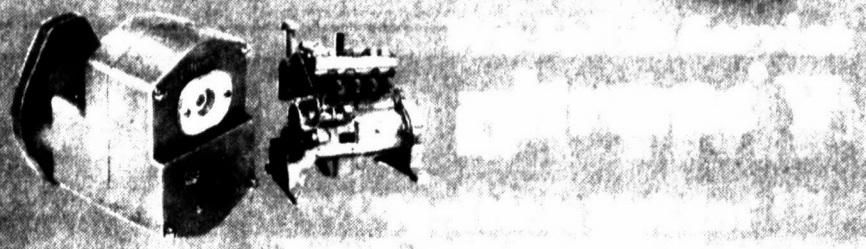


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Baby suffers head injury; SO investigates

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

A three-month-old girl remains in critical condition in an Amarillo hospital with a skull fracture to the right side of her head after an incident which occurred on or about July 4 in Lefors, according to Gray County Sheriff's Office.

"The specific cause of the injury is unknown at this time. However, the

description of the injury is inconsistent with the medical diagnosis," said Deputy Morse Burroughs of the sheriff's office.

Burroughs did not name the suspect in the investigation but confirmed the person was the child's father and was arrested on July 9 for injury to a child.

Dustin Dean Herrera, 19, Lefors, was arrested and booked into Gray County Jail by Burroughs at about

4:45 p.m. Friday, July 9, and charged with injury to a child, a second-degree felony.

According to Gray County Jail records, Herrera was the only person arrested on that date for that charge by that deputy.

Herrera remains in jail as of press time today in lieu of \$7,500 bond, according to a jail spokesperson.

The victim has no siblings in the home, Burroughs said.

The child's mother was not present at the time the injury occurred, he said.

Herrera has no previous criminal record of being charged with injury to a child, Burroughs said.

"The investigation is continuing, and the case is still open at this time. The possibility exists that added charges could be filed at a later date," Burroughs said.

CRMWA eyes to buy more water

SANFORD — The purchase of more water rights will be one of the subjects for discussion at the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority quarterly meeting here Wednesday.

CRMWA's board will consider buying the Dunca Ranch water rights in Hutchinson County to add to their John C. Williams Wellfield in Roberts County.

The board of directors will also consider a contract for maintenance on pumping units, buying level indicators for wells in Roberts County and investing the TexSTAR investment pool.

Ken Satterwhite, general manager of CRMWA, said the board is expected to authorize a water tap for Slaton to sell part of their allotted water to Lubbock-Cooper Independent School District.

The board will also hear a status report on water storage in Lake Meredith, consider a new wellfield project and hydrological study and hear a status report on the salt cedar eradication program they authorized at their April meeting.

The CRMWA board will meet at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, at the water authority's headquarters building near the Sanford Dam at Lake Meredith.

The water authority provides water to 11 municipalities, including Pampa, in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains.



Stumping in New Mexico

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Senators John Kerry and John Edwards, the presumptive Democratic Party nominees for President and Vice President, stand with their wives and wave to the crowds during an election rally in Albuquerque on Friday.

223rd District Court

Grand jury hands up 25 indictments

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Gray County Grand Jury handed up 25 indictments July 6 in 223rd District Court, including three first-degree felonies and 11 second-degree felonies, according to information from the office of District Attorney Rick Roach.

Marc Stuart Covalt, 24, was indicted for manufacture of a controlled substance in a drug-free zone, a first-degree felony. Bond was set at \$25,000.

Marc Covalt allegedly on Jan. 25 manufactured methamphetamine weighing four or more grams but less than 200 grams within 1,000

feet of Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester.

Rebecca Ann Covalt, 21, was indicted for the first-degree felony of manufacture of a controlled substance in a drug-free zone. Bond was set at \$10,000.

On Jan. 25, Rebecca Covalt allegedly manufactured methamphetamine weighing at least four grams but less than 200 grams within 1,000 feet of Pampa High School.

Rodrigo Heriberto Zapata, 31, was indicted for possession of marijuana, enhanced, a first-degree felony. Bond was set at \$25,000.

On June 30, 2003, Zapata allegedly possessed 50 pounds or less but more than five pounds of

marijuana in Gray County. On Feb. 18, 1994, he was convicted of possession of a controlled substance in 49th District Court in Webb County. On Feb. 17, 2000, he was convicted of aggravated robbery in 49th District Court in Webb County.

Muhammad J. Ali, 24, was indicted for possession of marijuana. Bond on the second-degree felony was set at \$20,000.

On Jan. 23, Ali allegedly possessed 2,000 pounds or less but more than 50 pounds of marijuana in Gray County.

Andrew Nesbert Bailey, 31, was indicted for possession of marijuana. Bond on the second-degree felony was set at \$10,000.

On July 14, 2003, Bailey allegedly possessed 2,000 pounds or less but more than 50 pounds of marijuana in Gray County.

Armando Luis Burreuel, 53, was indicted for possession of marijuana. Bond on the second-degree felony was set at \$25,000.

On Sept. 5, 2003, Burreuel allegedly possessed 2,000 pounds or less but more than 50 pounds of marijuana in Gray County.

Gregory Anthony Davis, 31, was indicted for the second-degree felony charge of possession of marijuana. Bond was set at \$10,000.

On July 14, 2003, Davis allegedly possessed 2,000 pounds or less

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Obituaries

Virginia Roark, 78

BORGER Virginia Roark, 78, of Borger died Friday, July 9, 2004, in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, July 13, 2004, at Fairlanes Baptist Church with the Rev. Chad Chaddick, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Westlawn Cemetery under the direction of Brown Funeral Directors.

A retired Phillips School cafeteria manager, Mrs. Roark was born Virginia Buttry on March 24, 1926, in

Norris City, Ill. She married Ernie Roark on April 9, 1943, in Harrisburg, Ill. She was a Borger resident for many years and was a member of Fairlanes Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband Ernie of the home; two sons, Kenneth Roark of Snyder and Dennis Roark of Pampa; two brothers, Ernest Buttry and Kenneth Buttry, both of Norris City, Ill., one sister, Beulah Blackwell of Springdale, Ark.; her grandchildren, Debbie and husband Dale Richardson, Dave

Roark, Justin and wife Summer Roark, Jason and wife Kelleen Roark; great-grandchildren, Gary and wife Xuyen Richardson, Becky Richardson, Taylor Roark and Hannah Roark.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Robert Buttry, Hayward Buttry and Everett Buttry and two sisters, Lola Smith and Edna Ford.

Casket bearers will be Dale Richardson, Dave Roark, Gary Richardson, Justin Roark, Jason Roark and Kyle Kindy.

Karen Ball Standerfer, 41

Karen Ball Standerfer, 41, of Pampa, died Tuesday, July 6, 2004.

Services will be at 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 14, 2004, at the Briarwood Full Gospel Church, with Dr. Dan Powell and Mr. Ricky Martin, elders of the Body of Christ Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-



Standerfer

Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

The body was cremated and is unavailable for viewing.

Ms. Standerfer was born May 19, 1963, in Crestview, Fla. She had been a resident of Pampa since 2002, moving from New Port Richey, Fla. She was a member of the Body of Christ. She had

been employed by Titan Specialties, Inc., since June of 2003.

Survivors include a son, Victor Ray Forsman, III, of Pascagoula, Miss.; her mother, Shelba Jean Ball of St. Petersburg, Fla.; a sister, Debra "Sister" Finley of St. Petersburg; two brothers, her twin George W. Ball, III, of New Port Richey and John E. Ball of Columbus, Ohio.

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Wife of Enron CFO checks in at federal detention center

HOUSTON (AP) — Lea Fastow, wife of convicted former Enron Corp. chief financial officer Andrew Fastow, checked into a downtown Houston federal lockup Monday to begin serving her one-year sentence for a misdemeanor tax crime.

Fastow, 42, surrendered at the 11-story federal detention center at 8:20 a.m. CDT. She was accompanied by her lawyer, Mike DeGeurin, father Jack Weingarten, brother Michael Weingarten and sister Joey Weingarten.

She was wearing a navy pantsuit that, once inside, was to be exchanged for a prison-issue khaki model.

"She knows she was due here at 2 o'clock and she wanted to get it going," DeGeurin said. "If the judge says do 12 pushups, she's going to do 13."

Andrew Fastow did not accompany his wife.

"Andy is with the children," said DeGeurin, referring to the couple's two grade school-aged kids.

Fastow will spend the next year in an 8-foot-by-10-foot cell several miles from her affluent home south of Houston's wealthiest neighborhood.

'She knows she was due here at 2 o'clock and she wanted to get it going.'

—Mike DeGeurin
Lea Fastow's attorney

Her legal team had asked a judge to recommend the Federal Bureau of Prisons place her at a minimum-security camp for women in Bryan, about 90 miles northwest of Houston. But U.S. District Judge David Hitner refused to recommend a specific institution, and the prisons bureau placed her at the lockup about four blocks from Minute Maid Park.

Hitner granted her permission to travel to Florida with her family from June 19 through Sunday.

The lockup is more restrictive than minimum-security camps because it houses both men and women in separate quarters of all kinds of security classifications. Most are there for drug crimes.

Lea Fastow was indicted last year on six felony tax and conspiracy charges for crimes that occurred after she quit her job as Enron's assistant treasurer in 1997.

Boy, 13, charged with murder in death of 13-year-old friend

SAN ANTONIO — A 13-year-old San Antonio boy was in juvenile custody Monday charged with murder in the shooting of a 13-year-old girl.

The boy shot Tianna Braham in the forehead at an apartment Sunday while playing with a gun, police said.

"He intentionally loaded the weapon, he intentionally fired the weapon and he intentionally pointed the weapon at the victim," said police

spokesman Richard Solis. Police are withholding the boy's name because of his age.

The girl's mother, Robin Kilrain, said her daughter and the boy often hunt together and were classmates. They would have been eighth-graders in the fall.

Kilrain appealed to parents to keep their guns locked away from their children.

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Services tomorrow

ROARK, Virginia 2 p.m., Fairlanes Baptist Church, Borger.
STANDERFER, Karen Ball 2 p.m., Briarwood Full Gospel Church, Pampa.

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Thursday, July 8

Theft of service was reported in the 400 block of North Dwight. City of Pampa water valued at less than \$50 was reported taken.

Lost property was reported in the police department lobby. A purse and contents valued at approximately \$242 was lost.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of Gwendolen. A plate glass window valued at approximately \$250 was broken.

Friday, July 9

Telephone harassment was reported in the 1000 block of South Dwight.

Theft was reported in the police department lobby. Three yield signs valued at \$120 and one stop sign valued at \$42 were taken from the intersections of 22nd and Wells, Christy and Zimmers, and 23rd and Zimmers streets.

Theft of services was reported by Best Western Northgate Inn, Highway 70. Charges are pending on services valued at \$78.97.

Saturday, July 10

Offenses against a family member were reported in the 800 block of North Faulkner. No injuries were reported.

Assault was reported from the emergency room of Pampa Regional Medical Center. The incident reportedly occurred in the 1400 block of North Hobart. The victim suffered a cut above the left eye.

Theft was reported in the 1000 block of North Sumner. Jewelry and clothing valued at \$90 was taken.

A false report to a peace officer was reported in the 1000 block of North Sumner.

Theft under \$50 was reported at Allsup's, 1900 N. Hobart. Gasoline valued at \$5 was taken.

Found property was

reported in the 2100 block of Duncan. A bicycle valued at \$50 was found.

A suspected methamphetamine lab was found by workers who were picking up trash in the 400 block of East Brown. The lab was turned over to laboratory technicians, and cleanup was done with the assistance of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency. The case is open and an investigation is continuing.

Burglary was reported in the 500 block of West Oklahoma. Compact discs and videos were taken, for an estimated loss of \$65.

Theft was reported in the 2000 block of Hamilton. A bicycle valued at \$100 was taken.

A scooter was found in the 1600 block of Williston.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1000 block of North Wells. Jewelry and a purse and contents were taken, for an estimated loss of \$1,480.

Criminal mischief between \$1,500 and \$20,000 was reported in the 2100 block of North Beech. A vehicle was keyed, a boat cover was cut and tires were slashed. Estimated damage is \$2,775.

Brenda Louise Gardner, 46, 416 N. Dwight, was arrested in the 800 block of North Dwight for driving while intoxicated.

Sunday, July 11

Theft was reported at Allsup's, 140 S. Starkweather. Gasoline valued at \$10 was taken.

A Walkman compact disc player valued at approximately \$60 was found in the 2500 block of Mary Ellen.

Criminal trespass was reported at Allsup's, 140 S. Starkweather.

Misty Dawn Lang, 28, Pampa, was arrested in the 1700 block of North Hobart for two counts of theft by check, including one from Palo Pinto County.

Cheryl Foster, 35, 927 E.

Albert, was arrested in the 900 block of East Albert on a capias pro fine for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Tammie Young Knight, 41, 340 Tignor, was arrested in the 1700 block of North Hobart for running a red light, failure to maintain insurance and tampering with a government record.

Monday, July 12

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of Sierra. A wallet and contents valued at \$41 was taken.

Rural/Metro Ambulance Service responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, July 10

10:51 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Hobart and Harvester and transported two patients to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

3:02 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Terrace. No patient transported.

5:21 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Prairie Drive and transported one to PRMC.

5:34 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of Williston and transported one to PRMC.

10:23 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Nursing Center and transported one to PRMC.

Sunday, July 11

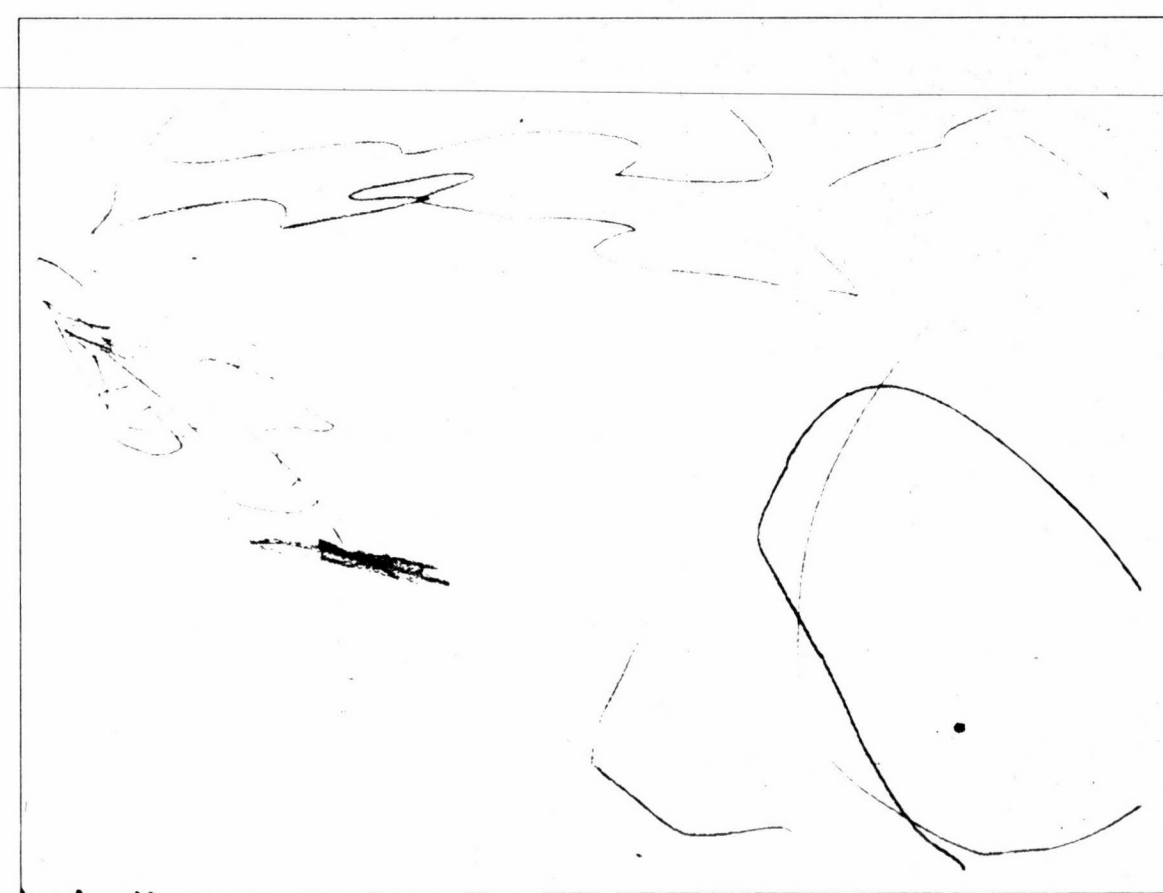
9:54 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Oklahoma and transported one to PRMC.

10:51 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the rodeo grounds, east of Pampa on U.S. 60 on a stand by.

12:09 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of Roberta and transported one to PRMC.

12:17 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100

Ambulance

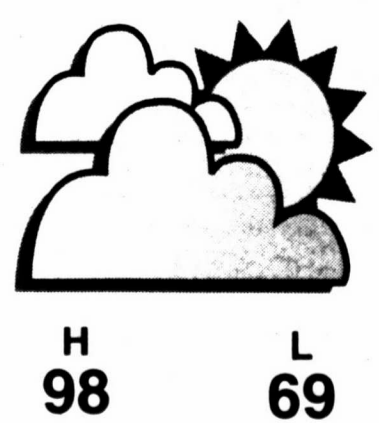


Cade Houghton, 3, of For Heaven's Sake Daycare & Preschool, draws "The Sun and Clouds." According to the National Weather Service, Pampans will be seeing sun and clouds throughout the week.

Gray County Weather

Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph. Tuesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows around 70. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.



Stocks

The following Friday close grain quotations are provided by Allegheny Grain of Pampa.			
Wheat	3.31	Pampa	48.33 -0.63
Milo	3.68	BP	54.93 -0.17
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		COCA	51.02
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		West Texas Crude	39.96

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Water dragon

A dragon figurine appears to enjoy a cooling dip in a water garden pond in the back yard of Paul and Laverne Coronis, 1917 Mary Ellen, as a waterfall curtains a recess at one end of the pond. The Coronis pond is included on Las Pampas Koi and Water Garden Society's annual water garden tour Saturday. Advance tickets are available at the Coffee Shop, Pampa Chamber of Commerce, Pollie's Country Garden and West Texas Landscape.

Insurgents kill three U.S. soldiers in Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Insurgents killed three U.S. soldiers and an Iraqi civilian in separate attacks, and a militant group threatening to kill its Filipino hostage extended until Tuesday its deadline for Manila to agree to withdraw peacekeepers early.

The Philippine government previously rejected that ultimatum.

Iraqi interim President Ghazi al-Yawer said his government will soon offer an amnesty to those who have fought against the U.S.-led coalition, a British newspaper reported Monday.

"We are offering an

amnesty definitely, for people who have not committed too many atrocious acts," al-Yawer was quoted as telling The Financial Times. "Everybody except murderers, rapists and kidnapers."

He said the amnesty would be offered within "a couple of days."

The proposal was first mentioned earlier this month by a spokesman for interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi, signaling the new government's desire to distance itself from the 14-month U.S.-led occupation of Iraq.

Iraq's national security adviser, Mouwaffaq al-

Rubaie, said Sunday the country would honor the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty and other international agreements banning the use of chemical and biological weapons.

"Iraq officially declares it will be a country free of any weapons of mass destruction," al-Rubaie said. "Iraq will never again resort to threatening its neighbors, as Saddam did."

Saddam Hussein's alleged possession of such weapons was one of President Bush's declared reasons for invading Iraq. The hunt for weapons of mass destruction has proved

largely unsuccessful.

On Sunday afternoon, a roadside bomb exploded as U.S. patrol passed in Samarra, a hotbed of violence 60 miles north of Baghdad, killing two soldiers and wounding three others, the military said.

Earlier, a U.S. convoy was attacked in Beiji, 90 miles south of the northern city of Mosul.

Texas Lottery drawings Saturday

AUSTIN (AP) — Here are Saturday's Texas Lottery game results:

Lotto Texas results Saturday: 1-18-26-29-42. Bonus Ball: 23.

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block of Huff Road and transported one to PRMC.

1:04 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Hill and transported one to PRMC.

9:15 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Carr and transported two to PRMC.

9:30 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block

of Carr and transported one to PRMC.

11:36 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of Denver on a fire stand by.

Monday, July 12

5:58 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of Powell. No patient contact.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office today reported the

following arrests.

Saturday, July 10

Riordan Hill, 21, 1055 N. Dwight, was arrested for a probation violation on a burglary charge.

Phillip Daniel Fought, 24, 2220 Dogwood, was arrested on a grand jury indictment for forgery by making.

Sunday, July 11

Leslie Dale Word, 53, 827 Scott, was arrested for operating an unregistered vehicle and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Court

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ly possessed 2,000 pounds or less but more than 50 pounds of marijuana in Gray County.

Rudy Navarro Pena, 30, was indicted for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault. Bond was set at \$10,000.

On Aug. 3, 2002, Pena allegedly caused injury to Veronica Levario by pushing her to the ground and kicking her, using a baseball bat during the attack.

Sharon Ann Lewis, 33, was indicted for the second-degree felony of possession of marijuana. Bond was set at \$7,500.

On July 14, 2003, Lewis allegedly possessed 2,000 pounds or less but more than 50 pounds of marijuana.

Leslie Gwen Horton, 39, was indicted for possession of a controlled substance in a drug-free zone, enhanced. Bond on the second-degree felony was set at \$15,000.

On April 15, Horton

allegedly possessed less than one gram of cocaine within 1,000 feet of Pampa High School. On August 29, 2002, Horton was convicted in 31st District Court, Gray County, of delivery of a controlled substance.

Saied Saad, 22, was indicted for possession of marijuana. Bond on the second-degree felony was set at \$20,000.

On Jan. 26, 2003, Saad allegedly possess 2,000 pounds or less but more than 50 pounds of marijuana in Gray County.

Victor Rodriguez, 26, was indicted, for the second-degree felony of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver. Bond was set at \$10,000.

On May 24, 2003, Rodriguez allegedly possessed with intent to deliver one or more grams but less than four grams of cocaine.

Colleen Aleisha Stanley, 26, was indicted for possession of marijuana. Bond on the second-degree felony was set at \$20,000.

On Jan. 26, 2003, Stanley allegedly possessed 2,000 pounds or less but more than 50 pounds of marijuana.

Arthur Lee Scott, 50, was indicted for possession of marijuana. Bond on the second-degree felony was set at \$20,000.

On July 28, 2003, Scott allegedly possessed 2,000 pounds or less but more than 50 pounds of marijuana.

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'It matters not how strait the gate'

"It matters not how strait the gate, How charged with punishments the scroll, I am the master of my fate; I am the captain of my soul."

Those brave words were written in Edinburgh Hospital by the poet W.E. Henley. Henley was wrong, of course. No human is master of his or her fate or captain of his or her soul. Henley was a cripple for most of his life, and when his 5-year-old daughter died, it broke his heart and his spirit. He died at age 54.

Probably the greatest and most widespread illusion, particularly for Americans, is the idea that we are in control. Actually, of course, we

are not. We do not choose the time or the circumstances in which we are born. Most of us do not choose the time or circumstances of our death. Our only choice, as another English writer has pointed out, is what we do with the time we have.

We cannot really protect the people we love. The Buddhists have a saying that at the birth of a child there is only one certainty: Either the parents will bury the child or the child will bury the parents. With birth comes the certainty of death.

The Japanese samurai, the warrior ruling class of old Japan — who, by the way,

saved Japan from European colonization — would begin every morning with the contemplation of their own death. As morbid as it might first strike you, that is really a good idea. If we knew for sure we would die tonight, then we would act quite differently during the day. We would be less inclined to waste time, to get hot and bothered by trivial matters.

Many people who have felt the cold breath of death testify that afterward life is

different for them. They no longer take it for granted. They can see the beauty all around them. Their priorities are rearranged.

It seems to me that if we are aware that we, as individuals, will not decide the fate of the nation, much less mankind,

then we can be more tolerant of people who have ideas different from ours. That most foul of human beings, the fanatic, is deluded by the belief that he or she can change the course of events.

Such a maniacal ego can thus easily rationalize sacrificing other human beings to his or her goals.

We see people willing to subordinate other people's lives to their own goals all the time. It's not just dictators or elected politicians; sometimes it's parents or employers or self-appointed do-gooders. I thank God that I was born with Celtic genes that have left me completely free from any desire to control anybody or anything and able to resist automatically any attempt to control me.

Another useful thing I have learned through the years is that neither the past nor the future exists. What

exists is only the present moment. We cannot change the past nor live in it except as a delusion. Tomorrow never arrives. We slide effortlessly from one today to another today. Wake up at any point in the 24-hour cycle and you are in the present moment. Tomorrow is only an assumption that we will experience yet another today. Eventually the assumption will be false.

Shakespeare saw a great truth when he wrote that all the world is a stage and we are merely players. The play was running before we made our entrance, and it will continue to run after we have

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Charley Reese

Columnist



Today in History

(AP) — Today is Monday, July 12, the 194th day of 2004. There are 172 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Twenty years ago, on July 12, 1984, Democratic presidential candidate Walter F. Mondale announced he'd chosen U.S. Rep. Geraldine A. Ferraro of New York to be his running-mate; Ferraro was the first woman to run for vice president on a major-party ticket.

On this date:

In 100 B.C., Roman dictator Julius Caesar was born.

In 1543, England's King Henry VIII married his sixth and last wife, Catherine Parr.

In 1690, Protestant forces led by William of Orange defeated the Roman Catholic army of James II at the Battle of the Boyne in Ireland.

In 1854, George Eastman, inventor of the Kodak camera, was born in Waterville, N.Y.

In 1862, Congress authorized the Medal of Honor.

In 1948, the Democratic national convention opened in Philadelphia.

In 1972, George McGovern won the Democratic presidential nomination at the party's convention in Miami Beach.

In 1974, John Ehrlichman, an ex-aide to President Nixon, and three others were convicted of conspiring to violate the civil rights of Daniel Ellsberg's former psychiatrist.

'No man is happy without a delusion of some kind. Delusions are as necessary to our happiness as realities.'

Christian N. Bovee
American author

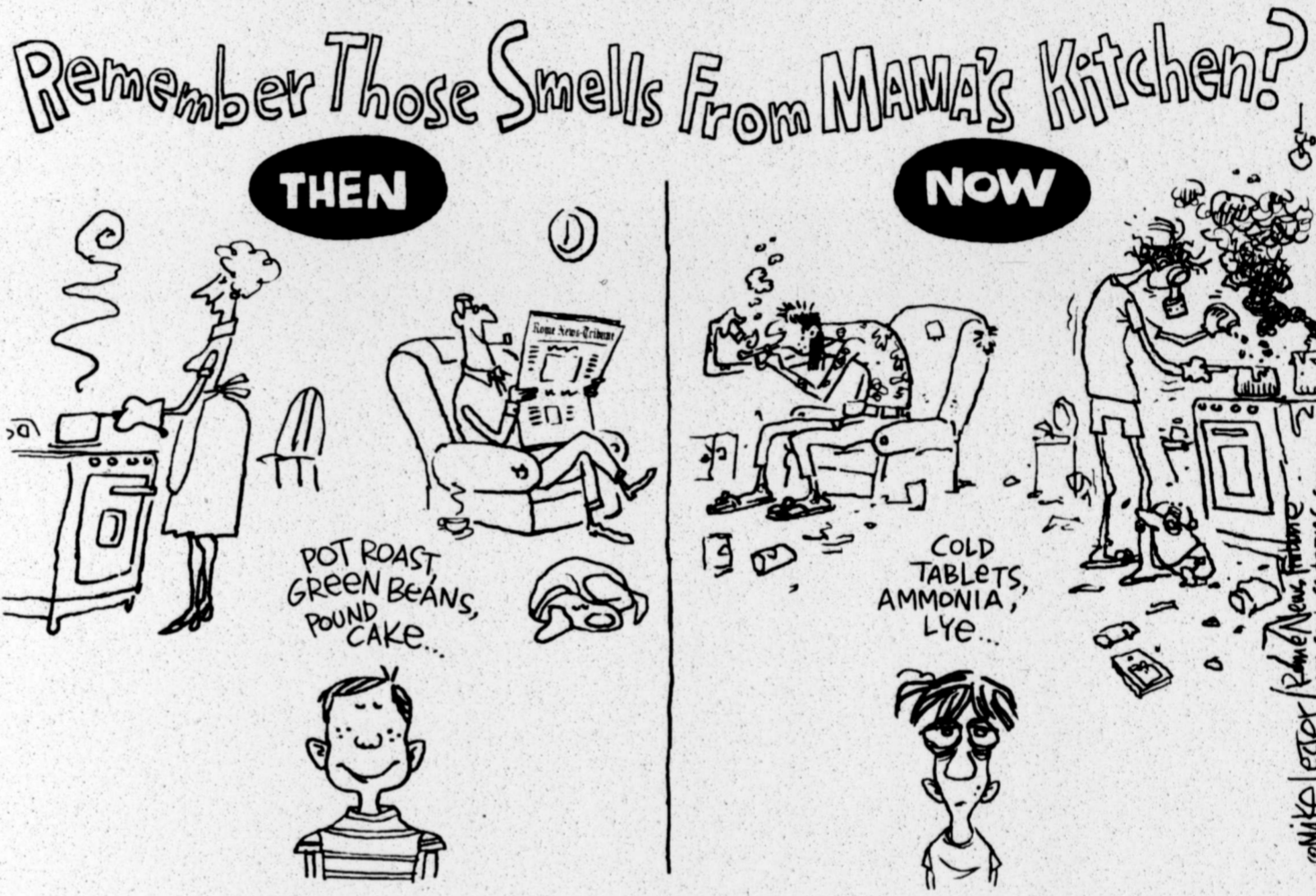
In 1977, President Carter defended Supreme Court decisions limiting government payments for poor women's abortions, saying, "There are many things in life that are not fair."

In 1993, 196 people were killed when an earthquake measuring a magnitude of 7.8 struck northern Japan.

Ten years ago: President Clinton, visiting Germany, went to the eastern sector of Berlin, the first president to do so since Harry Truman. Confirmation hearings began for Supreme Court nominee Stephen G. Breyer. The National League won the All-Star Game, defeating the American League 8-7.

Five years ago: President Clinton and Republican congressional leaders held their first face-to-face budget meeting of the year; the talk was described afterward as positive.

One year ago: Wrapping up a five-day tour of Africa, President Bush said he would not allow terrorists to use the continent as a base "to threaten the world." The USS Ronald Reagan, the first carrier named for a living president, was commissioned in Norfolk, Va. Jazz great Benny Carter died at age 95.



Finding the right exit from Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's words about the war in Iraq have moderated since the feisty "Bring 'em on!" directed at those who would attack U.S. forces and undermine creation of a free government.

Consider his remarks on June 28, when he said that Iraq's prime minister and president had told him "that their goal is to eventually take full responsibility for the security of their country. And America wants Iraqi forces to take that role."

Those words signaled that Bush has begun working up to the moment when the

United States officially makes its move toward the door — leaving Baghdad.

Few expect the Bush administration to acknowledge it is packing up to leave Iraq. The temporary government has just taken over and is trying to steady itself.

Bush, mindful that terrorist would welcome a haven in a weakened, abandoned Iraq, has taken pains to avoid giving the impression

of a full-fledged American pullout.

"Iraq today still has many challenges to overcome. We recognize that," Bush also said June 28 while in Turkey for a NATO summit.

Foreign policy analysts see some recent U.S. actions as reflecting a deliberate shift toward an exit strategy. They say the United States is showing more deference to the United Nations and to

NATO allies that have agreed to train Iraq's military.

A government in exit mode engages in "the so-called Vietnamization process," said James McCormick, political science chairman at Iowa State University. Major decisions about security are left to local officials or the incoming leadership, with offers to help when needed.

"That was the classic part of the exit strategy that the Nixon administration tried" in Vietnam, McCormick

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Washington Today

Sonya Ross
Associated Press

What the Supreme Court didn't do

Victoria Advocate on internet filters:

It is important to understand what the U.S. Supreme Court did not do when it ruled, 5-4, that the Child Online Protection Act of 1998 should not take effect until it is further reviewed by the federal district court in Philadelphia that had prevented its implementation.

The justices in the majority did not endorse the online availability of pornography as a good thing. They did not say that children should be exposed to it. And they certainly did not overturn federal and state laws prohibiting child pornography and

harshly punishing violators. But the Supreme Court did hold — and appropriately so — that the 1998 law threatens adult access to legal material online.

Whether any form of pornography should be legal or has any redeeming social value is a larger question, as is the complicated matter of how to define whether it is legally obscene. A former Supreme Court justice once remarked that attempting to do so is like

trying to nail jelly to the barn door.

"Material that is indecent but not obscene is protected by the First Amendment.

Adults may see or purchase it, but children may not. That is a tricky rule to enforce in the world of the Internet," The Associated Press explained. The Child Online Protection Act had broad bipartisan support. Congress passed it to "require adults to use access codes or other

ways of registering before they could see objectionable material online," the AP reported. President Bill Clinton signed it into law. Anyone convicted of violating the measure could be fined up to \$50,000 or sent to jail.

So any adult could walk into a retail establishment that sells material that, however objectionable it is to some, is legal for adults to view and purchase. But the same adult would have to pay a fine as high as \$50,000 or go to jail if caught viewing the exact same material

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Going shopping

Derek Taylor, 13, and his brother Samuel, 6, spend Friday afternoons going to garage sales like this one at 1900 Charles.

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said. "We're seeing some of that, but the problem is the Iraqi security forces are not sufficiently developed for that turnover to take place."

Last week, U.S. envoy Nicholas Burns told reporters in Belgium that the administration expected NATO instructors to begin training Iraqi security forces this summer. There is "every reason now for us all to help" the Iraqis, Burns said.

Analyst Norman Ornstein of the American Enterprise Institute noted that Bush allowed U.N. envoy Lakhdar Brahimi to determine who would run Iraq in the short term and expressed a willingness to leave Iraq if the interim government made that request.

"That does not seem, to me, to fit the standard-issue definition of tough and resolute," Ornstein said. "They're clearly changing their policy today in Iraq. It's radically different than it was a year ago, or six months ago,

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made our exit. Whether anyone remembers our performance is not important. What is important is that we savor our brief time on the

Internet

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online. The 1998 law poses "a potential for extraordinary harm and a serious chill upon protected speech," Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote for the majority, which also included Justices John Paul Stevens, David Souter, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Clarence Thomas.

But the court did not suggest that parents should not protect their children from access to online material they regard as objectionable.

The 1998 law, however, "presumes that parents lack the ability, not the will, to monitor what their children see. By enacting programs to promote use of filtering software, Congress could give parents that ability without subjecting protected speech to severe penalties," the high court held.

and it's clearly changed in response to the environment and political circumstances."

Bush declared an end to major combat in Iraq on May 1, 2003. On July 2, 2003, Bush promised that the United States would stay in Iraq until it had completed the creation of a free government there. To those who would attack U.S. forces in an attempt to deter that mission, Bush said: "My answer is bring 'em on."

'The struggle is first and foremost an Iraqi struggle.'

— George W. Bush
U.S. President

Since then, Bush has had to bow to a few realities, such as an insurgency that has killed or wounded more American soldiers than anticipated, and his inability to get large-scale troop commitments from other countries to ease the load on the U.S. military.

The United States set a stage and truly live in the moment without regret for the past or worry about the future.

If anyone thinks I am advocating hedonism, that person is wrong. Life is much more than vittles, booze and a few pokes.

Not only would filtering be constitutional, but it also might work better to protect children, the majority opinion continued. "Blocking and filtering software is an alternative less restrictive ... and, in addition, likely more effective as a means of restricting children's access to materials deemed harmful to them," Kennedy wrote.

The high court put the responsibility for protecting children where it belongs — with the nation's parents and other adult caregivers. For now, the high court is leaving it to a federal trial court in Philadelphia to determine whether advanced-technology Internet filters would be effective tools for parents to use.

Only if that option fails should the government consider acting. And even then, in such a way that does not trample on First Amendment rights, no matter how unpopular their exercise may be.

June 30 deadline for transferring power in Baghdad and beat its own deadline by two days. Other signs of an exit, such as timelines for drawing down U.S. forces, are not yet evident, said Cato Institute analyst Christopher Preble.

"You can't have an exit strategy without that," Preble said. "It is essential that the Bush administration go public with such a plan, so that the Iraqi government can take prudent measures to prepare for their own defense."

On the day of transfer, Bush said the United States and Iraq were "moving forward on every element of our five-part plan" for Iraqi self-rule. He committed the United States to being there for the Iraqis, hunting down insurgents and protecting the country's infrastructure as Iraq's new leaders prepare for elections.

Still, the president said, "The struggle is, first and foremost, an Iraqi struggle."

Researchers turn to blimp camera to help fine-tune cotton irrigation

CAMILLA, Ga. (AP) — The 15-foot blimp hanging over a south Georgia cotton field may look like a used-car promotion.

But beneath the white bag of helium there's some serious science going on — research that could mean improved cotton yields, better quality and higher profits for Southern cotton growers.

University of Georgia researchers are using the blimp to conduct a long-term study to detect drought stress in cotton plants before the plants start wilting.

"If we can fly a drone over Iraq and spy on whoever, why can't we fly a blimp over our cotton fields?" said Craig Bednarz, a cotton physiologist with the university.

Dangling from the blimp is a square, plastic container holding two digital cameras, one modified to take infrared images. The cameras, both pointed downward, are fired from the ground with radio signals from a remote control.

Healthy plants appear white in the infrared images, while sick or drought-stressed plants show up in shades of red.

"When you walk in a field, you see only a small portion (of the crop)," said researcher Glen Ritchie, one

of two graduate students working on the project. "When a plant wilts, it has stopped growing. There's no photosynthesis. With this, we can see the whole field and we'll be able to spot problems before the plants wilt."

The research is being done at the university's 130-acre C.M. Stripling Irrigation Research Park, which has more than 200 sensors buried at depths of 6, 12 and 24 inches. They report soil-moisture conditions every 15 minutes, and the colors in the images are correlated with the moisture readings provided by the sensors.

Scientists are fine-tuning the moisture requirements of

various crops at the park, including corn, cotton and watermelons. Its irrigation systems supply varying amounts of water to different parts of a field, based on need — something conventional systems can't do.

The effort began last year using a long stick to lift the cameras over the field. This year, researchers are using a 6 1/2-foot-wide blimp from Southern Balloon Works Inc. in Deland, Fla. It soars to about 300 feet while two of the researchers guide it across the field with strings. A third holds the remote control and snaps images of the farming area.

"We don't think there will be blimps over every farm," he said.



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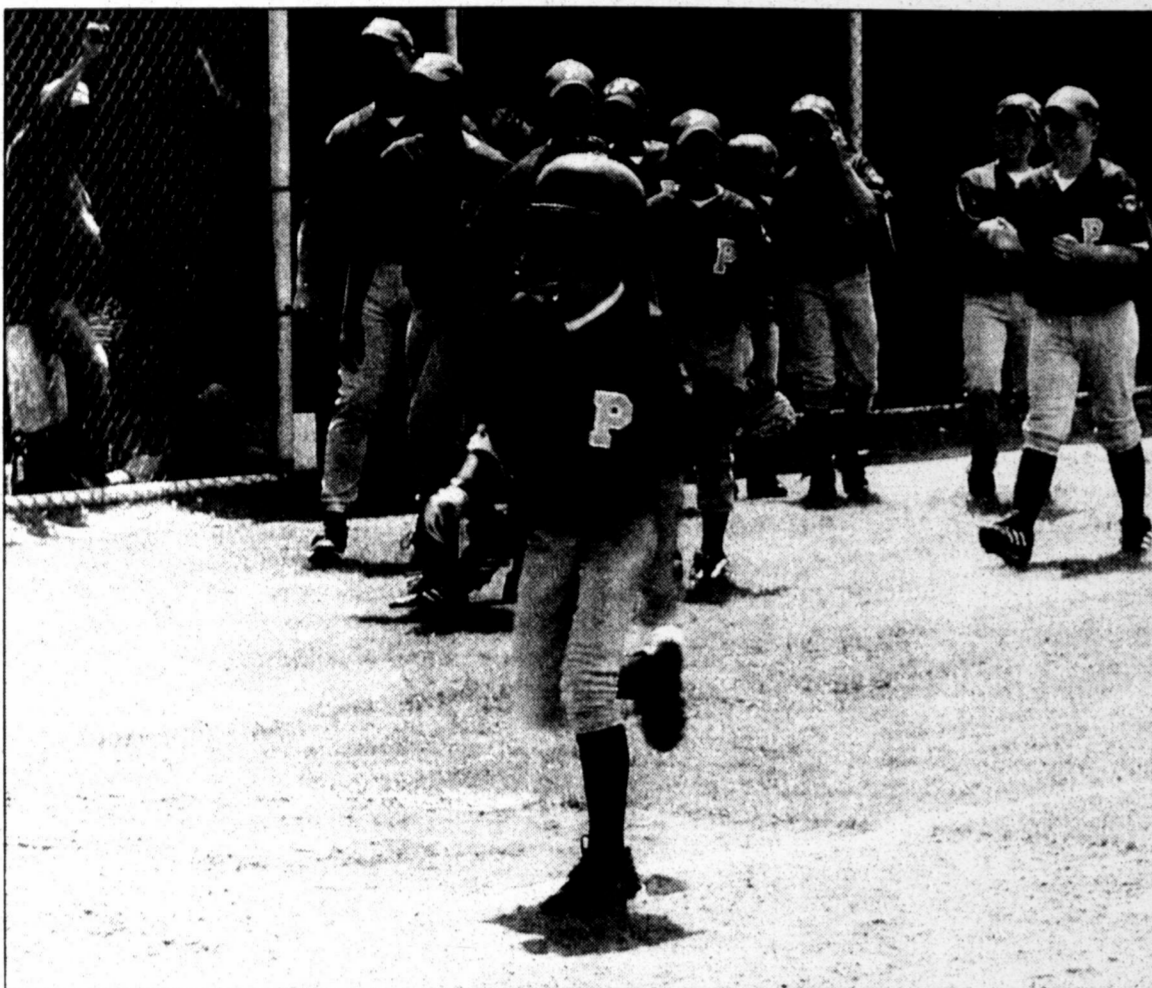
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Sports Day



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The Pampa team comes out to cheer on Mitchell Killgo as he ran the bases after his first homerun of the game in the first inning. He went on to have another in the third. Both allowed for two runs to be scored each, resulting in adding four overall runs for the Pampa team.

Pampa eliminated from tournament

Lightning struck in the same place at Optimist Park Saturday in the West Texas Cal Ripken 11-12 State baseball Tournament. It struck the first time in the top of the fourth inning as Plainview blasted seven hits and scored eight runs to wipe out a 4-0 Pampa lead. It struck the second time in the same inning as lightning delayed the game for about 45 minutes.

Plainview prevailed 9-6 as the comeback kids' bid for another late inning come-from-behind victory fell short.

Pampa went into the top of the fourth inning with a 4-0 lead courtesy of a two-run homer to left field in the first inning and a two-run homer to right field in the third inning by Mitchell Killgo. Anthony Allen was aboard in the first. Stephen Botello was on in the third. Both had walked.

Kane Hendershot started in the fourth for Plainview with a single. David Rames followed with a double. Jonathon Solis was

safe on an error which loaded the bases. Tyler Brownlee singled in the first run. Jason Miller brought home two more with a single. Consecutive walks to Shaun Martinez and Ty King were sandwiched around a wild pitch which brought Brownlee in to tie the game. Miller scampered home on a throwing error. Hayden Alexander had an RBI single. Hendershot got his second hit of the inning to drive in another run. Then came the lightning delay which worked to Pampa's advantage, but the damage had been done.

Pampa had its chances leaving five runners on base in the last three innings. A terrific catch by first baseman, Hendershot, turned into a double play to end Pampa's threat in the fourth.

A walk to Miller, a force out by Martinez, a stolen base and an error plated Plainview's other run in the fifth.

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NRC, Plainview to battle

Two one-run victories and a blowout highlighted the first day of the West Texas Cal Ripken 11-12 State baseball Tournament Saturday at Optimist Park. Denver City needed seven innings to edge Deaf Smith County 5-4. Abernathy fell to Plainview 4-3. North Randall County pounded Denver City 19-0.

Denver city broke open a scoreless game in the bottom of the third against Deaf Smith on a single by Josh Pesina, a fielder's choice hit by Joey Pena and an error which permitted Albert Alacorn to reach base. Tiffani Garcia, the only lady player in the tournament, knocked in the first run of the game with a single. Jared King gave Denver City a two-run lead with a single.

Deaf Smith County narrowed the lead in the top of the fourth. Ryan Martinez reached base on an error, took second on a wild pitch and scored on another error. They went ahead in the fifth. Matthew Mungia walked. He took second and third on a passed ball and a wild pitch. Justin Villarreal drove him home with a single. An error allowed Villarreal to get to second. He scored after two wild pitches. Cimaron Shelton walked. Two passed balls and a single by Zach Lopez gave Deaf Smith County a 4-2 lead.

Denver city came right back to tie the

score in the bottom of the fifth. After two were out, Alacorn and Dusty Durham were safe on errors. King knocked in one run with a single. Gerardo Quintana blasted a double to knot the score.

Alacorn led off the bottom of the seventh for Denver City with a double. He advanced to third in a passed ball and scored the game ending run on a ground out by King.

Plainview opened the scoring in its game with Abernathy in the second inning. Dustin Brown walked, went to second on an error, to third on a ground out by Hayden Alexander and scored on an infield single by Kane Hendershot.

Abernathy scored all of its runs in the third. Jake Reed and Steven Barbee singled. Michael Dominguez sent a blast over the right field fence. Abernathy led 3-1.

Plainview answered in the bottom of the third on a single by Raul Larradale, who was forced at second by Jason Miller. Shaun Martinez hit a massive home run to left field to tie the game.

In the bottom of the fifth inning Plainview's Hendershot singled to right field. The ball got by the right fielder. The second baseman's throw to third was wild. Hendershot thundered home on a wild pitch scoring what proved to be the winning run.

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U.S. upset by Austria in Fed Cup

NEW YORK (AP) — Austria upset the United States in the Fed Cup for the second time in three years Sunday to join defending champion France, Russia and Spain in the semifinals.

The Austrians, who beat the 17-time Fed Cup champions in April 2002, got a heroic

effort from Barbara Schwartz, who outlasted Lisa Raymond 7-6 (3), 4-6, 10-8 to clinch the best-of-five series in Innsbruck. That gave the hosts a 3-1 lead, and they made it 4-1 by winning the doubles, dealing Martina Navratilova her first Fed Cup loss after 40 victories.

Griffey tears hamstring, on DL, out of game

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Ken Griffey Jr. is on the 15-day disabled list with a torn right hamstring and will miss the All-Star game.

The Cincinnati outfielder was injured Saturday night while trying to run down Brady Clark's fourth-inning drive to right-center in the fourth inning of a 5-0 loss to Milwaukee. An MRI on Sunday revealed a partial tear of the muscle.

Griffey plans to go to Houston to participate in ceremonies, but will not take part in the Home Run Derby or Tuesday's game. Reds spokesman Rob Butcher said. He will be replaced by the Astros' Carlos Beltran on the NL roster and Lance Berkman in the Derby.

"He'll be re-evaluated on a regular basis," Reds trainer Mark Mann said. "He told me he heard it pop. At the end of the 15-day period, we'll have a better idea of a time frame. It's a muscular tear, so this should heal on its own."

Griffey was voted an All-Star starter for the 12th time last weekend. He missed more than a month with a torn hamstring that bothered him throughout the 2001 season. He spent two long stints on the 15-day disabled list with a torn patella tendon and a torn right hamstring in 2002, then went to the DL twice again last year for a dislocated right shoulder and torn ankle tendon.

It's the fourth time Griffey will miss an All-Star game. He also did not play in 1995, 1996 and 2000 because of injury.

Mann talked with Griffey on Sunday. "He's doing OK," Mann said. "We've been down this road before."

All four active players with 500 homers

had been scheduled to compete in Monday's Home Run Derby: Barry Bonds (681), Sammy Sosa (555), Rafael Palmeiro (541) and Griffey (501).

Griffey, Bonds and Sosa were all slated to start for the NL in the outfield.

"I was anxious to get down there and pencil those three guys in," said Florida manager Jack McKeon, who will manage the National League.

"That would have been a special lineup card to keep."

McKeon said Berkman will likely start in center for the NL.

Griffey, who started 76 of Cincinnati's first 87 games, was enjoying his best season since 2000 when he had 40 home runs and 118 RBIs. He has 20 home runs and 60 RBIs.

"Until this, it's probably the best he's felt in a long time," Reds manager Dave Miley said.

The Reds replaced called up outfielder John Vander Wal from Triple-A Louisville to take Griffey's spot on the roster.

Major League All Star Selections

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x-Injured, will not play
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American League
Starters
Catcher — Ivan Rodriguez, Detroit
First base — Jason Giambi, N.Y. Yankees
Second base — Alfonso Soriano, Texas
Third base — Alex Rodriguez, N.Y. Yankees
Shortstop — Derek Jeter, N.Y. Yankees
Outfield — Vladimir Guerrero, Anaheim
Outfield — Manny Ramirez, Boston
Outfield — Ichiro Suzuki, Seattle
Reserves
Catcher — Victor Martinez, Cleveland
First base — Ken Harvey, Kansas City; David Ortiz, Boston
Second base — Ronnie Belliard, Cleveland
Third base — Hank Blalock, Texas
Shortstop — Carlos Guillen, Detroit; Miguel Tejada, Baltimore; Michael Young, Texas
Outfield — Carl Crawford, Tampa Bay; Matt Lawton, Cleveland; Hideki Matsui, N.Y. Yankees; Gary Sheffield, N.Y. Yankees
Pitchers — Francisco Cordero, Texas; Tom Gordon, N.Y. Yankees; x-Tim Hudson, Oakland; Ted Lilly, Toronto; Esteban Loaiza, Chicago White Sox; Mark Mulder, Oakland; Joe Nathan, Minnesota; Mariano Rivera, N.Y. Yankees; Francisco Rodriguez, Anaheim; Kenny Rogers,

Texas; C.C. Sabathia, Cleveland; x-Curt Schilling, Boston; y-Javier Vazquez, N.Y. Yankees; y-Jake Westbrook, Cleveland

National League

Starters
Catcher — Mike Piazza, N.Y. Mets
First base — Albert Pujols, St. Louis
Second base — Jeff Kent, Houston
Third base — Scott Rolen, St. Louis
Shortstop — Edgar Renteria, St. Louis
Outfield — Barry Bonds, San Francisco
Outfield — x-Ken Griffey Jr., Cincinnati
Outfield — Sammy Sosa, Chicago Cubs
Reserves
Catcher — Johnny Estrada, Atlanta; y-Paul Lo Duca, Los Angeles
First base — x-Sean Casey, Cincinnati; Todd Helton, Colorado; Jim Thome, Philadelphia
Second base — Mark Loretta, San Diego
Third base — Mike Lowell, Florida
Shortstop — Jack Wilson, Pittsburgh; Barry Larkin, Cincinnati
Outfield — Bobby Abreu, Philadelphia; y-Carlos Beltran, Houston; Lance Berkman, Houston; Moises Alou, Chicago Cubs; Miguel Cabrera, Florida
Pitchers — Armando Benitez, Florida; Roger Clemens, Houston; Eric Gagne, Los Angeles; Tom Glavine, N.Y. Mets; Danny Graves, Cincinnati; Livan Hernandez, Montreal; Randy Johnson, Arizona; Dan Kolb, Milwaukee; Carl Pavano, Florida; Jason Schmidt, San Francisco; Ben Sheets, Milwaukee; Carlos Zambrano, Chicago Cubs.

MSU mourns death of football player

WICHITA FALLS, Texas (AP) — The shooting death of a Midwestern State University football player is a "devastating blow" to the team and school, the coach said.

Michael Erokwu, an offensive tackle at MSU, died from gunshot wounds early Sunday morning after an argument at a Dallas gas station, police said. The disagreement involved damage to a car struck by Erokwu's car as it left a nearby nightclub, authorities said.

Erokwu, 22, would have been a senior this fall at MSU, an NCAA Division II school in Wichita Falls that competes in the Lone Star Conference. He was 6 feet 6 inches tall and weighed 365 pounds, according to the team's roster.

"This is going to be a devastating blow to these kids," MSU football Coach Bill Maskill told the Wichita Falls Times

Record News for a story in Monday editions.

Several other players were in the area when the shooting happened, Maskill said.

Erokwu, who played at Tyler Junior College before transferring to Midwestern State, was from Nigeria and attended high school in Coppell, a Dallas suburb.

"He's going to be missed because of his friendship and the leadership he provided, and he did that as a part-time starter. As a person, he was very well accepted. As a player, he was still learning, and we were looking for big things from him this fall," Maskill said.

The player nicknamed "Big Mike" dreamed of playing in the NFL and was popular on campus.

"He was the definition of a teammate," quarterback Rahsaan Bell said. "He was inspirational."

CATERING TO KOBE

Kobe Bryant reportedly issues more demands

According to the L.A. Times, Kobe Bryant has dropped the hint to the NBA's Los Angeles Clippers that he would consider playing for them if they would move about a dozen or so of their regular season home games a little closer to his house.

What really baffles me is, according to reports, the Clippers are actually considering it. As one of the finest pontificators of our time once lamented, "Here's your sign."

The L.A. Clippers' front office is apparently comprised of children running around dressed in protective gear so as not to harm themselves by bumping into walls, sharp corners or things made of Nerf. It is simply inconceivable that those charged with effectively caring for the day-to-day operations of a business, let alone a sports franchise, would even allow such a stupid notion leak out.

Better yet, should the NBA actually allow such a thing could prove to be the death of the league. A little far-fetched? I don't think so. What value would such a concession have? Absolutely none. At least,

nothing positive. How many times have you been told if you do for one, you better plan on doing for them all? Hello NBA, are you there?

The league is already dealing with a laughing stock stigma. Kobe is only making it worse. Who really wants this guy? Who is willing to accept his baggage as well as his skill.

I have no doubt we are living in a more tolerant time. But to tolerate something such as Kobe Bryant dictating how you will conduct your business if you want him to come play with you is, well, just

crazy.

True or not, it is ridiculous to believe Kobe has that kind of power. But the sports world is filled with the bizarre these days. I still find it interesting that so many have been hypnotized by the circus that is Kobe Bryant's basketball future they seem to ignore there is still a very big variable to consider the outcome of his trial in Colorado. A guilty verdict could throw a monkey-wrench into the whole thing, couldn't it?



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Megan Mojica guides her nephew, Micheal Mojica around the barrels in the six and under competition at the Sand and Sand play day.

Stewart wins Tropicana 400

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JOLIET, Ill. (AP) — Tony Stewart ran away with the Tropicana 400 on Sunday, but his first victory since October was marred by a wreck with rookie Kasey Kahne that touched off a fight in the pits. Stewart dominated the race, leading 160 of the 267 laps on the 1 1/2-mile oval and running as much as seven seconds ahead. He took the lead for good on lap 241 and beat Nextel Cup points leader Jimmie Johnson by 2.925 seconds — almost 20 car lengths. Kahne was leading the race with Sterling Marlin second and Stewart third as the field got ready to run green again on lap 127. But all three were bunched tight in a pack with several cars not on the lead lap in front of Kahne.

After the restart, Stewart passed Marlin on the outside and slid in behind Kahne. But something happened — just what is at the heart of the dispute — and Stewart's Chevrolet tapped the back end of Kahne's Dodge, sending it headfirst into the wall while Stewart darted out of harm's way and into the lead. NASCAR officials said afterward that the collision was simply a racing accident and there won't be any penalties. But a few seconds after the wreck, Kahne's crew chief Tommy Baldwin charged into Stewart's pit. Baldwin and Greg Zipadelli, Stewart's crew chief, shouted at each other, and then members of the crews began fighting. The pit crews mixed it up for a few minutes before order was restored.

Armstrong looking over shoulder at Ullrich

LIMOGES, France (AP) — Lance Armstrong knows exactly where his biggest rival stands in the Tour de France. While Jan Ullrich went largely unnoticed in the crash-marred first week, Armstrong has been paying close attention to the German and figures he'll be a factor in the mountain stages. "That's OK to be quiet so far," Armstrong told The Associated Press on Sunday. "He's been safe, conservative and out of the way." Still, doubts about Ullrich remain. "Where's Ullrich?" read a headline Sunday in the French sports newspaper L'Equipe, speculating that a cold he had in the week before the race could have hurt him. But his team insists all is well, and Armstrong rejected suggestions that the 30-year-old German has lost his drive after five second-place finishes — one off the record in the event.

"He's hungry," Armstrong said after he and other riders arrived by plane Sunday in Limoges. After a rest day Monday, the race heads for three days into the Massif Central, a mountainous, agricultural plateau offering an indication of how riders will fare in tougher climbs through the Pyrenees and Alps later in the three-week event. "We'll start to see the start of the real race," said Armstrong, seeking his record sixth straight title. Norway's Thor Hushovd, the winner Sunday in a hilly but fast stage through Brittany in western France, and other speedsters will give way in the mountains to more nimble climbers and all-arounders such as Ullrich and Armstrong. French champion Thomas Voeckler retained the overall leader's yellow jersey, with Armstrong sixth — 9 minutes, 35 seconds behind. Ullrich was 20th — 55 seconds behind the American.

Battle

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Martinez, who relieved Hendershot in the fourth inning, was the winning pitcher for Plainview. Braden Smith and Dominguez pitched for Abernathy. Pesina was the winning pitcher in Denver City's win over Deaf Smith County. He relieved Alacorn, who pitched the first three innings. Lopez and Anthony Murillo pitched for Deaf Smith County. Denver City, after playing seven innings on a warm afternoon, was completely worn out and went hitless in its 19-0 loss to North Randall County. North Randall County was led in hitting by Jeremi Moreno with two hits, including a double, two runs and two RBI, by Ky Washer with a single, double and three runs

and two RBI, by Nolan Hoskins with two singles and a home run, three runs scored and two RBI and by Heath Herrington with two home runs, three runs scored and three RBI. Conner Crosslin, T.J. Allen and Cody Pinkert scored twice, Dakota Ratliff and Jeremy Hamby added runs for North Randall County. Hamby picked up the win for North Randall. Crosslin mopped up in the bottom of the fourth with North Randall leading 19-0. Pena. Pesina and Garcia pitched for Denver City. Sunday's games were to feature Deaf Smith County and Abernathy at 3 p.m. and Denver City against Pampa at 5 p.m. Monday North Randall County and Plainview, the only undefeated teams will clash at 6 p.m. The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.

Pampa

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Consecutive singles by Allen and Botello in the bottom of the fifth and walks to Killgo and Kade Wilson squeezed in a run for Pampa. Singles by Tye Powell and Zach Shaw in the sixth followed by fielder's choice ground outs by Allen and Botello produced the last run for Pampa. The winning pitcher was Miller, who pitched the first three innings. Earning a save by pitching the last three innings was C. J.

Sanchez. Tyler Malone, Brent Green, Braden Hunt and Allen pitched for Pampa. Defensive plays of the game for Pampa were made by Wilson, who caught two fly balls in right field, and by Botello, who snagged a fly ball in center. Pampa played Denver City on Sunday in a losers' bracket game in the double elimination tournament. Pampa was unable to overcome the pitching and hitting of Denver City's Alberto Alacorn and was eliminated from the tournament 3-1. The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.

John Deere Classic scores

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Sunday	67-69-70	270	Scott McCarron, \$62,700	70-
At TPC at Deere Run	Steve Stricker, \$149,625	71-	69-65-69	273
Silvis, Ill.	67-64-68	270	Vaughn Taylor, \$62,700	63-
Purse: \$3.8 million	John Rollins, \$110,200	66-	69-70-71	273
Yardage: 7,193; Par: 71	69-69-67	271	Robert Gamez, \$62,700	67-
Final	Jeff Sluman, \$110,200	69-	68-67-71	273
x-won on second playoff hole	68-66-68	271	Len Mattiace, \$44,270	68-
x-Mark Hensby, \$684,000	65-67-69	271	Casey Wittenberg, \$44,270	274
65-69-66	65-67-69	271	68-71-66-69	274
John E. Morgan, \$410,400	Scott Hoch, \$87,400	68-	Zach Johnson, \$44,270	70-
69-68-65	68-68-68	272	69-65-70	274
Jose Coceres, \$258,400	Jeff Brehaut, \$87,400	65-	Jim McGovern, \$44,270	67-
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Vijay Singh, \$149,625	Carl Paulson, \$62,700	68-	Olin Browne, \$33,440	68-
67-67-67	72-67-66	273	Joe Durant, \$33,440	66-
Greg Chalmers, \$149,625	Jason Bohn, \$62,700	67-	69-67-73	275
	71-68-67	273		
	Patrick Sheehan, \$62,700	69-		
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LPGA Canadian Open scores

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Sunday	69-69-71	277	\$17,730	71-69-68-73	—
At Legends on the Niagara,	Jamie Hullett, \$34,212	72-	281		
Niagara Falls, Ontario	69-70-67	278	Soo Young Moon, \$15,686	73-	
Purse: \$1.3 million	Wendy Ward, \$34,212	72-	70-69-70	282	
Yardage: 6,544; Par: 72	67-70-69	278	Christina Kim, \$15,686	70-	
Final Round	Jennifer Rosales, \$27,433	68-	72-69-71	282	
a-amateur	72-68-71	279	a-Paula Creamer	73-70-67-72	
Meg Mallon, \$195,000	Gloria Park, \$27,433	67-	282		
70-65-70	70-70-72	279	Cristie Kerr, \$13,325	72-	
Beth Daniel, \$117,899	Natalie Gulbis, \$21,963	279	73-70-68	283	
68-67-70	72-68-68	280	Leta Lindley, \$13,325	73-	
Jean Bartholomew, \$75,845	Jeong Jang, \$21,963	72-	71-69-70	283	
75-67-65-69	68-72-68	280	Jung Yeon Lee, \$13,325	73-	
Lorena Ochoa, \$75,845	Kelli Kuehne, \$21,963	71-	71-69-70	283	
67-70-70	71-69-69	280	Nancy Scranton, \$13,325	69-	
Lorie Kane, \$48,412	Janice Moodie, \$21,963	69-	69-75-70	283	
69-68-68	74-67-70	280	Siew-Ai Lim, \$13,325	72-	
Dawn Coe-Jones, \$48,412	Jill McGill, \$17,730	75-	71-69-71	283	
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Collins withdraws from trials, cites injury

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Michelle Collins, one of the six athletes entered in the U.S. Olympic track and field trials despite doping allegations, has withdrawn because of a hamstring injury, her coach said. George Williams, also the coach of the men's U.S. Olympic team, said Collins called him from Texas on Sunday to say she had been injured on the warmup track in Sacramento and had returned home. Collins is a former Garland Lakeview Centennial sprinter.

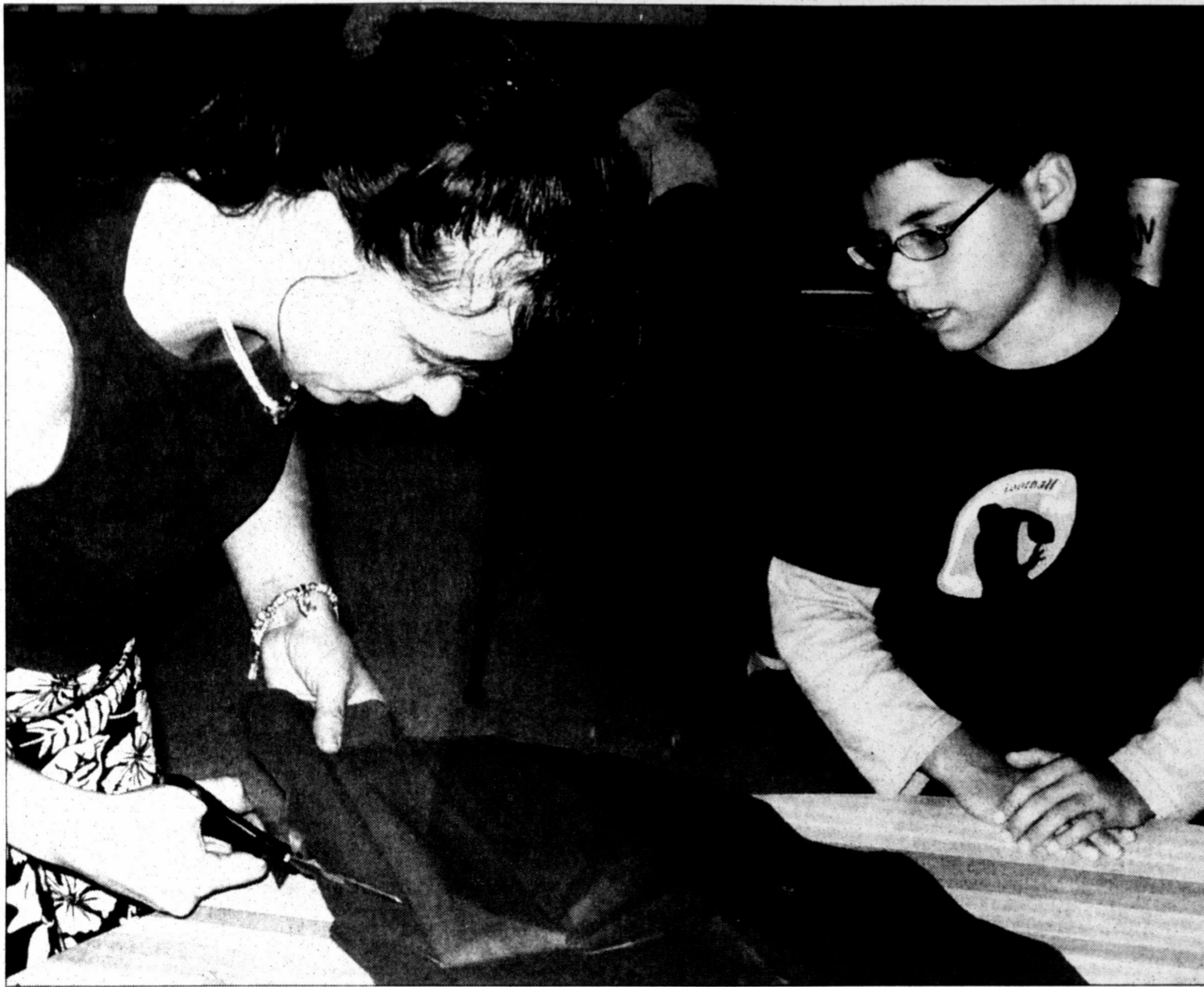
"She came in here and was warming up and said something happened to the back of her leg," Williams said. "She asked me, and I said, 'If you're hurt, I wouldn't run.'" Collins is one of four accused by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency of doping violations even though they have not tested positive. The allegations stem from evidence gathered in the criminal investigation into the Bay Area Laboratory Cooperative. The USAADA is seeking lifetime bans on all four. Collins' departure leaves only one of the four athletes remaining in the trials.

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Setting the scene

Cherylann Moore and Dustin Whinery help with the set-up and decorating for the Lava, Lava Island Adventure VBS put on this week by a co-operative effort of four of Pampa's churches: First Christian Church, First Presbyterian Church, Hi-Land Christian Church and St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. The VBS runs from July 12-16, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., at First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson.

Bush confirms plans to allow logging in more forests

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration will propose a new plan to open up national forests to more logging, confirming a draft plan published two weeks ago. The Associated Press learned.

Under the plan, to be announced by Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman on Monday, governors would have to petition the federal government to block road-building in remote areas of national forests, replacing a national rule against such projects adopted by the Clinton administration.

The Bush administration for nearly two years has been weighing changes to the so-called roadless rule, which blocks road construction in nearly one-third of national forests as a way to prevent logging and other commercial activity.

Officials call the new roadless policy a common-sense plan that protects backcountry woods while advancing a partnership with the nation's governors, particularly in the West.

Veneman, whose department includes the Forest Service, was to announce the policy at the Idaho Capitol in Boise with Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and Sen. Larry Craig, both Republicans.

"Our actions today advance President Bush's commitment to cooperatively conserving roadless areas on national forests," Veneman said in remarks prepared for the event. "The

prospect of endless lawsuits represents neither progress, nor certainty for communities."

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— Ann Veneman
Agriculture Secretary

"Our announcements today illustrate our commitment to working closely with the nation's governors to meet the needs of local communities; and to maintaining the undeveloped character of the most pristine areas of the National Forest System," she added.

As part of the plan, the administration said it will reinstate for 18 months an interim rule requiring that Forest Service Chief Dale Bosworth approve any new road construction in previously protected areas. The administration had let the interim rule lapse last year as

it considered a permanent rule to replace the Clinton-era policy.

As a practical matter, officials said they expect few, if any, changes in roadless policy during the next 18 months, noting that Bosworth did not approve a single new road during the two-plus years the interim directive was in place.

Environmentalists howled when the draft rule was made public earlier this month. Without a national policy against road construction, they said, forest management will revert to individual forest plans that in many cases allow roads and other development on most of the 58 million acres now protected by the roadless rule.

Environmentalists say it is unlikely that governors in pro-logging states such as Idaho, Wyoming, Montana and Utah will seek to keep the roadless rule in effect. Kempthorne is among several Republican governors in the West who have strongly criticized the rule, calling it an unnecessary restriction that has locked up millions of acres from logging and other economic development.

Citing such complaints, the Bush administration said last year it would develop a plan to allow governors to seek exemptions from the roadless rule. The latest plan turns that on its head by requiring governors to petition the Agriculture

Department if they want to protect against timbering in their state.

The Clinton administration adopted the roadless rule during its final days in office in January 2001, calling it an important protection for backcountry forests. Environmentalists hailed that action, but the timber industry and some Republican lawmakers have criticized it as overly intrusive and even dangerous.

State scraps voting list of potential felons

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Florida elections officials said Saturday they would not use a list of people believed to be convicted felons to purge voter rolls, acknowledging a flaw that left off some Hispanics.

The problem in compiling the list was unintentional, said Nicole de Lara, a spokeswoman for Secretary of State Glenda Hood.

"Nevertheless, Supervisors of Elections are required to uphold their constitutional obligation" and will find other ways to ensure felons are removed from the rolls, Hood said in a statement.

The decision was made after it was reported that the list contained few people identified as Hispanic; of the nearly 48,000 people on the list created by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Only 61 on the list were classified as Hispanics. That was because when voters register in Florida, they can identify themselves as Hispanic.

But the potential felons database has no Hispanic category, which excludes many people from the list if they put that as their race.

The law enforcement list was compared to the voter rolls to determine who should be barred from voting.

The flaw in a state that President Bush won by a margin of just 537 votes could have been significant — Hispanics in Florida tend to vote Republican.

Elections supervisors in Florida's 67 counties had begun reviewing the list of 47,763 potential felons identified by state law enforcement in May.

The purge of felons from voter rolls has been a thorny issue since the 2000 presidential election. A private company hired to identify ineligible voters before the election produced a list with scores of errors, and elections supervisors used it to remove voters without verifying its accuracy.

A federal lawsuit led to an agreement to restore rights to thousands of voters.

Florida is one of only a handful of states that does not automatically restore voting rights to convicted felons once they've completed their sentence.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I noticed that my 16-year-old daughter wasn't her usual self. So I questioned her one night and asked if there was anything bothering her, or if she was worried about something. She started crying and told me she is gay.

I responded by crying with her and asking her if she was sure. She said she was. I told her she is still my daughter and I love her very much, but that I can't help hoping she's just confused and that as time goes on, she might see that this is not who she really is. I'm trying my best to accept it, but it is difficult at times.

Please help me understand if my feelings are normal.
—**CONFUSED PARENT IN TEXAS**

DEAR CONFUSED: Your feelings are normal. Most parents have plans and dreams for their children, and your child has turned out differently than you expected. I admire your daughter for her courage and honesty in telling you about her orientation, and I admire you for making it safe for her to do so.

Your next step is to contact PFLAG. I have mentioned this organization many times before in my column. It offers support groups, educational outreach and more to families and friends of gay, lesbian, intersexual and transgendered family members. The Web site is www.pflag.org and the telephone number is (202) 467-8180. Please don't wait to contact them. They will welcome you with open arms.

DEAR ABBY: I am nearly in my 30s and have this little problem. I tend to fall in love really easily. I sometimes can't tell if it's love, lust, or just a strong connection.

I have lost some very good friends because I became insecure and jealous when they showed an interest in other people. They weren't leading me on,

they weren't giving me mixed signals -- I just fell for these people.

Last week I was so depressed I didn't eat for four days because of an incident like this. I got jealous because the object of my affections was on a date.

Rationally, I know I need to be there as a friend because most great relationships are built on friendships first. How can I tame my heart and not fall so easily?
—**THE FALLEN IN D.C.**

DEAR FALLEN: It isn't your heart that needs taming -- it is your insecurity! When people encounter needy, clingy, jealous people, their instinct is to run, not walk, in the opposite direction. Counseling could help you. You must get a grip and learn to like yourself more. Once you do, you'll feel less threatened if someone you like wants to take his (or her) time before making a commitment.

DEAR ABBY: My 67-year-old mother is retired and addicted to the Internet. She e-mails me at least five jokes, poems and "urban legend" articles a day.

It is annoying and time-consuming to wade through such nonsense, and I'd like to ask her to remove me from her mailing list, but I don't want to hurt her feelings. Please tell me what to say.

—**PUSSYFOOTING IN NEBRASKA**

DEAR PUSSYFOOTING: Since you haven't said otherwise, your mother may think you enjoy what she's been sending. Say: "Mom, I love you. But there's something you must understand. I don't have time to read a lot of e-mail. I'd love to get a personal message from you, but if the deluge doesn't stop, I'll have to delete your e-mails unread." It's not unkind, and it's the truth.

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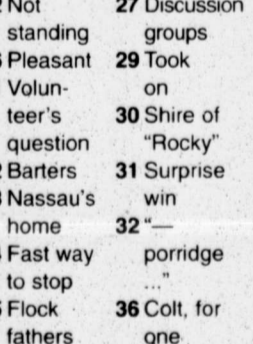
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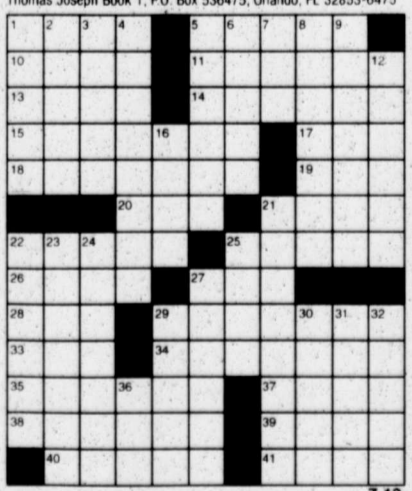
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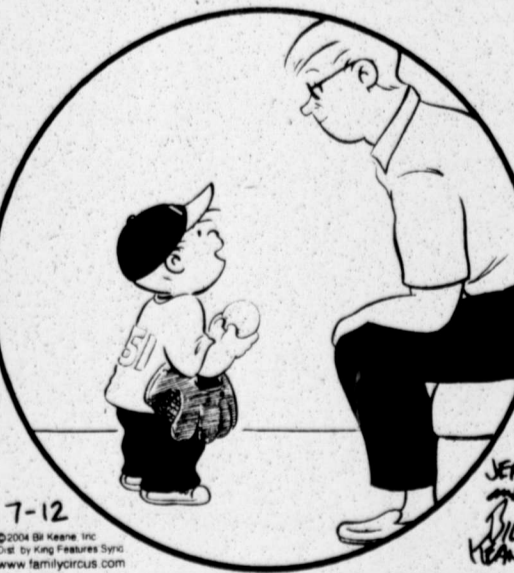


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The Family Circus



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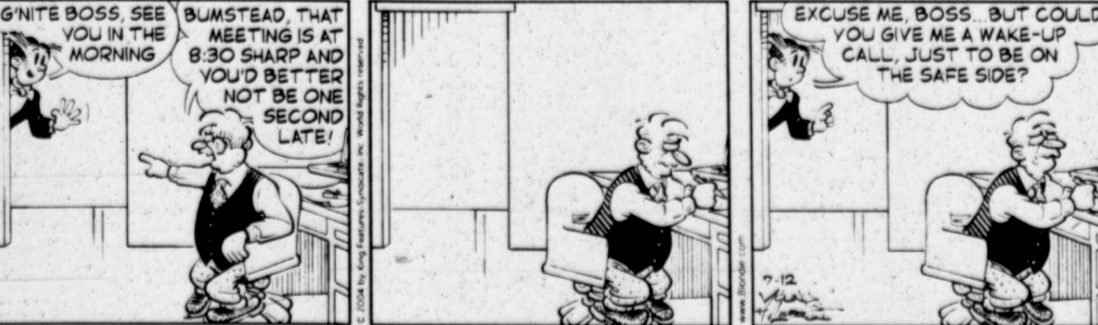
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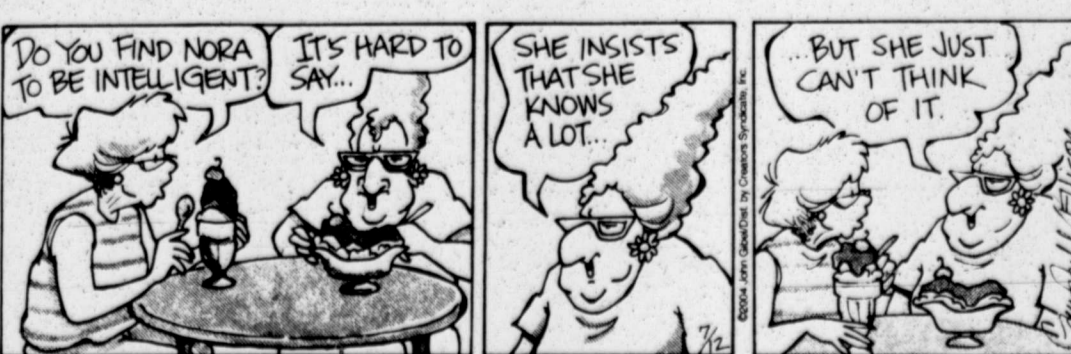
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Marine who vanished in Iraq to return home soon from Germany

BERLIN (AP) — The U.S. Marine who mysteriously vanished in Iraq and reappeared in Lebanon nearly three weeks later is doing better in a U.S. military hospital in Germany and will likely return home within a few days, officials said Monday.

Cpl. Wassef Ali Hassoun was being debriefed at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center by intelligence specialists, psychologists, physicians and a Muslim chaplain, who were hoping to learn more of his ordeal, said Marine Corps Europe spokesman Maj. Tim

Keefe by telephone from the hospital. Hassoun, 24, disappeared June 20 from his base near the troubled Iraqi city of Fallujah. In the three weeks that he was missing, various conflicting reports emerged about him — first that he was beheaded, then that he was alive. Arab television on June 27 showed a videotape of him with his eyes covered by a white blindfold and a sword hanging over his head. He then showed up July 8 at the U.S. Embassy in Beirut, but it was unclear how he

reached Lebanon and contacted American officials. The Navy has said it is investigating whether the entire kidnapping might have been a hoax, but Keefe said the debriefing team was also conducting "survival, evasion, resistance, and escape" questioning. "Some of those lessons can go immediately back to people that are (in Iraq) and in that way they may have something that can save someone else's life," Keefe said. Keefe said he could not provide details on

what the debriefing team has already learned. Hassoun is expected to be able to return to his home unit in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, "in a couple days," Keefe said. On his arrival at Landstuhl on Friday, doctors said that Hassoun seemed to be in good health but had lost 20 pounds. He is now sleeping better, and has been talking on the telephone with his mother in Lebanon and his brother in Utah as well as other family members, said hospital spokeswoman Marie Shaw.

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Saturday's Cryptoquote: THE WORST MISFORTUNE THAT CAN HAPPEN TO A MAN IS TO HAVE AN EXTRAORDINARY FATHER. — AUSTIN O'MALLEY

Belfast braces for major Orange Order parade

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Protestants began celebrating Northern Ireland's most divisive annual holiday Monday with towering bonfires, sporadic acts of violence and menacing appearances by masked gunmen.

This British territory was braced for daylong parades by tens of thousands of members of the Orange Order, the major British Protestant brotherhood — and the prospect of street clashes in Belfast in the evening.

The "Twelfth," an official holiday in Northern Ireland marked each July 12, officially commemorates the 1690 Battle of the Boyne. On that day the forces of the newly crowned Protestant king of England, William of Orange, defeated a rival army loyal to James II, William's deposed Catholic rival, in a

river valley 60 miles south of Belfast. But the parades amount to an annual show of communal strength by Northern Ireland's Protestant majority, featuring conservatively dressed men in suits and bowler hats — and groups of teenagers and young men playing fife and drum in so-called "kick the pope" bands. The Twelfth this year got off to its traditional start, with hundreds of towering bonfires constructed of pallets, old furniture, scrap wood and tires being lit at midnight.

In Belfast, heavy-drinking crowds cheered as bonfires decorated with hate symbols — chiefly Irish flags and election posters for Sinn Fein, the Irish Republican Army-linked party — burned speedily to the ground. Beside at least two Belfast bonfires,

masked gunmen from outlawed anti-Catholic paramilitary groups emptied clips from handguns and submachine guns into the air.

Representatives from two rival gangs, the Ulster Defense Association and the Ulster Volunteer Force, read out statements vowing to defend Protestant areas from any IRA attacks — a sign that, although all three groups are supposed to be observing cease-fires, they remain armed and organized in defiance of the 1998 peace accord here.

"We are better prepared now than at any time in the past," declared one masked UDA man, to the cheers of the crowd. "It's still no surrender to the enemies of Ulster, no matter where they may be."

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Ugandan leader stresses abstinence in fighting AIDS

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — The Ugandan leader credited with slashing HIV rates in his country insisted Monday that condoms are not the ultimate solution to fighting the A I D S

scourge, saying abstinence and loving relationships in marriage are even more crucial.

President Yoweri Museveni's comments on the second day of the International AIDS Conference were in line with the position of President Bush but at odds with a majority of researchers and activists involved in fighting the disease.

Condom use has been promoted as a frontline defense in the fight against AIDS by countries such as Thailand where a campaign to get sex workers to always use condoms yielded a more than

sevenfold reduction in HIV rates in 13 years. An epidemiologist tracking Asia's emerging epidemics told conference delegates just ahead of Museveni's speech that more countries — including China and Bangladesh — face HIV problems largely driven by prostitution, and that promoting condoms is best to block spread.

Museveni said loving relationships based on trust are crucial in the HIV-fighting campaign, and that "the principle of condoms is not the ultimate solution." Museveni — in a departure from the stance of his Western supporters — said the concept of marriage should be flexible. "Ideological monogamy is also part of the problem," he said.

'Ideological monogamy is also part of the problem.' — Yoweri Museveni Ugandan President

Horoscope Tuesday, July 12, 2004

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, July 13, 2004: You need to keep your own counsel more and more this year. You will work out ideas on your own. Test ideas and brainstorm only with trusted friends. Work might often distract you from what you consider important. Your values grow and transform. Make sure your work is in sync with the inner you. Consider changing fields to where you can make a difference. Communication can work this year; just be precise. Expect to make a change on the home front, anything from a new addition to remodeling to a move. If you are single, you need to check out someone with whom you would like to get involved. This person might not be all he or she appears to be. You could discover that your choice is emotionally unavailable. If you are attached, plan frequent get-togethers to enrich your relationship. Recharge together. Before you know it, you'll be acting like honeymooners. GEMINI reads you cold.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ What might seem like a crazy idea could be a lot more than that. You might even be tossing unnecessary negatives into your path. Experiment and see how you can make this wild thought happen. Brainstorm with associates and friends. Tonight: Chat up a storm.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ You might not have a firm grasp on what is happening at home or at work. Don't worry yourself to death about what might be going on. Keep an eye on your spending, though a certain

purchase could be most beneficial. Just limit yourself. Tonight: Your treat.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ People don't relate clearly; also, you might be giving a mixed message. Clarify. Check appointments. You are unusually attractive to those around you: Spend some time socializing. A lengthy lunch might fit the bill. Tonight: Keep smiling.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ You might not have the handle on your funds you would like, or another's budget. Money slips through your hands like water. Sit back and take a back seat. Someone reveals a heartfelt secret. Don't spill the beans and tell! Tonight: Be with a favorite person.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Another person doesn't hear the words you are saying. You might even need to reiterate your words or ideas differently. Remember your long-term goals if you are frustrated; network and let others help you. Tonight: Where the gang is.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ You must accept responsibility and take charge. Could you not be getting the whole story, especially about a work- or health-related matter? Others follow your lead. Don't hesitate to delegate. You have a way with people right now. Tonight: Work late.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Don't get tied up in what others are saying or thinking. There could be a bad case of misinformation going around. Do your own research and confirm each detail. Someone cares a lot about you. Reach out and make plans. Tonight: Where the music is.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Work with others individually. You might not be sure what others want. Ask questions and confirm what

you are hearing. As usual, you find that one person comes through for you. Let this person know how special he or she is to you. Tonight: Say thank you nicely!
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Others seem to inevitably get messages, appointments and work messed up. Stay easy and work with others. Maintaining a sense of humor helps you fly through problems and wins friends at the same time. Tonight: Enjoy your popularity.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ What appears like a good money idea easily could backfire. Resort to the tried-and-true in the next few days. You will gain by being nurturing and following your conservative streak. Seek out more information before making a decision. Tonight: Get some exercise.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You find solutions while others experience confusion. Let your imagination rock and roll. Expressing yourself and helping others understand your far-out idea could take the whole day. Be imaginative in your communications. Tonight: Romp the night away.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Your initial instincts could be off. Act conservatively and check in with your advisers. Your high energy helps you complete whatever you need to do so you can go off and deal with a personal matter. Tonight: Make a special dinner.

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A sunflower in Aspen Park turns towards the morning sun.

Wildfires still block residents from homes

SAFFORD, Ariz. (AP) — Evacuated residents were blocked from returning to nearly 100 summer homes threatened by fires in southeastern Arizona, although officials planned to let some people through to check damage and report back.

Fire managers didn't know when families forced to flee Turkey Flat's 74 cabins and Columbine's 15 cabins would be allowed back home.

Representatives from both communities planned to tour charred areas on Mount Graham on Monday and report their findings to other homeowners.

The burn site includes one of two springs that feed Turkey Flat's water system, said Gene Robert Larson, who planned to take water samples and check for contamination.

"We are going to assess the damage on our water system to see if we have enough

money to repair it," Larson said.

The biggest fires on the mountain, the lightning-sparked Nuttall and Gibson fires, had joined but were 55 percent contained Sunday, firefighters said.

Long stay
Fire managers didn't know when families forced to flee would be allowed back home.

They have burned 29,200 acres on Mount Graham since they began in late June.

The fires also threatened the Mount Graham International Observatory, home of some of the world's most advanced telescopes.

Since the fires started, firefighters have removed some of the dense vegetation around the mountaintop cabins.

But cabin owners worried that the remaining trees and brush still could fuel future fires, said Richard Lines, who has owned two cabins in Turkey Flat for 25 years.

"We just have way too much fuel buildup and we are just waiting to explode," Lines said Sunday. "The mountain has been patient way too long. It is not going to wait another five to 10 years for us to study the situation."

Crews battling the blazes planned to target the wildfire's southern and eastern boundaries Monday and continue efforts around Turkey Flat and Columbine, said Greg Tedder, a spokesman for the team fighting the fire.

On the Net:
Mount Graham Observatory;
<http://mgpc3.as.arizona.edu>
National Interagency Fire Center: <http://www.nifc.gov>

Where did all the pelicans go?

CHASE LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, N.D. (AP) — The air here this time of year usually is filled with the grunts and squawks of thousands of white pelicans and their chicks. The giant birds have made the refuge their home for at least 100 years.

Now their nesting grounds are quiet. The pelicans are gone — and no one knows why.

Everybody, from biologists to bartenders, has a theory.

"Those wildlife agents scared them away," said Jake Bohl, a blacksmith in Woodworth, a town of about 80 people 15 miles northeast of Chase Lake. "That's my explanation."

The 4,385-acre refuge in central North Dakota had been known as the home of the largest nesting colony of white pelicans in North America. The nearly 28,000 birds that showed up to nest here in early April took off in late May and early June, leaving their chicks and eggs behind.

Paul Guthmiller, an 85-year-old farmer, said he's seen pelicans in the area since he was a child. He figures heavy rains and cool temperatures in late May drove the birds away.

"I think there is too much water for them because of too much rain," Guthmiller said.

Normally, the pelicans stay at the refuge through September, raising their young and feasting on crawfish, small fish and salamanders from small ponds known as "prairie potholes." The area is filled with the stench of droppings from the thousands of birds and their chicks.

Now, sweet-smelling wildflowers have taken hold in the guano-rich soil.

Wildlife officials have considered diseases, food

supply, water quality, weather, predators and other factors, but have found no satisfactory explanation for the exodus, said Mick Erickson, the Chase Lake refuge manager.

"Right now, everybody has an opinion," Erickson said. "But honestly, there isn't any explanation. This is the first time it's happened."

The white pelican is one of the largest birds in North America, measuring six feet from bill to tail. They weigh up to 20 pounds and have a wingspan of nearly 10 feet. While awkward on land, white pelicans are acrobats in the air.

Pelicans have been monitored at Chase Lake since 1905, when the birds numbered about 50. President Theodore Roosevelt designated the site as a bird refuge in 1908, when many of the birds were being killed for their feathers and for target practice.

Samples from about two dozen dead pelicans from the reserve and from other parts of the Upper Midwest are being tested at the National Wildlife Health Center in Madison, Wis.

"There has been no consistent finding as to cause of death," said Kathryn Converse, wildlife disease specialist with the center.

Researchers had found botulism in two of the dead pelicans from the reserve, Converse said. None of the pelicans had tested positive for West Nile or other viruses, she said.

Erickson said officials initially blamed a coyote that had a den about a mile from the nesting grounds, and killed it. But the exodus continued.

"It's weird," Erickson said. "We feel helpless because we don't know what else to look at."

Wildlife officials have been doing annual aerial surveys of the pelicans since 1972. The number of pelicans had tripled at the refuge in the past 30 years. A record 35,466 breeding pelicans and 17,733 nests were tallied in 2000 at Chase Lake, Erickson said.

This year, there have been reports of extraordinary pelican sightings in Illinois, Wisconsin, Montana, Nebraska and Michigan. But the numbers reported throughout the Upper Midwest do not add up to the nearly 28,000 recorded.

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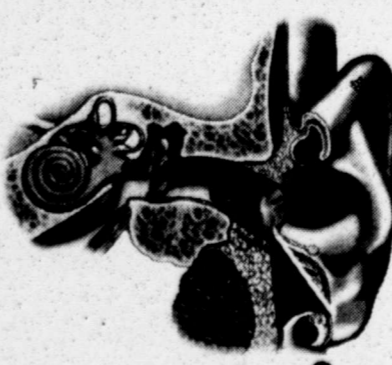
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