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'Long arm of the law' stops jump

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

A Pampa man remains in Gray County Jail today after his attempt to jump from the Cuyler Street overpass was foiled by the long arm of the law.

Andrew Cano, 19, 514 S. Warren, had climbed up on the railroad bridge at about 7:55 p.m. yesterday and was threatening to jump. He climbed over the railing and down onto the ledge just above the top of the arch over the street.

As Cano jumped, Pampa Police Officer Anthony Albus grabbed him by one arm and held on. Albus raised Cano up by the arm until Cano was at the edge of the railing, then took a two-handed hold of Cano and pulled him over the railing back onto the bridge. Gray County Deputy Chad Brooks helped Albus pull Cano up and over the railing.

The incident began when Cano fought with officers in the 2400 block of ...

Officer Colby Brown requested backup at 25th Avenue and Navajo Road. He had seen Cano enter a residence there and knew Cano was wanted for two capias pro fines and at least one outstanding warrant.

Officers made contact with Cano inside the house and told him about the warrant. Cano became aggressive and "jerked away" from the officers. Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner said.

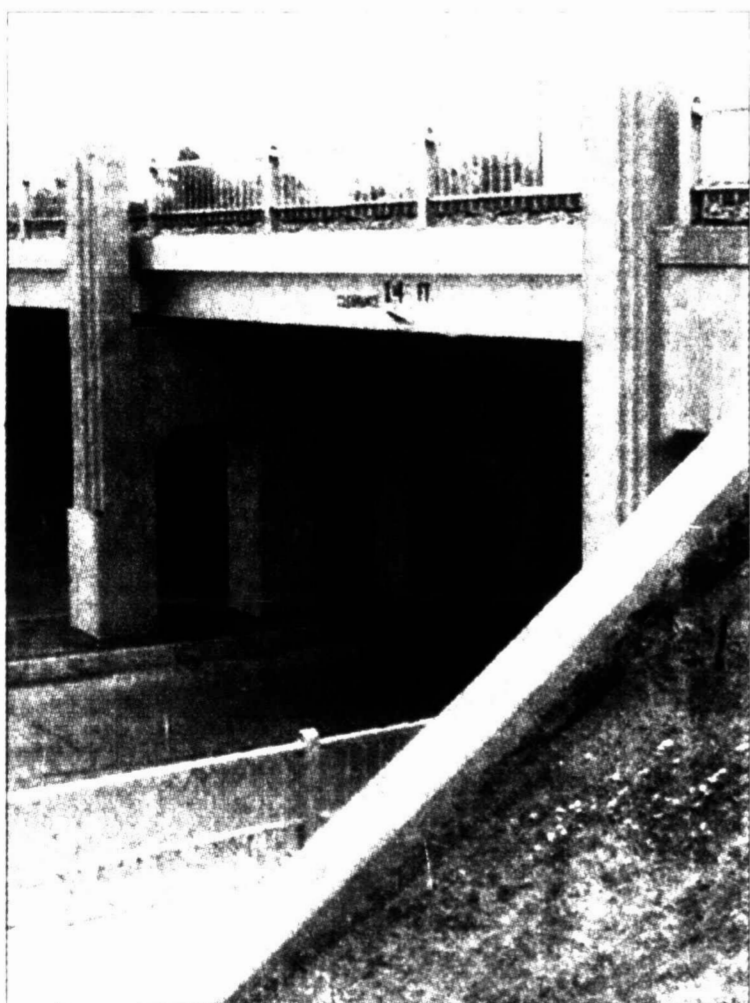
'He told officers he was going to jump... he claimed he had consumed a large amount of cocaine.'

Trevlyn Pitner
Pampa Police Chief

Cano fought with officers but was subsequently arrested in the 2400 block of ...

When officers arrived at the site with Cano and opened the patrol car door, Cano took off running. Pitner and Cano had managed to tip his left hand out of the car. Pitner said.

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Pampa News photo by DEE DEE LARAMORE

Pampa Police Officer Anthony Albus's quick actions and strength Thursday evening saved a man from jumping off this railroad bridge which passes over Cuyler Street.



Pampa News photo by DEE DEE LARAMORE

Teaching of kindness

Bernardo Tinajero, 10; his sister Mayra, 8, and Justin Carlton, 12, stop on their way to turn in books to look at the new statue in front of Lovett Memorial Library. The statue of a mother reading to a child with a bronze plaque inscribed with Proverbs 31:26: "She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue." The bronze statue is one of a pair donated to the museum by the Franklins, a pioneer ranching family here. The second statue is to be erected in the reading garden later this summer.

Car bombs strike twice in Iraq

BAGHDAD (AP) — A sport utility vehicle packed with artillery shells blew up Thursday in a crowd of people waiting to volunteer for the Iraqi military, killing at least 35 people and wounding 138. Another car bomb north of the capital killed six members of the Iraqi security forces.

The explosion in Baghdad was part of a surge of violence against U.S. coalition forces and their Iraqi allies ahead of the transfer of sovereignty to Iraqis on June 30.

The blast scattered bodies and debris across a four-lane highway outside Baghdad's Muthanna airport, which is used as a base by both the Iraqi Civil Defense Corps and the U.S. military. The explosion could be heard for miles and sent a cloud of smoke over the city.

Iraq's interior minister said he believed an al-Qaida-

linked militant, Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, was connected to the bombing.

'We are quite sure and confident they are not Iraqis... We have very good indications that they came from abroad.'

Falah al-Naqib
Iraqi Interior Minister

No American or Iraqi troops were wounded, U.S. Army Col. Mike Murray said. Most of the victims appeared to be poor Iraqis hoping to join the security forces because job opportunities are limited.

Another car bomb exploded Thursday afternoon in a

village near Balad, 50 miles north of Baghdad, killing six U.S. soldiers and wounding four others, the U.S. 1st Infantry Division said. The U.S. military is the main internal security force created by U.S. administrators to battle insurgents.

The bombing came a day after a rocket slammed into a U.S. logistics base near Balad, killing three U.S. soldiers and wounding 10 other people, including two civilian workers.

In Mosul, Iraq's Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz said the U.S. will transfer its Iraq security forces to the Iraqis to take over the job after a transfer of power and the growth of continued U.S. military support for the interim government.

You can see the map of Iraq at www.pentagon.gov.

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City Commission sets special meeting to consider Guardian EMS contract

A special meeting of the Pampa City Commission has been called Friday afternoon to consider a contract for ambulance services here.

Commissioners plan to meet at 4 p.m. in

the City Commission chamber on the second floor of City Hall to consider a contract with Powell Professional Services LLC dba Guardian Emergency Medical Services.

The meeting is open to the public.

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Obituaries

Wayne Cockrell, 76, of Pampa, died Wednesday, June 16, 2004, at Amarillo. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors. Mr. Cockrell was born Sept. 16, 1927, at Pampa and had been a Pampa resident most of his life. He owned-operated Pampa Paint & Body for 25 years. He married Eulene

Wayne Cockrell, 76

Rexroat in 1975 at Pampa. Mr. Cockrell was a veteran of the U.S. Army. Survivors include his wife, Eulene, of Pampa; two daughters, Sharon Fick of Borger and Debbie Owens of Pampa; one son, Calvin Cockrell of Dallas; one stepdaughter, Kathy Harden of Clovis, N.M.; four stepsons, Norman Rexroat and Richard Rexroat, both of Amarillo, Bill Rexroat and

Jimmy Rexroat, both of Corpus Christi; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. The family requests memorials be to Alzheimer's Association, 2200 W. 7th Ave., Amarillo, TX 79106. —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Mr. Richard Sandefur, Sr., 71, died Tuesday, June 15, 2004, at the Veteran's Nursing Home in Amarillo. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, June 18, 2004, at Brown's Funeral Home Chapel of the Fountains. Reverend Jimmy Gillmore, Pastor of Riverview Baptist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Stinnett Cemetery, Stinnett, Texas. Services are entrusted to Brown Funeral Directors. Mr. Sandefur was born September 27, 1932, in Strawn, Texas. He was a Pampa resident

Richard Sandefur, 71

for 15 years before moving to Borger in 1982. He was a U.S. Navy veteran, and served in the Korean Conflict. He was a Baptist. Mr. Sandefur was a member of the Amarillo DAV Chapter #26, American Legion, American Legionnaire and the Moose Lodge #1385. He married Wanda Nolen on April 2, 1976, in Stinnett. He was preceded in death by a son, Richard Sandefur, Jr., in 1980; a stepdaughter, Robin Brown in 1988; and a stepson, Bobby Ehrhart in 1979. He is survived by his wife;



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one stepson, James Perkins of Borger; two daughters, Karoline Mantz of Stephenville and Krickett Kirksy of Sanford; one stepdaughter, Melody Allen of Panhandle; four brothers, Clyde Sandefur of Anaheim, California, William Sandefur and John Sandefur, both of Pampa, and Raymond Sandefur of Dallas; four sisters, Ela Mae Hazard of Sweetwater, Patty Burnett of Abilene, Joyce Thornton of Midland and Barbara Martinez of Pampa; 14 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Amarillo Veterans Nursing Home, 6010 Amarillo Blvd. West, Amarillo, Texas 79106.

Ruth Clark Ware, 95 McLEAN — Ruth Clark Ware, 95, died Tuesday, June 15, 2004, at Shamrock, Texas. Services will be at 2 p.m., Friday, June 18, 2004, at the McLean Church of Christ with Pat Andrews of Abilene, Texas, and Bright Newhouse of Clarendon, Texas, officiating. Burial will be in the Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean, Texas, by Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler, Texas. Mrs. Ware was born Feb. 18, 1909, in Fannin Co., Texas. She was the daughter of James O. and Tina Goin

Ruth Clark Ware, 95

Clark. She married Elmer R. Ware in 1927 in Lefors, Texas. Mrs. White had lived in the McLean area since 1914. She graduated from McLean High School in 1926. She had taught school for a number of years in Mobeetie, Miami, and Farrington. She and her husband had also farmed and ranched. Mrs. Ware was preceded in death by her husband in 2001. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include three daughters, Peggy Carter of Mobeetie, Texas, Kitty Ninceheler of Fort Smith, Ark., and Ginger Holwick of McLean, Texas; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity. The body will lie in state in the Church of Christ in McLean from 11 a.m. until service time.

Services tomorrow

- SANDEFUR, Richard** — 2 p.m., Brown's Funeral Home Chapel of the Fountains, Borger.
WARE, Ruth Clark — 2 p.m., McLean Church of Christ, McLean.

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests. Thursday, May 27 Forgery was reported in the 300 block of East Brown. Sunday, June 13 Criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block of North Dwight. An estimated \$1,000 damage was done to vehicles. Wednesday, June 16 Two juveniles were charged with possession of marijuana at 18th Avenue and Wells Street. Violation of a protective order was reported in the 2200 block of Lea. Theft was reported in the 500 block of Carr. The incident reportedly occurred between June 14 and June 15. A bicycle valued at approximately \$20 was taken. Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of East Browning. A latch was

cut off a garage door. Estimated damage was \$10. Forgery was reported in the lobby of the police department. James Adrian Selvidge, 39, Amarillo, was arrested for open container and failure to appear. Luis Andrew Cano, 19, 514 N. Warren, was arrested at 25th Avenue and Navajo Road and at Cuyler Street overpass for violation of probation on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, resisting arrest, escape while arrested, two capias pro fines, and having a prohibited substance in a correctional facility. Thursday, June 17 Isaias Chavez, 36, 1004 E. Frederic, was arrested in the 1000 block of East Frederic for a parole violation.

Treva Jo Wilbanks, 43, 313 Canadian, was arrested for a theft by check charge out of Hutchinson County.

Ambulance

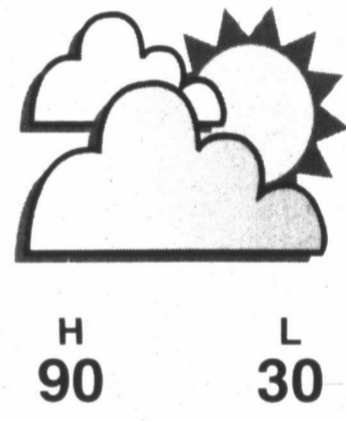
Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Wednesday, June 16 12:13 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transferred a patient(s) to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo. 7:36 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 12000 block of County Rd. A and transported a patient(s) to the landing zone at White Deer for pickup by LifeStar helicopter. 7:49 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of South Cuyler. No transport. 8:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of North Russell and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office today reported the following arrests. Wednesday, June 16

Gray County Weather

Today: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, then a chance of showers and thunderstorms, possibly severe, after 4pm. Chance of precipitation is 40 percent. Partly cloudy, with a high near 91. South southeast wind between 15 and 20 mph. Tonight: A chance of showers and thunderstorms, possibly severe, before 4am, then a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms after 4am. Chance of precipitation is 40 percent. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. South wind around 20 mph. Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high around 91. South southwest wind around 15 mph. Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low near 64. South wind around 15 mph.



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Soybeans	7.94		Triad	34.99	-0.30	Tenneco	12.77	-0.16
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edwards Jones & Co. of Pampa:			NOI	29.79	-0.46	CVX	92.20	+0.21
OXY	47.14	+0.20	RMI	59.13	+0.07	Wal-Mart	55.77	-0.35
BP	53.97	+0.23	SCPL	16.71	+0.08	OKE	21.29	-0.07
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Cabot Corp	37.93	+0.09	NOM	44.77	+0.04	New York Gold ... 384.85		
			Limited	19.09	-0.07	Silver ... 5.71		
			Williams	11.86	-0.08	West Texas Crude ... 37.32		
			MCD	26.80	+0.09			
			Atmos	24.70	-0.30			

Texas tourist dies in Down Under

CAIRNS, Australia (AP) — Police released the name Thursday of a tourist from Texas who died during a scuba diving lesson on the Great Barrier Reef off Australia's tropical northeastern coast. Jay Zack, 41, was seen floating in the water Wednesday morning by a crew member of the dive boat Tusa 3 as his three fellow novice divers swam with their qualified instructor back toward the boat. Queensland state police spokeswoman Caroline Barker said. Zack died near Hastings Reef, 31 miles northeast of the tourist city of Cairns in Queensland state. The crew of the Tusa 3 were unable to revive Zack who was pronounced dead while being flown from the reef to Cairns in a rescue helicopter. Barker said an autopsy would be carried out this week to determine the cause of death and police would prepare a report for the state coroner. Queensland recreational diving industry spokesman Steve Moon said the man was on a dive conducted by Tusa Dive Connection, when he experienced difficulties underwater and stopped breathing. "As far as we can ascertain at this stage, from our preliminary investigation, there's no negligence on the part of the company that's obvious as yet," Moon said. Scuba diving companies in Queensland state were ordered to improve their safety practices in the aftermath of the disappearance of U.S. divers Tom and Eileen Lonergan off the Great Barrier Reef in January 1998.

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A pleasure, not a chore

Jonna Brown rakes in her yard in the 1100 block of Charles. "I love to work in the yard when it is nice outside," Brown said.

Jump

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Cano ran south on Cuyler to the railroad bridge overpass and climbed up on the overpass, Pitner said. Officer Joey Williams and Deputy Brooks were in foot pursuit, followed by three other police officers and two other sheriff's deputies, along with one Texas Department of

Public Safety trooper. "He told officers he was going to jump," Pitner said. Deputies and officers tried to talk to Cano, and Brooks tried to talk to him from one side of the bridge. Albus was edging toward Cano's other side. After the interrupted jump and rescue, Cano was taken again to jail, where "he claimed he had consumed a large amount of cocaine," Pitner said. Marijuana had been found on Cano's person

during the arrest, Pitner said. Rural/Metro Ambulance transported Cano to Pampa Regional Medical Center for observation in response to Cano's claim of ingesting a large amount of cocaine, Pitner said. He was later released and remains in Gray County Jail as of press time today, according to a jail spokesperson. A bond hearing is scheduled for tomorrow morning for Cano, the spokesperson said.

Vigil held for drowning victims

FORT WORTH (AP) — About 2,000 people gathered for a prayer vigil Thursday morning near a downtown park where a man and three children from Chicago drowned while attending a Sunday school conference. "Today our city extends our wings to enfold and comfort you," Fort Worth Mayor Mike Moncrief told the crowd, many of whom held hands and wiped away tears. "We are very, very sorry about your loss." The vigil was held near the 5.4-acre Fort Worth Water Gardens, where the four died Wednesday night after they were apparently sucked to the bottom of a swirling, 9-foot deep pool. The water gardens, which are not meant for swimming, feature pools and concrete structures with circulating water to create artistic effects. The dead were identified as Myron Dukes, 35; his daughter Lauren Dukes, 8; his son Christopher Dukes, 13; and Juantrice Deadmon, 11, who was not related to the other three. During Thursday's service, The Rev. Gerald M. Dew, pastor of the Antioch

Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago, urged mourners to remain faithful. "In spite of the tragic events of yesterday, God is still on the throne," he said. He said Wednesday that the four, in town for the National Baptist Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Congress, went to the Water Gardens to play because the pool at their nearby hotel was closed. The children's mother did not go to the park, he said. "Witness accounts varied on what happened. Apparently, Lauren Dukes jumped or slipped into the water. The other girl fell in when she tried to reach in and help her. Her father and brother then jumped in to try to save them." A pump at the bottom of the pool that pulls water to a waterfall apparently created a suction that made rescues difficult, Fire Department spokesman Lt. Kent Worley said. Police officer Tony Moldonado, one of the first rescuers at the scene, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that when he jumped in the suction "literally sucked the socks off my feet."

Bombs

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A top U.S. military official said Thursday's bombing in Baghdad appeared to fit a new pattern from al-Zarqawi's terror network in Iraq: simpler, more frequent car bombings to shake confidence in Iraqi security forces ahead of the handover. Asked by reporters if he saw al-Zarqawi's hand in the attack, interim Interior Minister Falah Hassan al-Naqib said, "I think there is some links."

"We are quite sure and confident they are not Iraqis," al-Naqib said. "And we have very good indications that they came from abroad."

Al-Naqib said that one of al-Zarqawi's aides had been arrested, though he didn't say, who, where or when.

Many of the Baghdad victims had just gotten off a bus at about 9 a.m., Murray said. About 100 volunteers were trying to enter the recruiting center when the white SUV crashed into the crowd.

ICDC Capt. Hani Hussein said.

At least 35 people died and 138 were injured, health ministry official Saad al-Amili said. A car bombing on Feb. 11 against the same recruitment center killed 47 people.

'We are going to face these escalations. The Iraqi people are going to prevail.'

— Iyad Allawi
Interim Prime Minister

Another 175 Iraqis already accepted into the security force were inside the gate of the facility, but none was injured.

Abdul Wahid Shadhan, 32, who had shrapnel in his shoulder and legs from the blast, said he was applying for a job because he had been in the disbanded Iraqi army and was working as a

porter to feed his seven children.

Despite the dangers of jobs in the military, civil defense and policy, U.S. and Iraqi officials say there is no shortage of volunteers because many Iraqis have few other options in a country with unemployment estimated as high as 45 percent.

Jobs in the security services pay between \$300 and \$500 a month depending on a person's rank.

Surrounded by Western security guards and Iraqi police, interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi visited the scene and described it as a "cowardly attack."

"We are going to face these escalations," he said. "The Iraqi people are going to prevail and the government of Iraq is determined to go ahead in confronting the enemies, whether they are here in Iraq or whether they are anywhere else in the world."

Yas Khudair, an ICDC member, said all the victims were "poor people" who "wanted to volunteer to support their families."



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Viewpoints

Mystery shoppers and incurable tissue issue

I want to be an agent, go undercover. I want to earn \$7,000 a month and get free vacations, free movies, free meals, and, well ... other free stuff. If ever there was a perfect job, it sounds like the sky's the limit for "mystery shoppers" across America.

I wonder. How exactly does one break into this racket? Do they have special, top-secret, training grounds to test the potential of wannabe undercover shoppers?

As part of their training, do they dump recruits out at mega-shopping malls to test their endurance?

You know, see which recruits have the stamina to

visit 300 stores or more in one day. Sort of like "Xtreme shopping."

Is it a bad sign if potential "ops" exhibit a decided limp after only a couple of hours?

And when you graduate, do you begin your first "job" at a resort or do you have to work your way up to rate a freebie of that caliber?

In an on-line feature story by Reuters, one undercover shopper said she finds her profession "empowering."

Well, sure. She gets to turn a harrowing or unpleasant shopping experience into an uplifting one.

I would be satisfied if the makers of facial tissues could keep their tissues from

retreating back down into the bottom of the box.

By the way, when the product of which I'm referring is cheap it's called "facial tissue," otherwise it's simply known as Kleenex.

Skyla Bryant
News Editor



I would be truly overjoyed if tissue manufacturers would create a system whereby each and every tissue in each and every cardboard tissue box would stand up proudly through the tissue hole until the entire supply is used up.

I don't even care if the box is decorative or not. I'll take mine plain if that means the tissues will cooperate.

I realize this seems like such a small thing, but, really, consumers deserve better, don't you think? I mean, is it too much to ask? Tissues can be so

contrary.

They disappear down into their tidy, rectangular dungeon (you'd think they'd want to come out), and it practically takes an act of Congress to make the top

one separate from its brothers and exit through that slit at the top of the box.

Without fail, I always end up wasting at least two or three in the quest for just one.

Why does this have to be? And when finally I get that one special tissue threaded through the eye of the box, I usually no longer need it.

And guess what? Two or three sneezes later (I sneeze a lot at work — how curious) the darn things, without fail, have languished back into a neat, tidy white stack, and I am left to begin the entire process all-over again.

I must say, what good is it to have tissues when you

sneeze and your tissues are never there? Messy is a relative term that in no way describes my quandary when this sad circumstance occurs as, unfortunately, it so often does.

For more information about mystery shopping, in which these shoppers are occasionally asked to employ hidden cameras and other nifty gadgets, log onto Yahoo!® News and click on Reuters then on Reuters Feature Stories.

These stories are sorted by date, so if you wait too long the article may be gone. I discovered this story on Saturday last week.

Today in History

(AP) — Today is Thursday, June 17, the 169th day of 2004. There are 197 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 17, 1775, the Revolutionary War Battle of Bunker Hill took place near Boston. The battle, which actually occurred on Breed's Hill, was a costly victory for the British, who suffered heavy losses while dislodging the rebels.

On this date:

In 1856, in Philadelphia, the Republican Party opened its first convention.

In 1885, the Statue of Liberty arrived in New York City aboard the French ship *Isere*.

In 1928, Amelia Earhart embarked on a trans-Atlantic flight from Newfoundland to Wales — the first by a woman.

In 1940, France asked Germany for terms of surrender in World War II.

In 1944, the Republic of Iceland was established.

In 1948, a United Air Lines DC-6 crashed near Mount Carmel, Pa., killing all 43 people on board.

Our readers write

Just say 'no' to Limbaugh

To the editor,
I spend a great deal of time listening to KGNC radio talk shows.

I have learned to tolerate the tasteless arrogance of Rush Limbaugh, but during his commentaries on the funeral of President Ronald Reagan, he exceeded his usual bad manners.

Was it really necessary for him to comment that Bill and Hilary Clinton and Mrs. Gerald Ford were dozing or napping, or some such statement?

Even if it were true — and from watching the services on TV and on our video

tape, we saw no evidence of this — Mr. Limbaugh was definitely out of line by ridiculing a past president and first ladies on such a solemn occasion as a state funeral.

We are well aware of Limbaugh's personal hatred of the Clintons, but his arrogance with this kind of criticism is beyond the bounds of decency and good taste.

Would it hurt him, for one day, to put aside his partisan politics and treat all the past presidents with the dignity required by this office?

KGNC should seriously consider whether they wish to continue providing three hours a day to this verbose and obnoxious buffoon.

Calvin Lacy
Pampa

Passing the baton



Tyrants have an endless agenda

Suppose you saw a fat, old, ugly, cigar-smoking man married to a beautiful young lady, what prediction would you make about the man's income? If you're like most, you'd predict that this guy has a lot of money. In effect, that fat, old, ugly, cigar-smoking man is telling the woman, "I can't compete for your hand on the basis of a guy like Williams, so I'm going to offset my handicaps by offering you a higher price." In the name of fairness, should that kind of discrimination be banned, namely beautiful women treating ugly old men differ-

ently from handsome young men?

Airlines typically charge half fare for children, and surely, they can't justify that practice by saying that it costs twice as much to fly an adult from New York to Los Angeles. Airlines also charge business travelers higher prices than those charged tourists. Again, they can't justify the price difference by saying it costs more to fly business-

men than it costs to fly tourists. What should be done about this kind of discrimination?

Amtrak charges lower fares to senior citizens than it charges younger people, and it's not because it costs less to haul older people than younger people. Amtrak is not alone with this kind of age discrimination; it's rife.

Theaters do it; drugstores do it; some supermarkets do it;

and some taxicab companies do it. There are numerous instances where people are charged different prices based upon some physical or behavioral characteristic.

Should price discrimination be outlawed? Yes, according to the reasoning of George Washington University law professor John F. Banzhaf. He's the lawyer who led the attack on tobacco companies and fast-food chains, saying they were responsible respectively for tobacco-related diseases and obesity.

See TYRANTS, Page 12

Walter Williams
Columnist



Bad news for D.C. control freaks

The conventional wisdom is this: With the economy improving, President Bush's political fate will depend on Iraq.

For an administration of control freaks, this is bad news, because they do not and cannot control Iraq. What happens in Iraq between now and the election depends on the Iraqis and on whoever else is dipping oars in these troubled waters.

The conventional wisdom is also bad news for Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. John Kerry. He had clearly planned to base his campaign on a bad economy. If the economy contin-

ues to improve, then his hopes, too, will ride on Iraq — where, like Bush, he has no control over the outcome.

It speaks to the ideological blindness of the neocon-

servatives who orchestrated this war that they thought their scheme would be easily implemented. They had in mind a quick victory, dancing in the streets and a grateful populace accepting democracy as a gift from the Great Benefactor across the seas.

The reality is that Iraqis are a rebellious and nationalistic people. Much is always being said about Saddam Hussein's brutality, but the very fact that he had to kill so many and imprison so many tells you that even with all his power, Iraqis were constantly challenging his rule. That rebellious spirit does not bode well for any elected government in the future.

One of the not-thought-about-but-essential characteristics of the Western

democracies is the ability to lose gracefully. Whether in Great Britain or the United States, when one or the other of the major parties loses an election, the losing side accepts the results graciously if begrudgingly. It is a tradition.

There is no such tradition in Iraq — or, for that matter, in most parts of the world. To lose an election or power in many countries is to lose everything, including one's life and property. There is a tendency in those countries for the losers to challenge the election results with gunfire.

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Charley Reese
Columnist



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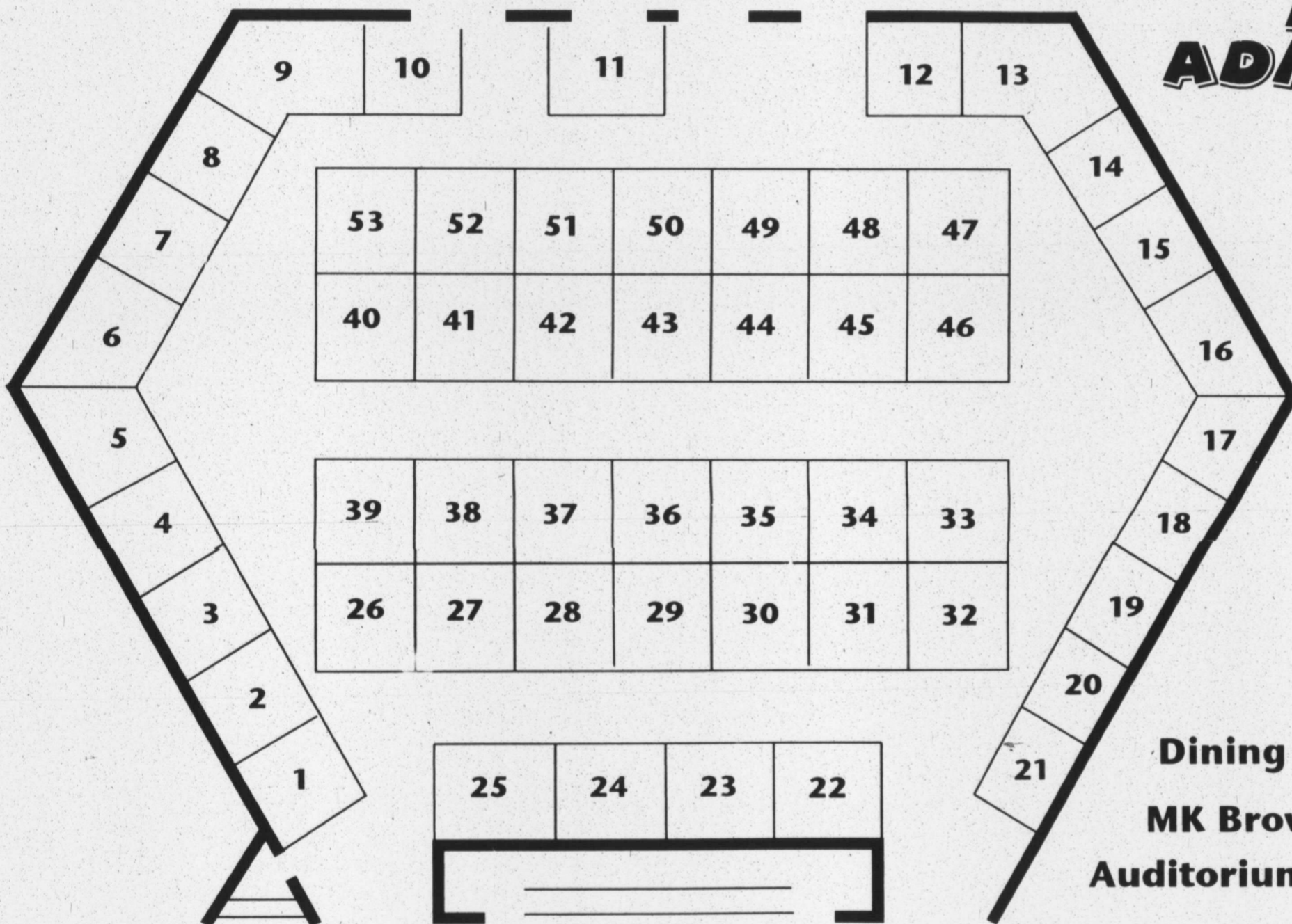
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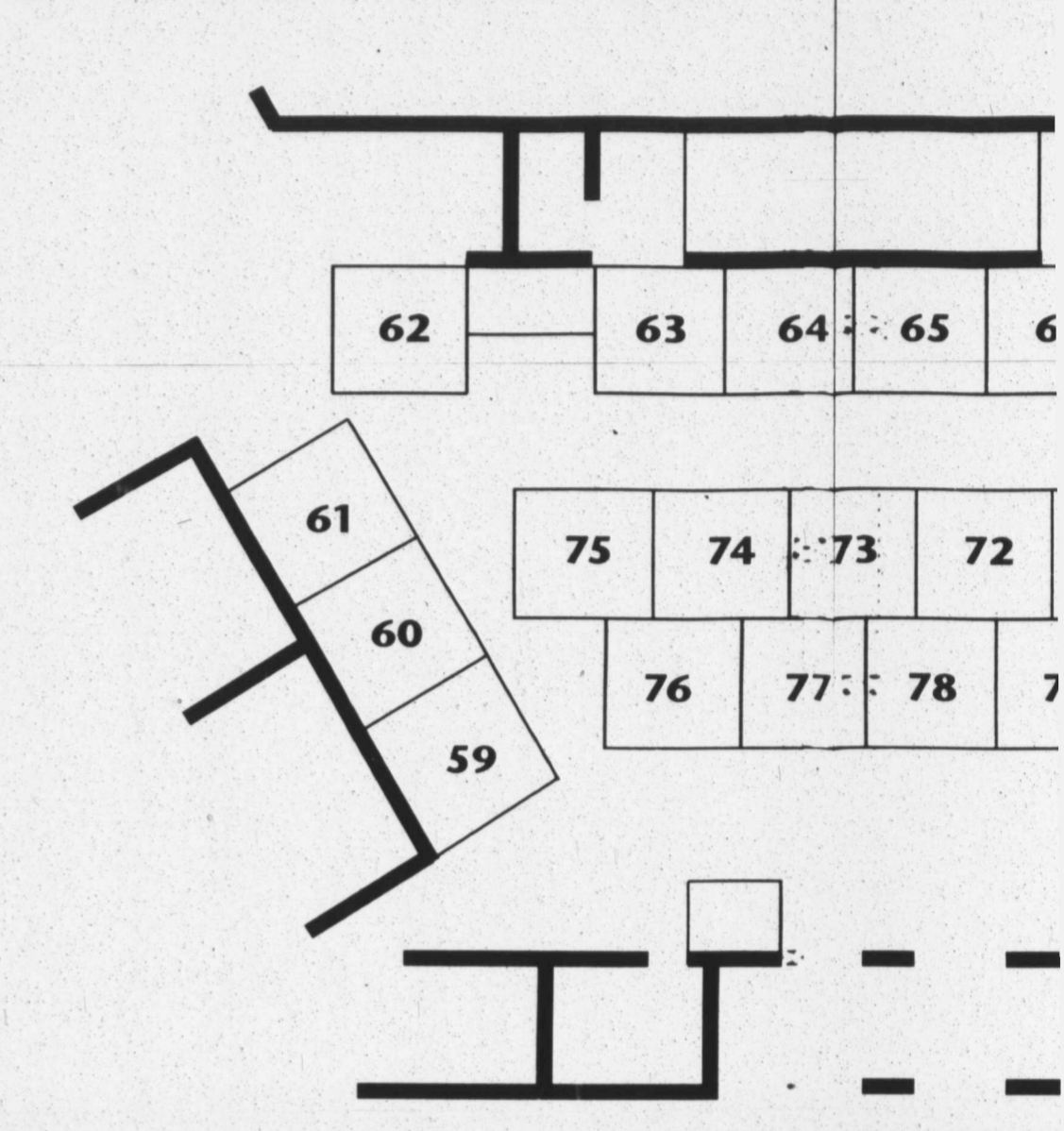
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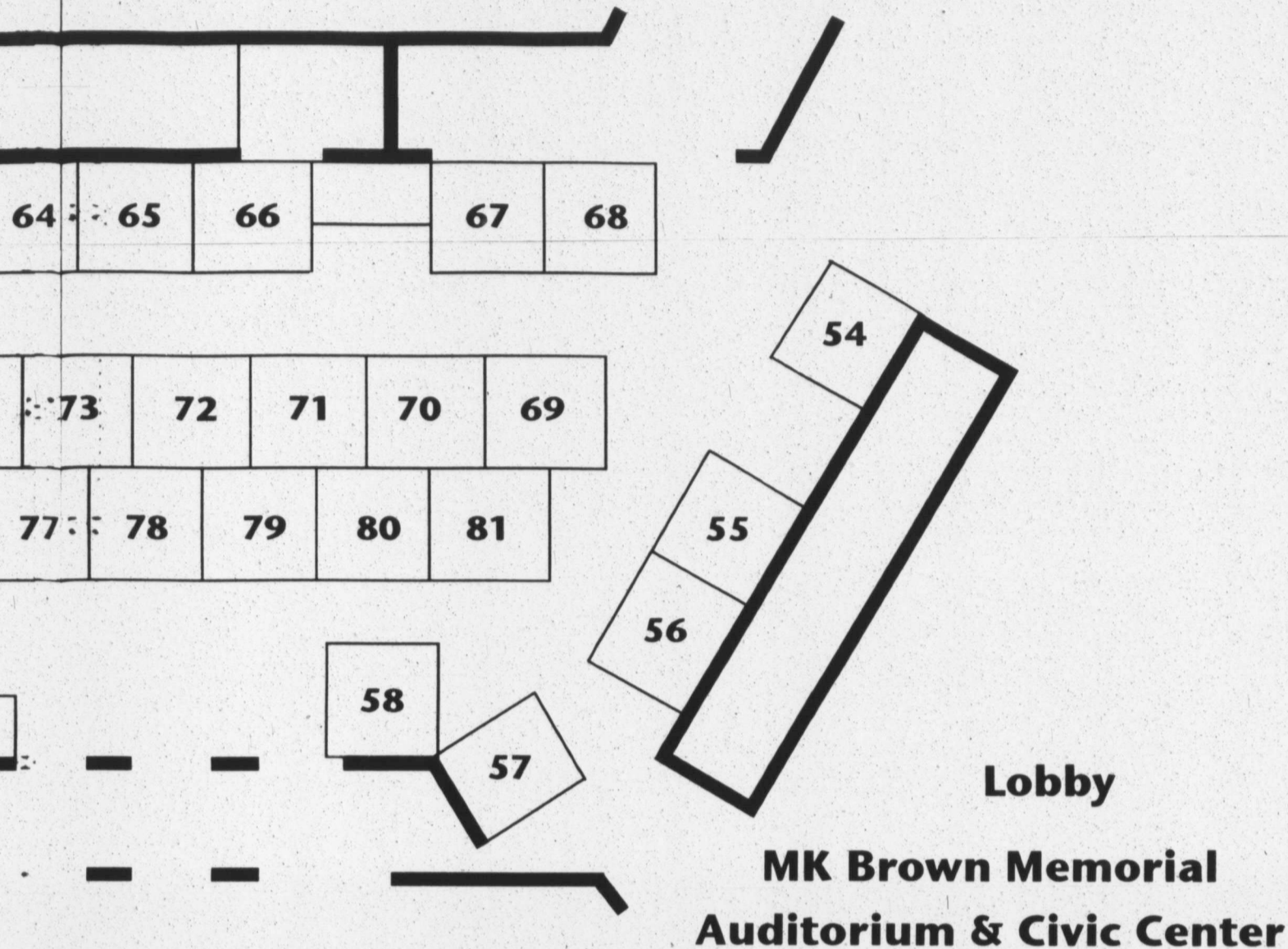
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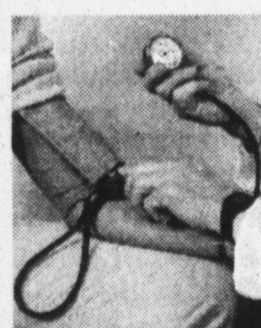
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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a male, retired from a major West Coast law enforcement agency. I generally agree with your advice, but I have a mega-problem with your answer to "Needs an Answer," the lady whose hubby, "Cliff," is incarcerated. She asked what to say when people she meets ask where her husband is.

You advised her to tell people they are having a "trial separation." Sorry, Abby, but a lie is a lie no matter how you package it. You should have told the lady to tell the truth.

— BLOWN AWAY IN MAUI

DEAR BLOWN AWAY: The fact that a relative is in prison isn't something that some families want to publicize. While many are open about the fact that a family member is incarcerated — and it is probably healthier to be up-front about it — not all are willing to be. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Needs to Know's" children must be able to talk about their father and be proud of him without worrying about what other people think. Their mother should set the tone for this. What is important is their relationship with their father, not what the neighbors think. Keeping secrets and behaving as though their dad is someone to be ashamed of will only hurt her boys in the long run.

That woman needs to forget what everyone else may think, and say and do whatever is the most healing for her children. A family therapist may be able to help the family navigate through their discomfort and allow the boys to feel good about him -- regardless of the reason he is in jail.

— DEALT WITH IT IN DELAWARE

DEAR DEALT WITH IT: Your suggestion of a family therapist is a good one. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My son, "Rod," is also in prison, and I, too, often feel uncomfortable revealing his whereabouts. I usually say he's an opti-

cian living in Southern California. (He is, having received his certificate while in prison.)

When I confide in a close friend or colleague where he actually is, people are usually understanding (and curious). But I've never experienced any criticism or negativity. After almost 10 years, it still hurts to talk about it. But knowing my son has made progress in his rehabilitation helps to ease the pain.

— JOAN IN LOS ANGELES

DEAR JOAN: Your son was wise to make the most of the time he has spent in prison. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My husband is serving 15 years to life. Although shame and guilt are normal reactions, they can be harmful to the family of an inmate. The isolation that comes from living a lie only causes more harm in the long run. We tried it.

A better approach is to be honest, reach out to people and admit how painful it is. Once we did, we found that many other families in our area also have a loved one behind bars. The ridicule and scorn we expected never happened. Instead we were supported and encouraged.

— DIANE IN AUBURNDALE, FLA.

DEAR DIANE: I agree that living a lie is unhealthy. Thank you for sharing your personal experience. There are ministries and programs whose mission is to help the families of prisoners. One which has been mentioned in this column before is the Osborne Association, which offers a list of resources online at www.osborneny.org. Also available from the National Institute of Corrections is a printable version of its "Directory of Programs Serving Families of Adult Offenders," at www.nicic.org/pubs/2002/017081.pdf.

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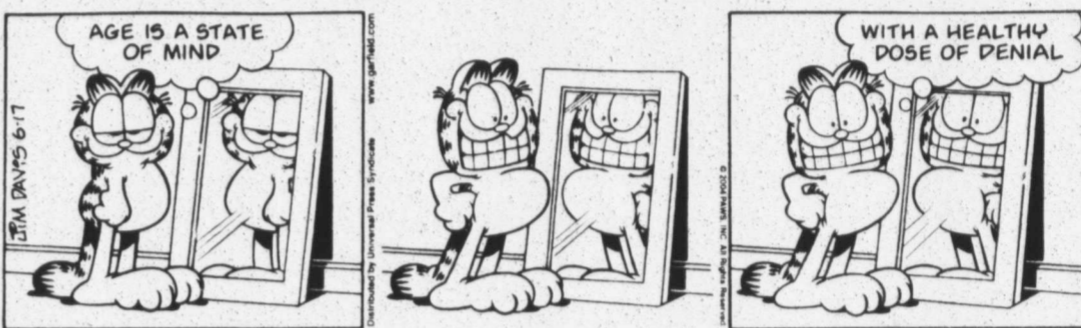
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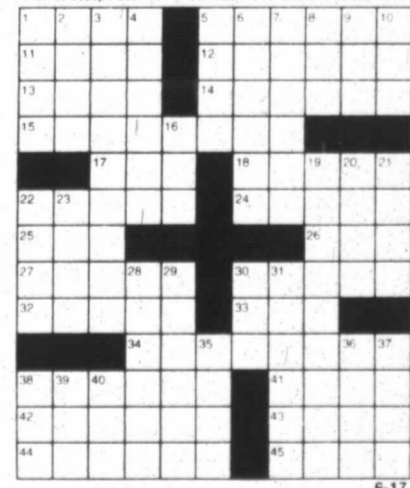
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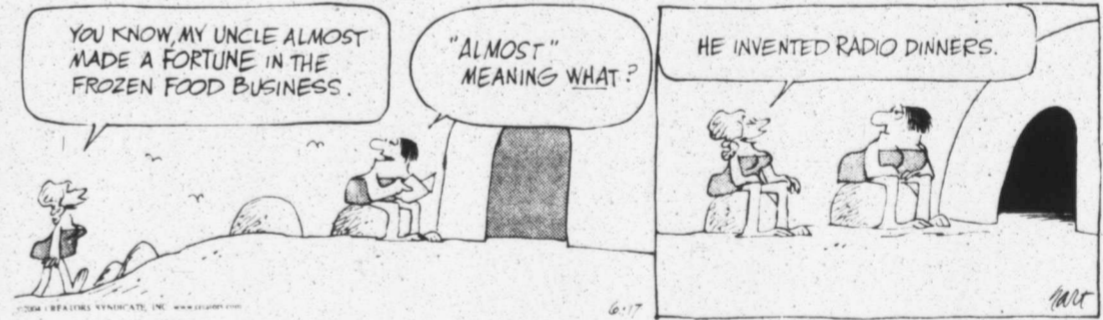
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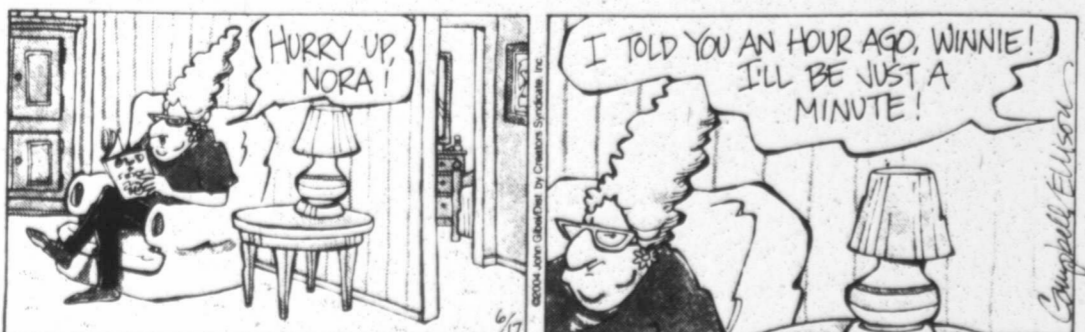
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IS THERE LIFE AFTER RADIO

Where do old radio guys go

So where do old radio personalities go to graze? Sorry, I couldn't tell you. I don't think I'm 'old' enough to answer that question yet.

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Michael J. Stevens. Some may know the name but not know why. Others might know the name and not care. And there are those who are scratching their heads and asking, "Michael J. Who?"

True, I have spent some time as a radio personality. More than 20 years in fact. It was a career that afforded me myriad opportunities. It was a profession to which my family and I sacrificed plenty. Including many moves and miles logged traveling from one job to another. I cannot tell you how many times my son had to be introduced as 'the new student'.

Seems turnabout is fair play as I am now the 'new student'.

I am honored to be replacing a long-tenured pro like L.D. Strate as sports editor for The Pampa News. I have no illusions of grandeur here. I do not expect to fill his shoes. I brought my own. I do hope to carry on where L.D. left off while adding a bit of

myself and my style along the way. So you can know me a little better, my wife Carolyn and I have been married for almost 22 years. Our son Michael is 19 years old and currently attending the NASCAR Technical Institute in Mooresville, N.C. Did I mention we kinda like racin'? We are originally from Colorado but got here as fast as we could by way of Jacksonville, Fla. eight years ago.

I consider myself to be in-tune with sports while not being a 'sports-junkie'. Sure, I have my favorites. But then, don't we all?

I look forward to the challenges ahead. Getting to know the landscape local and regional sport encompass. Coaches, players, fans, participants, organizers, volunteers, mascots and more. Most importantly, I look forward to getting to know...You.

So when you see me taking lunch at a local eatery (and you will), taking in a game or local sporting event, or our paths just happen to cross, I hope you will take a moment to introduce yourself.

Where do old radio personalities go to graze? Couldn't tell you. You see...I'm a newspaper man now.

Michael J. Stevens
Sports Editor



Back row: Coaches Chris Steward, Jerry Dyson, Raymond Wyant. Middle: Libby Dyson, Destiny Fitzer, Sierra Parker, Tanya Derr, Rachel Heuston, Savannah Hoover. Bottom: Lacie Johnston, Kelly Malone, Caylee Steward, Cayson Steward, Callie Hampton, Shelly McCollum, Lacie Oxley. Not Pictured: Chelsey Alexander.

Girls softball team undefeated

By **MICHAEL J. STEVENS**
Sports Editor

Culberson-Stowers 10-12 optimist girls softball team won the city tournament this past Monday with an 18-3 win over Carmichael-Whitley to close out a perfect 2004 season that included going 3-0 in the recently concluded tournament.

The team was lead by Libby Dyson who pitched in every game this year. She was backed up by Destiny Fitzer on the mound. Fitzer was one of the league's leading hitters along with Dyson. Fitzer capped her season by hitting an opposite field grand-slam in the

city tournament. Dyson also contributed numerous hits during the season.

Other team members who contributed to the successful season were Savannah Hoover who played first base, Rachel Heuston at second, Lacie Johnston as short-stop and Tanya Derr as catcher. Outfielders included Chelsey Alexander, Shelly McCollum, Callie Hampton, Lacie Oxley, Sierra Parker, Caylee Steward and Kelly Malone.

The manager is Chris Steward. His coaches are Raymond Wyant and Jerry Dyson.

Steward said he was very proud of all the players and coaches and that they all contributed to a most successful season.

Judge to decide fate of Knight's records

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — A judge has scheduled a one-day trial to determine whether Indiana University must release records related to the firing of former men's basketball coach Bob Knight.

Morgan County Judge Jane Spencer Craney said she will decide after hearing arguments from attorneys for IU and The Indianapolis Star on Sept. 8 whether the records should be made public.

The Star sued the university after it refused to turn over documents related to Knight's firing in September 2000.

Knight was fired for violating a "zero tolerance" behavior policy by grabbing the arm of a student who he

said greeted him by his last name.

Craney, appointed to the case as special judge, initially ruled in favor of IU. But the newspaper appealed, and the Indiana Court of Appeals sent the case back to the judge in May 2003.

Knight is now the head coach at Texas Tech.

The appeals court ruled that Indiana University did not have to make public an IU Police Department investigation of Knight's confrontation with IU student Kent Harvey, the incident that led to the coach's dismissal.

But it said the university might have to turn over a report by trustees Fred Eichhorn and John Walda on their investigation of

whether Knight choked player Neil Reed at a practice, The Herald-Times reported Thursday.

The appeals court said the report by Eichhorn and Walda should be made public if they were acting as trustees. But if they were lawyers representing the university, the court said, the report would be confidential under attorney-client privilege.

The Star asked the Indiana Supreme Court to review the case, but it declined, sending it back to Craney.

Knight also sued the university over his firing but dropped the suit in February, six months after a Monroe County judge ruled against him.

Marion Jones to USADA: Put up or shut up

By **STEVE WILSTEIN**
AP Sports Columnist

Marion Jones seemed so poised, so direct, so determined.

How could she not be telling the truth?

There she was, all business in a white blouse and long, dark gray skirt, speaking from the heart without once turning for help from her three lawyers 15 feet away.

"I wanted the world to have an opportunity to hear from me," she said. "Not from my lawyers, not from unnamed sources, and not from unsubstantiated leads. But from me."

She had the same intense look in her eyes she always had when she approached the starting line. Instead of taking on runners who were no match for her, here she was calling out the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency, saying, in effect: Put up or shut up.

The winner of five medals in Sydney, Jones is trying to

make the U.S. Olympic team again after taking time off to have a baby. She can't afford more distractions, she said. She wants a public hearing to clear her name immediately.

"I have been patient," she said Wednesday. "I have been cooperative. And I have done all I can do to provide USADA with information that I have knowledge of because I believe in a drug-free sport and having a drug-free Olympic team."

Now, if you've been following her for the last four years, you begin to have doubts.

Sure, she's said that before. But if she believes so much in drug-free sport, why is she always so intimately linked with people involved with steroids?

—Ex-husband and coach C.J. Hunter, the former world champion shot putter banned in 2000 for an excess of nandrolone he got from BALCO boss Victor Conte. They claimed with straight faces that it came from a

contaminated iron supplement.

—Former coach Charlie Francis, who had the brainstrom to advise Ben Johnson to take steroids to win the 100 meters in the 1988 Seoul Olympics. That was only the biggest doping scandal in Olympic history.

—Sprint champion Tim Montgomery — her boyfriend and the father of her baby — who is one of at least four prospective Olympic medalists notified by letters last week that they're under investigation by the USADA.

Maybe it's all coincidence and circumstantial evidence — along with Jones getting mineral supplements from BALCO, which also allegedly distributed the stealth steroid THG to athletes.

"I have never, ever failed a drug test," Jones insisted. "I have taken over 160 drug tests. I have taken tests before, during and after the 2000 Olympics and have never failed a test."

Welcome back, David Duval

SOUTHAMPTON, N.Y. (AP) — David Duval stood on the putting green — chatting with old friends, introducing his new wife, catching up on what's happened the last seven months.

Through it all, he couldn't stop smiling. Welcome back, David.

Duval made his return to competitive golf in the toughest test of all, teeing off early Thursday morning in the U.S. Open at Shinnecock Hills Golf Club.

A curious decision, for sure, considering his last tournament was in November. And he didn't even finish.

To Duval, an often-enigmatic figure who was the last player not named Tiger Woods to be ranked No. 1 in the world, it all seemed right. And he got off to a stirring start — a birdie at No. 1.

"I just wanted to go play," said Duval, who made his decision Saturday night. "For no other reason than I just felt like I was going to go have some fun and enjoy it again. Up to that point, I hadn't wanted to play."

The 104th Open began under gray skies, as the morning fog off Great Peconic Bay slowly burned away. Jeff Maggert, Mark Calcavecchia and David Roesch were the early leaders at 2 under.

Always a man of mystery in those wrap-around glasses, Duval opened up his soul for all to see Wednesday, revealing the inner workings of a complex figure who

once stood on top of the golfing world, then let it all slip away.

"You know, the life out on this tour is long. It's hard. It's lonely. And I've been doing this for a long, long time," Duval said. "In some sense, to be honest with you, I haven't missed it. I haven't missed being away."

"But I just wanted to play this week." So play he will, with no expectations, just a renewed desire to knock around that little white ball. The ranking that was once No. 1 has plunged to 434. He hasn't won in three years, and just making the cut in the 156-player field would be a major accomplishment.

That was apparent during his first practice round at Shinnecock. He opened with a 3-wood that hooked into the gallery, took a hop and hit a man in the back of the head.

Not to worry. He couldn't stop smiling.

"I came to play and have fun, just simply be out here and enjoy it," Duval said.

Others are playing for a lot more. Start with Woods, who has gone seven majors without winning after a dominating 7-of-11 run in golf's biggest events.

He is under more scrutiny than ever because of his engagement to a Swedish nanny, his divorce from high-profile coach Butch Harmon and shots that don't always go where he's aiming.

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Today's Major League Leaders

By **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

NATIONAL LEAGUE

BATTING—Bonds, San Francisco, .377; Casey, Cincinnati, .360; Rolen, St. Louis, .349; Helton, Colorado, .348; Overbay, Milwaukee, .345; Lo Duca, Los Angeles, .344; JWilson, Pittsburgh, .341.

RUNS—Pujols, St. Louis, 55; ARamirez, Chicago, 51; Casey, Cincinnati, 51; BABreu, Philadelphia, 51; Bonds, San Francisco, 49; JDrew, Atlanta, 48; Clayton, Colorado, 48.

RBI—Rolen, St. Louis, 67; Castilla, Colorado, 53; Berkman, Houston, 50; Griffey Jr., Cincinnati, 50; Overbay, Milwaukee, 49; ARamirez, Chicago, 49; Casey, Cincinnati, 48; Burnitz, Colorado, 48.

HITS—Casey, Cincinnati, 90; JWilson, Pittsburgh, 88; ARamirez, Chicago, 85; Pierre, Florida, 84; Loretta, San Diego, 82; Overbay, Milwaukee, 81; Rolen, St. Louis, 80.

DOUBLES—Overbay, Milwaukee, 28; Casey, Cincinnati, 23; DeLee, Chicago, 22; Edmonds, St. Louis, 22; Castilla, Colorado, 22; JEstrada, Atlanta, 22; Helton, Colorado, 20; Loretta, San Diego, 20; Clayton, Colorado, 20; Biggio, Houston, 20.

TRIPLES—JWilson, Pittsburgh, 5; Freil, Cincinnati, 5; Pierre, Florida, 5; DRoberts, Los Angeles, 5; BGiles, San Diego, 5; Harston, Arizona, 4; DWise, Atlanta, 4.

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Glo-Valve survives, claims 11th championship

Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency and Glo-Valve Service were like a pair of heavyweight boxers battling toe to toe in the middle of the ring in the championship game of the Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken City Tournament Wednesday at Optimist Park. Neither flinched. Neither gave an inch. In the end aggressive base running made the difference as Glo-Valve prevailed 5-3 to win the 11th City Championship.

Alex Clendening led off for Glo-Valve in the top of the first inning with an infield single. He stole second and went to third when

the catcher's throw went into centerfield. Anthony Allen brought Clendening in for the first run of the game with a single to right field. He was forced at second by Tyler Malone. Malone stole second; stole third and scored when the ball got away from the third basemen to give Glo-Valve a 2-0 lead.

DFB responded with a run in the second inning on a single by Garrett Erickson, a passed ball and a single by Hudson Bentley. DFB pulled even when Braden Hunt hammered a two ball, two strike pitch over the left field fence in the bottom of the third inning.

The fifth inning has been a big inning for Glo-Valve this year. Clendening led off the inning with a single. Continuing Glo-Valve's aggressive baserunning, he stole second. He went to third when Allen blooped a Texas League single to right field. Allen stole second. Clendening scored and Allen took third on a wild pitch. Malone walked and stole second. Allen came home on a wild pitch as Malone went to third. Kade Wilson was safe on a throwing error which allowed Malone to score giving Glo-Valve a 5-2 lead.

Clendening, who had

pitched a perfect fourth inning for Glo-Valve, ran into trouble in the fifth. With one out, he walked Sean Malone and Corbin Clifton on full counts. A Glo-Valve error loaded the base for Hunt, who had homered his previous trip. Hunt grounded the first pitch sharply toward third where Johnathon Robinson scooped up the ball and tagged third for second out. Sean Malone scored on the play. A walk to Zach Doan loaded the bases for DFB for the second time in the inning, put the tying run on second and put the go ahead run on first. Clendening got the next batter to ground out end the threat.

Hunt pitched the first, third and fifth innings for DFB. He allowed three earned runs and five hits. He struck out seven and walked two. Erickson pitched the second, fourth and sixth innings for DFB. He held Glo-Valve scoreless permitting just one hit. He struck out three and walked one.

Hunt, with a home run, single, run scored and two RBI, was the leading hitter for Glo-Valve.

Allen with three singles, a run scored and one RBI, led Glo-Valve in hitting. Clendening had two hits and two runs for Glo-Valve.

The defensive play of the game for Glo-Valve came from Tyler Malone, who dived to his left to make a stop and threw to first from his knees to nip a batter. Glo-

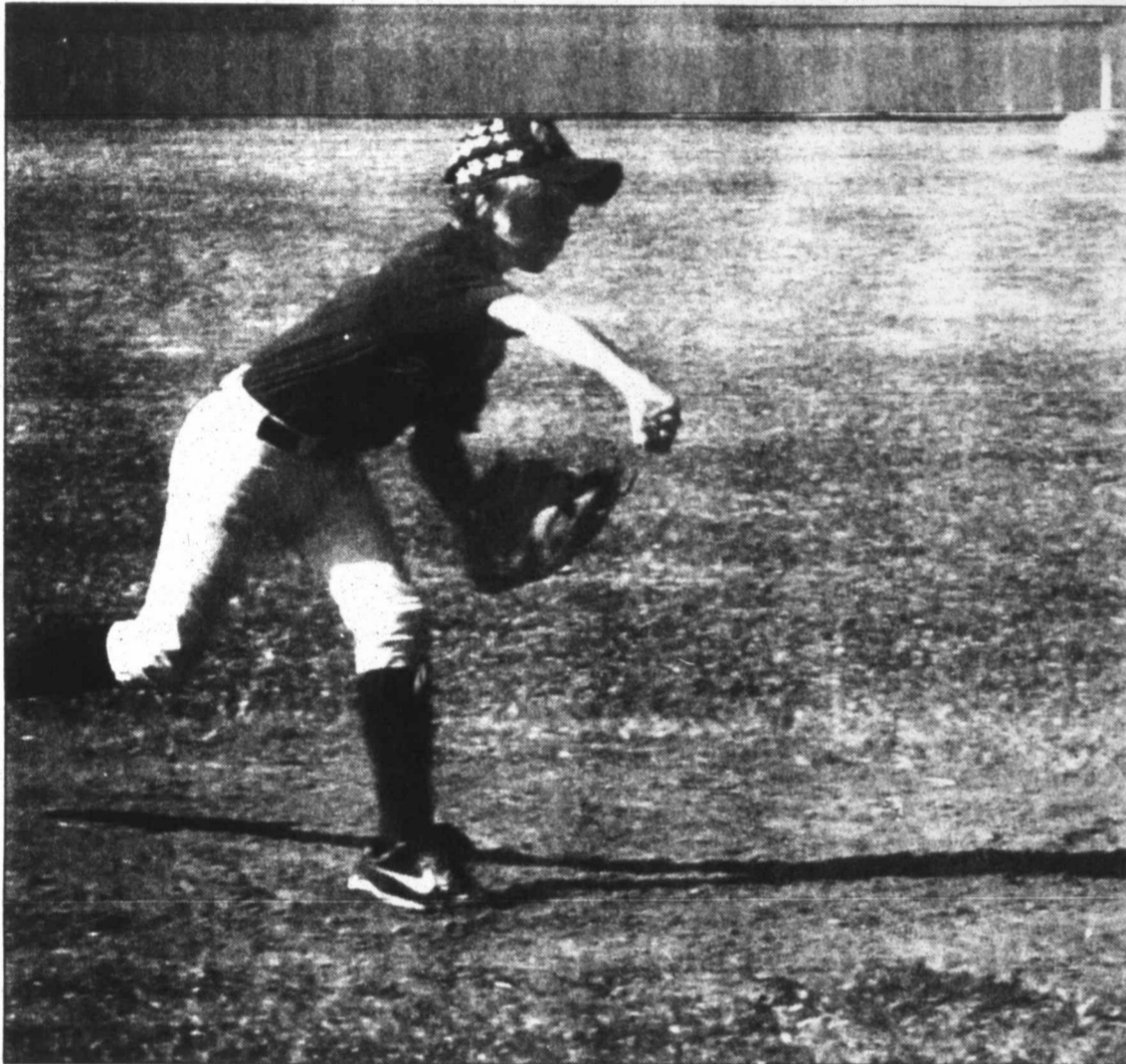
Valve first basemen, Cody Davis, had a busy evening being credited with seven put outs. DFB's top defensive play was made by Olin Boyd, who grabbed a fly ball in center field to prevent a run from scoring.

After the game was over, DFB players were awarded trophies for being the Runner Up for the City Championship. Glo-Valve players were given trophies for first place in the regular season and City Championship.

Kevin Hunt served as manager for DFB. His coaches were Shawn Clifton and Bob Erickson. John W. Warner is the manager for Glo-Valve Service. Coaches for Glo-Valve were Mike Clendening, Jerry Skinner and Clint Allen.

Warner, Hunt and Allen will serve as coaches for the Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken All Star Team.

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.



Glo-Valve pitcher Tyler Malone throws during the fourth inning of last night's City Championship game.

Pampa News photos by BEN BRISCOE

BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Robinson cries foul

(AP) — Frank Robinson cried foul — with good reason.

The Montreal manager was irate Wednesday night after Luis Rivas' 11th-inning drive down the left-field line was called fair for a home run, sending the visiting Minnesota Twins to a 5-4 victory over the Expos.

Television replays clearly showed the ball hooked foul in front of the net that serves as a foul pole at Olympic Stadium, but third base umpire Brian O'Nora signaled fair. The rest of his crew conferred, then let the ruling stand.

"Four guys out there all saying that they saw it the same way — you've got to be kidding me!" Robinson said. "Didn't any of them see it the right way? That's the key. I don't care how they saw it, all four may have seen it one way, but it wasn't right."

Expos left fielder Brad Wilkerson immediately jumped up and down when he saw O'Nora call a fair ball. Wilkerson ran in to join the dispute with third baseman Tony Batista and Robinson, who was ejected after a long argument.

"I was close enough to see it, I don't need to see a replay," Wilkerson said.

The tiny crowd of 3,763 gave a mock cheer after every foul ball the rest of the inning. Three fans were swarmed by security guards after the game when they banged on the door to the umpire's room.

The umpires were not available for comment.

"The replay just confirmed what you saw, that's all," Robinson said. "In plain language, (O'Nora) said he saw it and he saw the ball hit the foul pole. He saw it shaking."

In other interleague games, it was Pittsburgh 5, Anaheim 3; Kansas City 10, Atlanta 4; Florida 4, the Chicago White Sox

0; Cleveland 9, the New York Mets 1; Cincinnati 7, Texas 4; Milwaukee 4, Seattle 1; St. Louis 6, Oakland 2; Colorado 7, Boston 6; Tampa Bay 9, San Diego 6; the New York Yankees 9, Arizona 4; Los Angeles 6, Baltimore 3; and San Francisco 10, Toronto 2.

Detroit's game at Philadelphia was rained out and will be made up Thursday as part of a day-night doubleheader.

In the only National League game, Greg Maddux pitched the Chicago Cubs past Houston 4-1 for his 295th career win.

In Montreal, Robinson repeatedly berated the entire umpiring crew after the call. He made a series of choking gestures before he was ejected, bowing toward O'Nora.

"I saw the umpire signal home run and that's all I really (care) about, to tell you the truth," Twins manager Ron Gardenhire said. "I didn't see it. I haven't looked at a replay. I'm not really worried about it — it's one point for us."

Juan Rincon (8-3) pitched two scoreless innings for the win. Joe Nathan got his 17th save in 18 opportunities.

Jeremy Fikac (0-2) took the loss, Montreal's fifth straight. Chad Cordero allowed two runs in the ninth, blowing his first save chance since replacing Rocky Biddle as the Expos' closer.

Cubs 1, Astros 1

At Houston, Maddux (6-5) allowed one run and eight hits in 6 1-3 innings, pitching Chicago to its fifth consecutive victory. Todd Hollandsworth's RBI triple sparked a two-run eighth.

Reds 7, Rangers 4

At Cincinnati, Ken Griffey Jr. remained one shy of 500 homers, but the Reds rallied to win. Ryan Freel hit a tiebreaking double in the eighth.

Duval

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Woods' slump — if you can call it that — has given Ernie Els and Vijay Singh a chance to move up to No. 1 in the world, a position Woods claimed from Duval on Aug. 16, 1999, and has held ever since.

"I'm playing as good as I've ever played," Singh said. "I can't do any more than just go out there and try to win the golf tournament."

Duval isn't the only player making a comeback this week. Jim Furyk, the defending Open champion, had surgery on his wrist three months ago and counted himself out. Lo and behold, he played two full rounds last week and decided Friday to give it a shot.

Can he win? Put him in the same league with Duval.

"My expectations are high," Furyk said. "They're not that high."

He's already part of history, one of six straight first-time major winners. The streak began with Rich Beem in the 2002 PGA Championship and stayed alive with Phil Mickelson in the Masters two months ago.

Certainly, it's not out of the question that another neophyte will hoist the trophy Sunday as the sun sets on Long Island.

That list starts with Sergio Garcia, the consensus choice to inherit Mickelson's former title of Best Player Never to Win a Major.

But also keep an eye on players such as Chad Campbell and Padraig Harrington, who seem poised for a major breakthrough.

"Chad Campbell could easily win this week," said Lee Janzen, a two-time Open winner. "He swings fearlessly and he plays fearlessly. Those are two good things to have at this tournament."

These days, it doesn't hurt to be a guy who's never won at this level. Els, at the 2002 British Open, was the last player to win a major when he'd already done it before.

"I always feel that when I play a major, I really need to be in contention over the weekend," Els said. "Maybe other players just like to come in and not really have any expectations and just enjoy the week for what it is."

Garcia is hardly unknown, finishing second to Woods in the 1999 PGA Championship and fourth in the U.S. Open two years ago.

The 24-year-old Spaniard is peaking at just the right time. He's won twice in the past five weeks, taking the Byron Nelson and the Buick Classic last week at Westchester.

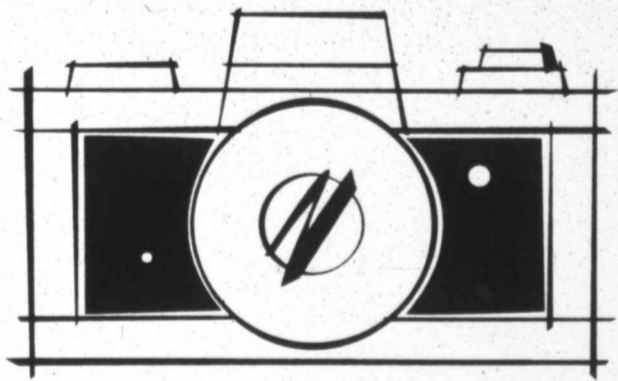
"I'm pretty comfortable with my game," Garcia said. "I've been getting quite consistent throughout these past years. I really feel like I have a bit more confidence in myself to try to do something here."

Duval is approaching things with a totally different mind-set.

"I can't tell you when I'm going to play again," he said. "I just wanted to play this week. That's it."

Then he smiled. Again.

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Car show

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Tyrants

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A recent addition to Banzhaf's agenda is to outlaw ladies' night, saying, "Different prices for men and women constitute illegal gender-based discrimination, and perpetrators can be sued not only for monetary damages but in many cases also for attorney fees and punitive damages." He boasts that ladies' nights have been ruled illegal in California, Colorado, Connecticut, Iowa, Maryland, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, Pennsylvania and recently New Jersey.

It's fruitless to attempt to convince Banzhaf that price discrimination is a benign, standard and routine pricing technique. It's even practiced by his legal profession. Professor Banzhaf's true

agenda is tyrannical control of our lives.

Here's my question to you. Once Banzhaf ends up getting ladies' night outlawed in the other 40 states, do you think he'll be finished? I wouldn't bet the rent money on it. The reasoning Banzhaf uses in attacking nightclub practice of charging ladies cheaper prices is also applicable to: Airlines charging children and tourists cheaper prices than adults and businessmen, businesses and other entities charging seniors cheaper prices than younger people, and theaters charging cheaper matinee prices than evening prices.

If Banzhaf succeeds in outlawing price discrimination in these areas, I wouldn't be surprised he moved on to bring a class-action suit on behalf of fat, old, ugly men against beautiful women.

You say, "Williams, that's

preposterous!"

Think again; tyrants have an endless agenda. The cigarette Nazis said they didn't care about what people did to their own lungs; they only cared about the health effects on others — secondhand smoke. I said that's a smoke screen to conceal their true agenda. In California, there's a movement to outlaw smoking on beaches, many outdoor stadiums have banned smoking, and there have been attempts to ban smoking on streets and parks. I'd like to see the health study pointing to the deaths and injuries stemming from secondhand smoke outdoors.

The bottom line here isn't ladies' night or smoking. It's how we Americans are allowing tyrants to attack our liberties. If we allow them to continue, once we wake up we won't have enough freedom to stop them from turning us into a nation of serfs.

Freaks

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It's always been my belief that eventually even the blockheads in Washington will realize that democracy is not going to take root in Iraq. Then they will look around for a strongman to impose order by force. It will take some skillful lying to hide the fact that in the end we just replaced one dictator with another. But lying is a fine art in Washington. After all, the only allies we have in the Arab world are dictators of one shape or form. In the past 50 years, many a dictator owed his job to the United States.

It is even fair to say that the United States has spent more in subsidizing dictators

than in propping up democracies.

The problem with democracy, as far as Washington is concerned, is that a truly free people might make decisions Washington doesn't like. The Iranians had chosen a leader in the 1950s that Washington definitely didn't like (the leader, Dr. Muhammad Mossadegh, had the strange thought that Iranians should be the primary beneficiaries of Iranian oil, at the time controlled by the British).

The CIA engineered a coup that deposed him and put the Shah in power. By the way, an important player in arranging that coup was H. Norman Schwarzkopf, former head of the New Jersey State Police. He was given a \$10 million slush fund by the CIA to bribe people and undermine

Mossadegh. If the name sounds familiar, he was the father of Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, who led coalition forces in the first Gulf War. If you wonder why the Iranians hate us, this is the reason. For a more detailed account, read "Tragedy and Hope," an excellent history by Dr. Carroll Quigley.

While the United States sought no colonies in the Middle East, the oil cartel consisting of American, British and Dutch companies cheated the Arabs for decades out of a fair share of the profits on their oil. Even when this cartel was charging Americans \$3.50 to \$3.75 a barrel, the Arabs were getting about a dime per barrel.

The Middle East is much more complex than you will ever learn by watching Fox television.

Cal Farley's to host annual poetry gathering

AMARILLO — Cal Farley's Boys Ranch is gearing up for its third annual Youth Cowboy Poetry Gathering June 17-20 at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch in Amarillo.

Well-known cowboy poets, entertainers, artists and craftsmen such as Michael Martin Murphey, Red Steagall, Trudy Fair and more will participate in this year's event. The artists and performers will be teaching a variety of creative writing, song writing, drawing, leather braiding and other cowboy-related workshops Friday and Saturday, June 18 and 19.

Other activities will include a "Celebrity Sortin'" event at Boys Ranch Rodeo Arena, chuckwagon gatherings, a western art and trade show and a family dance.

The gathering and all related activities are free to youth participants. Evening headliner shows will be open to the public.

Tickets for the concerts will be available at the door or purchased in advance. Tickets are \$10 for adults

and \$5 for children not participating in the "Gathering."

For more details on the Youth Cowboy Poetry Gathering, log onto www.youthcowboypoepry.com on the World Wide Web.

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