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Low tonight in upper
60s, high tomorrow near
90. See Page 2 for
weather details.

CLARENDON — Department of Public Safety officers today were trying to determine the identity of a man killed in a car-pedestrian accident over the weekend near Clarendon.

Officers said a man dressed only in shorts ran across U.S. 287 shortly before 11 p.m. Saturday. He was struck by an eastbound car.

Authorities said today that as the man ran from the southside of the highway out into the lanes of traffic about three miles east of Clarendon, the car that hit him swerved onto the center median trying to avoid the man.

The man was taken by ambulance to the emergency room of Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Officers said the man was carrying no identification and was not known in the Clarendon area.

MIAMI — The Miami Independent School District Board of Education will meet at 7:30 p.m. today at the school administration building, 100 Warrior Lane.

Items on the agenda include an update on Texas Association of School Boards policy, 1994-95 budget amendments, voting on the 1995-96 budget, voting on an Option 4 agreement with Clarendon, the setting of the 1995-96 tax rate and an academic excellence report from the Texas Education Association.

Meetings are open to the public.

PAMPA — Tuesday night's meeting of the Celebration of Lights committee has been rescheduled for Aug. 22.

Kathleen Chaney, organization spokesman, said the meeting that had been planned for Tuesday, Aug. 15, has been canceled and rescheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 22, at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center. The general meeting is planned for 7 p.m.

For more information, call (806) 669-5790.

McLEAN — A rash of burglaries in McLean Thursday netted \$720 in losses and damage.

Gray County Sheriff's Office continues to investigate burglaries at C and H Supply, Graybill Service Station, Alberta's Hair Fashions, McLean Lions Club, Cowboy Cafe and Bailey Welding, all of which occurred between dark Thursday and dawn Friday, according to Lt. Jess Wallace.

The burglaries followed a similar pattern with broken locks and primarily theft of money, he said.

There are no suspects at this time, Wallace said.

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United We Stand members demand political reforms

DALLAS (AP) — Members of United We Stand America debating whether they should form a third political party received little guidance from founder Ross Perot.

Nor did the unpredictable Dallas billionaire shed much light on whether he will run again for the presidency in 1996. But in an intense three-day meeting that ended Sunday, the group did produce a litany of budget and political reforms on which they demanded fast congressional action. And many Perot loyalists said they were heading home energized.

"I think it's going to strengthen us," said Jane Magee of Pensacola, Fla.

"I'm more enthusiastic. We came because sometimes you feel like you're in a lonely battle, but this gives you more vim and vigor to keep up the fight. It's all for him," she said, pointing to her 14-month-old grandson, Patrick.

In the short term, Perot said his organization would demand fast congressional action on an array of priorities, from tough campaign finance and lobbying restrictions to congressional term limits and a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution.

"No more gifts, no more cash, no more junkets, no more meals — no more nothing," Perot said to cheers during his closing pep talk.

Ultimately, he said, conference participants want Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security made more efficient, a simpler tax system and a law requiring that voters approve proposed federal tax hikes.

Skeptical of the promises made by Democratic and Republican leaders in two marathon days of speechmaking, many Perot followers said during a day of workshops that they would support him in another presidential run.

"If Ross Perot decided he wanted to go to Egypt and didn't have a canteen of water, I'd

be right behind him," said Bert Keith, a United We Stand volunteer from North Potomac, Md. "The guy's a little quirky, but who isn't?"

Perot said Sunday he wasn't eager for another campaign and referred to the presidency as a "hitch in hell." But he would not rule out a 1996 bid and suggested he might have no choice if Washington ignored the wishes of his loyalists.

Others, however, said they believe United We Stand's power — and Perot's influence — are greater if he does not run.

Perot again Sunday said that he favored this course, but if he ruled out a 1996 run this early, "the odds we will get these reforms are zero." To guarantee he will stay on the sidelines, Perot said of the two major parties, "They've got to stand, deliver, and do these things."

"We won't know for a while whether the Democrats and Republicans are going to keep their promises. I view our mission as making sure we hold their feet to the fire," said Edward Thomas Jr. of Connecticut.

Russ Verney, the national United We Stand executive director, said a decision on an independent run by Perot could wait until late spring 1996.

During the meeting, some followers advocated launching third parties, nationally or in their home states.

"I was hoping to see a third party come out of this with maybe Ross Perot and (retired Gen.) Colin Powell on the ticket, but that didn't happen," said Thomas Richardson, who owns rental properties in San Angelo, Texas.

Tom Blomquist, a leader in the infant New Jersey Conservative Party, said Perot supporters from 12 additional states had pledged to form third parties. For now, these efforts will proceed independently and focus on state races.

Business inventories edge up

WASHINGTON (AP) — Business inventories edged up just 0.2 percent in June, the smallest advance in 15 months.

The Commerce Department said today inventories totaled a seasonally adjusted \$958.5 billion, up from a revised \$956.5 billion in May. The May total initially was estimated to be \$956.2 billion.

Analysts had expected inventories to rise only slightly as businesses hold stockpiles at lower levels after sales slumped earlier in the year. Large backlogs could lead to cuts in production and lost jobs.

In June, business sales rose 0.7 percent to a seasonally adjusted \$683.1 billion, up from a revised

\$678.4 billion a month earlier. The May total originally was said to be \$676.6 billion.

The inventory growth in June was the smallest since stockpiles actually fell 1 percent in March 1994.

The inventories-to-sales ratio was 1.40 in June, down from 1.41 last May and the lowest since 1.38 last January. It had risen to 1.45 in April.

The ratio meant it would take 1.40 months to exhaust stockpiles at the June sales rate.

The inventory buildup in June included an 0.1 percent increase in durable goods, big-ticket items such as cars and computers expected to last more than three years.

Lack of moisture, late freezes damage dryland wheat crops

AMARILLO — The 1994-95 wheat year started poorly and went downhill from there, says Dr. Brent Bean, agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Amarillo.

Many producers planted dryland wheat early to take advantage of good early August rains. Unfortunately, very little rain occurred through the fall and winter months. Lack of moisture during this time resulted in a low number of tillers being produced.

Mild temperatures during the winter further exacerbated the situation, keeping the wheat from reaching a stage of prolonged dormancy. When wheat skips this critical dormancy phase, it continues to grow, using up soil moisture that is essential for grain production in the spring.

"While that's the down side, the lack of dormancy did result in an unusually good winter for grazing cattle in those fields

with adequate moisture," Bean said.

Insect and disease problems also added momentum to this downturn for wheat producers. High infestations of greenbug were especially troublesome this year, since many fields required multiple insecticide applications. In most instances, the expense of these applications could not be justified for dryland wheat. Plant diseases, such as wheat streak mosaic, were also present in fields.

In the northern Panhandle where much of the area wheat crop is produced, a hard freeze on April 10 devastated much of the crop. A second freeze occurring in early May caused more damage. When the rains finally arrived in May, it was too late to benefit much of the wheat crop south of Amarillo. However, those fields to the north received some benefit, especially in test weight. Later maturing varieties benefited most.

Bean says unusual climatological conditions experienced this year can be a boon to scientists who want to know about the extremes affecting wheat production, overall.

"We want to give the producer the best information available, and the only way we can help farmers in the area is to see what happens under unusual circumstances at the most critical periods involving planting, harvesting and during general growth cycles," he said.

At field locations near Bushland and Washburn, research by Texas Agricultural Experiment Station scientists Drs. Mark Lazar of Amarillo and David Worrall of Vernon showed TAM 200 and TAM 105 were the top performing varieties in both dryland and irrigated tests. Another variety, TAM 107, which historically has been one of the top yielders, did not perform well in 1995.

Trials initiated for the eastern Panhandle had sites near Canadian and Wellington in 1994. Dryland test yields at Canadian have shown excellent results. The top yielders there were Hickok, Ike, TAM 107 and TAM 202. Kansas State developed the Ike variety and AgriPro produced the Hickok seed. Wellington test results showed TAM 202, Tomahawk, Hickok and Jagger all yielding 40 bushels per acre or more under irrigation on sandy soil.

According to Bean, when evaluating varieties it is best to look at their performance over a number of years and locations. "Certainly, circumstances this year have been duly recorded and are now part of the mix when farmers look to next year's crop," he said.

For more information about the results of variety yield data, contact your local Extension agent.

Wheeler County veterans memorial



(Pampa News photos by David Bowser)

In photo above, Linda Morris with Willis Granite Productions from Granite, Okla., putting the finishing touches on names carved in brick at the Wheeler County war memorial, is the third generation of the family owned company. The fourth generation is already involved in the company, said her husband, Mike Morris, who along with his wife was busy last weekend in Wheeler adding more names to the county memorial. At right, he adds one of 16 more names to the walkway leading to Wheeler County's war memorial. The memorial, located on the grounds of the Wheeler County Courthouse, was manufactured by the Oklahoma company.



Bicyclist injured in Palo Duro Canyon accident

PALO DURO CANYON STATE PARK — Park rangers today were investigating an accident Sunday that sent a bicyclist to an Amarillo hospital.

Park officials said two bicyclists were coming down the park highway into the canyon about 10 a.m. Sunday when one of the bicycle riders slid

under an oncoming pickup pulling a trailer.

"They were near the bottom, making the last curve," Mike Wilson, park spokesman, said today.

Wilson said one of the bicyclists met a pickup truck pulling a fifth wheel trailer that was coming up out of

the canyon.

"He laid it down and went under the trailer," Wilson said. Officers said the man apparently was run over by a wheel of the trailer.

The unidentified man was in Northwest Texas Hospital today, suffering internal injuries.

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Services tomorrow

McBROOM, Jim - 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel; graveside, 3:30 p.m., Mountain View Cemetery, Mountain View, Okla.

Obituaries

C.J. FRANTZ JR.

PERRYTON - C.J. Frantz Jr., 71, father of Pampa and White Deer residents, died Saturday, Aug. 12, 1995. The deceased requested no services be scheduled. The body was cremated and arrangements are under the direction of Lamb Ferguson Funeral Home of McLean.

Mr. Frantz was born Feb. 6, 1924, to Clifford J. and Sarah Lewis Frantz. He was a lifelong resident of Ochiltree County. He graduated from Perryton High School in 1941 and attended Panhandle A&M College at Goodwell, Okla. He farmed and ranched on the Frantz homestead 16 miles west of Perryton. He raised registered Hereford cattle for many years and began more recently to raise Longhorn cattle. He was a lifetime member and a past director of the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America. He was a founding member of the Cattlemen's Texas Longhorn Registry and served as the organization's president at the time of his death.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Nadine Brandvik; and a brother, Leland Frantz.

Survivors include special friend, Betty Stone; five daughters, Jeanene Seaton of Pampa, Kara Sue Stamps of White Deer, Cheryl O'Quinn of Spearman, Nayoma Cooper of Guymon, Okla., and Pat Barton of Perryton; two sons, Rocky Frantz of Perryton and Clay Frantz of Hardesty, Okla.; two sisters, Maxine Burns of Exeter, Calif., and Marcena Elledge of Pueblo, Colo.; two brothers, Lewis Frantz of Spearman and Kenneth Frantz of Guymon; 17 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, 600 W. 11th St., Amarillo, TX 79101; or to a favorite charity.

Calendar of events

H.E.A.R.T. SUPPORT GROUP

The H.E.A.R.T. Support Group for Women meets Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. at the Tralee Crisis Center office at 119 N. Frost.

TOASTMASTERS

The Pampa Toastmasters Club meets at 6:30 a.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month in the Coronado Inn Quivira Room, upstairs by the Biarritz Club. For more information, call Dan Silva at 669-6351 or Lois Strate at 665-7650.

PHS FOOTBALL MOMS

The Pampa High School Football Moms will meet Tuesday at 6 p.m. at the large concession stand.

PAMPA AREA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Pampa Area Cancer Support Group for individuals, families and friends who have been touched by cancer meets the third Thursday of each month from 7-8 p.m. in the conference room of the Medical Building at Coronado Hospital. Program for this month's meeting, on Aug. 17, will feature a videotape, "It My Word Against Theirs," dealing with narcotics or cancer pain control. For more information, call 665-4742, 669-7619 or 665-8628.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents in the 72-hour reporting period ending at 7 a.m. today.

FRIDAY, Aug. 11

11:24 a.m. - A 1977 Pontiac Bonneville driven by Brian Aaron Thomas, 21, 1161 Prairie Dr., was in collision with a 1992 Chevrolet Cavalier driven by Susan Cecelia Edwards, 39, 413 N. Ward, at the intersection of Gray and Finch. Edwards was cited for failure to yield right-of-way while turning left.

SATURDAY, Aug. 12

10:50 p.m. - A 1994 Chevrolet Beretta owned by Jimmy L. Caswell, 2637 Evergreen, was in collision with an unknown vehicle in a parking lot in the 1500 block of North Hobart.

SUNDAY, Aug. 13

12:54 p.m. - A white S-10 pickup with an unknown driver was in collision with a 1993 Chevrolet Camero driven by Tammye Leigh Martindale, 22, 700 E. 15th, in the 1200 block of North Hobart. That collision caused Martindale to be in collision with a 1995 Dodge pickup driven by Trudy Theresa Harrison, 20, 414 Red Deer.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following call during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SUNDAY, Aug. 13

5:54 p.m. - Three units and six personnel responded on a medical assist at the intersection of McCullough and Neel Road.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests in the 40-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, Aug. 12

Criminal mischief was reported to a 1993 Chevrolet pickup. A side window was broken out causing \$200 damage.

Wal-Mart, 2225 N. Hobart, reported theft at 12:10 p.m. Saturday.

A \$90 Roadmaster bicycle was reported in the 400 block of North Faulkner. It occurred between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday.

Officers Mike Shelton and Trevor McGill reported resisting arrest and interference with duties of public servants following a stop for suspected driving while intoxicated incident at 10:36 p.m. in the 2300 block of North Hobart.

The front door of Meaker Appliance, 2008 N. Hobart was damaged by a .22-caliber gunshot between noon and 9:15 p.m. Saturday. Estimated damage is \$50.

A tinted plate glass window suffered \$400 damage by gunshot at 866 E. Foster.

A Coleman electric generator valued at \$450 was stolen from a 1970 GMC bus in the 800 block of Locust between 8 p.m. Friday and 7 a.m. Saturday.

Indecency with a child was reported to have occurred in December 1994. A 14-year-old boy was the victim. The episode is under investigation.

SUNDAY, Aug. 13

Lt. Shawn Fullagar reported an abandoned vehicle at Henry and Murphy at 1:23 a.m. Sunday.

Domestic violence - assault was reported in the 2900 block of Rosewood at 11:45 a.m. Sunday. The victim suffered a bump on the back of the head.

Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart, reported two episodes of theft.

Domestic violence - assault was reported in the 2100 block of North Sumner at 10 p.m. Sunday.

Domestic violence - assault was reported in the 400 block of Hughes.

MONDAY, Aug. 14

Allsup's, 140 S. Starkweather, reported theft at 1:50 a.m. Monday.

Arrests

SUNDAY, Aug. 13

Kurt Warren Kelley, 44, 2908 Rosewood, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense, and resisting arrest. He was transferred to Gray County jail, where he was released on bond.

Robert Lindsey Curtis, 44, 708 Doucette, was arrested on a charge of interference with duties of a public servant. He was transferred to Gray County jail, where he was released on bond.

Randolph Lee Welch, 37, 2700 N. Hobart, was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass. He was taken to Gray County jail. His bond is \$1,000.

Terry Glenn Honeycutt, 27, 200 N. Wells, was arrested on a charge of evading arrest, probation violation from Ochiltree County and traffic warrants. He was taken to Gray County jail, then transferred to Ochiltree County jail. He made \$2,000 bond on the evading charge.

Ambulance

American Medical Transport reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, Aug. 12

1:00 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of North Hobart on a medical call and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

10:15 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

11:03 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

SUNDAY, Aug. 13

1:57 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 400 block of Hill on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

5:49 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the intersection of McCullough and Neel Road on a motor vehicle accident and transported two patients to Coronado Hospital.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	4.30	Cabot O&G	13 3/8	NC
Milo	4.55	Coca-Cola	48 5/8	dn 1/4
Corn	5.05	Columbia HCA	48 3/8	up 1/8
		Diamond Sham	26 3/4	up 1/8
		Enron	33 3/8	up 1/2
		Halliburton	40 7/8	dn 3/8
		Ingersoll Rand	40 1/8	up 3/8
		KNE	25 1/8	up 1/8
		Kerr McGee	54 5/8	dn 3/8
		Limited	18 3/8	dn 1/4
		Mapco	53 7/8	NC
		McDonald's	38 5/8	up 3/8
		Mobil	95 7/8	dn 1/4
		New Atmos	19 3/8	NC
		Parker & Parsley	19 1/4	dn 3/8
		Penny's	47	NC
		Phillips	33 5/8	NC
		SLB	64 5/8	dn 5/8
		SPS	28 3/4	dn 1/8
		Tenneco	48 7/8	up 3/4
		Texaco	64 5/8	dn 1/8
		Wal-Mart	25	up 1/4
		New York Gold	383.35	
		Silver	5.19	
		West Texas Crude	17.86	

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

NOWSCO	10 3/8	NC
Occidental	22 7/8	dn 1/8

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Magellan	88.76
Puritan	16.57

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa:

Amoco	63 3/4	up 1/4
Arco	111 1/8	up 1/8
Cabot	53 1/4	up 3/8



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Seventh-grader Josh Baker gets some personal attention from new assistant principals Randy Stephenson and Glenda Anderson. Stephenson is in charge of discipline at the middle school, and Anderson takes on attendance duties.

Anderson, Stephenson take over duties as assistant principals at middle school

Pampa Middle School students will see two familiar faces in new offices when classes begin Aug. 21.

Glenda Anderson and Randy Stephenson were recently promoted to assistant principal positions at the school. The two have taught for a combined 12 years at the middle school, Anderson as a reading teacher and Stephenson as a math teacher.

Anderson has been named assistant principal in charge of attendance, responsible for absences and tardiness of all students. She must make sure the school is in compliance with state laws regarding attendance. She also deals with legal authorities

and court hearings regarding attendance.

Anderson has about 20 years experience in education, having taught at Dumas and Spearman before coming to Pampa four years ago.

Stephenson is dealing with several state-directed changes in his field of discipline. He says the state now requires certain reactions to specific actions of students.

Stephenson details a step-by-step process of discipline. The process starts with an after-school detention hall.

In more severe cases, in-school suspension is required. Students are isolated in the school build-

ing and supervised by an instructor while they keep up with their assignments.

Alternate education programs are now required by the new education code, Senate Bill 1. AEP's are longer term suspensions similar to ISS.

The new code also authorizes expulsion for assault and weapons possession.

Anderson and Stephenson hasten to assure parents and students that the discipline programs are meant to create a safe and secure environment that enhances learning.

Stephenson has taught at PMS for the past eight years and was a local accountant before that time.

Briefs

AUSTIN (AP) - No one correctly matched all six numbers in Saturday's Lotto Texas drawing, meaning the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be \$40 million, state lottery officials said.

The jackpot had been worth \$28 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 25, 31, 34, 35, 37 and 47.

AMARILLO - The Texas Cattle Feeders Association is holding two seminars in upcoming weeks.

The TCFA Animal Health Seminar, Aug. 16, in Amarillo and the Innovations and New Horizons in Livestock and Poultry Manure Management Conference in Austin, Sept. 6-7.

For more information, call Perry Church (animal health) or Ben Weinheimer (manure management) at (806) 358-3681.

Felix advances toward Bermuda

HAMILTON, Bermuda (AP) - Hurricane Felix advanced on this Atlantic resort today, smacking it with high winds, sending residents scurrying for supplies and forcing the cancellation of all commercial flights.

The government said a referendum on independence from Britain would be held as scheduled.

One person drowned in North Carolina while trying to warn children out of storm-whipped rough waters. The National Weather Service issued an advisory urging the

U.S. East Coast from the Carolinas northward to monitor Felix's progress.

Bermudans, battered eight years ago by Hurricane Emily, were hoping Felix would inflict little damage on the island chain. They lined up at stores to purchase batteries, candles, bread and dry goods.

National Hurricane Center spokesman Max Mayfield said in Miami that the core of the storm could arrive by night.

Felix was about 140 miles southeast of Bermuda at 11 a.m. today and moving at about 12 mph.

Feedlot cattle trade too low for test

Four hundred head of slaughter steers and heifers were traded in the Texas Panhandle and western Oklahoma today, not enough for a market test.

The USDA Market News Service reported the trade slow in the Panhandle today. Feedlots report-

ed light inquiry from buyers.

Sales were reported on 400 slaughter steers, the first trade reported for the week to date.

Slaughter steers, Select and Choice 2-3, 1150 to 1250 pounds, were 63.00 on the North Plains today.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Cloudy tonight with a 50 percent chance of showers. A low tonight near 68 with southeast winds 5-15 mph. Tuesday, partly sunny with a 40 percent chance of showers and a high near 90. South winds 5-15 mph. Sunday's high was 95; the overnight low was 72.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely. Lows in the 60s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the 80s. South Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy. A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows from mid 60s northwest portions of the South Plains to low 70s southern sections of the low rolling plains. Tuesday, mostly cloudy northern sections,

becoming partly cloudy south. A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs from upper 80s to low 90s.

North Texas - Tonight through Tuesday, partly cloudy with scattered mainly afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Lows 72 to 76. Highs 91 to 96.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the 90s. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy with widely scattered showers and thunderstorms. Lows from 70s inland to near 80 coast. Tuesday, partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Highs from 90s inland to 80s coast. Upper Coast: Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers

and thunderstorms. Lows in mid to upper 70s inland, low 80s at the coast. Tuesday, partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in low to mid 90s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight, variable clouds with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Heavy rain possible in the mountains and north. Lows in the 40s to near 60 mountains with mid 50s and 60s at lower elevations. Tuesday, variable clouds with scattered mainly afternoon and early nighttime showers and thunderstorms. Highs upper 60s to upper 80s mountains and northeast with 80s to mid 90s at lower elevations of west and south.

Oklahoma - Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Lows upper 60s to mid 70s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Highs in upper 80s to mid 90s.

Mexican feeder cattle trade remains firm

SANTA TERESA, N.M. - Imported Mexican feeder steers and heifers were firm during the past week with receipts estimated at 12,000 head compared to 12,043 the week before.

A year ago, the USDA Market News Service reported 4,784 head crossing the border.

Demand was good during the past week, the news service reported.

A bulk of the supply consisted of steers and heifers weighing 250-600 pounds. Included in the supply were about 500 head of slaugh-

ter cows and bulls and about 700 head of breeding heifers.

All port veterinarians will be in San Antonio this week for meetings so ports along the U.S.-Mexico border will be closed.

Feeder steers, Medium and Large 1,300 to 350 pounds were 77.00 to 82.00; 350 to 400 pounds were 72.00 to 77.00; 400 to 450 pounds, 68.00 to 72.00; 450 to 500 pounds, 65.00 to 68.00; 500 to 550 pounds, 64.00 to 65.00; 550 to 600 pounds, 62.00 to 64.00.

Medium and Large 2, 300 to 350 pounds were 67.00 to 72.00;

350 to 400 pounds, 62.00 to 67.00; 400 to 450 pounds, 58.00 to 62.00; 450 to 500 pounds, 56.00 to 58.00.

Medium and Large Brahman, 300 to 350 pounds, 57.00 to 62.00; 350 to 400 pounds, 52.00 to 57.00; 400 to 450 pounds, 48.00 to 52.00; 450 to 500 pounds, 46.00 to 48.00.

Feeder heifers, Medium 1, 300 to 350 pounds were 69.00 to 73.00; 350 to 400 pounds, 64.00 to 69.00; 400 to 450 pounds, 61.00 to 64.00; 450 to 500 pounds, 59.00 to 61.00; 500 to 550 pounds, 57.00 to 59.00; 550 to 600 pounds, 55.00 to 57.00.

City briefs

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

ROLANDA'S 11TH Anniversary Sale, save up to 50%. Rolanda's, 119 W. Kingsmill. Adv.

LIFE CONTROL - permanent long term weight management through diet, exercise and appetite suppression. Dr. Phillips, 669-1242. Adv.

COYOTE BLUE playing August 18, 19th at City Limits. For reservations call 665-0438. Adv.

HOUSE FOR Rent - 1 block out of City Limits. 669-9353. Adv.

ESTATE YARD sale, everything goes! Yard tools, nicknacks, dishes, electrical appliances, lots and lots of miscellaneous, 1701 Grape, Saturday, 7-12. Adv.

BILLIE'S BOUTIQUE - Large selection Fall wear, now on sale for 1st time, starts Monday 10 a.m. 2143 N. Hobart. Adv.

BEAUTICONTROL COSMETICS Summer Clearance Sale - all beauty products. Billie's Boutique, 2143 N. Hobart, Monday thru Saturday. Adv.

THE BOYS are coming back to the Landmark Club! Watch for more details. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - Chicken fried steak, nachos, chicken spaghetti, barbrque Polish. Monday 5-8 p.m. 665-2454. Adv.

Tobacco-state congressman warns Clinton that compromise on cigarettes is essential

WASHINGTON (AP) — A tobacco-state lawmaker says Congress won't allow the Food and Drug Administration to regulate cigarettes and is urging President Clinton to abandon his plans to curb teen smoking.

Rep. Charlie Rose, D-N.C., also accused Clinton on Sunday of being more interested in "making a big political splash" than making good public policy.

He was among the guests on ABC's *This Week with David Brinkley* who debated the administration's proposals, including bans on vending machines and cigarette brand-name sports sponsorships and severe restrictions on tobacco advertising.

Tobacco companies and advertising interest groups filed lawsuits last week to challenge the measures.

Coming to the administration's defense, FDA Commissioner David Kessler said it wants to reduce the access and appeal of cigarettes to youngsters.

"This isn't about me. It isn't about the FDA. This is the No. 1 preventable cause of death and disability in this country," said Kessler, whose agency has 90

days for public comment on the proposed rules.

Rose suggested that Congress will fight the regulations and urged Clinton to use the 90 days to work out compromise legislation with tobacco interests.

Referring to the Republican election triumphs, Rose said, "If anybody thinks this Congress is about regulating ... nicotine in cigarettes, they've forgotten what happened last November."

To counter the regulations, Congress could increase GOP budget cuts at FDA, pass laws taking cigarettes out of FDA's jurisdiction or pass a watered-down version of Clinton's plan without giving authority to FDA.

Rose said Clinton can get much of what he wants through compromise legislation that avoids FDA control. Industry groups have said they prefer that tobacco continue to be regulated by the Federal Trade Commission.

"I agree with a lot of what the president wants Dr. Kessler to do," Rose said. "I just don't want Dr. Kessler to do it."

He added: "What I want to do now is to sit down with the com-

panies, sit down with the White House, and say, 'Let's negotiate in real earnest to put this together as a voluntary effort.'"

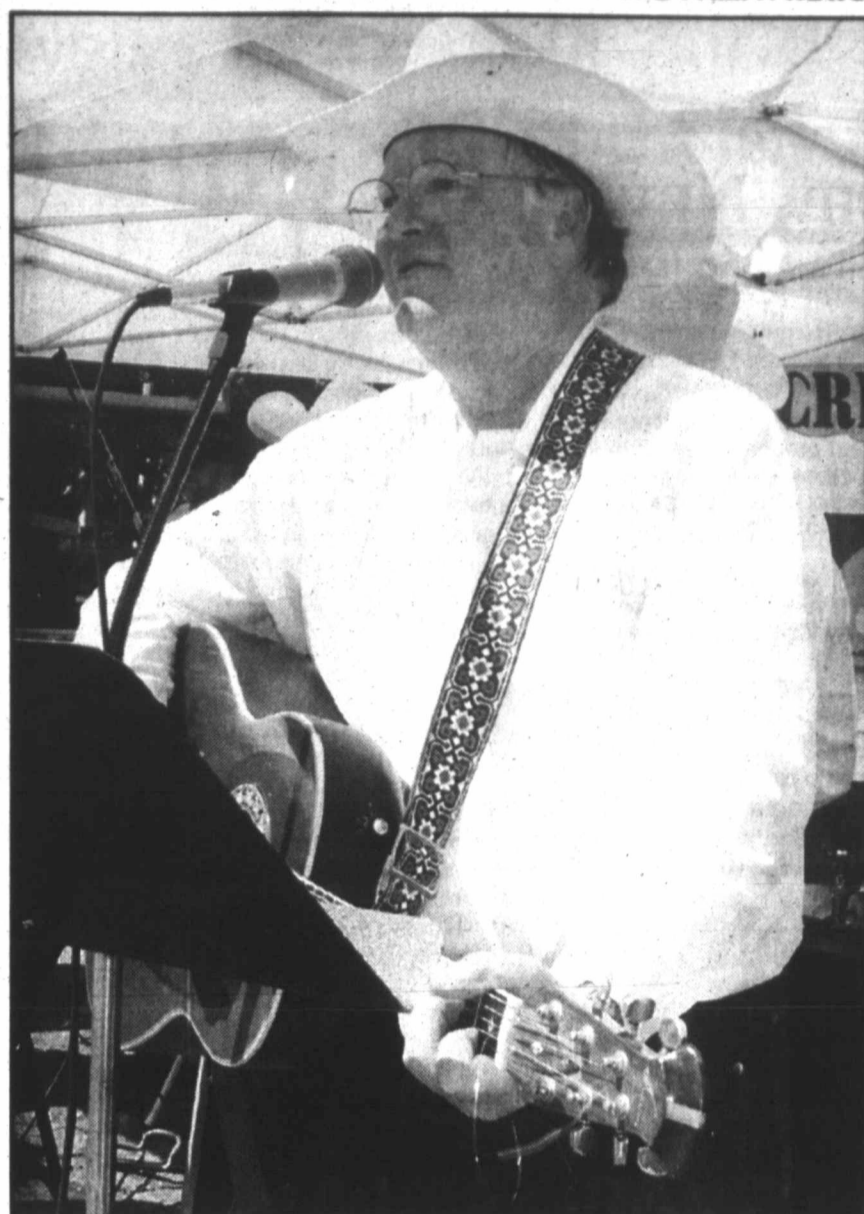
The White House doubts that the tobacco industry could be trusted with voluntary compliance, though Clinton left the door open to compromise Thursday.

"It is far better to start right now ... than to wade through all this litigation" that regulation would bring, Clinton said in announcing his proposals.

Republican presidential hopeful Pat Buchanan, speaking Sunday on CBS' *Face the Nation*, called Clinton's decision another example of intrusive federal government.

"Get big government, national government, out of it," said Buchanan, a former two-pack-a-day smoker. "Let this be done at the state and local level by the people themselves, but get the feds out of it."

Though Clinton's stance will hurt him in tobacco states, political aides think the general public is supportive of anti-smoking measures, especially those aimed at children.



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Pampa District Attorney John Mann takes a break from prosecuting bad guys to bring a little western swing to the streets of Amarillo during the town's Old West Days celebration Saturday.

DA John Mann entertains at Old West Days event

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

AMARILLO — Lightcrust Flour had Bob Wills and the Lightcrust Doughboys. Red Creek Marinade has John Mann and the Red Creek Western Swing Band.

Mann and some former members of Wills' band took to the street in Amarillo this weekend with guitars, basses and fiddles to sing the praises of the Amarillo-based meat marinade.

"It started right here in Amarillo, in my sweet wife's kitchen," New said of the Red Creek Marinade he was hawking on Sixth Street during Old West Days.

His wife, Ginger, was going shopping one Saturday morning in 1989 and told her husband to stay out of her sparkling clean kitchen.

"Wal, as soon as she left," he drawled, "I thought I'd fix up some snacks for my dawgs."

A friend had given New an old freezer with 200 pounds of freezer burned meat in it. New thought he'd take the freezer burned meat and cut it up for doggie treats. He pulled out a bottle of Wild Turkey and several other items from the kitchen cupboards and began mixing a marinade for the meat.

"When my wife got home, she said I'd messed up her kitchen," New said. "She said a lot of other things, too, but she told me to get outside and fix that meat."

New said he had written down the ingredients that he put into the marinade.

"It's the only time in my life

that I wrote down a recipe," he said.

He began grilling the marinated meat, he said. It smelled so good he thought he'd try it.

"The dogs haven't gotten any of it yet," New said.

Mann, Pampa's district attorney in addition to being an accomplished musician, became involved because of his friendship with the News. Ginger had been his secretary for a number of years when Mann was in private practice in Amarillo. Mann also shares a love of music with New, who plays the fiddle.

"I got to play with Bob Wills in 1968," New said. "I was just out of the service, and he was playing down at Wichita Falls. I got to join him there."

When Mann's not practicing law, he turns to his love of music and this weekend he joined six other musicians, including New, during Amarillo's Old West Days celebration to give a western swing concert on Sixth Street. Other members of the band included Chet Calcote, Vic Ashmead, Kenny Williamson, Jim Benjamine, and Jimmy Young. Young and Benjamine are former members of Wills' band.

New, who's from Knox County, said the name of his marinade comes from his wife's side of the family.

"She's from Haskell," New said. "My wife's daddy has a place 11 miles east of Haskell called Red Creek Land and Cattle Company. After I got serious about selling this stuff, I asked him if I could call it Red Creek Marinade. He said he'd be honored."

Menus

August 14-18

MEALS ON WHEELS

TUESDAY

Sausage/rice, cauliflower, green beans, pineapple.

WEDNESDAY

Turkey pot pie, pickled beets, corn, Jell-O.

THURSDAY

Salisbury steak w/gravy, blackeyed peas, fried okra, peaches.

FRIDAY

Tuna casserole, English peas/onions, carrots, applesauce.

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THURSDAY

Chicken salad or beef tips and noodles, parsley potatoes, turnip greens, breaded tomatoes, slaw, tossed or Jell-O salad, chocolate cream pudding or lemon cake, cornbread or hot rolls.

FRIDAY

Fried cod fish or ham with fruit sauce, macaroni and cheese, French fries, baked cabbage, squash, slaw, tossed or Jell-O salad, butterscotch pudding or Ugly Duckling cake, garlic toast, cornbread or hot rolls.

State briefs

Political heavyweights handle child custody case

HOUSTON (AP) — In his effort to win custody of his two young sons, Kenny Bigham has been represented by four former Texas Supreme Court justices, two former state legislators and a former congressman.

His ex-wife, Vickie, has had the same Pasadena attorney all along.

The marriage collapsed two years ago under the weight of allegations of Bigham's adultery and Mrs. Bigham's mismanagement of family finances.

The fight for the boys, now 7 and 3, is not over, but victories have all gone to Bigham, 32. Most recently, he got the case moved to where he wanted it.

"The Legislature never contemplated a system in which venue is decided in favor of the party who can exert the most legal effort and win the race to the courthouse," wrote Justice Raul Gonzalez, one of three who opposed Bigham's request.

Airline workers reach tentative contract agreement

FORT WORTH (AP) — American Airlines Inc. and the Transport Workers Union have announced tentative agreement on a new six-year contract that will freeze wage scales for three years.

The agreement, reached Friday, provides job and pay protection for the workers and achieves substantial cost savings for the airline, American and the union said in a joint statement.

The contract covers about 27,000 mechanics and related employees, fleet service clerks, dispatchers, meteorologists, stock clerks, flight instructors, flight simulator technicians and guards.

Workers at less than top scale will continue to get annual wage increases as they move up the ladder. After the temporary freeze, wage scales will increase 6.61 percent in two stages — 3.5 percent in August 1998 and 3 percent in February 2000.

White House pushing new initiative for peace in Bosnia

WASHINGTON (AP) — With "general support" from at least one ally, the Clinton administration and its two overseas delegations are pushing forward with initiatives to restart peace negotiations in Bosnia.

President Clinton and British Prime Minister John Major spoke by telephone Sunday about National Security Advisor Anthony Lake's mission to Europe and Russia, which was to end today.

"It's apparent that the United Kingdom is in general support of the new initiatives," said an administration official after the 30-minute telephone call, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The leaders also discussed plans for a new U.S. delegation, led by Assistant Secretary of State Richard Holbrooke, that is slated to meet this week with Bosnian, Croatian and Serbian officials in an attempt to foster peace.

The Holbrooke delegation was expected to meet with Lake and

his team Sunday night in London.

The United States has not made details of the initiative public, but Germany's Defense Ministry said Saturday that the U.S. officials are pushing for a peace summit that would bring together the leaders of Serbia, Croatia and Bosnia.

German Defense Minister Volker Ruehe said the new American initiative seeks a "five-plus-three summit" with Russia, Britain, France, Germany and the United States.

Lake was dispatched Wednesday with hopes of taking advantage of Croatia's rapid offensive against rebel Serbs in the Krajina region. Under pressure, the Serbs might be more willing to accept a peace settlement, aides say.

Lake also was told to confront British and French reservations about keeping U.N. peacekeepers in Bosnia for more than a few more months.

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Opinion

Feds attempting to usurp parents

Probably few parents - none, we hope - would knowingly let their minor children loiter on a street corner in their town's red-light district, where they might encounter all manner of nefarious activities.

And yet, to hear some politicians in Washington, we're to believe that parents want to forfeit their responsibility for such oversight when it comes to the personal computers in their very own homes.

Such is the dubious premise of congressional hearings touting legislation to place curbs on purveyors of information in the computer world.

The Senate Judiciary Committee is considering a bill to make it illegal for on-line services to "knowingly" transmit pornography to children or allow their systems to be used as a conduit for pornographic material. Screamed an Associated Press report recently: "Computer on-line services have inadvertently created a 'pedophile superstore' that lets pornographers corrupt youths, a Senate committee was told Monday."

That kind of rhetoric sells parents short. It assumes that America's majority of involved, caring parents and guardians aren't able to oversee their kids' mental and moral welfare without Uncle Sam riding shotgun.

As well, it assumes that even that distressingly large minority of parents who do drop the ball, somehow shouldn't be held accountable; don't worry, the feds'll step in.

Yes, there are indeed sick people who attempt to abuse computer on-line services, luring minors into "private chat rooms" to solicit them and otherwise exploit them. But it is such people, not the medium, who should answer to the law, just as they always have had to.

Never mind that it's unrealistic and simply unreasonable to hold on-line services and the like responsible for the occasional twisted soul who misuses the medium.

Never mind as well that technology is now available on the free market to help parents shield their kids and that online services are policing themselves better.

The real point is while government must prosecute those who prey on minors, it's parents, first and foremost, who must act to protect their children.

Regulation battle lines sharpen

Filibustering Senate Democrats managed to bury, for the short term anyway, a watered-down, loophole-riddled Republican bill, attempting to rationalize health, safety and environmental regulations.

Burying proposals to ease regulation - even weakened proposals - is part of the mission Democrats envision for themselves. According to the Americans for Tax Reform Foundation, federal regulations cost the average U.S. taxpayer about six weeks' work. The total cost to the economy is about \$600 billion a year, says the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee.

Clearly, not every regulation written is bad or evil. Some you have to have. Few Americans probably would rejoice to see the federal government totally written out of the food-inspection business. Are there takers for the proposition that Washington should ignore airplane safety? If so, they are deathly silent.

Still, the government sometimes puts its foot down so heavily that little beneath can grow. Speaking of growing, that's apparently what the Food and Drug Administration apparently wants tobacco farmers to quit doing. The FDA proposes to regulate tobacco as a drug.

This would bring cigarettes, cigars and chewing tobacco under the FDA's direct purview. The FDA could stipulate where and to whom these products could be sold, how they should be manufactured and what should be in them.

Perhaps the FDA would require a doctor's prescription for the chomping of cigars. A whole new



William Murchison

regulatory mechanism would have to be devised inasmuch as Americans are free (if much less free than a few years ago) to light up at will. Given the popularity of tobacco, squads of cigarette cops would have to patrol constantly. ("May I see your smoking prescription, sir? Take it out of your billfold, please.")

Who needs more federal regulations? You would think we had too many right now. Not in the estimation of the anti-tobacco lobby, we don't. The anti-tobacco crusade gets us thinking, or should, about the beneficial effects of using government power to direct social policy.

The plight of a lifelong non-smoker, innocent of any financial stake in the tobacco industry, is that tobacco regulation comes about 400 years too late. If society was going to stamp out tobacco, it should have done so before the habit permeated all levels of society. When women took to smoking publicly in the 1920s, protests were met with a

general, "Ah, those prudes! Who cares what ladies do?" Not enough cared, it's plain. Tobacco became as ordinary and everyday as booze.

One can say that's a very bad thing, but there are lots of bad things in life, such as overtaxation and over-regulation. The federal government exists not to root out all vexations but rather to maintain a structure of order, within which normal people work out their problems for themselves. When the government conceives a larger role for itself - namely, overseeing how we live and where and how and at what cost and so on - expensive bureaucracies graft themselves onto daily existence. So it has come to pass here.

Why should the federal government regulate tobacco? Why shouldn't the customers regulate it instead? Tobacco, interposes the FDA, is addictive. Probably in some degree it is - even as work, rock music and chocolate brownies are addictive. The notion of the national government deciding what's good for us, and what isn't, staggers constitutional theory - and drives the cost of government sky-high.

Tobacco smoke stinks. Yet, so do attempts to enlarge and adorn the bureaucratic playpen. President Bill Clinton is generally supportive of the FDA's attempt to gain authority over tobacco, inasmuch as "cigarette smoking seems to be going up among our young people." Likewise, Clinton and his senatorial allies stubbed out the Republican deregulatory bill. The battle lines for the '96 elections look clearer all the time.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, August 14, the 226th day of 1995. There are 139 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Fifty years ago, on Aug. 14, 1945, President Truman announced that Japan had surrendered unconditionally, ending World War II.

On this date: In 1848, the Oregon Territory was established.

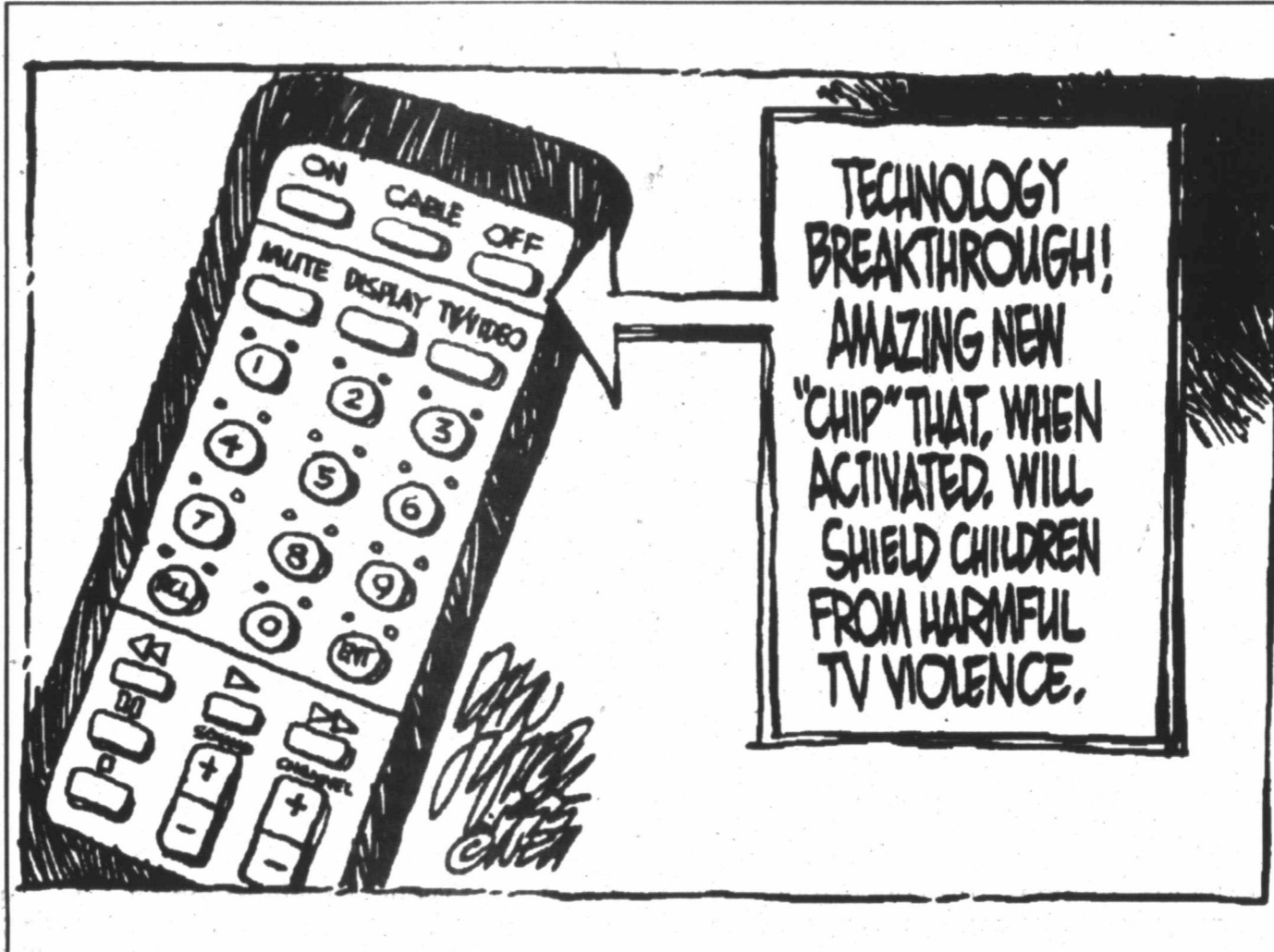
In 1900, international forces - including U.S. Marines - entered Beijing to put down the Boxer Rebellion, which was aimed at purging China of foreigners.

In 1917, China declared war on Germany and Austria during World War I.

In 1935, 60 years ago, the Social Security Act became law, creating unemployment insurance and pension plans for the elderly.

In 1941, President Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill issued the Atlantic Charter, a statement of principles that renounced aggression.

In 1944, the federal government allowed the manufacture of certain domestic appliances, such as electric ranges and vacuum cleaners, to resume on a limited basis.



Thought for today

"Sir, I would rather be right than be President."
Henry Clay, statesman
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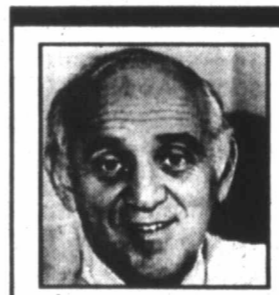
A new entry to the PCHF (Political Cliche Hall of Fame) made a darting appearance a few months ago. It was stressed by some political analysts that "there is no center."

If so, that would be troubling. When sages say there is no center they mean there are very conservative elements and very liberal elements in our politics - and not much in the middle. That can easily lead to polarization, divisiveness and tumult. Perhaps worse.

Writing in a soon-to-be-published volume, *The Clinton Presidency First Appraisals* (Chatham House), liberal political scientist Walter Dean Burnham says that because of the ideological fervor of the non-centrist Republican Congress we will get polarizing "non incremental" changes in policy. This presumptive jolting surge to the right does not make Burnham happy.

Political scientist Norman Ornstein sees it quite differently. Right after the election, when most pundits were overwhelmed by the perceived rightwardness of the Gingroids in Congress and the apparent disappearance of Republican moderates, Ornstein said "watch the Gypsy Moths," who are precisely Republican moderates. Ornstein said the moderates would hold the balance of power. That would tend to yield only incremental change to the center-right, not stark, non incremental change.

The returns are now coming in. The center has not only held, but the old tropism to the center seems quite powerful. The Republican revolution is turning into a Republican evolution, which is best for them and best for the country. (Truth be



Ben Wattenberg

told, I never thought the GOP's "Contract With America" was so very revolutionary.)

For example, the tough House version of welfare reform did not survive the Senate intact. Moderates diluted it. The Senate bill does not carry the House provision that would deny cash aid to teenage mothers with illegitimate children. Now the process moves on, and for the moment, Clinton and Senate Majority Leader Dole are the key players in the negotiations. The ultimate result will likely be welfare reform that is tougher than Clinton's tardy mush served up last year, but not as tough as the conservative House version. Vigorous evolutionary change.

That was inter-house dilution. There is intra-house dilution going on as well. In the Senate, where some center Democratic votes are needed to prevent filibusters, Dole has not yet been able to pass a regulation bill that mandated sounddown clauses, cost benefit analyses and other reform ideas that moderates think go too far. In the House, 51 Republicans joined with Democrats to

soften the impact of tough cuts in environmental law. Then the Republican leadership managed to push the bill through on a 210-210 tie vote, which allows passage. But tie votes do not bespeak non incremental change as the legislative process moves forward.

There are other straws in the moderating winds. Gingrich does not want to move forward with an anti-affirmative action bill until Republicans can replace it with a credible conservative war on poverty. Clinton's pro-affirmative action speech pledged to execute recent court decisions limiting affirmative action, and also endorsed ideas that gave preference by income and economic geography, but not by race. Moreover, Clinton is ditching or downgrading his political counselors of the pro-porcine left and looking toward more centrist advisers as he tries to reinvent himself as a New Democrat for the 117th time.

All this does not mean that "the center" invariably provides the best policy prescriptions.

I think that the House provision on no-welfare-to-teenage-mothers makes sense because it sends a signal that this government will no longer subsidize and encourage irresponsible behavior. But brokered end games do tend to yield safer results. The winners aren't as happy, but the losers don't go away trying to start revolutions. If it is seen that the winners are moving in the right direction, they will keep on winning, and keep on going.

America is a vastly successful nation. Such nations do not need revolutions to make progress. They do need vigorous evolutions, from the center, and that seems to be what we're getting.

Berry's World

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Favoring snail's rights over property owners

When the government favors the "rights" of snails, owls and rats over the constitutional rights of property owners, it's time to question Washington's priorities.

The Supreme Court ruled recently in *Babbitt vs. Sweet Home Chapter Communities for a Great Oregon* that the feds can keep private landowners from developing their property if disturbing the land might bother the bugs or animals living there. The ruling was a setback for property owners who have been trying to save their land from environmental extremists who see endangered species under every rock. Once a listed species - anything from a Kangaroo rat to the infamous spotted owl - is found, your property rights may be in serious danger.

The Constitution's Fifth Amendment says no one will "be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation."

Because these rights aren't adequately codified in law, it has been left to the courts to provide protection.

The courts' rulings have been a mixed bag in recent years. In 1992, for example, the Supreme Court held, in *Lucas v. South Carolina Coastal Council*, that denying an owner productive use of his or her land requires appropriate compensation. This was a step in the right direction. But litigation is costly. Not everybody can afford to sue the gov-



Edwin Feulner

ernment. And victory is anything but guaranteed.

Consider the Walker family of Oregon. Donald Walker Jr. had worked as a logger for 30 years until August 1989 when his timber company was forced to shut its doors. He received a notice from the Forest Conservation Council informing him he could no longer log the land he, his father and grandfather had worked. The spotted owl must have a place to roost - never mind the Walker family.

"I have never seen a spotted owl on our place, and I have never met anyone from the Forest Conservation Council. So far as I know, it's never even been on our farm. But I do have a typewritten, single-spaced, four-page letter from their lawyer saying that what we have been doing on our tree farm for 60 years is no longer legal... The pressure on us now is hard to describe," Walker is quoted as saying.

Congress clearly needs to balance the legitimate rights of property owners against the continued encroachments of regulators.

According to Nancie Marzulla, president and chief legal counsel for Defenders of Property Rights, the Constitution's "just compensation" clause was meant to avoid making individual property owners bear the costs of "social goods," such as environmental protection, deemed to benefit society as a whole.

The choice, she stresses, does not have to be an "either-or": a livable environment or rapacious development. Bureaucrats must use common sense when designing environmental rules. And if the government feels it has a compelling need to keep business owners or individuals from using their property, it should compensate them - just as the Constitution requires.

The House of Representatives earlier this year passed legislation as part of the Republican "Contract with America" allowing property owners to seek compensation for losses caused by federal restrictions on their land. Hearings have been held on a stronger companion bill in the Senate, known as the Omnibus Property Rights Act of 1995. A vote is expected in the fall.

These first steps toward recognizing property owners' legitimate rights is welcomed. Americans will know their government is just only when a new land law - one that protects landowners - becomes the law of the land.

Nation briefs

Seven guards injured in prison fight with inmates
ADRIAN, Mich. (AP) — Prison officials regained control this morning of a building taken over by inmates who had turned on guards after being ordered to their cells during a power outage.

Officials fired tear gas into the building early this morning before entering. No shots were fired, officials said.

Guards had scuffled with prisoners Sunday evening before abandoning the building to the 186 inmates. Officials negotiated with the inmates through the night, spokeswoman Rebecca Bunke said.

The building is one of six housing units at the Gus Harrison Correctional Facility about 60 miles southwest of Detroit.

Seven guards suffered minor injuries in the fist fights, said unit manager Rick Goldberg. It was not known if any inmates were injured in the fighting that broke out after the blackout at 7 p.m. Sunday.

Bunke said the level-four inmates, which require more security than minimum- or medium-security inmates, had set fires in a few small waste paper baskets that were quickly extinguished.

Inmates were locked in their cells in the prison's five other housing units, Goldberg said. Prisoners are routinely returned to their cells during power outages.

Two rescuers fall to their deaths on Rainier

ASHFORD, Wash. (AP) — A pair of rescuers came within a few hundred feet of an injured climber on Mount Rainier before falling to their deaths, park officials said.

A second rescue crew saved the climber, who broke his ankle on a glacier near the top of the 14,411-foot mountain, about 60 miles southeast of Tacoma.

The two rescuers, ages 22 and 23, were experienced climbers, officials said. Their names were being withheld pending notification of relatives.

The two radioed in late Saturday to report bad weather, said Lance Gillispie, a spokesman for Mount Rainier National Park.

Other park workers believe the men climbed through the night and may have slipped on ice, falling about 900 feet in the sub-freezing temperatures. Their bodies were found early Sunday at about 12,000 feet.

The injured climber, John Graver of Santa Cruz, Calif., was taken by helicopter to a hospital. He was injured Saturday, when he fell 60 to 80 feet while descending from the summit.

The National Park Service could not recall other rescuers ever being killed on Mount Rainier.

The tale of the three Ron Legendres

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP) — Ronald Legendre promised to love and honor his bride forever. His best man, Ronald Legendre, handed over the ring and Judge Ronald Legendre pronounced the happy couple husband and wife.

Confused? The three Rons who participated in the wedding outside the county courthouse Saturday have the same name, but are not related.

The relationship between the three Rons began in May 1991, when Ron Legendre, the groom, was at the airport in Augusta, Ga., where he noticed a blackboard behind a ticket counter that announced Ron Legendre's father had died.

He asked a ticket agent about it, and was told that Ron Legendre was district sales manager for Delta in Augusta.

In November 1991, groom Legendre moved from Louisiana to Augusta, where he became vice president of a Ford dealership. A month later, the Delta employee — and his future best man — walked into the dealership.

"It's just been a great friendship ever since," said the 48-year-old best man, who has since moved to Fort Lauderdale.

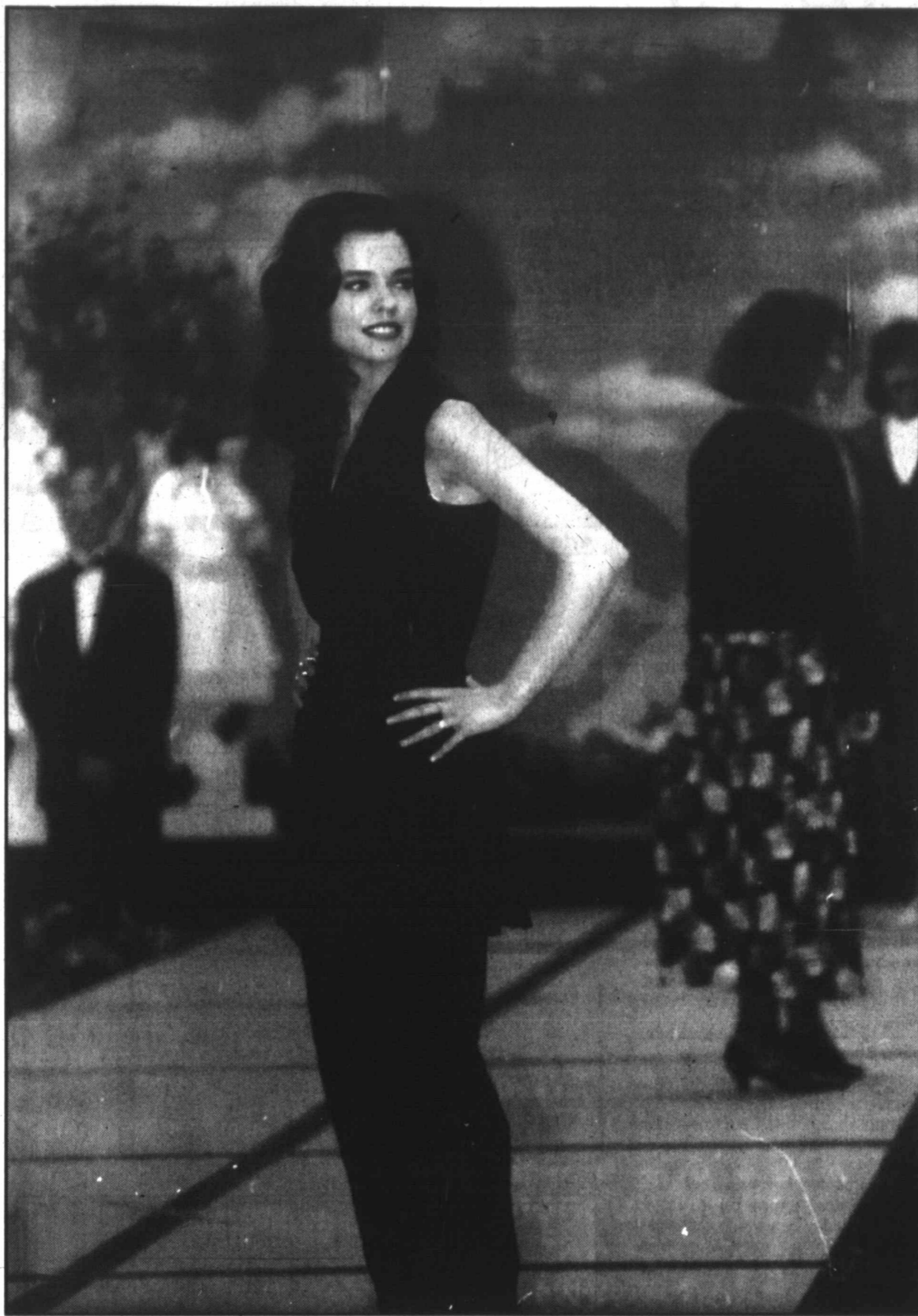
"He's like the long lost brother I never had," quipped the 41-year-old groom.

When Ronald Legendre decided to get married, he and his same-name buddy phoned the judge in Kissimmee, whose name the best man had seen in a newspaper story several years earlier.

It took a couple of calls before the judge bought the story and agreed to officiate.

The groom and his bride drove from their home in Augusta to Kissimmee for Saturday's nuptials.

Altrusa style show



Tamra DeMaroney models a stylish outfit during the "Heavenly Fashions" Altrusa International Inc. of Pampa Style Show held at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center on Saturday. DeMaroney was modeling for Dunlap's. Other stores participating in the Altrusa style show include Rebecca Ann's, Dunlap's, Images, Personal Touch, Wayne's Western Wear, Brown-Freeman, Kids Stuff, VJ's Fashions, Billie's Boutique and Bealls. Special entertainment for the brunch was provided by Arian Archer, Miss Texas 1994.

(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Hospice training class begins Aug. 22

Hospice of the Panhandle is offering a life-changing, educational opportunity to residents of Pampa and the surrounding area.

"Hospice Approach to Living and Dying," a 30-hour course sponsored by Clarendon College and Hospice of the Panhandle, begins Tuesday, Aug. 22, at Clarendon College Pampa Center, according to Sherry McCavit, Hospice director.

"Everyone can benefit from what is taught in this class," McCavit said. "The principles taught in the course can be applied to everyday living. In fact, almost everyone who has completed the course says it has changed their lives in one way or another."

Classes begin at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, and will meet

at the college, 900 N. Frost, on subsequent Tuesdays from 6:30-9:30 p.m. for the next 10 weeks. To enroll, call Clarendon College at 665-8801 or enroll at the first meeting.

"Hospice Approach to Living and Dying" is a study of the effects of a terminal illness on the patient and the family. The dynamics of death, dying, grief and loss are identified to fit those dynamics within the hospice concept of care. Those who complete the class are qualified, but not required, to become a hospice volunteer.

Topics covered in the class include hospice philosophy, concepts of death and dying, pain control, care and comfort measures, communication skills, psychosocial and spiritual issues, the hospice team, grief and bereave-

ment, legal issues and family dynamics.

Hospice is a concept of care for the terminally ill focusing on the quality of life remaining and respect for personal dignity. Hospice of the Panhandle, a not-for-profit organization with offices in Pampa and Borger, has served the northeast Panhandle area since 1988.

Anyone 18 years old or older who has not recently experienced the death of a loved one may sign up for the course. Cost of the class is \$30 for 30 hours training. Three (3.0) continuing education units (CEU's) will be awarded to those who complete the course.

For more information concerning the course or about hospice care in general, contact Sherry McCavit or Dee Dee Laramore at (806) 665-6677.

Fuhrman tapes a major issue for Simpson trial

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The judge in the O.J. Simpson trial this week faces what may be his most important decision yet: whether to let the jury hear tape recordings of a key detective using "the n-word."

The defense, which acquired the tapes after an aggressive legal campaign in California and North Carolina, contends the recordings with Detective Mark Fuhrman provide evidence that could turn the tide for Simpson.

His lawyers contend that Fuhrman so hated blacks that he planted a bloody glove on Simpson's property to frame him for murder.

Prosecutors are expected to mount a vigorous challenge to the introduction of taped interviews between 1985 and 1994, in which Fuhrman allegedly uses the word "nigger" 27 times.

Some legal analysts have gone so far as to say that if Superior Court Judge Lance Ito allows some or all of the tapes, Simpson could win an acquittal from the black-majority jury.

"It probably will be the most pivotal decision the judge will have had to make in the entire case," said Southwestern University law professor Robert Pugsley.

The prosecution earlier in the trial waged an emotional — and losing campaign — to keep the slur out of the courtroom altogether. Legal analysts expect to see a rerun of that argument.

"I expect prosecutors to argue that even if Fuhrman used the racial slur... the inflammatory impact outweighs any benefit it would provide the jurors in evaluating the evidence," Loyola Law School professor Laurie Levenson said.

Along with the Fuhrman tapes, the trial agenda this week includes Fredric Rieders, a defense microbiologist whose testimony was interrupted by scheduling problems.

Rieders returns to the stand this week to conclude his opinions on whether a blood preservative may have shown up in evi-

dence, supporting a defense evidence-tampering theory.

Defense attorneys also plan to seek testimony from two reporters and the police crime lab chief about news leaks that preceded the trial. The judge ruled the journalists can't be asked to reveal their sources but hasn't yet ruled on whether the defense may even bring up the issue.

Simpson, 48, is charged with the June 12, 1994, knife killings of ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson, 35, and Ronald Goldman, 25. The ex-football star contends he was the victim of an elaborate police frame-up.

Defense attorneys say Fuhrman's deep hatred for blacks motivated him to frame Simpson, who is black, for the murders of his ex-wife and Goldman, who were white.

Switching sides now easier for Democrats

By WALTER R. MEARS
 AP Special Correspondent

AP analysis

WASHINGTON (AP) — Reinforced by veteran recruits, Republicans boast that their party-switching newcomers are evidence of a continuing political realignment.

They're up by two seats in the Senate, three in the House, since they won Congress. Switching sides is an easier call now for a conservative Democrat enlisting in the Republican majority instead of signing on with the minority, which used to be the price of swapping party sides.

Not since their Whig predecessors of the 19th century have so many members changed parties in so short a period of time, Haley Barbour, the Republican national chairman, said in celebrating the latest shift, by Rep. W.J. "Billy" Tauzin, a conservative Democrat from Louisiana.

The trend in trading party labels has been in the GOP direction for 30 years, since conservative Southerners began switching to support Republican presidential nominees, or to side with their administrations on issues like budgets and taxes.

While those who switch always say it is a matter of principle, it more often follows than forecasts the trend among voters back home.

And in the South, that spells Republican. Of 14 such moves in recent times, only four were Republicans who turned Democrat, all in Northern industrial states.

Four out of five switches in this Congress were by Southerners; the other was Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell of Colorado, who was having trouble with the Democratic establishment at home.

There are other signs of the realignment in Southern states where Democratic primaries used to be, in a line that became a cliché, tantamount to election. Not now. In state primary elections in Mississippi, there were Republican candidates for every statewide office for the first time since Reconstruction.

And the change reaches down the political ladder, too. The retiring state agriculture commissioner, elected seven times as a Democrat, said he voted in the Republican primary in his home town because most of the contested local races were for GOP nominations.

"For the first time ever, a majority of the governors, a majority of the senators and a

majority of the members of the House of Representatives from the South are Republicans," said Barbour, a Southerner himself.

He said it will be difficult territory for President Clinton and Vice President Al Gore in 1996, even though "they've got the right accents." Not even Democrats dispute that. They're pessimistic about the South, excepting only Clinton's Arkansas and possibly Tennessee, Gore's home state.

It's generally conservative territory. "Republicans are the conservative party of the United States and the Democrats are the liberal party," Barbour said, adding, though, that his party is broad and diverse. But the lines on the right are being drawn more sharply, especially in the more conservative GOP House.

Tauzin said the Democrats don't want conservatives in their House ranks, and the feeling is mutual. He said he'd been with 8 or 10 conservative Democrats when one of them asked whether any of them really wanted the Democratic leadership to regain control of the House in 1996, and no one did.

He said he switched with no deals, and insisted his move wasn't prompted to better position him to seek the Senate seat of retiring Democrat J. Bennett Johnston in 1996.

Rep. Martin Frost of Texas, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, contended Tauzin really switched out of political ambition, to make himself a stronger Senate candidate next year.

Either way that is not an encouraging appraisal for Democrats, since it presumes that a Republican ID will be a boost in 1996. Five Democratic senators are retiring, two others might, and at least three of those open contests will be in the South.

In the meantime, Tauzin said the GOP will make more crossover gains in the House. "There are other conservative Democrats who are looking at realignment and they're going to leave, too," he said. "They're either going to become Republicans or go home."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 30 years.

Reverend allowed to keep pulpit

ATLANTA (AP) — The Rev. Charles Stanley will continue as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Atlanta but he will relinquish his administrative duties as he tries to save his marriage, his congregation decided.

The congregation met Sunday night as Stanley offered to surrender control of the 13,000-member church, which he has guided since 1972. The offer followed months of speculation about the future of his marriage and ministry.

Stanley, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and his wife, Anna, separated in the spring of 1992. She filed for divorce in 1993, then agreed to attempt a reconciliation. But she refilled divorce papers in March, requesting a jury trial.

The separation has spurred

disagreement in the congregation, the largest Baptist church in the state. Some members have called for Stanley to step down from the pulpit but others have urged him to remain.

As thousands of members packed the sanctuary and overflowed into other areas, the congregation voted to establish a committee to recommend a church policy on dealing with deacons and pastors who are separated or divorced. During the meeting, Stanley said the church has no written policy.

"I think there was accepted policy that the church would not have a pastor who was divorced," Stanley said. "We have never said — it's never come up to my knowledge — about separation. They do not have a divorced pastor."

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Members of Extended Family Feel a Lifetime Commitment

DEAR ABBY: I appreciated the letter you printed about how people deal with tragedy, but one of the letters left me wincing.

While I don't mean to diminish the writer's pain, I noticed that she referred to her imprisoned son as "my adopted son, Fred." How sad that she still feels it necessary to make that distinction.

Many members of our extended family, as well as my husband and I, have "adopted" as well as "biological" children. If you were to ask me which ones were adopted, I would have to stop and think a minute.

You would be amazed at some of the questions I have been asked by total strangers. For example:

"Is she one of your natural children?" (None of our children is unnatural.)

"Have you met his mother?" (Yes, I look at her in the mirror every day.)

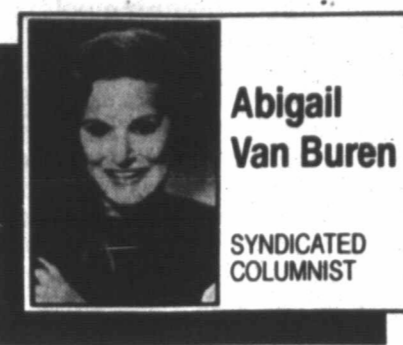
"Couldn't you have any children of your own?" (They are all our own!)

"Aren't you worried about how she'll turn out?" (No more than we worry about any of our children.)

"Why did his mother give him away?" (How nosy and rude!)

In our family, we view parenthood, adoption and marriages in much the same way — they are all lifetime, permanent commitments. No one has any guarantees that children who are born into their family are going to turn out OK.

Also, all children (adopted or not)



Abigail Van Buren
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

have questions about where they came from, and we respond to all the questions honestly. God had a number of interesting ways of bringing children into our family, and we accepted them all without question.

Perhaps some people who read this letter will stop and think before making one of those thoughtless comments. You may print my name.

KRISTI WOOD, PARIS, TEXAS

DEAR KRISTI WOOD: Right on! You have a healthy attitude from which many can benefit. Thanks for a valuable letter, and for allowing me to use your name.

DEAR ABBY: I have been reading your column all my life, but have never written; however, D.W. Hyatt's letter infuriated me. He said: "It's about time we men stopped coddling women. When we do, maybe men will live as long as

they do!"

I am 54 years old, and come from an old-fashioned family where the womenfolk waited on the menfolk, and girls went to college only to find a husband. We received little encouragement to become anything other than housewives and mothers.

Today, my daughter's husband does all the cooking because he does it better, and my son, believe it or not, does all the ironing in his family for the same reason.

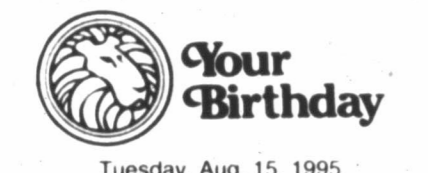
Women's lib is about equality and having the right to choose — whether it be going to war for one's country, working in construction or driving a truck.

I have never known a woman who was coddled. We all work as hard, or harder, than men in general. Perhaps we live longer because most women have love and compassion in our hearts instead of bitterness. Also, God chose us to have the babies, you know.

EQUALITY FOR ALL,
LINWOOD, N.J.

DEAR EQUALITY: Try not to take personally Mr. Hyatt's put-down of women. People who carry the burden of anger at such a large segment of the population are to be pitied. In succeeding generations, sexual stereotypes will fade; your son-in-law and son are examples of the fact that it's already happening.

Horoscope



Tuesday, Aug. 15, 1995

Carefully study unique or original ideas you have in the year ahead before you act upon them. Most of them will have little merit, but one or two might be real gems.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Avoid asking others to do things today that you're capable of doing yourself. You may be told exactly what you can do with your orders and directives. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Conditions in general might be rather unstable today, and dealing with shifting circumstances may not be your long suit. Try not to make rash judgments.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do not make promises to your mate today that you know you will be unable to fulfill. It could leave a lingering scar on the relationship.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Unless you have constructive comments to make about co-workers today, keep quiet. Everything you say will be reported to the one you criticize.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today you might be far more extravagant than you should be. Hide your credit cards or better yet, avoid places where they can be used.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You usually think your moves through rather carefully, but today your innate caution might desert you and you might take some foolish chances.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your hunches might not be very accurate

today. Acting upon them impulsively, without thinking things through, could cause you to learn a bitter lesson.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Novel or fad merchandise might have a special appeal for you today. Avoid buying a white elephant that you may never use.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you lack consistency today, you won't accomplish much. Have a definite game plan instead of doing things in fits and starts, and forgo last minute changes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Although you are usually a reasonably self-reliant person, today you might want others to do things for you that you can do far better yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A friend who is indebted to you might renege on his or her obligation today. Your pal knows that you'll let anyone off the hook if you're given a good sob story.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be realistic in partnership arrangements today and don't bank too heavily upon an undependable ally who let you down previously.



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"Lightning flashes first so you can cover your ears for the thunder."



"Don't worry, you'll get it back ... minus any candy, gum or breath mints."



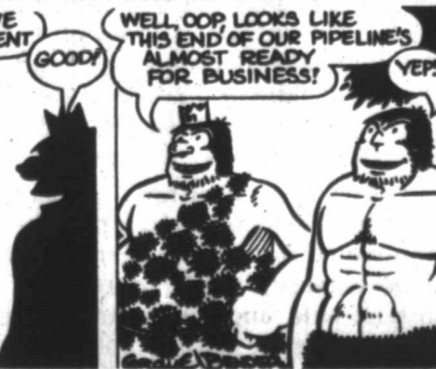
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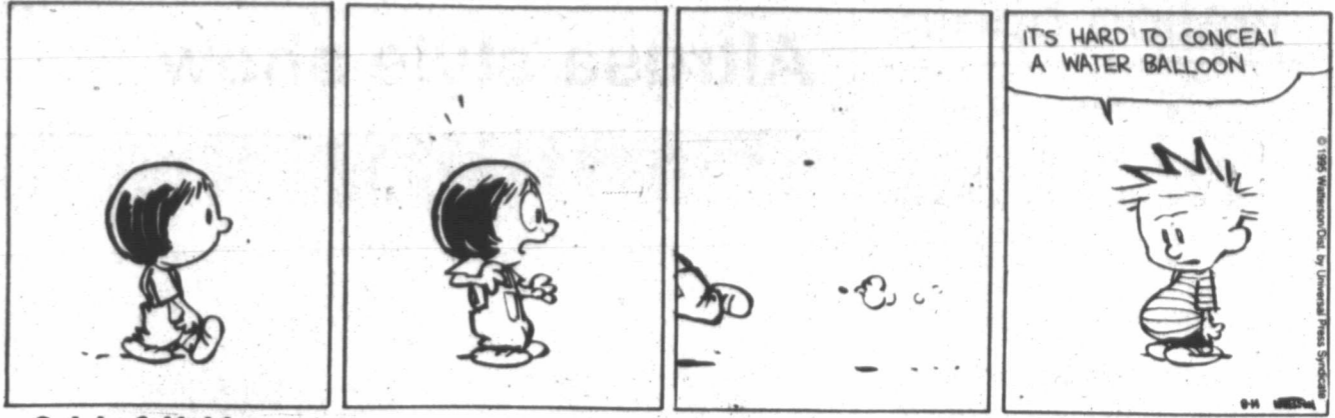
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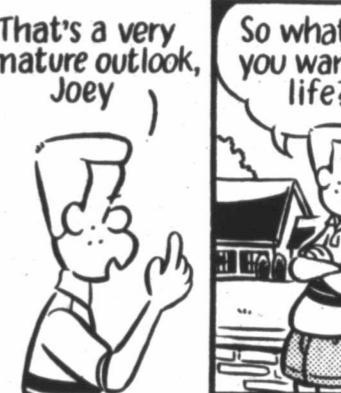
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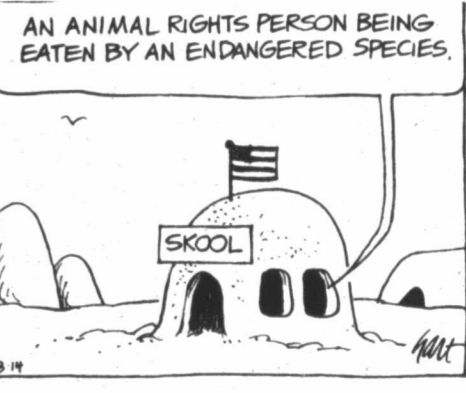
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FOOTBALL

PAMPA — Pampa Middle School seventh and eighth grade football players can check out their football equipment on Friday.

Coach Richard Dunham said equipment checkout will be held in the boys gym at Pampa Middle School on Friday, with eighth graders coming from 9 a.m. to noon and seventh graders from 1-4 p.m.

Anyone missing the Friday checkout date can check out their equipment on the first day of school, Aug. 21. Regular football practice will start on that date.

Those having questions may contact Coach Dunham at 665-6758.

GOLF

PAMPA — Senior members will have a work party Tuesday, beginning at 8 a.m. at the Hidden Hills Course.

The work project consists of laying concrete on the cart trails. Seniors are urged to attend.

RODEO

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — Gilbert Carrillo may have broken his leg at Cheyenne Frontier Days, July 22-30 in Cheyenne, Wyo., but the bull rider is still confident he'll qualify for December's National Finals Rodeo.

Carrillo, ranked seventh in the Crown Royal world bull riding standings with \$37,999, broke his leg just a second into his ride on Charlie Battles' bull Wells Fargo during Cheyenne's second round of competition. According to Carrillo, the bull initially jumped out of the gate, but then jumped back in and crushed Carrillo's left tibia and fibula against the chute.

"I felt it break - everything went numb," Carrillo said. "It was flopping around."

Carrillo managed to ride the bull for a few seconds after the break, calling for help.

"I can only do so much with a broken leg," Carrillo said.

Carrillo was eventually thrown. Unfortunately, his hand was still stuck inside the bull rope, and Carrillo was spun and knocked by the bull for several seconds more before he was finally able to get free.

"That's the worst pain I ever felt," said Carrillo, who had his pancreas severed by another bull last year. "There was too much pain to cry."

Doctors have inserted a metal rod into Carrillo's leg, and Carrillo said the leg is feeling "pretty good."

Carrillo will be out of competition for at least two months, but he is still determined to return to the Finals, where he went as a rookie in 1992.

"I'm gonna do my best to heal myself the fastest I can," he said.

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — Sherry Potter-Cervi of Marana, Ariz., became just the second barrel racer in professional rodeo history to win more than \$100,000 during rodeo's regular season when she won the competition at Cheyenne Frontier Days.

The first was Charmayne James-Rodman, who won more than \$100,000 before the National Finals Rodeo in 1986.

Potter-Cervi crossed the \$100,000 mark faster than any other single-event competitor in professional rodeo history, according to Steve Fleming with the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association. More importantly, she could well own the single-event, regular-season earnings record in just a matter of weeks.

The present record is held by calf roper Herbert Theriot, who earned \$110,745 before the National Finals Rodeo last year. Potter-Cervi has earned \$106,743 this season.

Elkington captures PGA crown in playoff

By TIM DAHLBERG
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Steve Elkington was sitting at the scorer's table, about to put his John Hancock on the best round of his life. Then the unmistakable roar rolled across Riviera Country Club.

There was more work to be done to win the PGA Championship.

While Colin Montgomerie pumped his fists in celebration on the 18th green down below, Elkington quickly signed his scorecard. He walked out to cuddle his infant daughter, mentally regrouping for the playoff that would soon come.

Somewhere, somehow, Elkington now had to find one more birdie on Riviera's battered greens.

"I knew if he missed, it's over," Elkington said. "It's a terrible feeling when someone makes a long putt to tie you for a playoff, especially with so much at stake like the PGA."

A few minutes later, Elkington got his birdie, at the end of a 25-foot putt on the first playoff hole that headed unerringly toward the cup before dropping in.

And this time, Montgomerie couldn't answer.

Montgomerie, who had a 20-footer of his own to tie, turned his back and walked away to gather his thoughts. When he got

over his ball, he pushed it just slightly and it slid past the hole to the right.

"Obviously you're hoping he doesn't do that sort of thing," Montgomerie said. "But he did, and all credit to him. It was a great putt, but you expect it. And I knew I had to hole my putt whether it was for a win or for a half, and on we go."

It was a fitting end Sunday to a tournament that turned into a unique major championship, with par only a vague suggestion instead of a potentially winning score.

The 17-under-par winning total was a PGA Championship record, and tied the lowest four-round score for any major tournament, set by Greg Norman in the 1993 British Open. Riviera's soft greens proved so accommodating that scores in the mid-60s weren't only possible, but occurred with astonishing regularity.

Ernie Els had three of them and began the day with a three-shot lead, then welcomed the rest of the field in with a tentative front nine. It was an open invitation to Elkington and Montgomerie, who accepted by roaring right past.

By the time Els was hitting his second shot to the 18th green, Elkington and Montgomerie were getting into golf carts heading for the tee on the final hole to begin the playoff that would give one of them their first major championship.

"I knew what I had to do. I knew I had to make birdies," said Els, the 25-year-old South African in search of his second major title. "I saw the guys were going good. I just didn't want to make any mistakes."

Els birdied the first hole, then began playing conservatively, hitting iron shots on the first five holes that came up well short of their mark. By the time he made the turn at 1-over on the day, Elkington was making his move.

What was supposed to be a coronation for Els, the 1994 U.S. Open champion, turned into a coming out for Elkington, the 32-year-old Australian who was a two-time All-American at the University of Houston.

"I can't imagine playing with a three-shot lead starting today's round," Elkington said. "He's very calm and calculated, looks very cool. But I know he had to be dying today teeing off. It's not easy to play with that kind of lead."

Elkington, who started the day six back, followed a 4-under-par front nine with three straight birdies to start the back nine. A 7-iron to 8 feet on the par-4 12th hole gave him the lead and Elkington made pars the rest of the way in.

"I played the round of my life," he said. "I felt so confident in the way I was playing. I felt I could attack even when I

should have been defensive."

As thousands crowded into the amphitheater surrounding the 18th green looked on, Elkington sank a 2-foot putt for par to finish his round, then looked back down the fairway, where Montgomerie was waiting to hit.

With Els having just missed a par putt on 17 to fall two back, the Scot was the only one left with a chance. But he would have to make his third consecutive birdie for a 65 that would tie him at 17-under with Elkington.

The ruddy-faced Montgomerie took an 8-iron out from 179 yards and hit it perfectly. The ball stopped about 20 feet from the hole and Montgomerie slammed it in the hole, pumping his fists in ecstasy at the tying score.

"I needed a birdie because he was playing a group ahead of me, so I knew then that I needed a birdie," Montgomerie said. "And, you know, I'm taking it as a positive that I achieved that."

Montgomerie couldn't recreate that magic in the playoff, though, extending a miserable extra-holes record that has seen him lose all five times, including the 1994 U.S. Open won by Els.

"A playoff is like a Super Bowl game," Elkington said. "No one's happier when they win, and to the guy who loses there is no worse feeling in the world."

'The Mick' succumbs to cancer

By JAIME ARON
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Some talked about the power, others about the speed. His hitting in the clutch couldn't be forgotten and, for darn sure, neither could the smile or the boyish charm that helped define Mickey Mantle.

All sorts of memories and warm feelings came out following Mantle's death early Sunday from liver cancer. Even at age 63, he had remained one of the nation's most endearing, albeit somewhat tarnished, heroes.

"I don't think to this day that Mickey realized how much he touched the hearts of fans," said former teammate Bobby Murcer. "We truly lost not only an American hero, but a person who portrayed the innocence and honesty that we'd all like to have."

"The Mick" was everything to all people from the time he broke into the majors in 1951, six months shy of his 20th birthday, until he retired following the 1968 season at age 37.

Throughout the fame, he remained the country boy from Oklahoma with the homespun humor and values. He also became an idol to a generation of kids, a pal to his teammates and an inspiration to anyone who saw him go all out despite bad knees and arthritis.

Later, the dark side came out. He became addicted to alcohol, a habit that began as a way to deal with his father's death, then became a way to help him loosen up in uncomfortable situations.

He admitted to being more of a "drinking buddy" to his sons than a father. And his association with gambling got him kicked out of baseball for two years.

But Mantle realized his flaws and reinvented his image.

He let everyone know he was an alcoholic and he told others to sober up. A month before he died, Mantle urged children: "Don't be like me." And, although he died two months after a liver transplant, those were the best two months ever for organ donations because Mantle was on their team.

"As a ballplayer, Mickey inspired generations of fans with his power and grit," President Clinton said. "As a man, he faced up to his responsibilities and alerted generations to come to the dangers of alcohol abuse. He will be remembered for excellence on the baseball field and the honor and redemption he brought to the end of his life."

Mantle lived as hard as he played because of a morbid fear of dying young, like so many other male Mantles. "If I knew I was going to live this long, I would've taken better care of myself," he would say, half-jokingly.

There were no cares in the glory days, when Mantle would slug the Yankees to victory by day and tear up the town at night with teammates Billy Martin and Whitey Ford. The trio had their share of good times and wild stories.

For all the talk about how much that carousing led to Mantle's demise, his doctors said that he didn't wreck his body all that much.

The alcohol had little to do with his illness and the rest of him was

in good shape. His heart was fine, his muscles were strong and his fighting spirit was tremendous — a description that could've been lifted from a 1950s-era bubble gum card.

But not even Mantle could beat the cancer that was found days after he was admitted to Baylor University Medical Center complaining of stomach pains.

A June 8 liver transplant was done to extend his life by years, but it only added weeks. Doctors had just finished putting in the new organ when they found some cancer still near the bile duct. They removed as much as possible, began chemotherapy and hoped for the best.

Instead, they got the worst. Tests two days later showed those cells were hepatomas, the fastest-spreading kind. Fears were confirmed July 13 when cancer was discovered in Mantle's right lung.

All hope was lost Aug. 7 when a CT scan showed cancer in practically all vital organs, including the new liver, said Dr. Daniel DeMarco, Mantle's gastroenterologist.

"It was a dramatic, almost shockingly fast development of cancer," said Goran Klintmalm, head of Baylor's transplant unit. "All of us on the team, in our combined experience, we have never seen a tumor as aggressive."

When told of his doomed fate, Mantle smiled, thanked DeMarco and said he didn't want to know how long he had.

"His disposition was remarkable," said DeMarco, who marveled at the fact Mantle always greeted doctors with a smile and a handshake even when they woke him.

Mantle's final days included visits from former teammates and family from around the country, an autographed ball sent from the Yankees and painkillers to keep him comfortable.

Former teammate Bobby Richardson, now a lay minister in South Carolina, spent time alone with Mantle discussing death. The talks seemed consoling.

"I think Mickey was ready to go," DeMarco said. "At one point he said, 'What are we waiting for?' That was just a day or so ago."

Mantle was in and out of consciousness over his final 48 hours. He awoke for the last time around 12:30 a.m. CDT, held the hands of his wife, Merlyn, and son, David, then lapsed back to sleep. He died at 1:10 a.m. CDT.

"I'm so sorry he had to suffer as he did," said Phil Rizzuto, a former teammate and Yankees broadcaster. "He'll be loved for so many things. We all love him so much."

"I hate to talk about him in the past tense. Mickey always played hard and never complained. That's the way he was to the very end, never complaining and telling jokes. He kept telling his fans, 'I'm not giving up.' That was so typical of him."

Richardson will officiate Mantle's funeral Tuesday at Lovers Lane United Methodist Church, broadcaster Bob Costas will deliver the eulogy and country singer Roy Clark will sing, Mantle's close friend and attorney Roy True said today. True also said there will be a private family wake Tuesday.

Plenty of former teammates are

sure to attend. Pallbearers will include Whitey Ford, Bill Skowron, Hank Bauer and Johnny Blanchard — all of whom visited Mantle last Thursday — as well as Yogi Berra and Murcer.

"They want it to be respectful and they're hoping it doesn't turn into a spectacle because Mickey never did like those kinds of things," True said. "They would have held an entirely private service, but they know that Mickey was a shared personality."

"He had friends and fans that cared about him all over the United States, so they wanted to have an opportunity for a few of those people to attend and say goodbye to Mickey."

When everyone gathers, they're sure to reminisce about Mantle's 536 home runs. There probably will be arguments over which was the longest, the two that almost went out of Yankee Stadium or the one that was measured at 565 feet.

Someone will bring up the 12 World Series, especially the catch he made to save Don Larsen's perfect game in 1956. And who could forget that he won the Triple Crown and the first of three Most Valuable Player awards that year?

There's also the four American League home run titles, the 1961 chase with Roger Maris for Babe Ruth's home run and, to top it all off, the 1974 induction into the Hall of Fame.

"There were things Mickey could do that no one else could do," recalled longtime Yankees broadcaster Mel Allen. "He was the greatest, most powerful switch-hitter who ever lived."

The remembering began almost immediately Sunday, with the most dramatic display coming at Yankee Stadium.

Flags were at half-staff and a moment of silence was followed by a two-minute standing ovation. Highlights from Mantle's career were played on the scoreboard, which flashed the words "With Us Forever." All the Yankees wore black arm bands and some had No. 7 on their caps as they beat the Cleveland Indians 4-1.

Born on Oct. 20, 1931, in Spavinaw, Okla., Mantle was named after his father's favorite ballplayer, another Hall of Famer, Mickey Cochrane. It was his father, a lead miner, who taught him to be a switch-hitter. Growing up in Commerce, Okla., Mantle soon became known as "The Commerce Comet."

He quickly was thrust into the spotlight as he played alongside Joe DiMaggio and was hailed as the replacement to the Yankee Clipper. Fans didn't embrace Mantle immediately, even booing him in his early days.

Things changed quickly and any good Yankee fan would soon argue that No. 7 was better than the other two New York center fielders — Willie Mays of the Giants and Duke Snider of the Dodgers. The debate between Willie, Mickey and the Duke still stirs some souls, although Mantle gave Mays the edge.

The fans were still on his side in the summer of 1961 when Mantle and Maris became the M&M Boys, slugging their way toward Ruth's hallowed single-season record of 60 homers. The masses boored Maris and cheered on Mantle.



(Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

Rebekah Warner of Pampa returns a serve during Sunday's play in the girls 14 doubles division.

Pampa Summer Tennis Championships are held at high school courts

PAMPA — It paid to have Blake Hurst of Miami as a partner in the Pampa Summer Tennis Championships held Saturday and Sunday at the high school courts.

After Hurst defeated Kurt Smith, also of Miami, for the boys 14 and under singles title, the pair teamed up to win the 12-14 doubles championship. Hurst and Pampa's Amanda Browning captured the Mixed 14 and Under title.

Results are listed below:

Boys 12 & Under Singles
Semifinals: Justin Brewer, Wellington, def. David Phillips, Pampa, 6-3, 6-2; Justin Hunter, Wellington, def. Jonathan Jones, Pampa, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4.

Finals: Justin Brewer will play Justin Hunter at a later date.

Consolation: David Phillips def. David Ash, Lipscomb, 6-2, 6-1.

Boys 14 & Under Singles
Semifinals: Blake Hurst, Miami, def. Tanner Smith, Miami, 6-4, 7-5; Kurt Smith, Miami, def. Brian Ash, Lipscomb, 7-5, 6-2.

Finals: Blake Hurst def. Kurt Smith, 4-6, 6-2, 7-5.

Consolation: Bryan Ash, Lipscomb, def. Chase White, Amarillo, 6-0, 6-3.

Boys 17 & Under Open Singles
Semifinals: McRay Lanham, Amarillo, d. Bobby Payne, Miami, 6-3, 6-2; Todd Swink, Perryton, def. Kyle Easley, Pampa, 6-4, 6-3.

Finals: McRay Lanham def. Todd Swink, 3-6, 6-4, 6-1.

Consolation: Brandon Coffee def. Dustin Laycock, 6-4, 6-1.

Girls 12-14 & Under Singles
Semifinals: Amanda Browning, Pampa, def. Andrea Abbe, Pampa, 6-1, 6-2; Mandy Wells, Pampa, def. Rebekah Warner, Pampa, 6-1, 6-2.

Finals: Mandy Wells def. Amanda Browning, 7-6 (7-3), 1-6, 7-6 (7-5).

Consolation: Helen Orr, Pampa, def. Amber Oppenoff, Borger, 6-1, 6-2.

Girls 17 & Open Singles
Semifinals: Jamie Mozola, Amarillo, def. Mandy Wells, Pampa, 6-2, 6-3; McKinley Quarles, Pampa, def. Tiffany Williams, Wellington, 6-2, 6-2.

Finals: Jamie Mozola def. McKinley Quarles, 6-1, 6-2.

Consolation: Tiffany Williams, Wellington, def. Kim McKandless, Pampa, 6-1, 6-0.

Boys 12-14 Doubles
Semifinals: Blake Hurst-Kurt Smith, Miami, def. Justin Hunter-Justin Brewer, Wellington, 6-4, 6-2; Brian Ash-David Ash, Lipscomb, def. Chase White, Amarillo-Tanner Smith, Miami, 6-1, 6-1.

Finals: Blake Hurst-Kurt Smith, def. Brian Ash-David Ash, 6-1, 6-1.

Consolation: Nathan Milner, Borger-Bill Campbell, Pampa, won. (opponents' names unavailable).

Boys 17 & Open Doubles
Semifinals: Todd Swink, Perryton-McRay Lanham, Amarillo, def. Gregg Erpelding-Matt Garvin, Pampa, 6-0, 6-0; Blake Hurst-Bobby Payne, Miami, def. Shea Cunningham-Jonathan Bailey, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Finals: Todd Swink-McRay Lanham def. Blake Hurst-Bobby Payne, 3-6, 7-5, 6-2.

Consolation: Shea Cunningham-Bailey def. Erpelding-Garvin, 6-0, 7-5.

Girls 14 Doubles
Finals: Lynsee Hancock-Andrea Abbe, Pampa, def. Amber Oppenoff-Abby Fleming, Borger, 6-4, 5-7, 6-4.

Girls 17 Doubles-Open Doubles
Semifinals: McKinley Quarles-Julie Noles, Pampa, def. Tiffany Williams-Amy Chauveaux, Wellington, 4-6, 6-2, 7-6 (9-7); Kim McKandless-Amanda Browning, Pampa, def. Brenda Noles-April Hudson, 6-4, 7-6 (7-5).

Consolation: Tiffany Williams-Amy Chauveaux def. Brenda Noles-April Hudson, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.

Finals: McKinley Quarles-Brandi Noles def. Kim McKandless-Amanda Browning, 6-2, 6-4.

Mixed 14 & Under
Semifinals: Blake Hurst, Miami-Amanda Browning, Pampa, def. Mandy Wells-Dustin Laycock, Pampa, 6-2, 6-2; Valerie Lee-Caleb Ashley-Tisha Carr, 5-7, 6-1, 6-1.

Finals: Blake Hurst-Amanda Browning def. Valerie Lee-David Phillips, 7-5, 6-1.

Consolation: Katie McComas-Bryan Ash def. Dustin Laycock-Mandy Wells, 6-4, 4-6, 6-1.

Mixed Open Doubles
Semifinals: Caleb Ashley-Tisha Carr, Canadian, def. Todd Swink, Perryton-April Hudson, Pampa, 6-4, 7-5; Becky Dockery-Mike Heatwole, Canadian, def. McKinley Quarles-Kyle Easley, 2-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Finals: Mike Heatwole-Becky Dockery def. Caleb Ashley-Tisha Carr, 5-7, 6-1, 6-1.

Consolation: Brian Easley-Kristi Carter, Pampa, def. Meredith Hite-Tay McConvitt, Pampa, 6-3, 6-3.

Scoreboard

BASEBALL

National League At A Glance

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	63	36	.636	—
Montreal	49	51	.490	14 1/2
Philadelphia	49	51	.490	14 1/2
Florida	45	51	.469	16 1/2
Pittsburgh	41	59	.410	22 1/2

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	60	37	.619	—
Houston	56	44	.560	5 1/2
Chicago	40	58	.408	20 1/2
Pittsburgh	40	60	.400	21 1/2

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles	54	46	.540	—
Colorado	53	47	.530	—
San Diego	49	50	.495	4
San Francisco	45	55	.450	9

Saturday's Games
 Houston 3, New York 1
 Florida 7, Cincinnati 3
 Colorado 16, Atlanta 4
 Montreal 4, Philadelphia 3
 Chicago 4, San Francisco 0
 San Diego 6, St. Louis 5
 Los Angeles 11, Pittsburgh 10, 11 innings
Sunday's Games
 Atlanta 3, Colorado 2
 Montreal 3, Philadelphia 2
 Los Angeles 4, Pittsburgh 1
 San Francisco 6, Chicago 3
 Florida 6, Cincinnati 4
 Houston 5, New York 3

Only games scheduled Monday's Games
 Montreal (Martinez 10-7) at Philadelphia (Quintill 9-7), 1:05 p.m.
 St. Louis (Osborne 0-4) at San Francisco (VanLandingham 3-2), 4:05 p.m.
 Colorado (Ritz 9-7) at Cincinnati (Burba 6-2), 7:35 p.m.
 Florida (Burkett 10-10) at Atlanta (Maddux 12-2), 7:40 p.m.
 Chicago (Castillo 7-6) at Los Angeles (Candiotti 6-10), 10:05 p.m.
 Pittsburgh (Wagner 1-11) at San Diego (Hamilton 5-5), 10:05 p.m.

Only games scheduled Tuesday's Games
 St. Louis (Morgan 4-5) at San Francisco (Brewington 2-1), 3:35 p.m.
 Colorado (Rekar 3-0) at Cincinnati (Smiley 11-1), 7:35 p.m.
 Florida (Banks 0-3) at Atlanta (Glavine 10-5), 7:40 p.m.
 Montreal (Henry 7-9) at New York (Strinhaus 2-1), 7:40 p.m.
 Philadelphia (Fernandez 3-1) at Houston (Drabek 7-8), 8:05 p.m.
 Chicago (Trachsel 5-8) at Los Angeles (Nomo 9-3), 10:05 p.m.
 Pittsburgh (Parris 4-4) at San Diego (Blair 5-1), 10:05 p.m.

American League At A Glance

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	60	39	.606	—
New York	51	48	.515	9
Baltimore	46	53	.465	14
Detroit	43	56	.434	17
Toronto	42	57	.424	18

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	66	32	.673	—
Milwaukee	49	49	.500	17
Kansas City	47	49	.490	18
Chicago	42	55	.433	23 1/2
Minnesota	35	63	.357	31

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
California	62	38	.620	—
Texas	52	49	.510	10
Seattle	50	49	.505	11 1/2
Oakland	46	55	.455	16 1/2

Saturday's Games
 Kansas City 7, Seattle 2
 Detroit 8, Milwaukee 2
 New York 3, Cleveland 2
 Minnesota 6, California 4
 Texas 6, Toronto 3
 Oakland 8, Chicago 2
 Boston 7, Baltimore 0
Sunday's Games
 Boston 3, Baltimore 2
 New York 4, Cleveland 1
 Milwaukee 8, Detroit 3
 California 2, Minnesota 1
 Kansas City 8, Seattle 3
 Chicago 8, Oakland 7
 Texas 6, Toronto 1

Monday's Games
 New York (Kamenicki 3-3) at Boston (Hanson 10-4), 7:05 p.m.
 Cleveland (Hill 1-0) at Baltimore (Moyer 7-4), 7:35 p.m.
 Oakland (Wojciechowski 0-1) at Kansas City (Anderson 1-0), 8:05 p.m.
 Seattle (Benes 1-0) at Minnesota (Rodriguez 2-4), 8:05 p.m.
 California (Finley 11-8) at Chicago (Bertotti 1-1), 8:05 p.m.
 Detroit (Nikowski 0-1) at Milwaukee (Karl 3-2), 8:05 p.m.
 Only games scheduled Tuesday's Games
 Toronto (Herten 9-9) at Detroit (Lira 7-8), 7:05 p.m.
 New York (Hitchcock 5-7) at Boston (Hanson 10-4), 7:05 p.m.
 Cleveland (Nagy 10-4) at Baltimore (Erickson 7-9), 7:35 p.m.
 Milwaukee (Sparks 7-6) at Texas (Rogers 11-5), 8:05 p.m.
 Oakland (Darling 4-6) at Kansas City (Jacome 1-2), 8:05 p.m.
 Seattle (Boso 9-5) at Minnesota (Klingbeck 2-3), 8:05 p.m.
 California (Langston 11-2) at Chicago (Bolton 0-0), 8:05 p.m.

Monday's Games
 Minnesota 23, San Diego 19
Thursday's Game
 Detroit 15, Jacksonville 3
Friday's Games
 Atlanta 37, Miami 0
 Tampa Bay 31, Cincinnati 7
 New York Giants 14, New Orleans 13
 Arizona 22, Kansas City 17
Saturday's Games
 Oakland 27, St. Louis 22
 Carolina 19, Denver 10
 Washington 16, Houston 13, OT
 Buffalo 9, Dallas 7
 New England 21, Minnesota 14
 Philadelphia 13, New York Jets 10
 Indianapolis 20, Seattle 17
Sunday's Games
 Green Bay 36, Pittsburgh 13
 San Francisco 17, San Diego 6
Monday's Game
 Chicago at Cleveland, 8 p.m. (ABC)
Thursday, Aug. 17
 Cincinnati at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
 New England at Philadelphia, 8 p.m. (TNT)
Friday, Aug. 18
 St. Louis at Jacksonville, 7 p.m.
 Oakland at Minnesota, 8 p.m. (FOX)
Saturday, Aug. 19
 Indianapolis at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
 Cleveland at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
 Washington at Miami, 7 p.m.
 Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
 Buffalo at Kansas City, 8 p.m. (ESPN)
 Carolina at San Francisco, 8 p.m.
 New York Jets at New York Giants, 8 p.m.
 San Diego at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 20
 Seattle at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
 Arizona at Chicago, 8 p.m. (TNT)
Monday, Aug. 21
 Dallas at Denver, 8 p.m. (ABC)

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 Most runs scored — 42.
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found "friends" at bars, and filled my emptiness with alcohol. ... When I was drinking, I thought I was funny ... the life of the party. But, as it turned out, nobody could stand to be around me. After one or two drinks, I was really happy. After several, I could be downright nasty."

"I started forgetting simple, everyday things. I could be talking to you and just completely forget my train of thought. I would forget what day it was, what month. What city I was in."

"The doctor would say, 'Mick, you've got to quit this. You don't know what you're doing to yourself.' As soon as I left the hospital, I'd go straight to the bar."

"I asked my doctor to give me a physical. He told me I had a bad liver. It was hard to keep from crying, thinking about the bad shape I was in, how I had abused myself with alcohol for 42 years. I was worried fans would remember Mickey Mantle as a drunk."

"When the results came, the doctor said 'Your liver is still working, but it has healed itself so many times that before long, you're just going to have one big scab for a liver. Eventually you'll need a new liver. The next drink you take might be your last.'

"When I came up to the Yankees in 1951, at age 19, I'd hardly ever had a drink. My father would have stood for me getting drunk. But the following spring when dad died at age 39, I was devastated, and that's when I started drinking."

"On the road, Billy Martin and I were wild men. We drank up a storm and didn't go to bed until we were ready to fall into bed. ... The drinking escalated after the 1953 season, when Billy came to live with us. Billy and I were bad for each other. We (would tell my wife) Meryn we were going fishing, but instead we (were) heading straight to a bar."

"My last four or five years with the Yankees, I didn't realize I was running myself with all the drinking. Today, I can admit all the drinking shortened my career. God gave me a great body to play with, and I didn't take care of it. I blame a lot of it on alcohol."

"I've buried one son and married off another, and I went through Betty Ford. But I haven't needed alcohol to help me face reality. I'd rather put a gun to my head than have another drink."

"I can't wait to go back to my restaurant and see how they react when I order a Diet Coke instead of the 'breakfast of champions.'"

FOOTBALL
National Football League Preseason Glance
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Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500	41	51
New England	1	1	0	.500	38	44
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	19	16
Buffalo	1	2	0	.333	34	59
Miami	0	2	0	.000	21	61

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Cincinnati	1	1	0	.500	41	52
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	44	46
Jacksonville	1	2	0	.333	41	60
Cleveland	0	1	0	.000	13	19
Houston	0	2	0	.000	26	32

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Oakland	2	0	0	1.000	54	36
Denver	2	1	0	.667	43	36
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	54	43
Seattle	1	1	0	.500	51	40
San Diego	0	2	0	.000	25	40

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Arizona	2	0	0	1.000	38	30
N.Y. Giants	2	0	0	1.000	33	26
Philadelphia	2	0	0	1.000	38	27
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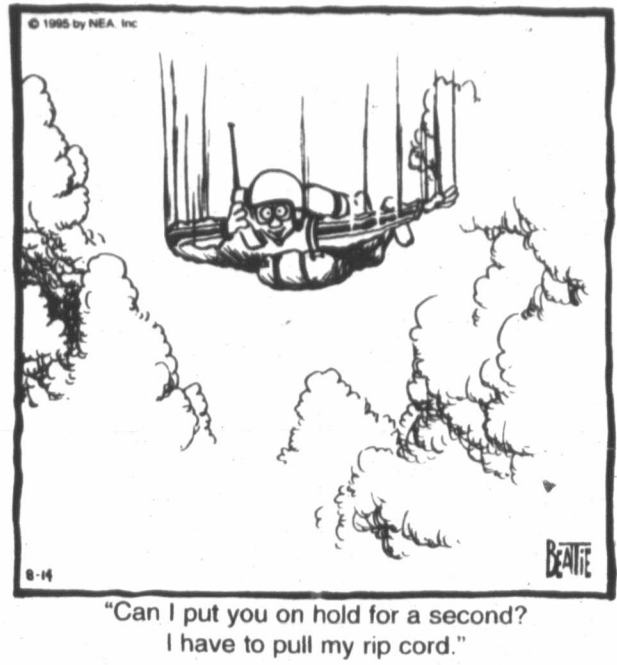
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Officials seek to promote nature tourism in Texas spots

By PAULINE ARRILLAGA
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Forget the Alamo. Texas tourism officials want visitors to the Lone Star State to remember there's more to see and do.

How about bird-watching or a bat cave tour? Perhaps beavers and black bears are more to your liking.

If officials have their way, those activities will mean big bucks for the state. That's where the new Texas Nature Tourism Association comes in.

"There's a lot of people now that would like to be able to view the wildlife in its natural habitat, would like to be able to go and see wildflowers and trees and bat flights and all those types of things," said association president Don Clark.

"The association is going to attempt to be an umbrella to bring all these different types of activities into a central focus," Clark said.

The nonprofit association is the brainchild of a state task force appointed by former Gov. Ann Richards in 1993 to study the economic opportunities of nature tourism in Texas.

As defined by the task force, nature tourism is

"discretionary travel to natural areas that conserves the environmental, social and cultural values while generating an economic benefit to the local community."

In other words, it involves any recreational activity that is driven by nature, such as hiking, outdoor photography and wildlife viewing, Clark said.

Texas has an abundance of natural resources but has not marketed itself well as an eco-tourism state, Clark said. One problem is that 97 percent of Texas lands are privately owned, making it difficult to identify and promote places that could be tourist attractions.

The association plans to assist landowners in evaluating the potential for nature tourism and provide educational seminars, information and guidance about how to market their business.

Membership is open to individuals, organizations and corporations interested in promoting Texas' natural assets.

"It'll open up a whole new vista of tourism to many areas of the state that have things to offer that simply didn't recognize they were there," said Vic Mathias, president of the nonprofit Texas Travel Industry Association. "It's an almost

unlimited field as far as new development is concerned."

According to the state task force report, nature tourism is the fastest growing segment of the travel industry, averaging a 30 percent increase each year since 1987.

Nature tourism sales worldwide were expected to total \$238 billion last year, the report said.

"It is virtually booming nationwide and in Texas, as well," said Darren Rudloff, director of the tourism division at the Texas Department of Commerce. "Texas simply hasn't really taken advantage of it, but we are growing an awareness of this niche."

In 1993, travelers spent an estimated \$23 billion in Texas and helped sustain 422,000 jobs, making tourism the state's third-largest industry.

Visitors spent \$179 million at state parks and another \$3.6 billion on fishing, hunting and wildlife-associated recreation.

Madge Lindsay, of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, said those figures as well as the state's success with bird-watching tours show there's a niche for nature.

Nearly 100,000 tourists visit the Aransas National

Wildlife Refuge each year to view the flocks of migratory birds, providing a \$5 million boost to the economy, and bird-watchers generated \$4 million to \$6 million along the Upper Gulf Coast in 1992, Ms. Lindsay said.

The association, she said, "will finally prove to private landowners and communities that habitat is very valuable. It's valuable from the quality-of-life standpoint plus it's valuable from an economic development standpoint."

Those in the nature tourism business said they like the idea of an association working to promote their industry.

"I think it would increase the visibility of people that are providing nature tourism services," said Victor Emanuel, owner of a nature tours business in Austin. "Everything that helps get the word out about Texas as a travel destination for nature tourists helps."

Dennis Vasquez, chief naturalist at Big Bend National Park, said it may also serve to change Texas' image.

"People tend to think of Texas as oil country and cattle country and may not realize that Texas is also rich in a lot of natural resources," Vasquez said.

World briefs

Barings Bank trader trying to sell story

LONDON (AP) — The trader whose deals triggered the collapse of Barings Bank is trying to sell his story to the media, and one newspaper estimated he could earn nearly \$5 million.

Nick Leeson, who is fighting extradition to Singapore from a jail cell in Frankfurt, is working on a book and taking bids for newspaper and TV interviews, *The Sunday Times* quoted his lawyer as saying.

The paper estimated that, including film rights to the book, Leeson stands to earn \$4.8 million — about 3.5% of the estimated loss for which Barings holds him responsible.

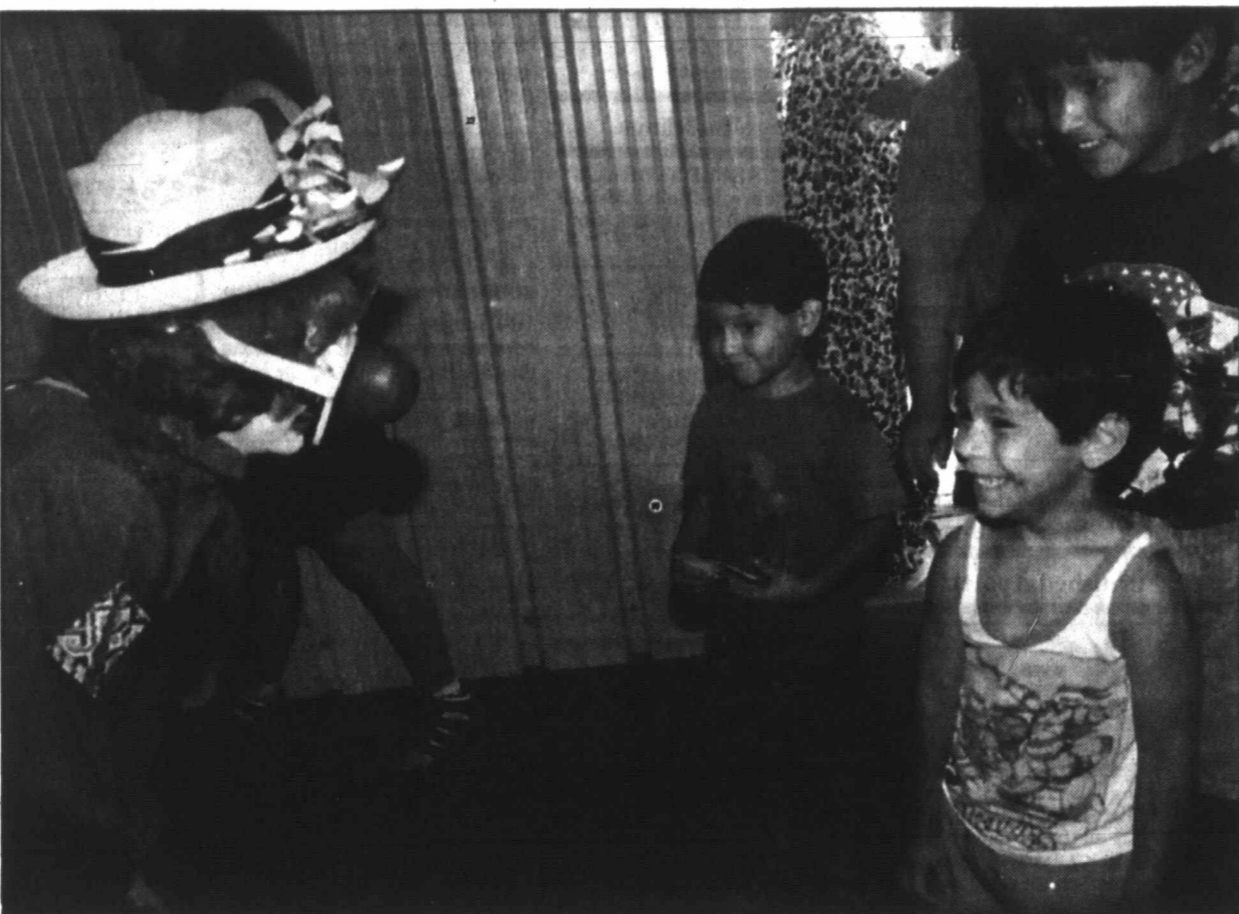
Garden growers strike back at vegetable thieves

YEKATERINBURG, Russia (AP) — Potato growers fed up with poachers have lynched three suspected thieves and beaten a dozen others this summer, a news agency reported today.

Since early August, poachers have been raiding private potato plots, vegetable gardens and orchards in this region in the Ural Mountains, Interfax reported.

The growers began 24-hour patrols of their property, and police formed teams to protect the private crops, the news agency said.

Back-to-school clown



Trish Dishner, left, part of the Trinity Church outreach, entertains one of the 300 youngsters who showed up Saturday morning at the church gym to pick up their school supplies during Trinity Church's Third Annual Back to School Outreach. Youngsters were given cookies and drinks and storytelling before they lined up to pick up their school supplies.

Preacher says Jane Roe's heart ready for conversion after they became friends

By JULIA PRODIS
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — The first time the head of Operation Rescue saw the woman known as Jane Roe at a book signing in Dallas, he screamed, "Norma McCorvey, you are responsible for the death of 33 million children!"

And thus began a beautiful friendship.

It took just four months for the Rev. Flip Benham to move his Operation Rescue headquarters next door to the Dallas abortion clinic where McCorvey worked, befriend her and claim her as a convert.

As of last week, McCorvey — the plaintiff in the 1973 Roe vs. Wade ruling that legalized abortion nationwide — quit her job at the abortion clinic, was baptized in a back yard swimming pool and started working at Operation Rescue.

She still favors abortions in the first trimester and has a live-in lesbian lover of 26 years — both anathema to Benham's fundamentalist Christianity. "Norma will be set free from it," he said.

On Friday, as Benham prepared for an anti-abortion protest downtown, he was beaming. "It was easy," he said. "Her heart was ripe."

At the Choice for Women abortion clinic Friday afternoon, where McCorvey's lover, Connie Gonzales, works as a medical assistant, tempers flared.

"I hate him. He's the devil," Gonzales said while taking a smoking break outside the clinic, which shares a wall with the Operation Rescue office.

"They've got her too far this time and I will not let them take her any farther," she said. "I will talk to her day and night if I have to."

She acknowledges that McCorvey was "looking for God," but "you can talk her into anything. ... She is gullible."

Just three weeks ago, Gonzales and McCorvey signed a memo written by the president of the clinic prohibiting any contact with Operation Rescue workers during office hours.

Benham recalled McCorvey's horror when Operation Rescue took up residence next door in March, saying she called him "all sorts of names."

Gradually, as Benham waved and smiled at her from across the

parking lot, her guard broke down.

"Miss Norma, Miss Norma, what are we going to do?" he would tease. Soon, she was calling him "Flipper" and the two 47-year-olds were chatting about one of their favorite groups, the Beach Boys.

By May, they were sitting together on a park bench in front of the abortion clinic, he with his Bible, she with her fortune-telling stones.

"Norma would come over to the office," he said. "Sometimes she'd pick up the phone for us. She was a friend. She felt very free in our office. There came a time when Norma wished she was in our office more than theirs."

McCorvey could not be reached for comment. Her home telephone had been disconnected.

McCorvey and Benham had one thing in common from the beginning: Both survived troubled pasts.

He had been a saloon keeper and a drunk. She was raped as a teen-ager, sold drugs, dropped out of high school, married briefly when she was 16.

McCorvey was a 21-year-old carnival barker when, pregnant for the third time, she sought an abortion.

She agreed to be the plaintiff in a lawsuit seeking to overturn Texas' anti-abortion statute.

The landmark Supreme Court decision came too late for her, and she had the baby. It was the third child she put up for adoption.

McCorvey publicly identified herself as Jane Roe in 1980 and ever since, she has been the target of abortion foes.

Over the years, her house has been pelted by eggs and she has been accosted by anti-abortion activists in grocery stores calling her "baby killer."

She has said she felt used by leaders of the abortion rights movement who later shunned her from public speaking because of her lack of education.

In a television interview, she said she believed Benham and his group truly loved her for herself and she vowed never to be manipulated again.

Benham says he does not consider McCorvey a trophy.

"When you're drowning, it doesn't matter how manipulated it is, you have to reach down and save her," he said.

4-H readies for Make It With Denim Contest

Dates

Aug. 14 - Sign-up for Bagels Bonanza deadline, noon; 4-H Horse Project, 6:30 p.m., Rodeo Arena

Aug. 15 - Bagels Bonanza, 1:30 p.m., Courthouse Annex

Aug. 17 - Rodeo Concession Clean-up, 7 p.m., Rodeo Arena, Lefors and Grandview 4-H Clubs

Aug. 18-19 - Gray County 4-H Youth Rodeo, Rodeo Arena

Aug. 20 - 4-H Rodeo Arena Clean-up, 2 p.m., Rodeo Arena Bagels Bonanza

4-Hers are invited to participate in a workshop to learn to make bagels. The workshop will be Aug. 15, at 1:30 p.m., in the Gray County Annex. Cost is \$1 per person. Youth planning to participate should sign-up by calling the Extension Office by noon Aug. 14.

Make It With Denim Contest

The 2nd Annual Make It With Denim contest will be held Thursday, Aug. 31, at Littlefield. This contest is open to both adults and youth. Participants may enter gar-

4-H Futures & Features

ments (these will be modeled by the contestants) or accessories made of denim (these will be displayed). Judging will be late in the afternoon of the 31st.

For more information, call the Gray County Extension Office.

4-H Rodeo Fundraiser

Mark Aug. 18-19 on your calendar and plan to help with one of the most important activities of the year. The Gray County 4-H Rodeo is a primary source of funds during the year. These funds pay for trips to state activities, 4-H jackets and awards, project materials and equipment, and much, much, more!

We Need Your Help!

Here are several opportunities for you to help:

- **Setting Pivots** - Gray County Horse Project, contact Sharon Price.

- **Program Sales** - Any 4-Her who would like to help sell programs at the rodeo either Friday or Saturday should call our office at 669-8033. Martha Hadley has agreed to serve as program chairman again this year. Program sales begin about one hour before rodeo performances on Friday and Saturday (will need to be at rodeo ground by 6 p.m.) Let us know when you can help.

- **Rodeo Concession** - Club managers and officers are responsible for seeing that their club has adequate workers during your assigned concession time during the rodeo. Club assignments for the concessions are as follows: Thursday,

Aug. 17 - 7 p.m., Lefors 5-H and Grandview 4-H Clubs, concessions clean-up; Friday,

Aug. 18 - 4 p.m., Lefors 5-H and Grandview, set-up concession stand, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Lefors 5-H and Grandview, 8:30 p.m., Rabbit Raiders and Fashion Club, closing; Saturday, Aug. 19 - 3:30-5 p.m., 4-H Council, Cokes only, 5-9 p.m., McLean 4-Clover and Prime Swine, 9 p.m.-closing, E.T./Dog Project/Horse Project/Rifle Project.

If you cannot work during your time, pick another time and come help! If you are in the dog, horse or rifle project and are a member of a 4-H club, you may work either or both times!

- **Rodeo Clean-Up** - All 4-Hers will be expected to help clean up at the Top O' Texas Rodeo grounds at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 20. If everyone shows up, we will be finished in no time! This is your fundraiser and part of the responsibility of the activity is cleaning up. See you there!

Hackers engage in digital mayhem in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — First they cracked into a hotel television system, reprogramming it to scroll messages reading "Hackers rule!" across screens in 1,000 rooms.

Later that night, they set up a pirate radio station and began broadcasting from the roof of the Tropicana.

But in the end, Def Con III, the computer hackers convention, was a lot tamer than many Las Vegas conventions.

The 350 or so computer hackers, phone phreaks and 'zine publishers spent most of their time bragging, gossiping, listening to speakers who extolled the hacker ethic and trying to debug the super high-speed T-1 line that was supposed to give them access to the Internet.

Def Con gets its name from the military term Defense Condition, a measure of just how close the country is to nuclear war. It began three years ago as a massive party thrown by a young bulletin board operator who goes by the name Dark Tangent.

"I was going to leave for law

school and I decided to throw a huge party for everyone I've met from all the networks," said Dark Tangent, known in the real world as Jeff Moss. "Then we decided if it was going to be a colossal failure, we might as well have it someplace fun, so we chose Las Vegas."

Housed in two large rooms across the hall from the Tropicana's wedding chapel, the first conventioners consisted mostly of bright young men in their late teens and early 20s — the sort who 30 years ago might have been ham radio operators.

Attendance wasn't much different this year, where only about 20 of the 350 participants were women.

The convention, held Aug. 3-6, broke down into four main categories: bragging, drinking, hacking and exchanging information.

One speaker, an electronic privacy expert named Winn Schwartau, explained that it was possible to obtain plans for using a souped-up television to pick up what's being typed on a nearby computer screen; in effect, eavesdropping on computer users without having to

hack into their systems.

"The National Security Agency unfortunately classified them, but if you want them, they're on the Internet," Schwartau told the audience.

Amusements included the ever-popular "Spot the Fed" contest, in which organizers and suspicious hackers take glee in figuring out which attendees work in law enforcement — and confront them (three people 'fessed up.) At midnight, there was Hackers Jeopardy, which required the audience to duck flying 2,400 baud modems thrown as prizes.

Jeopardy's categories ranged from "MS Dos" to "the Internet" and "Narcs I've come to love."

Question: "The lowest form of life." Answer: "What are America Online users?"

Far from being the evil, destructive masterminds portrayed in the media and the movies, computer hackers are actually just intellectually curious, the 25-year-old Dark Tangent says.

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