 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to I-40 and Highway 70 on a mutual aid with Groom EMS. A patient(s) was transported to Baptist-St. Anthony's West, Amarillo.

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, April 8

7:22 a.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to a fire alarm in the 600 block of West Browning. It was a false alarm.

Pensions bill comes just in time for companies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Employer sponsors of pension plans heaved a collective sigh of relief with congressional passage of a bill that could allow them to divert \$80 billion otherwise heading for pension contributions into new investment and hiring.

"It is a responsible solution that will preserve and protect jobs, and help spur our nation's economic recovery," said John Castellani, president of the Business Roundtable, after the 78-19 Senate vote Thursday that sends the legis-

lation to the president. The House passed the bill last week and the president could sign it as early as this week-end.

The measure will for two years change the way single-employer pension sponsors calculate their contributions, replacing a formula based on the 30-year Treasury bond, which the government stopped issuing in 2001. That formula forced companies to make artificially high contributions, causing widespread economic hardships and threatening the future of some retirement plans.

Several major union groups also urged quick passage of the legislation out of concern that financially strapped companies would freeze or abandon their pension programs.

The legislation would also

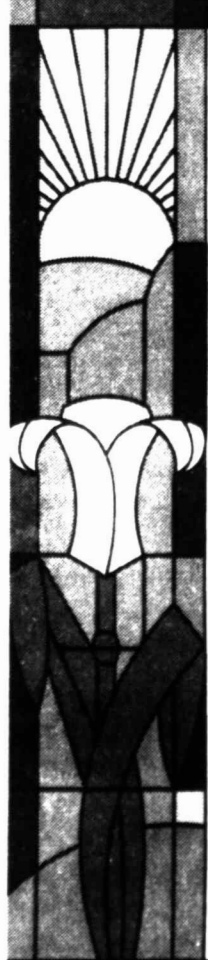
reduce by some \$1.6 billion the amount struggling airlines and steel companies, as well as Greyhound, must pay to replenish underfunded pension plans.

The bill, said United Airlines president and chief executive officer Glenn Tilton, "will help strengthen the pension plans of millions of American workers, including the 62,000 employees of United Airlines," which is currently trying to emerge from bankruptcy.

The Senate vote came six months after the House first took up the issue and just a week before many single-employer plans must make their quarterly payments. It could result in immediate savings of millions for some.

"The magnitude for many companies is pretty large," said Dorothy Coleman, vice president for tax policy at the National Association of Manufacturers. She said one company, which she did not identify, would pay \$50 million a year to its fund under the new formula, based on a long-term corporate bond rate, against \$300 million if the old formula stayed in effect.

Passage, said House Education and the Workforce Committee Chairman John Boehner, R-Ohio, "is a victory for the economy, for employers, and most importantly, for workers who are counting on their defined benefit plans in their retirement."



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MEETING

ers from Wards 2 and 4. Ward 4 is currently represented by Faustina Curry, who has filed as a candidate for re-election and is being challenged by Shirley Nicholson.

City Attorney Don Lane will speak to commissioners during the executive session concerning two legal matters involving the city. One is a proposed settlement in the lawsuit brought by Tonya White and others versus Thomas Coleman and others. The suit involves Tulia residents who were arrested in 1999 by members of Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force. White was one of those arrested, and Coleman was one of the task force members making the arrests.

Cities and counties in the Panhandle who were participants in the task force at the time of the Tulia arrests were named as defendants in the suit. These included the City of Pampa and Gray County.

A settlement offer was received by Pampa and Gray County in mid-March. In the offer, Gray County would pay its deductible of \$5,000, with its insurance company, Trident Insurance, paying an additional sum, for a total of \$7,000 to \$9,000, according to County Judge Richard Peet in a telephone interview March 11.

The City of Pampa's share of the settlement would be its insurance deductible of \$10,000, according to City Manager Mitch Grant on March 11. The total settlement amount for Pampa was quoted at \$50,000, with the remaining \$40,000 to be paid by the city's insurance carrier, Texas Management Risk Pool, Grant said.

The lawsuit against the task force and its participating entities was filed Aug. 22, 2003 by two women as a result of a drug bust in Tulia in July 1999. In the bust, 46 people, 39 of whom are black, were arrested in Tulia after

Coleman, who is white, had worked alone in an 18-month undercover operation involving the community. Authorities found no drugs or money during the arrests, and Coleman had no audio or visual evidence to corroborate the busts, according to an Associated Press report.

The second legal matter Lane will discuss in executive session with commissioners concerns a lawsuit filed against the city by former Pampa police officer Heron Erasmo Garcia Jr.

The suit has been moved to U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas, Amarillo Division, because "according to information I have, there are allegations of violation of Mr. Garcia's civil rights. Federal court would have original jurisdiction in that instance," Lane said in a telephone interview Thursday.

"Pleadings have been filed" in the suit, in which Pampa is represented by Sprouse Shrader Smith law firm of Amarillo, Lane said. Garcia filed suit Feb. 25, 2004 against the

city and three persons who were employed by Pampa Police Department at the time of Garcia's dismissal on Feb. 25, 2002.

In the lawsuit, Garcia is seeking \$1 million, reinstatement and retroactive pay.

Other items on the commission's agenda for Monday include considering awarding bids for 2004 seal coat project, vehicle purchases, purchase of street markers and purchase of golf carts.

First reading of Ordinance No. 1418 concerning Atmos Energy Company rates and charges within the city will be heard. Second and final reading of Ordinance No. 1417 amending the city's 2003-04 operating budget will also be heard.

Commissioners will also consider approval of a lease agreement for the Pampa Industrial Foundation building, and resolutions concerning state school financing and setting the time for regular city commission meetings.

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LAWSUIT

tion," according to the motion.

On Feb. 25, Garcia filed suit against the City of Pampa; former Pampa Police Chief Charlie Morris, now of Stinnett; Pampa Police Lt. Stephanie Raymond; and former Pampa Deputy Police Chief Terry Young, now of Marble Falls.

The lawsuit claims that Garcia was the target of arrest and prosecution without probable cause. Garcia claims some of his superiors wanted to get rid of him so others could be promoted within the department.

He also alleges other officers committed felonious offenses without being disciplined, terminated or demoted.

He alleges that the charges against him and his subsequent termination have destroyed his life and career. Garcia now lives in Amarillo and is represented in the suit by John Mann, a former 31st District attorney.

"The city categorically

denies the allegations," said City Manager Mitch Grant in a telephone interview March 9. Paperwork on the suit was served to Mayor Lonny Robbins on March 4.

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Grand jury hands up indictment for forgery

By MARILYN POWERS
STAFF WRITER

Gray County Grand Jury handed up one indictment Thursday in 31st Judicial District Court.

Christopher Ray Scott, 38, was indicted for forgery by passing. The charge is a state jail felony. Bond was set at \$3,500.

Scott allegedly forged the name of Dewayne Foncannon on a personal check dated July 5, 2003. The check, in the amount of \$250.00, was passed to Rebecca White without Foncannon's knowledge or authorization. The check was endorsed by United Supermarket.

Perry proposes school finance plan that cuts some property taxes

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Republican Gov. Rick Perry proposed a new education finance plan Thursday that would cut property taxes by \$6 billion and add \$2.5 billion for Texas public schools by taxing cigarettes, adult entertainment and gambling.

"Texans want action," Perry said. "Texans want a real property tax cut, and Texans want to make sure our education system develops the full potential of every child. And I will not rest until they get what they want."

If adopted by the Legislature, Perry's plan would eliminate the current share-the-wealth plan known as Robin Hood, which takes money from wealthy school districts and redistributes it to poor ones. Perry did not announce a date for an expected special legislative session but said he expects to call lawmakers back to Austin this month.

The plan would reduce taxes through a "constitutionally linked roll," reducing the residential property tax cap by 25 cents to \$1.25. The business property tax would become statewide and be reduced to \$1.40.

Both business and residential property taxes, which are levied by school districts, are capped at \$1.50 under the current plan.

Under the proposed plan, Perry said residential property taxes would go directly to schools, while business taxes would be collected by the states.

"The funds that property wealthy districts provide to other schools under the Robin Hood formula today would instead be provided directly by the state, which will take on the burden of addressing

funding gaps," Perry said.

Perry's proposal calls for the eventual lowering of the property tax cap on both business and residents to 75 cents, buying down the property tax rate with future state budget surpluses.

Property tax revenue that schools now depend on would be replaced by revenue from "voluntary, and often unhealthy, behavior and through tax fairness," Perry said.

Perry's plan also proposes a \$1 per pack increase in the state's cigarette tax, up from its current 41 cents per pack; a \$5 state tax on admissions to adult entertainment; and the legalization and taxation of video lottery terminals at race tracks.

Other Perry proposals would close loopholes in the state's business franchise tax and a suspected automobile tax loophole, in which auto buyers pay a lower tax by reporting a lower sale price.

Perry and GOP legislative leaders have repeatedly said they want to get rid of the decade-old share-the-wealth school finance system and replace it with a new one, while still maintaining finance equity among Texas' school districts.

The governor has been working with House Speaker Tom Craddick and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst about how to replace the so-called Robin Hood system, but a consensus has been difficult to reach.

Lawmakers reacted with caution, releasing statements that neither criticized nor endorsed Perry's plan. Legislators and business groups have previously opposed the idea of splitting business and residential property taxes.

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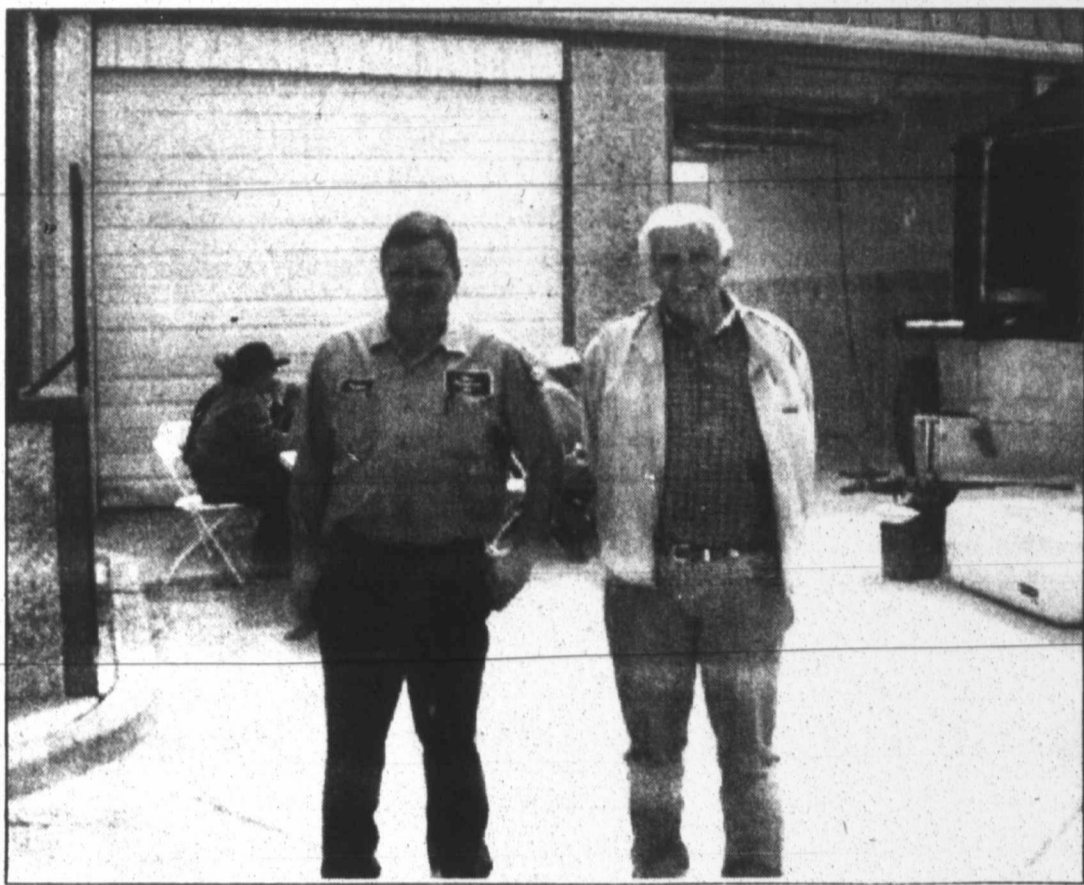
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Bill Allison, owner of Allison Quality Quick Lube, 1807 Alcock, and Taylor Brooks, manager, pause for a photo during the business' recent grand-opening.

Algerian president wins re-election amid allegations of electoral fraud

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Algeria's president won re-election by a landslide, the Interior Ministry announced Friday, in a vote tainted by allegations of electoral fraud.

President Abdelaziz Bouteflika won 83 percent of Thursday's vote, said Interior Minister Nourredine Zerhouni.

Bouteflika's supporters began celebrating in the streets of Algiers after polls closed Thursday night, but several of the five rival candidates claimed the election was marred by fraud.

Zerhouni denied the allegations, saying that candidates had representatives at all polling stations to ensure the vote was held freely and fairly.

"I must point out there were observers from all campaigns around the country. The votes were placed under full control of those representatives," the minister said.

It was the third multiparty presidential vote since 1995 in this North African nation struggling to emerge from more than a decade of Islamic-inspired bloodshed.

Bouteflika got more than the 50 percent support needed to avoid a runoff vote. Top rival former Prime Minister Ali Benflis took 8 percent, followed by Islamic leader Abdallah Djeballah with slightly less than 5 percent.

The official results still have to be validated by Algeria's

Constitutional Council. The turnout among Algeria's 18 million voters was 59 percent.

"This is a moment of great joy — we are going to win in the first round," said Abdelham Bouhouareb, a Bouteflika campaign spokesman said Thursday. "The seeds we planted for the country have borne fruit."

The president's supporters flooded the streets of the capital, blaring car horns and brandishing large photos of Bouteflika.

Allies of his rivals sought to organize a rally but were repelled by riot police.

"They burned ballot boxes, harassed our election observers and blocked streets leading to the polls," said Ali Mimouni, a spokesman for Benflis. "That confirms the fraud we were expecting."

He offered no proof of his claims.

"It appears that he (Bouteflika) will have won with an outrageous score," said Hamid Lounaoui, a spokesman for candidate Said Sadi. "We don't accept it, and we are going to challenge it."

Sharon calls for Likud Party vote on his Gaza withdrawal proposal

By RAVI NESSMAN
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JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has called for a referendum within his Likud Party on his plan to unilaterally withdraw from the Gaza Strip and parts of the West Bank, Israeli officials said Friday.

Sharon's request, lodged with the party Thursday night, means the vote will be held within the next three weeks under the ruling party's bylaws.

Sharon had initially said he would not call for the referendum until after he returned from a trip next week to Washington, where he will meet with President Bush in an effort to garner American backing for his plan.

He decided to speed up the timetable to keep the momentum going from his Washington trip and to make it harder for the opposition within his hard-line party to organize, political sources said.

Sharon has said he will honor the outcome of the referendum. A recent poll showed a slim majority of Likud members supporting his proposal.

The Palestinians fear Sharon is giving up Gaza to pre-empt a negotiated settlement and tighten his hold on much of the West Bank. However, they also said they welcome any withdrawal.

Though the Gaza pullout is not expected for up to a year, the prospect has led to a flurry of meetings among Palestinian factions and speculation about how strong the Islamic militant groups' influence would be afterward.

Palestinian Foreign Minister Nabil Shaath said Thursday an Israeli withdrawal from Gaza could clear the way for long-delayed elections that might include the militant Hamas group.

"We hope this (withdrawal) will pave the road for a Palestinian general election with participation with Hamas," he told The Associated Press.

Shaath, who meets with senior U.S. administration officials later this month, told Israel Radio the Palestinians will demand the United States do "nothing that

will pre-empt a permanent settlement, neither on borders nor refugees or anything."

Opponents of Sharon's withdrawal plan complained the Likud vote was being rushed and party members would not have enough time to study the plan's details.

"I think that what made the prime minister's advisers pull this political trick is their own fear of our (opposition) campaign," Likud parliamentarian Gilad Erdan told Israel Radio. "They understand that with every day that passes, Likud members study the ramifications of the program further and more and more of them oppose it."

Sharon adviser Raanan Gissin said the prime minister was trying to move on the plan before the situation in the region further deteriorates.

Sharon wants "to do it as quickly as possible to get it out of the way," Gissin said of the referendum. "He's determined to move along with this."

Israel and the United States have warned Hamas may try to take over Gaza after an Israeli pullout.

Palestinians have had only one general election since the Palestinian Authority was set up in 1994. Hamas boycotted the 1996 voting, refusing to recognize the Palestinian Authority, set up in an interim peace accord with Israel. Hamas does not accept a Jewish state in the Middle East.

Hamas leader Abdel Aziz Rantisi did not rule out participation in possible new elections. "Hamas is looking for a real partnership, not a cosmetic one," he told reporters in Gaza at a Hamas rally late Thursday.

Hamas has claimed responsibility for most of the suicide bombings that have killed more than 450 Israelis during 3 1/2 years of conflict. On March 22, Israel assassinated the leader and founder of Hamas, Sheikh Ahmed Yassin, and Hamas pledged revenge.

Gissin said Hamas is a terrorist group that should not be allowed a governing role. "This is another effort by the Palestinian Authority to bypass the requirement to fight terrorism," he told The Associated Press. "This is not Hamas joining the PA. This is the PA joining Hamas."

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Economic, political factors put California schools in crisis

By **BETH FOUHY**
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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — California public schools once ranked among the best-funded in the country, but a growing number of districts in the nation's largest public school system now say they're in full-blown crisis mode.

Seven warned the state they can't pay their bills this year, and 55 others say they may fall short of cash in the next three years. In one extreme example, the West Contra Costa Unified School District eliminated all sports, closed its libraries and laid off more than 200 employees last month.

"We are getting a call or an e-mail a day from districts asking for management assistance," said Tom Henry, whose Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team offers state management help to struggling schools.

Clear Channel drops shock jock, Howard Stern

WASHINGTON (AP) — Efforts to sharply raise the fine for indecency on the airwaves, to levy penalties for each utterance and to consider revoking licenses for multiple offenders are making broadcasters sit up and listen.

That's what critics want. "When you talk about real fines and the real possibility of license revocation, you do get their attention," said L. Brent Bozell III, president of the Parents Television Council, a conservative advocacy group.

Clear Channel Communications, the nation's largest radio chain, announced Thursday it was dropping Howard Stern from its six stations that aired the syndicated shock jock. The company suspended the Stern show in February.

"Mr. Stern's show has created a great liability for us and other broadcasters who air it," said John Hogan, president of Clear Channel Radio. "The Congress and the (Federal Communications Commission) are even beginning to look at revoking station licenses. That's a risk we're just not willing to take."

Earlier, Clear Channel fired the disc jockey known as Bubba the Love Sponge, whose program drew a record \$755,000 indecency fine.

And the National Association of Broadcasters, after holding a daylong summit last month, announced it would form a task force to look at writing a new voluntary code of conduct.

"They are looking at the bottom line," said Jeremy Lipschultz, a professor of communication at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. "If you raise fines enough and you pressure them enough, I'm sure it takes its toll."

The problem, many say, is a political environment that pays lip service to the importance of education but doesn't deliver the resources needed for even basic services.

"There's never been a time that I've been more concerned, more worried, and more fearful of the impact of budget cuts," said Brett McFadden of the Association of California School Administrators. "We have a situation in California where there's a huge disconnect between what the electorate wants and what the electorate is willing to pay for, and Republicans and Democrats

alike need to admit it." States nationwide face daunting school funding challenges, but the situation is particularly severe in California, which educates one of every eight students in the country.

Educators point to a confluence of economic and political constraints at the federal and state level that have forced California schools to slash programs, lay off staff and increase class size.

The problems include a state budget deficit projected to reach \$14 billion next year, declining student enrollment in some places and explosive growth in others, spiraling

health care and workers' compensation costs, and intractable state and federal spending mandates.

California's public schools were among the nation's best funded before voters in 1978 approved Proposition 13, slashing the property taxes that provided key revenues. Today, California ranks about near the bottom in average per pupil spending.

A voter backlash led to Proposition 98 in 1988, which guaranteed minimum funds for K-12 schools. But California's school spending has declined in recent years to about \$6,500 per pupil per

year, while states like New York and New Jersey spend close to \$11,000.

Republican Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger campaigned on a promise to protect public education. He negotiated a deal in December to delay \$2 billion in payments to public schools in exchange for no further cuts, and has proposed freeing \$2 billion in mandated programs so that schools can spend it as they see fit.

"He definitely followed through on the promises he made in the campaign, and the proof is in his budget," said state finance spokesman H.D. Palmer.

But escalating costs are forcing drastic choices.

Vallejo, a San Francisco Bay-area suburb that has lost students because of soaring housing costs, applied for an emergency \$20 million state loan after cutting personnel, eliminating elementary music programs and raising class size in some elementary grades from 20 to 30 students. But by accepting the bailout, the district will have to surrender its management to a state administrator until the loan is repaid.

Small towns aren't immune — the rural district of Corning in northern California has cut teachers and raised some class sizes to 38 students — and still may not pay this year's bills.

"This has been the most contentious, awful year I have spent as a school administrator," said Corning superintendent Richard Jukes. "We have been focused on money issues, not learning, and that's not where we want to be."

Physician testifies that abortion prohibited under 2003 law similar to other procedures

By **KEVIN O'HANLON**
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LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — In a major victory for lawyers fighting a federal ban on a type of abortion, a doctor testifying for the government acknowledged that a main part of the procedure may be necessary in other types of abortion.

Dr. Elizabeth Shadigian, an obstetrician and gynecologist from the University of Michigan, made the statement to a judge Thursday after she finished testifying in a trial challenging the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act.

Grand jury indicting Reliant power trading unit, employees

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — For the first time, a criminal case has been lodged against a company accused of manipulating power prices during California's energy crisis.

A Reliant Resources Inc. power-trading unit and four of its top-level workers were indicted by a federal grand jury Thursday on accusations they illegally manipulated prices by shutting down the power plants during a two-day period.

Reliant Energy Services Inc., its former vice president, a director, manager and trader are accused of illegally increasing electricity costs while creating a "false and misleading appearance of an electricity supply shortage."

The law, signed last year by President Bush, bars a procedure doctors call "intact dilation and extraction," or D&X, and that opponents call partial-birth abortion. During the procedure, generally performed in the second trimester, a fetus is partially removed from the womb and its skull is punctured or crushed.

The law has not been enforced because judges in Lincoln, New York and San Francisco agreed to hear evidence in three simultaneous non-jury trials on whether the ban violates the Constitution.

U.S. District Judge Richard Kopf asked Shadigian what would happen if complications arose during a more common abortion procedure called "dilation and evacuation," or D&E, which is not covered by the ban.

Shadigian acknowledged that collapsing the skull might be necessary during D&Es in some cases, such as when the woman is hemorrhaging. Lawyers from the Center for Reproductive Rights challenged the law on behalf of abortion provider Dr. LeRoy Carhart and three other physicians.

Carhart testified earlier that the ban is so broad that it could be interpreted as covering more common procedures, including D&E, which sometimes result in a fetus being removed whole. Congress declared that "a partial birth abortion is never necessary to preserve the health of a woman" and is "outside the standard of medical care."

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The Pampa News Comics

DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Nanny Grows Tired of Playing Hide-and-Seek With Single Dad

DEAR ABBY: I have a dilemma. I work as a nanny for a single father. My boss has been hitting on me, even though he knows I have a boyfriend. I try to avoid my boss at all costs, which is pretty easy since he works until late at night and I'm usually in bed when he comes home.

But when I can't avoid him, he flirts with me and rubs my shoulders.

I love this job and don't know what to do. How should I handle this? Should I tell my boyfriend what's going on? — A NANNY IN TEXAS

DEAR NANNY: Rather than tell your boyfriend, first speak to your boss. Tell him that you like your job and love his children, but it makes you uncomfortable when he touches you. Your silence may have given him the false impression that his advances are welcomed.

PS. I hope he listens to you. Good nannies are hard to find.

DEAR ABBY: I'm 15 and my boyfriend, Jack, is 16. We've been going out for a year.

Recently, I told him I wanted us to sign a "True Love Waits" card. (It's a card saying that since it's the right thing to do, we're going to wait to have sex until we're married.)

Jack was not thrilled about the idea. He said, "We already said we'd wait, so what's the difference?" I'm afraid he'll break up with me or cheat if I don't keep him interested.

I hope he'll sign the card AND be faithful to me, but I can't be sure. And please don't tell me to dump him. I love Jack. He hasn't done anything wrong yet — and we promised each other we'd always work out our problems together. — CHASTE SOPHOMORE IN ARDMORE, OKLA.

DEAR CHASTE: Statistically, as sincere as high school romances may be, they do not usually lead to marriage. Contrary to what some people think, you cannot keep a man interested for long solely because of sex. If there isn't mutual interest and sincere feeling, he'll wander off to make another conquest.

I, too, hope your boyfriend will sign the card and abide by it. But if he doesn't, it's an indication that he doesn't love you as much as you love him. Remember that.

DEAR ABBY: My husband, Donald, is working out of state. Last week when I called him on his cell phone, someone picked up and said nothing — but didn't disconnect. So for the next hour, I listened to my husband in a bar with another woman. I heard laughing, talking and glasses clinking. I heard them leave together to have dinner. Then the battery died.

I am hurt to the core. Donald swears nothing happened, that she was just his ride. I'm trying hard to believe him, but when I question him further, he becomes upset and defensive. His answers — or lack of them — have destroyed my heart and soul.

Why can't Donald say the right things to take my hurt away? Why doesn't he understand? Abby, am I wrong to be so upset? — DISCONNECTED IN DEER PARK

DEAR DISCONNECTED: You are not wrong to be upset. Your husband's refusal to give you an adequate explanation speaks volumes.

Laughing, talking, glasses clinking could be considered a "date," and if they were so loaded he didn't realize he'd left the cell phone on, your marriage is in trouble for more than one reason. Schedule an appointment with a marriage counselor. If your husband refuses to go, go without him, because my intuition tells me you are going to need all the emotional support you can get.

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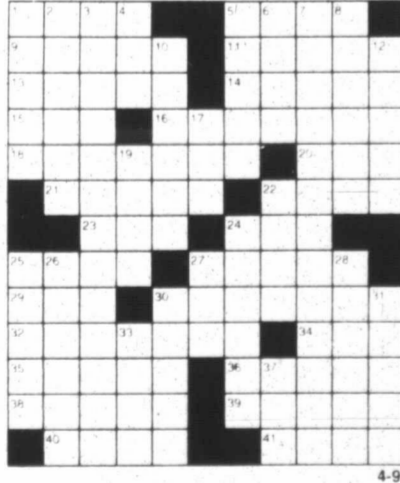
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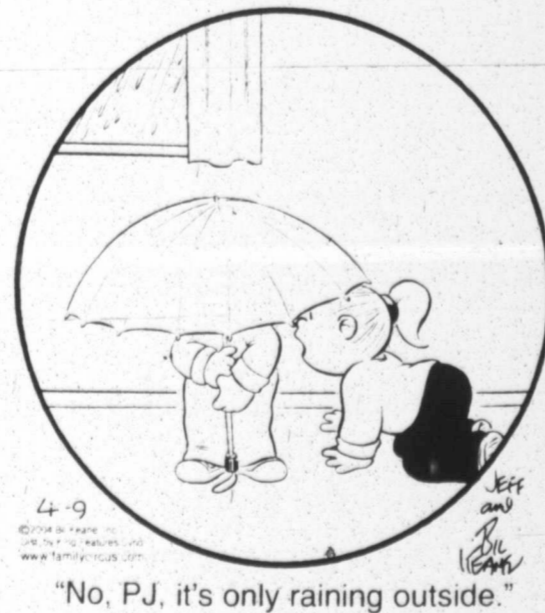
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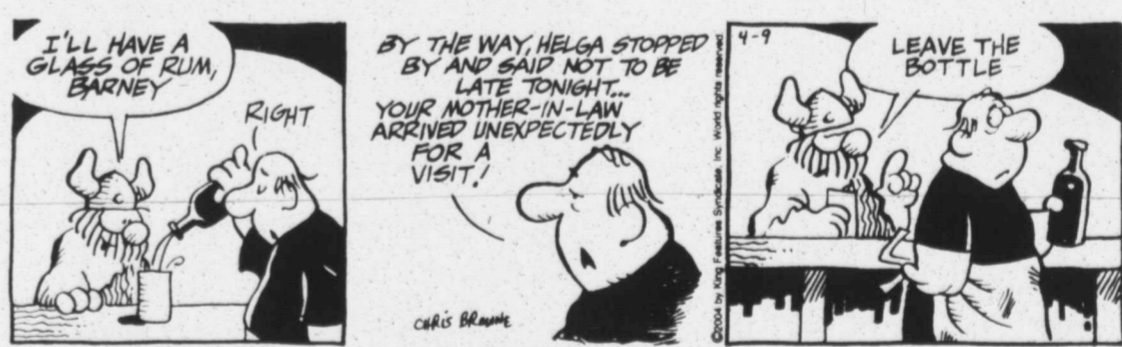
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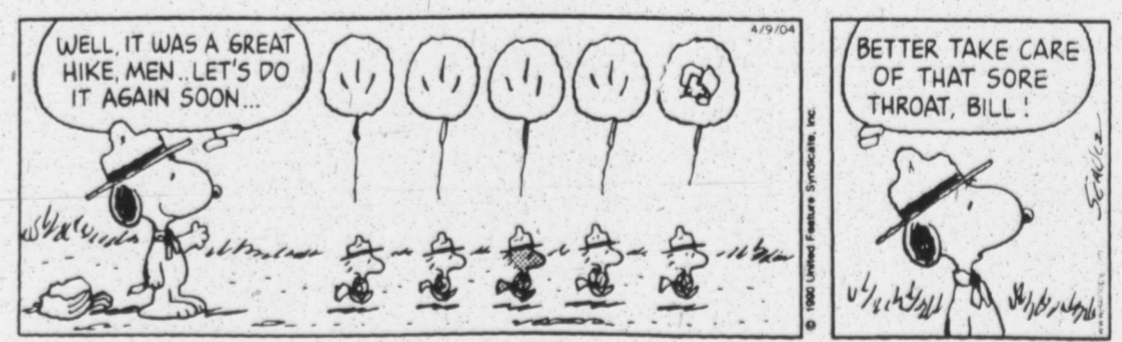
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SPORTS

Pampa hangs on against Hereford



Callie Cobb had 2 triples.

HEREFORD — Pitcher Nicole Clark won a pitcher's duel and outfielder Callie Cobb had two triples as Pampa slipped by Hereford 3-2 in District 3-4A girls softball action Thursday.

Clark and Hereford's Jenna Schlabs battled it out on the mound for seven innings before Clark came away with her 10th victory of the season.

The freshman righty

gave up four hits while striking out seven and walking one. Clark, who didn't allow an earned run, has a 10-5 record for the season and improved to 7-1 in district.

Schlabs struck out 10 and gave up eight hits.

Each team was charged with two errors.

The score was knotted 1-1 after four innings with Pampa taking a 3-1 lead in the top of the fifth.

Hereford tallied its other run in the bottom of the fifth.

With a runner on second in the third inning, senior center fielder Abbi Covalt made a diving catch on a line drive that stifled a Hereford rally.

Stacey Johnson at short-stop made some good defensive plays.

Because Cobb's two triples, Pampa's other extra

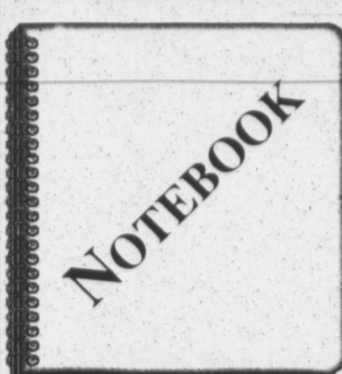
base hit was a double by Logan Winkelman.

Amy Youree, Johnson, Covalt, and Clark each had a base hit.

The Lady Harvesters have a 14-8-1 record for the season and hold down second place in the district standings.

Their next home game is Tuesday against Palo Duro. Gametime is 4:30.

Hereford is 7-6 overall and 4-4 in district.



BASKETBALL

PAMPA — High school girls interested in playing summer basketball are urged to meet at 7:30 Monday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Call Dwayne at 665-5681 or Kenney at 669-3523 if more information is needed.

PAMPA — Harvester Basketball Booster Club will meet at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Ready Room at the PHS athletic fieldhouse.

Boosters plan to sponsor a MAYB Tournament for both boys and girls ages 9-18 this summer. Tournament dates are July 16-18.

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks showed they can put up huge numbers and win easily at home.

Now they've got to do it on the road if they are going to keep building momentum toward the playoffs.

The Mavs closed a 5-0 homestand with another huge offensive night, beating the Utah Jazz 117-94 on Thursday night.

Their 50th win of the season was their sixth in a row, a streak that began when they switched to a small-ball lineup featuring 6-foot-9 Antoine Walker at center.

"We're very difficult to guard right now," Walker said. "We're grooving at the right time."

The 117 points was Dallas' lowest point total since the change. Since then, the Mavs are averaging 121.7 points and have won every game by at least 10 points. However, Sacramento is the only guaranteed playoff team they've faced along the way.

Dallas will try to keep it up this weekend at Seattle and Golden State to ensure its home finale Tuesday night against Memphis is as pivotal as it currently looks.

The Mavs and Grizzlies are both 50-28, tied for the fifth seed in the Western Conference. A Dallas victory over Memphis would tie the season series, which is the first tiebreaker. The Mavericks have a three-game lead in the next tiebreaker — conference record.

Dallas is fighting for a second-tier seed because it offsets a league-best 35-5 home record with a 15-23 road mark. Of the Mavs' four games left, the only one at home is against the Grizzlies.

Weir all wet while defending Masters green jacket

Rose holds two-stroke lead after first round

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Mike Weir may have to live with only one green jacket in his closet.

The Canadian left-hander shot the worst opening round for a defending champion in Masters history, dunking two balls in the water on his way to a 79.

Justin Rose, a 23-year-old Englishman, held a two-stroke advantage after opening with a 67. K.J. Choi of South Korea and Alex Cejka of Germany joined him atop the board Friday morning.

Choi, who shot 71 Thursday, was 4 under through seven holes in the second round, pushing his score to 5 under. Cejka also was at 5 under, making birdies on three of his first six holes.

Tiger Woods struggled to a 75, his record cut streak in peril. But things were looking better Friday — he picked up a couple of birdies and got to 2 over.

Talk about trouble.

With the sun setting Thursday on a rain-plagued first

round, Weir watched his third shot at No. 15 roll back off the green and into the pond.

He stood with his hands on his hips, then threw down his club in disgust. He wound up taking a double bogey 7, then headed to the clubhouse.

On Friday, Weir returned to finish his round — and quickly found more trouble. His tee shot at 16 got wet, leading to a bogey. He bogeyed the final two holes, as well — setting a standard for futility by a defending champ.

Weir, who beat Len Mattiace in a playoff last year, needed a major rally just to make it to the weekend. The last reigning champ to miss the cut was Jose Maria Olazabal in 2000.

Woods picked up his first birdie of the tournament at 15 by two-putting from 30 feet. He salvaged par on the last two holes — sinking a 12-footer after a bad chip at 17, then managing to get up-and-down from 70 feet on 18.

Still, it was Woods' fifth consecutive round over par in the

major — the longest streak of his career. He hasn't won a major since the 2003 U.S. Open at Bethpage.

But don't count him out just yet. Remember 1997? Woods also opened with a 40 on the front nine and went on to lap the field by 12 strokes.

Rose, who finished fourth at the British Open as a 17-year-old amateur and turned professional the next day, needed three seasons on the European tour to learn his craft. But his game has steadily improved, which was apparent in the opening round.

Rose started with two birdies, finished with two more and jumped to the top of the leaderboard in the first major of the year.

He held a two-stroke lead over DiMarco and 50-year-old Jay Haas, at 69. Darren Clarke, Chris Riley, Ernie Els and Alex Cejka were another stroke back at 70.

"If you want to be one of the best players in the world, now is the time to start coming through," said Rose, the youngest pro in the field.

Then there's Arnold Palmer, the oldest one still playing at 74. The King bid farewell to the Masters on Friday with one

final trek, through the rolling hills, colorful azaleas and towering pines.

Palmer opened with an 84 to ensure he'll miss the cut for the 21st year in a row. This is his 50th Masters, a final chance for Arnie's Army to give its hero a fitting sendoff.

"It'll be done," Palmer said. "I'll never say it wasn't fun."

Yes, it was quite a start to the 68th Masters. There were some amazing shots (Chris DiMarco's hole-in-one at No. 6; Ben Curtis' eagle from the fairway at 7), some annoying weather (rain halted play for two hours Thursday) and plenty of tears as Tom Watson remembered his close friend and caddie, Bruce Edwards.

About two hours before Watson teed off Thursday, he learned that Edwards had died during the night, succumbing to his yearlong battle against Lou Gehrig's disease.

"You lost the man in body, but you didn't lose him in spirit," Watson said. "I'm relying on his spirit to take care of me."

Because of the rain, 18 players returned to finish their rounds Friday morning, then got started on another 18

holes.

Rose could have taken his score even lower, missing a couple of 10-footers at 15 and 16. But he had no complaints about the way he started — or finished.

"It's a dream start," Rose said.

The Englishman hasn't been in this sort of spotlight since the 1998 British Open, when he chipped in for birdie on the final hole at Royal Birkdale to finish fourth.

He turned pro the next week, then missed 21 consecutive cuts before his game slowly recovered. He has won four times in Europe, and tied for fifth at the U.S. Open last year.

"There were times when you're thinking this is going to be a long, uphill struggle," Rose said. "Hopefully, it's time to move onward and upward even more."

Six-time champion Jack Nicklaus, who hinted that this might be his final Masters, finished with two bogeys for a 75.

"I hit the ball very well," Nicklaus said. "But this is a golf course where you need to make some putts. I didn't make any putts."

Lefors boys, Miami girls claim district track titles

LEFORS — Lefors boys and Miami girls claimed the District 1-1A track championships this season.

The Pirates won a half-dozen events and finished with 149 points, 19 points ahead of second-place Hartley. The Warriorettes came in first in four events and finished 12 points ahead of second-place Lefors.

District 1-1A Meet
Boys Division
Team Totals: 1. Lefors 149; 2. Hartley 130; 3. Miami 104; 4. Adrian 75; 5. Channing 54; 6. Textline 37; 7. Higgins 12.

Pampa Area Qualifiers
(Top 4 in each event qualify for Area meet April 19 at Panhandle)
Long jump: 3. Jennings, Lefors, 18-1 1/4; 4. Roach, Miami, 18-0 1/4.
Triple jump: 3. Roach, Miami, 38-0; 4. Browning, Miami, 37-1.
High jump: 2. Miller, Miami, 5-9; 3. Stamper, Lefors, 5-8; 4. Browning, Miami, 5-6.
Pole vault: 1. Roberson, Lefors, 8-0; 2. Andis, Lefors, 7-6; 3. Lewis, Lefors, 7-0.
Discus: 3. Roach, Miami, 98-3 1/4.
3200: 2. Browning, Miami, 11:03.25.
400 relay: 3. Lefors, 52.02.
800: 2. Miami, 2:15.68.
110 hurdles: 1. Stamper, Lefors, 16.75; 2. Roberson, 17.04; 3.

Hutchinson, Miami, 20.90.
100: 1. Jennings, Lefors, 11.53; Hilliard, Adrian, 12.12; 3. Stribling, Miami, 12.53.
800 relay: 2. Lefors, 1:49.81.
400: 1. Miller, Miami, 57.03.
300 hurdles: 1. Roberson, Lefors, 43.31; 2. Stamper, Lefors, 43.72; 4. Meadows, Miami, 51.48.
200: 1. Jennings, Lefors, 4. Stribling, Miami, 25.67.
1600: 1. Browning, Miami, 5:17.90; 4. Czubinski, Lefors, 5:36.54.
1600 relay: 1. Lefors, 3:51.00; 4. Miami, 4:04.37.

Girls Division
Team Totals: 1. Miami, 125; 2. Lefors 113; 3. Hartley 90; 4. Textline 77; 5. Channing 73; 6. Fort Elliott 52; 7. Higgins 24; 8. Adrian 11.
Long jump: 1. Hutchinson, Miami, 14-9 1/2; 2. Davenport, Miami, 14-0 1/2; 3. Reis, Fort Elliott, 13-9; 4. Stubbs, Lefors, 13-5 1/4.
Triple jump: 1. Davenport, Miami, 31-4 1/2; 2. Stubbs, Lefors, 30-8; 4. Smith, Lefors, 29-0 3/4.
High jump: 1. Reis, Fort Elliott, 13-9; 2. 3. Hutchinson, Miami, 4-6; 4. Coulter, Fort Elliott, 4-4.
800: 1. Tinney, Lefors, 2:44.31; 3. Manor, Miami, 2:50.03.
100 hurdles: 1. Hutchinson, Miami, 17.21; 3. Greenhouse, Miami, 20.25; 4.

Foster, Miami, 20.61.
100: 1. Davenport, Miami, 13.75; 3. Barnes, Lefors, 14.37.
800 relay: 2. Lefors, 1:57.64; 3. Fort Elliott, 2:00.00.
400: 3. Hannon, Miami, 74.62.
300 hurdles: 2. Hutchinson, Miami,

58.89; 3. Greenhouse, Miami, 66.56; 4. Foster, Miami, 72.33.
200: 2. Davenport, Miami, 29.70; 3. Smith, Lefors, 30.00.
1600: 1. Stubbs, Lefors, 6:21.87; 3. Andis, Lefors, 7:01.18.
1600 relay: 4. Miami, 5:29.43.



Lefors girls who qualified for Area are (from left) Jonelle Tinney, Katie Barnes, Kayla Andis, Rachel Stubbs and Savannah Smith. Not pictured is Amanda Hicks. Also pictured are coaches Craig Summers and Andy Glass.

North boys and girls teams win Golden Spread Openers

CANYON — Pampa twins Collin Bowers and Chance Bowers both had solid games, but their East team lost a 110-94 decision to the North in a Golden Spread all-star contest Thursday. Collin Bowers had 16 points and Chance Bowers 10 for the East.

Layne Grant of Channing and Josh Spencer of Tascosa each had 18 points to pace the North scoring.

Jeffrey Browning of Miami and Sy Slover of

Panhandle each had 16 points for the East.

The East held a six-point lead (58-52) at halftime.

In a girls game yesterday, the North downed the East 54-49.

Shannon Simdorn of Borger led the North attack with 14 points. Dominique Gilbreath of Palo Duro chipped in 9.

Jennifer Paetzoid of Canyon led the East, also with 14. Katie Donaldson of Fort Elliott and Nykita

Ledbetter of Shamrock added 8 pieces for the East.

The all-star games, which are for seniors only, are being played at the WT Event Center.

Arnie's Army gathers for final tribute

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — The King's reign at the Masters is almost over.

Sometime late Friday afternoon, Arnold Palmer will walk up to the 18th green at Augusta National for the last time. And as sure as there will be a broad smile on his face, there will be thousands of adoring fans — Arnie's Army

— waiting for him.

"I understand it's time," Palmer said Thursday after shooting a 12-over 84. "It's time to sit back, watch and enjoy."

After 50 years, he's certainly earned it.

The 74-year-old Palmer has won four Masters and three other major champi-

onships, but it was his personality that altered the game forever.

Visiting with fans in the gallery while he played, he was like a king greeting his subjects. He looked them in the eye when they yelled out encouragement, making them feel appreciated, an integral part of his game.

Golf
Hidden Hills Senior Scramble (April 7)
 1. Jim Cantrell, Ron Parnell, Jack Davis and Bill Brown, 63.
 2. Bill Hammer, Carroll Pettit and Ron Crump, 63.
 3. Travis Taylor, Harvey Malone and Jim Ashford, 64.
 4. Bill King, Larry Neighbors, Bob Lyle and Gabe Crossman, 64.
 Closest to hole: Bill Brown, third shot, No. 18.

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Pampa boxers win top honors at Golden Gloves tourney

LUBBOCK — Once again, the Golden Gloves Tournament was held in Lubbock where they came from all across Texas to test their skills against each other. Each boxer would have the opportunity to either win a team trophy or advance to state competition.

The Golden Gloves is a very popular event which was started by an African American many years ago. The tournament got its name when a small glove made of gold was awarded to the winner.

This time the Youth Survival Boxing Club members didn't have to get ready to leave at 2:30 in the morning like in past years. They left a day early and spent the night at a Days Inn.

Thanks to Bartlett Lumber Company, Paul Clay of Farmers Insurance Inc., Bob Poll of Pack A Mail, La Pasadita Restaurant, Greg Brown of A.G. Edwards, United Super Market, Albertson's Foods, Wal-Mart and Jiffy Cleaners for making it possible for the kids to stay in a motel for three days. Thanks for the much needed help and God Bless You All.

This tournament was different because it consisted of brackets, which is like a drawing card. There are different brackets, which means all kinds of divisions.

For example, Pampa's Cecilia Garcia drew a female boxer from El Paso, who had a lot of experience in the ring. She was a two-time state champion Ta Kaw Do fighter, but Cecilia didn't back down. She went toe-to-toe with the champion and claimed a silver medal for her effort.

Anytime a fighter goes against someone with more experience, you have to change your footwork and style of boxing. Garcia knew she was in for a tough match and the fight was very close.



Celia Mora of the Youth Survival Club heads back to her corner after winning a decision.

Celia Mora went three rounds of trading punches with a boxer who had bitten her before, but not this time. Mora was trained to fight opening with fast left hooks. Her style was changed by a Youth Survival coach after she had developed some bad habits when she was with another club. She came back very strong to win the Golden Gloves title.

Crystal Garcia (we call her Little Crystal) is 11 years old and has faced some tough competition of her own.

She went against a state champion with eleven fights. Little Garcia had only started boxing with the club when she gave the state champion a boxing lesson in Slaton.

Crystal was ready for this tournament.

She hit her opponent in the nose in the second round on the way to winning the title.

Venessa Rivera also won a silver medal and Hector Martinez, another boxer from the Youth Survival Club, knocked out his opponent in the first round to win the championship.

Johnny Ramirez also won a Golden Gloves title in his first time in the ring. He won all three rounds. His brothers, Freddie, Joey and Ernest Ramirez, all took the silver medal.

Russell Kelly of the Youth Survival Club had a very rugged match with one of the Lubbock Warriors. He also took a silver medal.

Overall, the Youth Survival boxers brought home four gold medals and nine silver medals.

Also to our surprise, the club was awarded the Good Sportsmanship trophy, which was an honor to receive such an award.

One boxing club was escorted out of the building by police because of bad conduct. Its members didn't get to box.

We're pleased that our club members are very much in control of themselves, thanks to our wonderful board of directors. Once a boxer or coach gets crossways with an official, he's in real trouble. If a boxer gets kicked out of a bracket event, it's all over. According to U.S.A. Boxing Rules, a boxer can never

compete in another Golden Gloves Tournament. Entering such an event would be illegal and the club would be subject to a fine or the club would be closed down.

After returning home, our Youth Survival Club was invited to participate in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Shamrock. With just a few

days' rest, club president Terry Mora and sidekicks Rosa Garcia and Lisa Ramirez rigged a 16-foot trailer into a boxing ring. The parade float was sponsored by Frank's General Store. The club put some boxers in the home-made ring, which was pulled by the club van. It was off to the Shamrock parade for our boxing club.

To make the story short, the club won first place in the parade. The story was told about the club, how it got its name, and how it got started.

On March 27, the club again was invited to attend a boxing event in north Lubbock by the Midway Boxing Club. By this time our boxers needed some rest, but they were all very happy and ready to box.

The bouts were on. Freddie Ramirez knocked out his opponent with just seconds into the first round. Cecilia Garcia won a trophy for winning her match and a larger trophy for the tournament's best fighter of the night.

Russell Kelly also won all three rounds of his match.

Steven Rodriguez knocked down his opponent in the second round of the three-round match. He came away the winner and received a trophy for his effort. Crystal Garcia took second place and Pampa won the team trophy for winning the most fights.

Our team was also proud of Cecilia Garcia for winning the best fighter of the night award.

Only three female boxers have won Golden Gloves titles in Pampa's history. They are Celia Mora, Nikki Medley and Crystal Garcia.

The club is also invited to box in Midland and Odessa in the near future. For now, the club is taking a short break.

The club is operated by President Terry Mora, Lisa Ramirez and Rosa Garcia, all licensed by the USA Boxing Association.

Congratulations to the club members for their great achievements and for their ability to stand firm.

— This article was submitted by J.R. Moreno, founder of the Youth Survival Club of Pampa.



Pampa boxers get ready to participate in Shamrock's St. Patrick's Day Parade.

San Diego's Burroughs steals the spotlight from all-star players

By the Associated Press

With an All-Star cast of characters on the field — Barry Bonds, David Wells and Trevor Hoffman — Sean Burroughs made sure there was a happy ending on opening night at the San Diego Padres' new downtown ballpark.

Burroughs hit an opposite-field RBI single with two outs in the 10th inning that dropped in front of Bonds in left field to give the Padres a wild 4-3 win over the San Francisco Giants on Thursday night.

"It was like out of a fictional novel, almost," said Burroughs, whose winning hit came off David Aardsma.

"Opening night, it's been anticipated for so many years, full house. Bonds almost hits a homer to tie," Burroughs said. "There were some things that went on in this game that I think we're never going to forget."

Bonds went 0-for-4 with an intentional walk and remained on hold with 659 home runs, one behind his godfather, Willie Mays, for third place on the career list. He came close, though, hitting a deep drive to center in the sixth inning that

Jay Payton caught at the top of the fence. Replays were inconclusive whether Payton's catch saved a homer.

Payton wasn't sure if the ball would have gone out.

"Right place, right time, really," said Payton, another Padres newcomer.

Wells was stellar in his debut with the Padres, but Hoffman blew his first save opportunity since September 2002, forcing San Diego to go extra innings to win it.

Wells, a San Diego native who signed as a free agent on Dec. 31, allowed four hits in seven scoreless innings, walked one and struck out none.

In other games, it was: Cincinnati 5, Chicago Cubs 3; Milwaukee 11, St. Louis 5; Florida 3, Montreal 0; Pittsburgh 6, Philadelphia 2; Atlanta 10, New York 8; Arizona 6, and Colorado 5 in 11 innings.

Starting the ninth with a 1-0 lead, Hoffman allowed hits to his first two batters and gave up a two-run double by Ray Durham with two outs to blow his first save chance since September 2002.

"Two hits before I knew it," Hoffman said. "A couple of

fastballs, bad location. I thought we got the last out there with a pop fly, and it ended up going in the gap."

Burroughs sent the game into extra innings when he singled in Khalil Greene, who went 3-for-3, in the bottom of the ninth to tie it at 2.

He then came up big again after Marquis Grissom homered leading off the 10th inning to give San Francisco a 3-2 lead.

Matt Herges (0-1) and Aardsma each blew saves for the Giants. Eddie Oropesa (1-1) got the win.

"It was an unbelievable game," Aardsma said.

Reds 5, Cubs 3
At Cincinnati, Sean Casey had three hits, including a two-run double, and Jose Acevedo (1-0) pitched six solid innings to lead the Reds over the Chicago Cubs.

Matt Clement (0-1) allowed four runs, six hits and three walks in four innings. Sammy Sosa emerged from an 0-for-9 slump with an RBI double and two-run homer.

Brewers 11, Cardinals 5
At St. Louis, Brady Clark homered in his first two at-bats, Keith Ginter hit a three-run

homer and Scott Podsednik had four hits. Milwaukee, which started last year 0-6, took three of four from the Cardinals.

Chris Capuano (1-0) gave up four runs, one earned, and four hits in six innings, and Dave Burba pitched three innings for his second career save, first since 1991.

Jeff Suppan (0-1) gave up six runs and eight hits in four-plus innings. Albert Pujols hit his first two home runs of the season and had four RBIs.

Marlins 3, Expos 0
At Miami, Dontrelle Willis pitched five-hit ball into the eighth inning, went 3-for-3 and scored with a headfirst slide to help lift Florida over Montreal. Willis went 7 2-3 innings, struck out eight and walked one in his first start.

Montreal's Tomo Ohka (0-1) allowed three runs and nine hits in 5 2-3 innings.

Pirates 6, Phillies 2
At Pittsburgh, Ryan Vogelsong, who pitched his way into the Pirates' rotation with a breakout spring training, limited Philadelphia to a run and six hits over seven innings.

Bobby Hill had two hits and drove in the go-ahead run with a double in the sixth off Vicente

Padilla (0-1). Raul Mondesi added a two-run homer in a three-run seventh.

Braves 10, Mets
At Atlanta, Johnny Estrada had a career-high four RBIs and the Braves celebrated the 30th anniversary of Hank Aaron's 715th home run with a victory.

Estrada finished 3-for-4 — tying a career high for hits — and Marcus Giles had four hits for Atlanta.

Will Cunnane (1-0) picked up the win despite giving up the tying run in the sixth, and John Smoltz got his first save despite allowing a solo home run to Mike Cameron in the ninth.

Bowling Roundup

HARVESTER LANES League Standings Celanese Mixed League (Week 6)		
Team	Won	Lost
Team Five	15	9
Team Eight	14	10
WTM&N	14	10
DJ's	13	11
Pin Heads	12 1/2	11 1/2
Pin Busters	10 1/2	13 1/2
Team One	9	15
Darcy's Team	8	16

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Team	Won	Lost
Onie's Regulars	16	4
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Black Gold	12	8
AT&T Yard Service	12	8
Team Seven	11	9
B&C Twice	11	9
Reed's Welding	8	12
Team Eleven	7	13
JJ&R	7	13
Coney Island	6	14
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A-1 Concrete	5	15

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Women
High scratch game: Gay-Lynn Coutts 183; High scratch series: Jennifer Bailey 518; High handicap game: Jennifer Bailey 235; High handicap series: Jennifer Bailey 680.

Week's High Scores Men
High scratch game: Michael Nelson 245; High scratch game: Randy Skovbo 677; High handicap game: David Thomas 261; High handicap series: Randy Skovbo 704.

Women
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Local 7th graders take fourth place at Plainview track meet

PLAINVIEW — The Pampa 7th grade boys' track team grabbed fourth place with 96 points at the Plainview Middle School Meet.

Pampa was eighth out of 17 teams with 38 points in the 8th grade division.

8th Grade Division

Pampa Results
2400: 4. Rafael Bocanegra, 8:24.06.
400 relay: 3. (Adam Estrada, Jerrod Bivins, Ryne Malone and Shavious Kelley), 48.27.
100: 4. Shavious Kelley, 11.88.

400: 6. Josh Mulkey, 59.47.
200: 6. Shavious Kelley, 25.14.
1600: 2. Rusty Snider, 5:28.
7th Grade Division
Shot put: 1. Daniel Kirkland, 39-10 1/2.

Discus: 1. Daniel Kirkland, 97-5.
Long jump: 1. Matt Smith, 16-10 1/2.
Pole vault: 1. Darren Parker, 8-0; 2. Nick Riley, 8-0; 5. Jack Ware, 7-0.
2400: 6. Paul Soria, 9:52.
400 relay: 1. (Madison

Wilson, Darren Parker, Casey Trimble and Matt Smith), 51.56.
110 hurdles: 1. Matt Smith, 19.35; 6. Chase Herriman, 20.63.
800 relay: 4. (Madison Wilson, Thomas Fraser, John Luke Covalt and Casey

Trimble), 1:56.03.
300 hurdles: 4. Darren Parker, 53.18; 5. Chase Herriman, 53.69.
200: 1. Matt Smith, 24.87.
1600: 4. Paul Soria, 5:58.05.
1600 relay: 5. 4:41.28.

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The residence of the executor is: Paul Clay, Gray County, Texas, post office address: 1205 Charles, Texas 79065. All having claims against the estate which is being administered, are required to present within the time a manner prescribed by law.
DATED the 7th day of April, 2004.
By: Harold L. State 1, No. 04, P.O. Box 79065, Pampa, TX, 79065 (806)699-1205 FAX (806)699-1205
Independent Attorney
E-26 Apr. 9,

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Sale good April 9th-12th

ASST.
BLUE BELL
HALF GALLON

2 FOR \$6

Krispy Kremes
Delivered
Daily !!

RUSSET
POTATOES
10 LB. BAG

3 FOR \$5

BIG TEX 46 OZ. CAN
APPLE JUICE

99¢ EA.

PACKER TRIM
BEEF BRISKETS
BONELESS

99¢
First two 99¢ Lb.
Thereafter \$1.29 Lb.

GORDAS
FLOUR

TORTILLAS
10 CT. PK.

3 FOR \$2

SHURFINE GRADE A
LARGE EGGS

99¢ DOZ.

BAR 5
MEAT OR CHICKEN
FRANKS

39¢
12 OZ. PKG.

TAMPICO
DRINK

SELECT VARIETIES
PUNCH OR
LEMONADE

99¢
128 OZ.

RED RIPE
STRAWBERRIES
1 LB. PKG.

99¢
COUNTLESS
DESSERT CUPS
2/\$1
ANGEL FOOD BAR
2/\$3

**HAMBURGER OR
HOTDOG BUNS**
TENDERCRUST
8 PK.

2 FOR \$1

DEL MONTE
VEGETABLES

SELECT
VARIETIES
11.15.2 OZ.

3 FOR \$1

SHURFINE 10 LB. BAG
CHARCOAL
BRIQUETS

\$1.99

SHURFINE
SOUR CREAM

99¢
16 OZ.

SHURFINE
SODA

SELECT
VARIETIES
12 PK. 12 OZ. CANS

3 FOR \$5

KRAFT BARBECUE
SAUCE

SELECT VARIETIES
18 OZ.

69¢

FOLGERS
COFFEE

SELECT VARIETIES
11.5-13 OZ.
EXCLUDES DECAF

2 FOR \$3

KRAFT
MIRACLE WHIP
OR MAYO
REGULAR OR LIGHT

\$1.99
32 OZ.

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