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PAMPA — The Concert Choir of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, will perform Thursday, April 6, at 2:10 p.m. in the McNeely Field House at Pampa High School.

The choir is directed by Dr. Loyd Hawthorne, professor of choral music and chairman of the department of music education, church music and music business. He is in his 21st year at HSU.

Hawthorne has served for 13 years as director of the Texas Baptist All-State Youth Choir and has been active as both adjudicator and clinician throughout Texas, New Mexico, Mississippi, Louisiana, Oklahoma and California.

Selections will be sung from such composers as Charles Villiers Stanford, Anton Bruckner, Antonin Dvorak, Roger Wagner, George Oldroyd and others.

MORSE — The Texas Cowboy Rodeo Association will have a school April 14 through 16 at McCloy Feedlot northwest of this Panhandle community.

Instructors for the TCRA Championship Bareback, Saddle Bronc, Bull Riding and Judging School include Cole Tindol, Randy Koehn, Joe Ed Eckert, Dale Herschman, Marty McCloy, Justin Lane, Brett Franks, Cliff Norris, Shane Lyons, Dale Giddeon, Shon McIntyre and Ross Kelso.

"They're all TCRA champions," said Allen McCloy, host for the school.

McCloy said there would be a roughstock jackpot after the school on Easter Sunday, April 16.

For more information, call McCloy at 806-733-5019.

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fourteen Americans killed when U.S. pilots shot down two Army helicopters over the Iraq no-fly zone will receive Purple Hearts.

In a brief joint statement today, Air Force Secretary Sheila E. Widnall and Army Secretary Togo D. West Jr. said the medals were awarded "because the incident took place in a geographic area where the presence of hostile forces was anticipated."

It was a change in policy from the position taken by the Army in September when it refused to issue Purple Hearts on the ground the military personnel were not engaged in hostile action. Several members of Congress asked the Pentagon to reconsider.

The decision was first reported in *The News-Democrat* of Belleville, Ill.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Air Force One kicked up more than dust when the jumbo jet took off from here this morning to carry President Clinton back to Washington.

When the president's custom-built 747 turned around on the tarmac, the thrust of its engines blew a piece of trim from one of the airport staff vehicles into a window of a Central Flying Service building.

Sheila Bronsman, a staff advance person based in Little Rock, suffered cuts on both ankles from the flying glass. A local ambulance worker also was cut. The injuries appeared minor.

Major sees danger of wider war in Bosnia

By JOHN DIAMOND
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Renewed fighting in Bosnia is relatively minor now but could break out into wider conflict, increasing pressure on Western allies to find a peace settlement, British Prime Minister John Major says.

Continuing top-level meetings in Washington today, including a working lunch with President Clinton, Major is focusing on the Balkan conflict as an area in which U.S.-British cooperation is essential.

On Monday, he underscored Britain's agreement with the United States on continuing the arms embargo over Bosnia and pressed congressional leaders not to force a change in administration policy.

Major said the United States and Britain will continue their efforts to gain a peace settlement in Bosnia and he played down

the severity of the most recent military clashes between Bosnian government and Serb forces.

"For the moment, what's happening I think is that the Bosnians are engaged in fairly light military actions and the Serbs are responding," said Major, whose country maintains peacekeeping forces in the region. "Clearly that's very unhelpful. At the moment they're relatively minor matters, but they could certainly worsen and I think we must try and ensure that they don't."

Touring the State Department, the Pentagon and Capitol Hill on Monday, Major termed "ancient history" the tension over last month's visit to Washington by Gerry Adams, head of Sinn Fein, a political party that supports the outlawed Irish Republican Army.

Major went to Capitol Hill twice to meet with House and Senate leaders, including some who have urged the United States to

defy the arms embargo and help Bosnia's embattled Muslim-led government against Serb forces.

"The British position on that is well understood: We think lifting the embargo would be a mistake," Major said at the Pentagon. Earlier, following a breakfast meeting with Secretary of State Warren Christopher, Major said there is "substantial agreement between Britain and the present U.S. administration" on Bosnia and other issues.

At the White House, spokesman Mike McCurry said disagreements between Washington and London have been exaggerated and that no major disputes were expected during the Clinton-Major discussions.

"We are going to have a good, thorough discussion of all those issues in which the interests of the United States and the United Kingdom clearly coincide," McCurry said.

He said these include Bosnia, the extension of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, NATO expansion, the Middle East peace process "and so many areas in which there is a clear congruency of interests and positions on the part of the two governments."

Christopher said the administration remains "strongly opposed" to any unilateral action by the United States against the arms embargo.

"I sense that there is a better understanding now in the Congress of the dangers" of that approach, he said.

Members of Congress, especially Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, have demanded unilateral U.S. lifting of the embargo to strengthen the Bosnian government.

Dole, R-Kan., and others claim the embargo halted arms flows to the Bosnian government while Serb forces continued to have access to weaponry through Serbia.

Ladybug



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

This bug at 1204 Browning appears to have its eyes on you. With those eyes, eye-lashes and mouth, the ornamented Volkswagen looks like this ladybug could attract anyone she likes.

Christian Coalition reaches out to Jews

WASHINGTON (AP) — The executive director of the Christian Coalition, trying to soothe tensions with Jewish groups, says Christian conservatives "have at times been insensitive" to the sufferings of Jews.

Ralph Reed also told the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith that "not all who share our faith" have demonstrated an appreciation for the traumas suffered by Jews.

"There is, sadly, a measure of culpability among some segments of the Christian community for these horrors."

And he specifically criticized those who claim "that this is a Christian nation, suggesting that others may not be welcome."

Relations between the groups have been strained since last June when the Anti-Defamation League put out a report that accused the Christian Coalition's founder, Pat Robertson, of promoting religious intolerance and trying to destroy the constitutional separation between church and state. The Christian Coalition put out its own report two months later charging the league with "defaming" religious conservatives.

The league's national director, Abraham H. Foxman, was quoted in today's *New York Times* as saying he welcomed Reed's remarks as "a major step in mutual respect" between the two groups.

"One of the constant irritations to the Jewish community emanating from the Christian evangelical or religious right rhetoric was the frequent use of 'Christian nation' and 'Christian America,' because it carried with it the baggage of history," Foxman said.

The *Washington Times* quoted Foxman as saying that the two groups "simply differ on basic points of constitutional law, particularly regarding separation of church and state."

Reed told the league, "The Christian Coalition believes in a nation that is not officially Christian, Jewish or Muslim; a nation where the separation of church and state is complete and inviolable."

Saldivar faces murder charge in death of singer; case heads to grand jury

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Prosecutors have filed a formal murder charge against the woman accused of killing beloved Tejano star Selena, and say they intend to seek a higher bond.

"I expect an indictment for murder," Nueces County District Attorney Carlos Valdez declared Monday after filing a court complaint alleging Yolanda Saldivar, 34, fatally shot Grammy-winning singer Selena Quintanilla-Perez on Friday.

The case was expected to go before a grand jury Thursday. Valdez also asked a judge to increase Ms. Saldivar's bond from \$100,000 to \$500,000 to

ensure she would appear at trial. State District Judge Mike Westergren had not ruled on the bond request by the end of the business day Monday, said court manager Marilee Roberts.

The judge appointed an attorney to represent Ms. Saldivar, who claimed she was indigent and could not hire one herself.

The judge said he would not reveal the defense attorney's name until Tuesday so the lawyer could meet with his client.

On Monday, family and friends bid a tearful but subdued farewell to Selena at Seaside Memorial Park & Funeral Home. The 23-year-old queen of Tejano

music was buried next to a new mesquite — a native tree in the South Texas region from which she emerged as a budding international star.

"She would want everyone to go on, including her fans," said Don Shelton, backup vocalist in her band, Selena y Los Dinos. "She would want everyone to treat every day like a new day and hold their heads up."

Saldivar, who founded Selena's fan club and ran a San Antonio boutique and salon owned by the singer, was arrested and jailed Friday night following a 9 1/2-hour standoff with police that started when Selena was gunned down at a

Corpus Christi motel.

Court papers filed Monday by Valdez's office allege Saldivar, a registered nurse from San Antonio, shot Selena in the upper right back with a .38-caliber pistol after a business dispute with Selena.

Selena staggered 390 feet from a motel room to the motel lobby and collapsed. She died later at a hospital.

Meanwhile, officials said Monday the green sweatshirt Selena was wearing when she was shot is missing, the *Corpus Christi Caller-Times* said in a copyright report today.

The bloody sweatshirt is physical evidence but never was

recovered from the hospital or morgue, police said.

After her arrest, Saldivar provided "a voluntary statement admitting shooting victim Selena Quintanilla-Perez once in the back as (the) victim was walking out of Room (No.) 158 at the Days Inn Motel after discussing business," the prosecution affidavit said.

Valdez told reporters Monday his prosecution team planned to prove the killing was intentional, though not necessarily premeditated.

"We're dealing with an intentional act, and the only element we have to prove as far as culpable mental state is intentional," Valdez said.

Study: U.S. students lack training needed for 21st century jobs

By KEVIN GALVIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — There is one computer for every nine pupils in U.S. classrooms, but students don't fully benefit from the equipment because their teachers lack technical training, according to a report released today.

"In the process of acquiring hardware and software for students to use, teachers — perhaps the most valuable part of the education equation — often have been overlooked," the congressional Office of Technology Assessment reported.

The nearly 300-page study, titled "Teachers and Technology: Making the Connection," also found that almost every school in the country has a television and a video player and 41 percent of classrooms have TVs.

But only one teacher in eight has a telephone in class and less than 1 percent have access to voice mail, a tool that can facilitate communication with parents. Thirty-five percent of public schools, but only 3 percent of classrooms, have access to the Internet, the study found.

More importantly, according to OTA, teachers need more training and time to experiment with new instructional technologies.

"Helping teachers effectively incorporate technology into the teaching and learning process may not only help students become competent technology users, but may also help them become more accomplished learners overall, with skills necessary for the information age," the report said.

In another report released today, the General Accounting Office, Congress' investigative

arm, said that a survey of 10,000 schools found most lack key technologies and the facilities needed to support them.

"Although at least three-quarters of schools report having sufficient computers and televisions, they do not have the system or building infrastructure to fully use them," the report said.

More than half the schools reported a lack of modems and phone lines. And one-third of schools reporting they had enough computers complained of insufficient electrical wiring, according to the report, released by Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun, D-Ill.

Computers that aren't linked to internal or external networks are limited "in their access to the vast amount of electronic information available and do not allow ... for the interaction between students, students and teachers, or the school and the outside world," the report said.

The GAO survey followed up on an earlier report that found it would cost \$112 billion to repair or upgrade facilities at the nation's 80,000 schools.

The OTA urged a greater federal role in improving the use and teaching of technology by tailoring grant programs to favor schools with comprehensive technology plans and further studying the issue, among other steps.

"New technology helps students develop self-reliance and independence," Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., and chairman of the OTA, said in a prepared statement. "We must do more to give our teachers all across America the training they need to open these doors for the children in their classrooms."

Prosecutors decide to drop drug charges against singer Willie Nelson

WACO (AP) — Willie Nelson, whose recent legal troubles began after he fell asleep in his car along Interstate 35, can get on the road again.

Prosecutors said Monday that drug charges against the country music legend will be dropped because they don't want to try to reverse a judge's ruling making the marijuana seized inadmissible.

"We have concluded that the prospects of reversing this ruling on appeal are not sufficiently good to warrant a protracted and costly appeal," Assistant District Attorney Alan Bennett said in a written statement released Monday.

Bennett said he will file a motion to dismiss the charges today.

Nelson was arrested May 10 after he pulled off Interstate 35 in Hewitt, a community south of Waco, to sleep after an all-night poker game near Hillsboro.

Officers who stopped to investigate said they saw a marijuana cigarette in the ashtray through the window and woke Nelson up to ask about it.

Nelson told officers that the cigarette in the ashtray was marijuana and also told them there was a small bag of marijuana in a bag on the car's floorboard.

Nelson's attorneys argued in a March 1 hearing that

the officers had no probable cause to search the car.

County Court-at-Law Judge Mike Gassaway agreed and ruled March 20 that the arrest was illegal because prosecutors failed to prove that the officers had probable cause to take Nelson into custody.

One of Nelson's attorneys, Ken Crow of Waco, said prosecutors' decision not to appeal brings a "degree of finality" to the case.

"Of course, we are happy to hear that they are not going to appeal it, even though we believe we would win on appeal," Crow said. "It is nice not having to go through it."

Meanwhile, Nelson announced he has revived his July Fourth picnic, which will be held this year in the historic town of Luckenbach.

In a telephone interview Monday with the *San Angelo Standard-Times*, Nelson said the Luckenbach mystique is a big part of his decision to hold the event there.

"Timing is everything and about the time Luckenbach was going real good the song 'Luckenbach, Texas' came out and it just sort of became a theme song, and it still is for a lot of people," he said.

Gingrich says Torricelli should quit intelligence panel

By JOHN DIAMOND
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Democratic congressman who raised allegations of CIA complicity in Guatemala murders should resign from the House Intelligence Committee, House Speaker Newt Gingrich says.

Gingrich, R-Ga., who controls Republican membership on the panel, said Rep. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., flouted security restrictions on members of the highly secretive committee. Torricelli last week made public allegations U.S. officials may have concealed knowledge of killings allegedly ordered by a Guatemalan colonel who received U.S. government support.

Meanwhile, two published accounts said administration officials acknowledged Monday that some CIA money is still being spent in Guatemala despite a remark Sunday by Secretary of

State Warren Christopher — under persistent questioning about CIA "funding of the Guatemalan military" — that such funds had been halted.

Gingrich said Torricelli's allegations, which triggered some of the current investigations into the activities of Col. Julio Roberto Alpirez, should have been considered by the committee in closed session.

"I think he just decided to go ahead and cause a public embarrassment for the United States," Gingrich said in a briefing for newspaper reporters Monday. Although *The Associated Press* was not invited to the briefing, Gingrich's spokesman confirmed the comments.

Gingrich said that Torricelli had offered to resign from the Intelligence Committee in connection with his allegations regarding CIA involvement in Guatemala. "They should accept his resignation," Gingrich said.

Toricelli replied in a statement that all the information he relayed came from sources outside the Intelligence Committee.

"Mr. Gingrich's remarks seem to indicate a stronger allegiance to the CIA than to the truth. I will never apologize for telling the truth and will not resign from the Intelligence Committee," Torricelli said.

The committee holds almost all of its hearings in closed session and members are under strict orders against leaking classified material. Members are briefed on classified matters, including secret activities of the CIA. They are not even allowed to discuss proceedings with colleagues; only the House leadership is briefed on the committee's activities.

The *Washington Post* reports in today's editions that administration officials, wanting to correct the record, acknowledged that an unspecified amount of CIA

money was being spent in Guatemala to maintain the CIA station at the U.S. embassy and to pay for "liaison relationships" with individual members of the Guatemalan military.

The *Post* quoted the officials, who were not identified, as saying the "informers" have been instrumental in helping the administration sort out what happened regarding the slayings and any subsequent cover-ups.

The *New York Times*, also in today's editions, quoted an unnamed senior official as acknowledging that the record on "liaison" payments needed to be corrected, saying they had dwindled considerably in recent years and would be suspended immediately pending the administration investigation into the matter.

But the *Times* said the official said a modest sum will continue to flow for Guatemala's cooperation on counter-narcotics programs.



Corpus Christi City Manager Juan Garza, left, and Police Chief Henry Garrett, right, console a woman whose husband was killed during a shooting Monday at the Walter Rossler Co.

Man kills former boss, four employees in Corpus Christi

EL PASO (AP) — The man who killed his former boss and four of his employees was a dependable, studious youth who majored in engineering at the University of Texas-El Paso, neighbors from his hometown said.

Their memories of 28-year-old James Simpson contrasted sharply with his actions Monday, when police said the ex-employee of the Walter Rossler Co. in Corpus Christi entered through the front door, walked through the building and fatally shot five people. He then shot himself.

Police have not determined a motive for the rampage.

Lela Gallo, an investigator with Nueces County Medical Examiner's Office, confirmed that Simpson was the son of Daniel and Nora Simpson of El Paso, the *El Paso Times* reported in today's editions.

"If you had a son you wouldn't want him to be any better," neighbor John Slusher, 77, told *The Associated Press* today. "I'm floored. I'm flabbergasted," he said.

"It's completely out of character with the young man I knew."

Simpson, known by his neighbors as "Danny," was studying to become an engineer, but may have lacked about a few credits to

receive his degree. He worked his way through school, with the state highway department one summer and on an internship with an El Paso company where he worked in Mexico, Slusher said.

He has known Simpson since his family moved onto the block about 10 years ago, he said.

"It just doesn't make sense from what I knew of the kid. His environment in his home. His parents. Oh boy. I guess some things we'll never know," Slusher said.

His parents declined comment to *The Associated Press*. "We don't want to talk to anybody, thank you," the father said.

Another neighbor, Harlow Paul, remembered Simpson as a quiet, dependable youth.

"When he was in high school (in the mid-1980s) we had him cutting our grass. He wasn't a real talkative guy, but I don't know if you'd call him quiet," Paul said of the 1985 Burges High graduate.

"He was real conscientious. He did a good job cutting our grass, and was real polite," he told the *El Paso Times*.

He said he last saw Simpson at Christmas, when Simpson returned home to visit his parents. "I saw him over the wall, and I talked to him briefly," Paul said.

U.N.-protected safe area under blatant Serbian attack

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — A convoy carrying food for 180,000 people struck out today for Bosnia's northwestern Bihac region, where Bosnian Serb artillery attacks have drawn sharp U.N. protests.

The 10-truck convoy from Zagreb, Croatia, will try to reach the region via Petrovo Selo, which is held by rebel Croatian Serbs, said a U.N. aid agency spokeswoman, Alemka Lisinski.

Petrovo Selo, on the border of the Bihac region, has been off-limits for months to aid shipments, but permission was granted for this convoy to go

through, said U.N. officials.

It was unclear whether the convoy would be able to find a safe way in. For months, Muslim-led government troops and Bosnian Serbs, supported by their Croatian brethren and renegade Muslims, have fought for control of the U.N.-designated safe haven of Bihac and the surrounding area.

Such havens are supposed to be exempt from attack, but Bosnian Serb rebels shelled the Bihac pocket for the fourth straight day Monday, invoking U.N. protests. The United Nations said it had requested NATO reconnaissance flights to

locate the Serb guns. But NATO officials refused comment, and there was no indication today that such flights had commenced.

In the Monday shelling, a round struck near a U.N. patrol, wounding a Dutch military observer in the head and a local interpreter in the back, the United Nations said.

Peacekeeper spokesman Alexander Ivanko said a strong protest was made to the Serbs, but such protests have been ineffective.

He said the U.N. commander for Bosnia, Lt. Gen. Rupert Smith, had been trying for more than two weeks to meet with the

Serb commander, Gen. Ratko Mladic, to discuss the attacks and other matters. Smith received only very evasive replies, Ivanko said.

Another U.N. spokesman, Chris Gunness, suggested Mladic was preoccupied with fighting off government offensives in central and northeast Bosnia.

The Croatian news agency HINA said Mladic's deputy, Gen. Milan Gvero, had arrived at Mount Vlasica in central Bosnia to help coordinate a Serb counterattack. The agency reported heavy fighting at a ski resort on the mountain.

State bar praises judge's ruling upholding legal regulations

AUSTIN (AP) — The president of the State Bar of Texas has praised a federal judge's ruling that upholds a majority of rules regulating lawyer advertising that were approved by the Bar last year.

State Bar President Jim Branton on Monday called a ruling by U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice of Tyler "a sweeping victory for Texas consumers and the legal profession."

Justice on Friday upheld rules that prohibit lawyers from paying "signing bonuses" to prospective clients and forbid actors from impersonating lawyers who are marketing their services on radio or television.

Another measure requires that lawyers file copies of written solicitations and radio or TV ads with a State Bar review committee.

The regulations had been contested by a group known as Texans Against Censorship, which claimed the rules infringed on First Amendment

rights of free expression.

Branton said any appeal by the group likely wouldn't hold up implementation of the new rules, adopted by the Bar's 59,000 members last May.

Several existing State Bar rules challenged by Texans Against Censorship also were upheld by Justice, including a measure that prohibits a lawyer from contacting accident victims by telephone, unless the client has sought the lawyer's advice or is a family member.

"The Bar tackled the issue of lawyer advertising because of

the negative feedback from the citizens of Texas," Branton said.

Justice threw out three rules adopted by the State Bar last year. Those measures would have:

- prohibited lawyers who use the advertising review committee from stating in ads that their advertisement had been approved by the State Bar.
- required that branch offices of law firms be staffed

at least three days a week.

- prohibited using registered mail for direct solicitation.

The State Bar had sought even more stringent regulations that would have prohibited lawyer ads that appealed to emotion or used crashes, sirens and whistles. But the Texas Supreme Court ruled that blocking such ads would have been unconstitutional.

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Opinion

Valuing private property rights

Having declined to approve a new amendment to the U.S. Constitution, the Senate will soon face the question of whether it will honor an amendment that's been part of the Constitution since 1789. That's because the House passed by a 227-148 vote, H.R. 925, the Private Property Protection Act. Now the Senate will have a chance to decide if the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution still means anything.

That amendment reads, in part: "Nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation." Federal, state, and local governments routinely violate both the spirit and intent of this clause by seizing or tying up people's property, denying owners the right to use it according to their own preferences and values, and paying nothing in compensation.

H.R. 925 doesn't handle all these violations. It would provide only that if 90 percent or more of a person's property is effectively taken - that is, if the property-owner is denied the right to use it - by an endangered-species or wetlands regulation, then the government must pay the owner just compensation, at something close to fair market value, for the property.

The most absurd argument against this bill is that it would amount to an open-ended "entitlement" - a "blank check," in the words of Michigan Democrat John Dingell - that would raid the treasury. Instead, it's an invitation to various bureaucracies to set priorities and operate responsibly. If agencies want to take land for arguably worthy purposes, they should go about it the honest way - by paying for it. To do otherwise is to force somebody who has made an investment in property to bear all the costs and burdens of somebody else's decisions.

This bill falls far short of reviving in full the protection the Fifth Amendment was designed to give to property owners. It was introduced in a broader form, to cover all regulatory "takings," but even a Republican-majority House of Representatives is not quite ready to require the U.S. government to regulate in a constitutional manner.

But this is an important step toward reining in arrogant bureaucrats and regulators who have created a legacy of horror stories in the past few years - fields declared "wetlands" after heavy rains and the like - and toward a strong movement to restore at least some of the private property rights that have been gradually undermined over many decades.

To vote against it required a conscious effort to ignore a clause that's been in the Constitution almost from the beginning. Of course, 148 House members did just that, and some argued that to take the U.S. Constitution at its face value would undermine the federal government as we know it (which, come to think of it, might be a fairly accurate assessment). And President Clinton, not surprisingly, has gone so far as to threaten to veto this bill.

Now we'll see if a majority of the Senate takes the U.S. Constitution with some slight degree of seriousness. If it doesn't, how seriously can we take the gang in Washington as a legitimate, constitutionally-authorized government?

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Viewpoints

The fate of Mexico's reformers

Carlos Salinas de Gortari has gone, in the space of four months, from an internationally revered statesman to a political refugee, pushed into ignominious exile in the United States by the man he wanted to succeed him as president of Mexico.

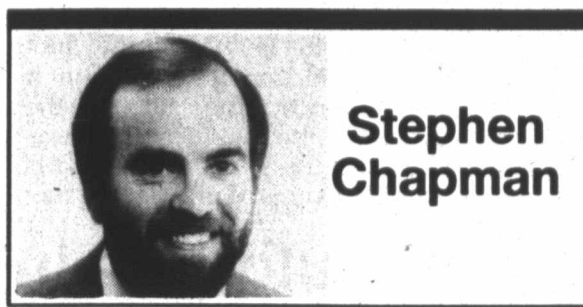
Maybe we should have expected this. Mikhail Gorbachev, to mention one prominent example, had already demonstrated that leaders who undertake to transform authoritarian governments should not expect undying gratitude from their people.

The Salinas administration, which once seemed like such a departure from Mexico's corrupt, one-party past, now looks merely like the latest sordid stage of the old order. The president's brother has been indicted for engineering the murder of a leader of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI), whose death followed the assassination of the PRI's presidential nominee. An armed uprising in the province of Chiapas is still smoldering.

The economy is a reasonable facsimile of a train wreck, the product of a currency crisis that forced Mexico to run to Washington for a humiliating bailout. Just a few weeks ago, Salinas took the unprecedented step of denouncing his successor and then staged a strange two-day fast demanding that the government stop blaming everything on him.

Now, in one of those conclusions so familiar in the Third World, he has apparently accepted an abrupt invitation to leave the country and stay gone at least until the latter part of the year 2000 - when President Ernesto Zedillo is scheduled to complete his term of office. Last week, Salinas was in Manhattan giving an interview to *The New York Times* and insisting, unconvincingly, that he is free to go home whenever he wants.

The bizarre downfall of Salinas, however, should not obscure his historic achievements as



Stephen Chapman

president of Mexico, which will long be a source of astonishment to anyone who thinks of politics as the art of the possible. Gorbachev did much to start the tidal wave of democracy and economic liberalization that rolled over the planet in the late 1980s and early 1990s, but in his effort to uproot a socialist dictatorship, he was less audacious than Salinas, who not only pulled Mexico out of the swamp of statism but inspired nearly all of Latin America to follow.

His approach to economic reform was to find whatever was out of the question and then push it through. He reversed the 1982 nationalization of the banking industry, sold off hundreds of state-owned businesses, scrapped the collective farm system that was the sacred relic of the Mexican Revolution, slashed tariffs and invited foreign investment. He cut taxes, balanced the budget and brought runaway inflation under control.

All that was only the overture to his boldest undertaking - a free trade agreement with the wealthy neighbors to the north. In a few years, he converted Mexico from one of the most closed economies in the world into one of the most open.

His efforts paid off in years of solid growth, rising exports and a more competitive economy. For the moment, those accomplishments are lost in

the rubble of the peso's collapse, the blame for which lies at least partly with Salinas. But that grievous error doesn't negate the many things he did right. It only proves that, when trying to bring a backward, state-dominated economy into the modern era, it is not enough to do nearly everything right.

His policies on political reform, though not quite as bold, nevertheless began an irreversible process of dismantling authoritarian rule and replacing it with pluralist democracy. The 1994 presidential vote was free and fair by all accounts, the cleanest election Mexico has ever had. One of the opposition parties now governs four states and 158 municipalities, a huge change from when Salinas came into office.

The former president has been accused of overly aggressive methods of pursuing his goals. But if he sometimes behaved autocratically, it was usually because the only way to bring about critical reforms was to force them down the throats of the people who had ruled Mexico for 60 years.

The resistance he faced can be measured by the suspected involvement of PRI stalwarts in last year's political assassinations, which struck down two prominent reformers. Those, we can hope, were the death throes of a brutal political culture.

In his inaugural speech Dec. 1, President Zedillo saluted his predecessor in words of indisputable accuracy: "I follow a president who governed with vision; who with intelligence and patriotism conceived great transformations and knew how to carry them out with determination." That is not the current wisdom about Salinas, but history is likely to be kind. In the end, he did no worse than Moses, who brought his people out of bondage but could not lead them to the promised land.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, April 4, the 94th day of 1995. There are 271 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 4, 1968, civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was shot to death in Memphis, Tenn. He was 39.

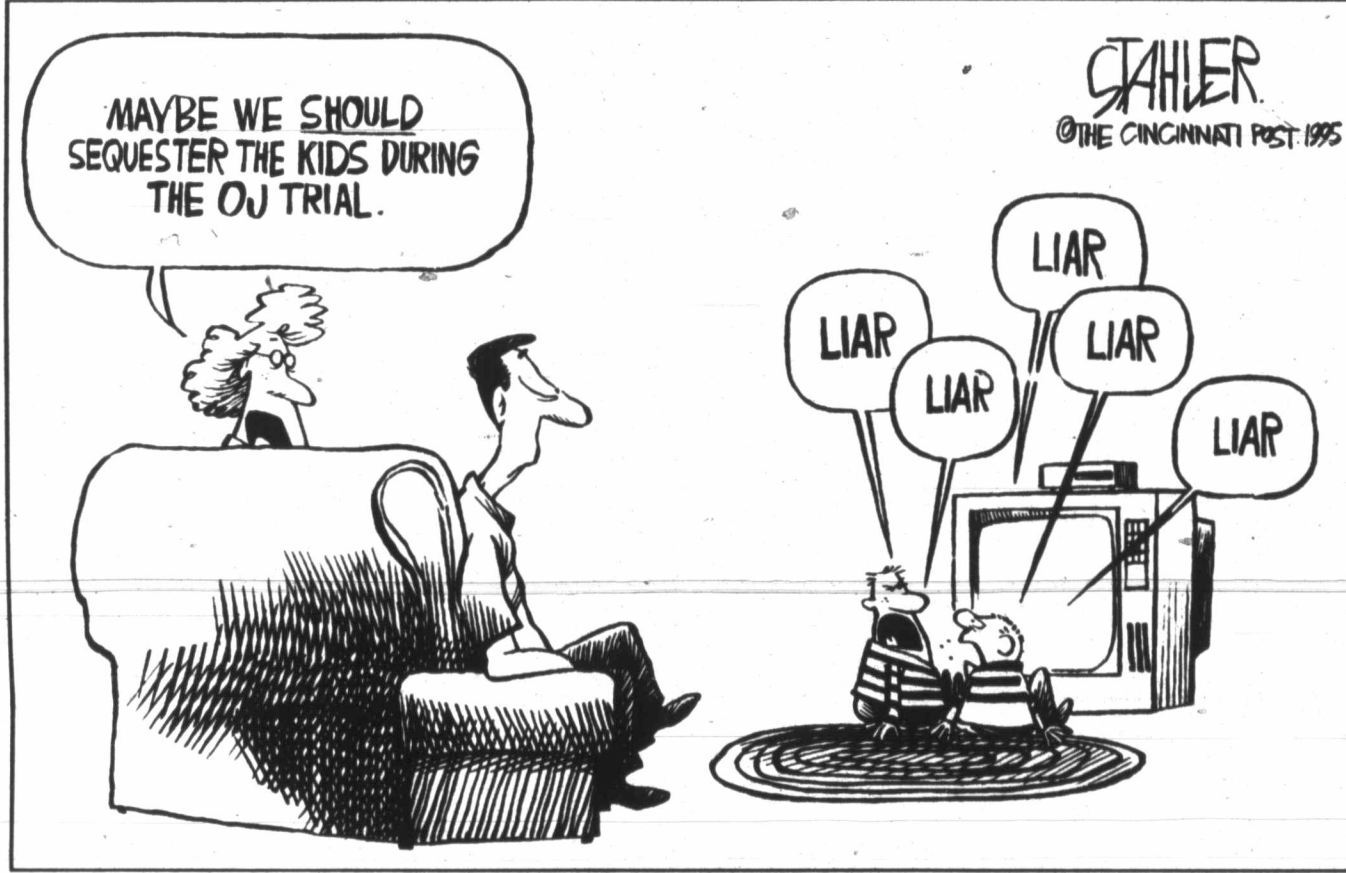
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In 1818, Congress decided the flag of the United States would consist of 13 red and white stripes and 20 stars, with a new star to be added for every new state of the Union.

In 1841, President William Henry Harrison succumbed to pneumonia one month after his inaugural, becoming the first U.S. chief executive to die in office.

In 1887, Susanna Medora Salter became the first woman elected mayor of an American community - Argonia, Kan.

In 1902, British financier Cecil Rhodes left \$10 million in his will to provide scholarships for Americans at Oxford University.



Window of opportunity in Mideast disappearing

Charley Reese

President Clinton has given up the idea of governing. It's just as well. He's no good at it. Instead, he is doing what he is good at - making political campaign speeches and capitalizing on photo opportunities.

In the meantime, the world has lost whatever value there is in American leadership. We are simply not a player. The Middle East peace process, for example, is dying before our eyes from American neglect.

Israel has reneged on, or delayed doing, what it has promised in the peace talks. Even though Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization have set a new target date, they have missed the old one by a year. Israel has not withdrawn soldiers from West Bank areas and allowed elections; it has not halted settlements; it has not stopped the practice of sealing off the Gaza Strip; it has not freed Palestinian political prisoners; it has not stopped its death squads from assassinating Palestinians. On the contrary, it has continued to build settlements, continued to confiscate Palestinian land and continued to practice oppressive tactics like blowing up people's houses.

Unfortunately, this exactly what Hamas, the Islamic organization opposed to the peace process, predicted. Thus, what the Israeli government has done is cut the ground out from under the PLO and other moderates who promised that peace would produce tangible benefits.

The Israeli government has concocted its usual,

ingenious Catch-22. Control Hamas, it says to the PLO, while it simultaneously verifies the Hamas position and makes liars of the PLO peace faction. The PLO cannot overcome Hamas without Israel keeping its word on the peace process, and Israel won't keep its word on the peace process because, as it claims, the PLO can't control Hamas.

The PLO is helpless. It has no means to pressure the Israeli government. Only the United States can do that and thus advance the hopes of peace, but the Clinton administration sold American foreign policy in the Middle East to the Israeli lobby - lock, stock and barrel.

The United States has no Middle East policy. Israel does, and the United States carries it out. This is a disgrace and will prove a tragedy for Palestinians and Israelis alike.

For example, Egypt and other Arab states want Israel to sign the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty. Israel instructs the United States to instruct Egypt to shut up or face losing its foreign aid. The U.S. pressures, not Israel to sign the treaty but Egypt to stop talking about Israel not signing the treaty.

Yet only a few months ago the Clinton administration appeared ready to take Americans into a

bloody war on the Korea peninsula solely because North Korea had announced its intentions, as it has a legal right to do, to withdraw from the nonproliferation treaty. Who was afraid of North Korea developing nuclear warheads? Israel, not the United States. Israel was afraid North Korea would sell a warhead to Iran or Iraq, though in fact, Israel already has an estimated 200 nuclear weapons sitting on the ready.

Americans ought to be embarrassed that a little country of 5 million people can treat the United States as if it were a puppet. Morris Amitay, former executive director of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, commented soothingly in his political newsletter recently that any important decisions regarding the Middle East would be made in Israel, not in Washington.

And he is right. Former Undersecretary of States George W. Ball has said most members of Congress are like trained poodles who jumped through hoops held by the Israeli lobby. Clinton's the same.

History will look unkindly on Clinton as man who abandoned his responsibilities and who let a crucial opportunity for peace be blown away by the winds of extremism and political opportunism and cowardice.

The mistake is to think Israel can win by force. The Palestinians will fight forever. As one Palestinian put it, pointing to the ruins of Romans and Crusaders, "Where are they? We are still here."

Soft hearted judges need to keep criminals off the streets

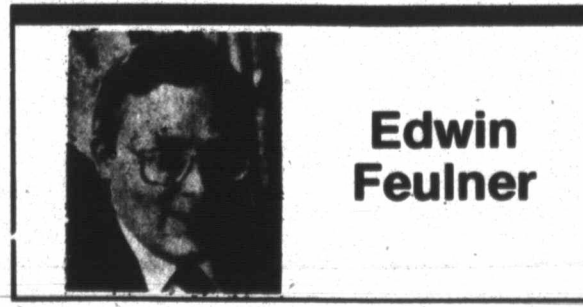
A little-noticed provision in last year's crime bill could give lawmakers a chance to stop federal judges from using the discredited notion of "Prison overcrowding" as an excuse to let violent criminals out of jail too early.

Tucked away in the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 is Section 3626 that says federal courts can't hold prison overcrowding unconstitutional unless, an inmate can prove he is being subjected to cruel and unusual punishment, as defined by the Constitution's Eighth Amendment.

Unfortunately, the provision's wording has proved too weak to withstand legal challenges and hasn't resulted in criminals being locked up longer. So Congress should rewrite it to strengthen it.

The truth is the evils of prison overcrowding have been highly exaggerated. Dr. Gerald G. Gae of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, who recently reviewed the literature on prison crowding, reached the same conclusions as numerous scholars before him: The data simply do not support the belief that inmates suffer greater levels of violence, illness, or other problems when prisons are crowded.

Yet, through sweeping court orders some federal judges have used overcrowding as an excuse to make themselves virtual sovereigns of the cell blocks, forcing changes that have increased inmate-on-inmate murders, inmate-on-staff assaults, spending on amenities and services for



Edwin Feulner

inmates, and early release of hundreds of thousands of criminals. Since 1970, 508 localities and more than 1,200 state prisons have come under judicial micromanagers, with nothing but mayhem to show for it.

Indeed, judges during the last quarter-century have undone almost every major anti-crime effort. In the 1980s, many states passed mandatory minimum sentencing laws only to have judges overturn them by imposing "caps" on prison populations. In one recent 18-month period in Philadelphia, 9,732 arrestees who were still on the streets because of a prison "cap" were re-arrested on new charges, including 79 murders, 90 rapes, 701 burglaries, 959 robberies, 1,113 assaults, 2,215 drug offenses and 2,748 thefts.

Meanwhile, state prisoners on average serve only 35 percent to 40 percent of their sentences even though most are violent or repeat offenders.

Bureau of Justice Statistics data show that within three years of sentencing, nearly half of all probationers and parolees are convicted of new crimes or otherwise violate the terms of their release. About 35 percent of all those arrested for violent crimes are on probation, parole, or pretrial release at the time of their arrests.

Many states are tightening or abolishing parole and passing truth-in-sentencing laws requiring offenders to serve at least 85 percent of their sentences. Some are instituting "three-strikes" measures that would result in lifetime prison terms without parole for thrice-convicted violent offenders. But none of these measures will have their desired impact until judges stop sabotaging them.

Most Americans want prisoners to have basic amenities such as decent food and adequate medical care. But they don't want prisons to be virtual resorts, and they most certainly don't want another generation's worth of violent and repeat criminals returned to the streets because of some judge's political ideology, rejection of statistical evidence, or stubborn delusions about the consequences of "crowding."

Strengthening Section 3626 will also send a message to groups like the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) which, following passage of the 1994 crime bill, mocked Congress for "taking a stand in favor of God, motherhood, and locking up criminals." It's time for Congress to show America it doesn't share the ACLU's attitude.

Hospital proposes settlement benefiting jaw implant recipients

HOUSTON (AP) — For deteriorating jaw implants that caused patients severe pain, a hospital has agreed to pay \$30 million in a proposed class action settlement.

Methodist Hospital decided to settle the federal lawsuit after considering risks, possible trial and appeal expense, strengths and weaknesses of the case and other factors, the settlement document states.

U.S. District Judge Sim Lake has set an April 13 hearing for preliminary approval of the settlement. The court will also hear any objections to the proposal by other parties.

Papers in the lawsuit filed against Methodist last year in Houston contended that the city's largest

hospital was involved in the development, testing and approvals of Proplast, used in the implants.

The lawsuit also claimed that the hospital licensed or assigned the rights to Proplast to Vitek, which made the implants.

According to federal court records this week, up to 25 percent of the settlement, or \$7.5 million in fees, will go toward fees of the plaintiff lawyers.

Anyone in the United States or Canada who received a Proplast jaw implant between January 1972 and May 1994 may benefit. But payments for many sufferers will be small.

Charles Homsy, Vitek's founder, was director of the Methodist Prosthesis Research Laboratory when he

invented Proplast, a porous material used by Vitek.

Although thousands of patients with jaw disorders received Vitek implants in the 1980s, the man-made material flaked apart and caused erosion of jaw bone and tissue, the Food and Drug Administration found.

Patients developed immune disorders as well as experiencing severe pain.

Lawyers said several hundred people have also filed suit against Methodist in Texas state courts.

Methodist's lawyers denied any liability, saying the hospital was not involved in development or sale of Proplast for use in jaw implants and had no control over Vitek, accord-

ing to documents filed in U.S. District Court.

The proposed settlement divides claimants into two categories.

Those who filed early lawsuits against Vitek or claims in a Vitek bankruptcy case may have allowed the two-year statute of limitations to run out before making a claim against Methodist.

For them, lawyers negotiated payments of \$1,500 per person and \$250 for each spouse.

The second category is made up of those who became aware of their implant injuries within the past two years, or who had filed timely lawsuits against Methodist. The group will share an estimated \$18 million or more.

Appeals court rules in favor of church in child's death

ST. PAUL (AP) — The state appeals court overturned a \$9.15 million award today against the First Church of Christ, Scientist, for the death of a child whose mother treated his diabetes with prayer.

The Minnesota Court of Appeals' 2-1 decision said the Boston-based church does not have to pay \$9 million in punitive damage or \$150,000 in compensatory damages to 11-year-old Ian Lundman's father.

The church's spiritual healing is protected by the Constitution, and the church did not act in "deliberate disregard" of Ian's rights, the ruling said.

The court upheld \$1.5 million in compensatory damages against Ian's mother and stepfather, Kathleen and William McKown, and two practitioners they hired to provide spiritual treatment. The McKowns had a duty to protect the boy from harm, and the practitioners should have overruled the parents' wishes and sought medical help, the panel said.

Douglass Lundman sued the

church and five members, saying Ian could have been successfully treated up until two hours before his death on May 9, 1989, after he lapsed into a diabetic coma.

The Christian Science church was ordered by a Hennepin County jury in August 1993 to pay the punitive damages. The McKowns, the church and several church representatives also were assessed \$5.2 million for compensatory damages, although a county judge later reduced that award to \$1.5 million.

It was the first successful civil verdict against the 116-year-old church, which believes "scientific prayer" is the sole way to treat illness.

Church leaders argued they should not be punished for practicing a central tenet of their faith, and the appeals court agreed.

"The constitutional right to religious freedom includes the authority of churches to independently decide matters of faith and doctrine," the court wrote.

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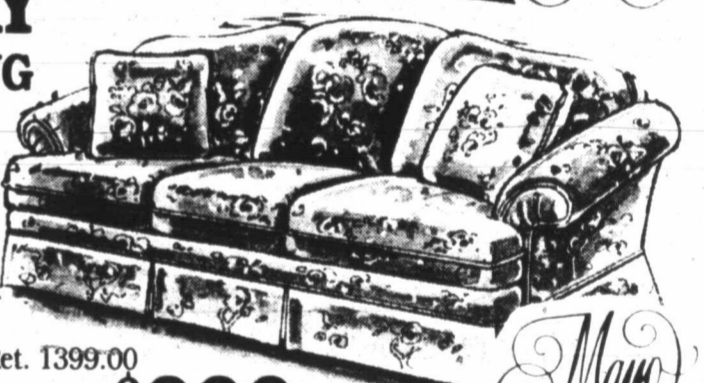
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Contract with America status report

Actions debated in the House:

Fiscal Responsibility Act

- Balanced budget amendment
- Three-fifths majority to raise taxes
- Line-item veto
- Unfunded mandates

The Taking Back Our Streets Act

Anti-crime package includes stronger truth-in-sentencing, death penalty provisions, cuts in social spending to fund prison construction, additional law enforcement.

The Personal Responsibility Act

Replaces federal welfare system with payments to the states; tightens eligibility.

The Family Reinforcement Act

Child support enforcement, tax incentives for adoption, stronger child pornography laws, an elderly-dependent-care tax credit.

The American Dream Restoration Act

A \$500-per-child tax credit, begin repeal of the marriage tax penalty, create American Dream Savings Accounts to promote middle-class tax relief.

The National Security Restoration Act

Prohibit U.S. troops from being placed under United Nations command. Provision to restore funding for "Star Wars" missile defense system.

The Senior Citizens Fairness Act

Raise the Social Security earnings limit; repeal the 1993 tax hikes on Social Security benefits; provide tax incentives for private long-term care insurance.

The Job Creation and Wage Enhancement Act

Small business incentives; capital gains cut. Federal agency must assess the risk and cost of new legislation. Compensation for landowners if a federal action involving species or wetland protection reduces property values.

The Common Sense Legal Reform Act

Limits punitive damages, business liability. Attorney Accountability Act. Securities Litigation Reform Act.

The Citizen Legislature Act

Constitutional amendment to limit how long someone can serve in House or Senate.



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State Senate approves budget of \$80.2 billion

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — A proposed \$80.2 billion, two-year state budget whisked through the Texas Senate Monday, headed to a conference committee that will negotiate differences with a House plan that's \$2.6 billion cheaper.

"Senator, I think you've just set a record," Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock told Finance Committee Chairman John Montford, D-Lubbock, after the measure passed 29-0.

"I can't recall the last time that a finance bill has passed the Texas Senate without any opposition," Bullock said.

The Senate took about an hour — or less than one minute per \$1 billion — to consider the bill, which leaders said would funnel 56 percent of new money into education.

"I truly believe in my heart this is the education session," Montford said. He and Bullock said they hoped the investment would signal a change from public schools' growing reliance on local property taxes.

Montford said he expects the Senate proposal to be scaled back in negotiations with the House, which has voted to spend less than senators on education and human services. But he said there's no waste in the Senate version.

"I think it's fair. I think it's responsible. But it's no frills," he said. "We are committed to a no-new-taxes budget."

The Senate proposal represents a \$5.4 billion, or 7.2 percent, funding increase over current levels.

It comprises \$45.5 billion in general revenue funds, which include sales and corporate franchise taxes; \$23.7 billion in federal funds; and \$11 billion from other sources, such as fees.

The measure also anticipates budget savings, such as \$300 million through a cap on the number of university and state agency employees.

The House version comes in under the latest estimate of available general revenue for the next two years, while the Senate proposal is about \$1.5 billion over that estimate, Montford said. The Senate plan also includes more federal funds that would be leveraged by increased state spending.

Montford said his bill anticipates that the state comptrol-

ler's May general revenue estimate will show more money is available.

When the bill gets to conference committee, Montford said he would like to see about \$250 million carved out and put into savings in anticipation of a change in the way federal money is distributed to states.

"I think that's going to cost us some money," he said.

No amendments were offered to the bill in the Senate, although lawmakers stood to praise Montford's work, mention areas they'd like to see better funded or suggest ways to save money.

Sen. John Leedom, R-Dallas, suggested a university tuition increase may be in order to meet higher education costs.

Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, head of the Health and Human Services Committee, noted concern by social service advocates that the Senate measure still falls short of money needed to continue current service levels.

Sens. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, and Bill Sims, D-Paint Rock, were absent for the budget vote. Sims, who is recovering from a stroke, sent a letter of support for the measure.

The Senate bill proposes spending \$33.4 billion for education, including an 11.2 percent increase for public schools and 4.9 percent increase for higher education compared with 1994-95.

It would fund a public education reform bill passed last week by the Senate, including \$92 million for an increase in the minimum pay scale for teachers and \$270 million toward helping schools build facilities.

The Senate bill also puts \$270 million more into higher education than the House budget, Montford said. Budget-writers said the House measure falls short of what colleges and universities need to maintain current services.

In health and human services, the Senate bill proposes \$27 billion, a 12.4 percent increase over the 1994-95 funding level.

The Senate bill also would increase general revenue spending for public safety and criminal justice by 29.7 percent, although overall funding is decreased from other sources. For example, the state is issuing fewer bonds to build new prisons.

Families deserve tax relief, Thornberry says

By U.S. REP. MAC THORNBERRY

WASHINGTON, D.C. — American families have fared well under the Contract With America, which will be completed this week in the House. In the first 100 days of Congress, we have passed bills that would help get violent criminals off the streets, turn welfare from a handout to a hand-up and make it easier for people to create jobs without government interference.

I am proud to have been part of these important breakthroughs for families, but we have a very important task to do before the Contract period ends on Friday. We must give hard-working Americans real tax relief.

The tax cuts provision of the Contract With America states: "Let's make it easier to achieve the American Dream, save money, buy a home and send the kids to college." When it comes to delivering meaningful relief to hard-pressed Americans, nothing can take the place of the tax relief contained in H.R. 1215, which will be considered this week by the House.

The bill is important for two reasons: it would undo much of the damage caused by President Clinton's 1993 tax increases, and it would reverse the steady upward spiral of taxation that is burdening families.

All across the nation, families are reeling from the impact of stagnating wages and skyrocketing taxes. From 1982 to 1989, real median family income grew at a 1.7 percent average annual rate. That positive trend began reversing with the 1990 tax increase and has accelerated in the Clinton years. In 1993 alone, real median family income dropped by 1.9 percent, or \$709.

Americans don't need these statistics to fig-

Guest column

ure out that they are having a harder time making ends meet. Taxes are eating up higher percentages of family incomes, yet wages are not rising fast enough to offset the increasing local, state and federal tax burden. Something has to give.

I believe the \$500 per child tax cut proposal in H.R. 1215 is the first step in helping families put more food on the table and save for college tuition. Contrary to some reports, the tax cut proposal offers primarily middle-class relief. Almost 75 percent of the tax cut will go to families making less than \$75,000 per year, while 15 percent will go to families in the \$75,000 to \$100,000 bracket. Only 10 percent of the tax cut benefit goes to families making more than \$100,000 per year.

Some may say \$500 per child isn't enough to make a difference. That's not what I hear from my constituents in the 13th District, who say they are tired of shelling out more each year. They will take any form of tax relief, and I believe they deserve it.

The tax proposal doesn't help only families with young children. The higher taxes levied on senior citizens under the Clinton budget would be rolled back, offering relief to 3 million people. The president's 1993 budget bill has increased — from 50 percent to 85 percent — the portion of taxable income for senior citizens who earned more than \$34,000 for singles and \$44,000 for couples. That tax increase must be repealed.

Everyone who has hopes of putting away money for a brighter future will welcome the

creation of the American Dream Savings Accounts included in H.R. 1215. The accounts would operate as Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) now do, allowing money to be placed into savings tax-free until withdrawal. The key difference: the money could be withdrawn before age 59 1/2.

Families could put away money in an American Dream Savings Account to save for college tuition, for future medical expenses or to purchase their first home. Rather than penalizing long-term savings, we would be rewarding those who plan carefully for their families' futures.

There are several other tax provisions in the bill that offer relief to families by reducing the capital gains and estate taxes and by providing small business incentives. By reducing the tax burden on both families and small businesses, we can actually spur tax revenues by creating a stronger economy.

It is essential that we reduce the federal budget deficit, but it is also essential that we help lighten the tax load on American families and senior citizens. The tax bill we will vote on this week takes the responsible course of action by proposing spending reductions to offset the tax cuts. Real cuts in discretionary spending, savings through welfare reform and reduced interest payments on the debt will offset the cost of the tax cuts.

Americans have spent long hours around the kitchen table recently in preparation for the April 15 tax filing deadline. I know a lot of my constituents are wondering, after calculating their tax bill, how much longer these tax increases can go on. With passage of the final item in the Contract With America, the answer could be: no longer. Relief is on the way.

GOP leaders seeking support for tax cuts

By DAVID ESPO
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Driving for a final triumph on the "Contract With America," House Republican leaders sought support for tax-cut legislation Monday from deficit-conscious lawmakers. Vice President Al Gore attacked the GOP for a "highly partisan, extremist, 100-day agenda."

With a tax vote set for Wednesday, Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, predicted passage for the measure with a \$500-per-child tax credit for families making up to \$200,000 a year. "I'm feeling very good we will have the final details worked out," he said.

GOP leaders have been bargaining with moderate Republicans who want the tax cuts to hinge on reductions in the deficit. The emerging proposal is expected to make implementation of the tax cuts contingent upon passage of spending cuts that would lead to a balanced budget by 2002.

Armey and House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., were likely to reject a drive by other Republicans to limit the full tax credit to those earning \$95,000 a year, several GOP lawmakers and aides said.

While Republicans pushed to complete work on their campaign manifesto, Gore went on the attack as the leading edge of a coordinated, weeklong Democratic assault on the GOP program.

"Like the discredited trickle-down economics that nearly bankrupted our nation in the 1980s, this 100-day juggernaut is also a mistake," the vice president told a National Press Club audience.

He said the GOP had made "losers" of middle-income families who "are being asked to pay for another round of Republican tax cuts for the wealthy" through reductions in student loans and the school lunch program. The winners, he said, are the "very wealthy" who, Gore said, are in line for tax breaks.

Among other developments as lawmakers looked ahead to a lengthy break at the end of the week:

— In a press conference Monday, Gingrich and Senate

Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kansas, announced that Jack Kemp, former Housing secretary, will chair the National Commission on Economic Growth and Tax Reform.

— The Senate sent President Clinton legislation restoring a 25 percent tax deduction for the self-employed for the health insurance costs. The measure stirred controversy because it would repeal a program offering tax breaks to facilitate the purchase of broadcast properties by minority investors.

— The House passed by voice vote and sent to the Senate legislation establishing a financial oversight board with broad powers to restore the District of Columbia's economic health. The city, facing crippling budget deficits, is expected to enter a period of cuts in municipal payrolls and services. The board would have veto authority over spending and borrowing decisions made by the mayor and City Council.

— Budget-writers in both

houses labored over blueprints designed to eliminate the deficit by 2002. Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete V. Domenici, R-N.M., circulated a draft omitting tax cuts, a decision subject to review by the Senate's 56-member Republican caucus. The House Budget Committee hopes to hold a hearing this month on its proposal.

Whatever the tax vote's outcome, there was little doubt the Republican-controlled Congress was nearing the end of a remarkable 100-day period.

Since it convened in January, the House has endorsed sweeping changes in the areas of welfare, the civil justice system and crime. Lawmakers rejected a constitutional amendment to impose term limits on lawmakers but overwhelmingly supported a balanced-budget amendment.

That measure failed in the Senate, where most of the other House-passed bills are awaiting action.

On the tax bill — as on many others — Gingrich and his lead-

ership lieutenants worked to mollify critics within the Republican ranks.

With Democrats accusing the GOP of giving tax breaks to the rich, more than 100 Republicans led by first-term Greg Ganske of Iowa and veteran Pat Roberts of Kansas initially demanded that the per-child family tax credit be scaled back to families earning \$95,000 or less. The leadership resisted, contending that Democrats would call the tax bill unfair no matter what the GOP does.

A second group of Republicans — led by Reps. Mike Castle of Delaware, Fred Upton of Michigan and Bill Martini of New Jersey — proposed making tax cuts contingent on achieving deficit reduction targets for the next several years, or until the deficit was eliminated. The leadership offered late last week to make implementation of the tax breaks contingent on passage this year of legislation designed to balance the budget.



(AP photo)

Former Housing secretary Jack Kemp, center, is flanked by House Speaker Newt Gingrich, left, and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole at a news conference Monday in Washington, D.C., where it was announced that Kemp will chair the National Commission on Economic Growth and Tax Reform.

Former United Way leader convicted in fraud trial

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — Former United Way of America president William Aramony was convicted Monday of stealing nearly \$600,000 from the nation's biggest charity and lavishing it on young women, some only in their teens.

A federal jury deliberated over seven days before finding Aramony guilty of 25 counts of fraud, conspiracy and money laundering.

Aramony was charged along with Thomas J. Merlo and Stephen J. Paulachak with siphoning off money that had been donated to the charity by businesses and individuals. Merlo was convicted of 17 counts; Paulachak, of eight.

After the scandal broke in 1991, donations to United Way fell off sharply. They recovered slowly but never reached the pre-scandal level of \$3.1 billion in 1990.

"This verdict sends the message that society won't tolerate individuals who are charged with protecting the precious assets of charity diverting those assets for their own personal use," Assistant U.S. Attorney Randy Bellows said.

Aramony and Merlo could get about five years in prison. Paulachak could get about two years. Sentencing was set for June 14.

During the three-week trial, the government depicted the 67-year-old Aramony as a dictatorial

executive who treated girlfriends and cronies to all-expenses-paid vacations and tried to intimidate or buy off those who might expose him.

Prosecutors said he repeatedly propositioned younger women and romanced them with United Way money, billing the charity for getaways to London, Paris, Egypt, Las Vegas and other spots.

One prosecution witness testified Aramony propositioned her at a business meeting with a Roman Catholic priest.

The defense contended that Aramony, who led the charity for 22 years until he resigned in disgrace in 1992, suffered from brain atrophy that made him more impulsive and less able to reason.

They also argued that any abuses resulted from lax oversight by United Way's board of directors and bumbling by his staff. The defense rested without calling any witnesses.

Aramony's lawyer, William Moffitt, noted that U.S. District Judge Claude M. Hilton threw out about half the charges against each defendant last month.

"They won half the case, and we won half the case," Moffitt said. "We have a tremendous appeal ready. No one won a clear-cut victory in this case."

Jurors acquitted Aramony of two money-laundering counts; Merlo was acquitted of one count of tax fraud and Paulachak was acquitted of four fraud counts.

Lifestyles



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Up the ladder

Keith Arnzen, who is with the Pampa Fire Department, was recently promoted to operator for the department. Arnzen has been with the Pampa Fire Department for six years serving as a firefighter.

Houseplants for brown thumbers

NEW YORK (AP) — People with brown thumbs will do well to choose hardy houseplants — “plants you can’t kill,” in the words of Mobe Weinstein, New York Botanical Garden horticulturist.

“They beautify our environment and lift our spirits when the weather is dull and we’re confined to the indoors,” Weinstein says.

These are some of his recommended favorites:

- Chinese evergreen (Aglaonema commutatum). Comes in assorted varieties, usually with silvery markings.
- Parlor palm (Chamaedorea

elegans). An attractive smaller palm.

— Bamboo palm (Chamaedorea seifrizii). A taller palm with bamboo-like stems.

— Striped dracaena (Dracaena deremensis Warneckeii). Attractive foliage with grayish green and creamy white stripes.

— Corn plant (Dracaena fragrans Massangeana). Broad leaves with yellow-green stripes down the middle. Small or large for tabletop or floor.

— Snake plant (Sansevieria trifasciata). Stiff upright plant with attractive markings.

— Pease lily (Spathiphyllum sp). Small plants for tabletop or

larger ones for the floor. Varieties have dark green leaves with inflorescences (flower spikes) which are white. It’s one of the few plants that will flower in low light.

Most of these plants can survive winter indoor environments of low light and dry, hot air, according to the NYBG. Most will tolerate temperatures down to 55 degrees, and the closer to that setting, the better. While they need moisture, they should be watered sparingly, especially in low-light settings. During growing season, when conditions are brighter and more ideal, plants can be fed a general-purpose fertilizer at half-strength once a month.

Worried about breaking a hip? Get some exercise and lay off the coffee

By DANIEL Q. HANEY
AP Science Writer

control. “For overall health, it’s still better to lose than to gain,” he said.

BOSTON (AP) — Women who are worried about breaking a hip should get some exercise, lay off the coffee — and maybe add a little natural padding, a study suggests.

Dr. Steven R. Cummings’ study identified 17 factors that affect women’s risk of breaking a hip. Those who have five or more of these risk factors face about a 10 percent chance of suffering a hip fracture over the next five years; those with two or fewer have about a 1 percent risk.

The study confirmed earlier work showing that in this instance, being overweight is a good thing. It showed that the fatter women are, the less likely they are to break their hips.

Fat probably serves as cushioning. Furthermore, overweight women produce more estrogen, which also helps keep bones strong.

But Cummings cautioned that obesity contributes to other illnesses, especially heart disease, that are bigger health hazards than hip fractures, so the latest work should not be taken permission to forget about weight

Cummings, a researcher at the University of California at San Francisco, based his findings on a four-year review of 9,516 women with an average age of 72. The results were published in today’s issue of the New England Journal of Medicine.

An estimated 250,000 Americans suffer hip fractures annually at a cost estimated at \$4 billion to \$5 billion. White women are at the highest risk, and they were the subject of the new study.

Osteoporosis, a thinning of the bones, has long been known to contribute to hip fractures, but the study shows that other factors can substantially raise or lower the risk.

Among the findings:

— Women face double the usual risk if their mothers had suffered hip fractures.

— Use of Valium and similar sedatives appeared to increase the risk.

— Taller women are more likely to break their hips, perhaps because they have farther to fall.

— The more caffeine women consume, the higher their risk.

— Walking significantly lowers risk. Those who spend less than four hours a day on their feet have double the risk of those who move around more.

— Women with poor depth perception or rapid pulse rates have an increased risk.

Many other possible factors were not linked with fractures. They included hair color, smoking habits, childbearing and breast-feeding.

“This carefully conducted study adds to the substantial body of knowledge on risk factors for hip fracture,” Drs. Cyrus Cooper and David Barker of Southampton General Hospital in England concluded in an accompanying editorial.

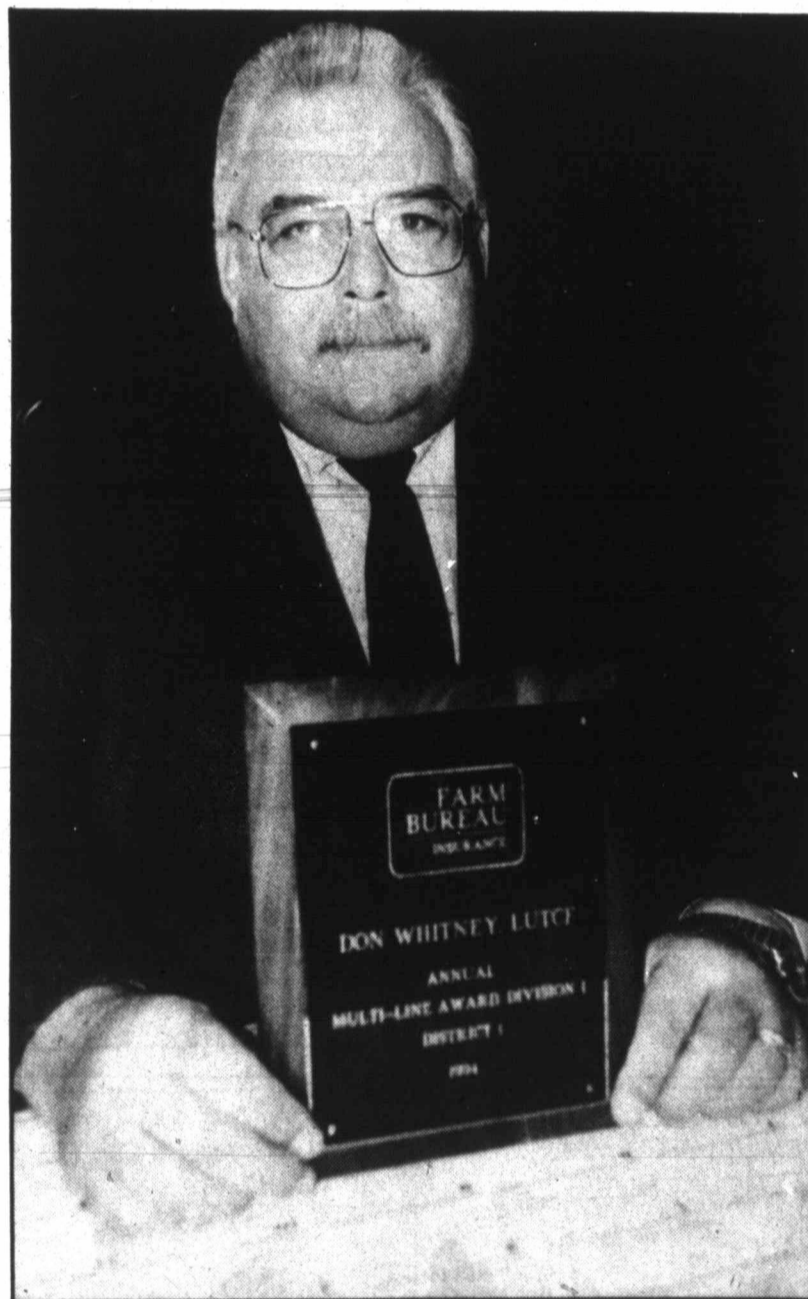
Use latex paint when painting galvanized metal siding

Q: I need advice on how to paint galvanized metal siding. The siding has not been painted since it was installed in 1969. What would be the best type of paint to use, latex or oil? Or should I try an automotive enamel? The building is a garage, and I would like its color to match other buildings on the property.

A: We’d recommend using latex paint. It’s easy to work with, and the brushes and rollers can be cleaned in soap and water. Benjamin Moore paint has a primer that is formulated for galvanized metal. It is called Iron Clad Galvanized Metal Latex Primer, product code No. 155-00. Since the metal siding has been exposed to dirt and dust for 25 years, it’s important to clean it thoroughly and follow other surface preparation instructions that are listed on the can label. The topcoat over the primer can be either latex or oil. Choose the type that can be tinted closest to the color of the other buildings. Also, make sure the topcoat is a Benjamin Moore product. It’s always advisable to use a primer and topcoat from the same manufacturer. For more information, write Benjamin Moore & Co., 51 Chestnut Ridge Rd., Montvale, N.J. 07645.

* To submit a question, write to Popular Mechanics, Reader Service Bureau, 224 W. 57th St., New York, N.Y. 10019. The most interesting questions will be answered in a future column.

Congratulations



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Don Whitney L.U.T.C.F. has earned the multi-line award for Division I for Texas Farm Bureau in 1994 in District I which is the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle. Whitney qualified in all areas of insurance due to the number of policies and professionalism in which he has serviced and sold. He qualified for this award in life, annuities, auto, homeowners and commercial.

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Lover of limericks now asks how into english they passed

DEAR ABBY. I am having a difference of opinion with a person who is never wrong — if you get my drift.

Exactly what is a limerick? And when was it introduced into the English language?

ENJOYS LIMERICKS IN BOSTON

DEAR ENJOYS: A limerick is a form of humorous verse. It takes its name from the city of Limerick in Ireland, where it originated.

A limerick consists of five lines. The first and second lines rhyme with the fifth line. The third and fourth lines rhyme with each other.

The first line often begins with, "There once was a..." etc., and ends with the name of a person or place.

The last line is what we would call the punch line. It is usually humorous and occasionally naughty.

In 1846, Edward Lear (no relation to Norman) came out with a book titled "A Book of Nonsense," which was a collection of limericks. Here's one:

"There once was a lady from Wilts

"Who walked up to Scotland on stilts;

"When they said it was shocking

"To show so much stocking.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

"She answered, 'Then what about kilts?'"

DEAR ABBY: Either there are two Jack Dempseys, or the lady from Monroe, Mich., is confused.

Jack Dempsey was not in the U.S. Navy — he was in the U.S. Coast Guard. I took my training from him in Manhattan Beach, N.Y.

Jack Dempsey came to visit me during my nine-month stay at the Veterans Hospital here in Minneapolis.

Abby, please set the record straight.

VIRGIL E. HANSON, ST. LOUIS PARK, MINN.

DEAR VIRGIL E. HANSON: Thank you. Please consider the record set straight.

DEAR ABBY: I have long been an admirer of yours and would like to share something I learned the hard way.

People are often told to "get a second opinion" when their doctor prescribes treatment (or surgery) that seems drastic. They should be aware of the "side effects" from taking such advice.

From personal experience, I know that anything from a cold reception to refusal to continue as your attending physician can result.

I asked for a second opinion recently, and had to have my attorney get my medical records. Needless to say, I changed physicians.

ONE WHO KNOWS IN ARIZONA

DEAR ONE WHO KNOWS: I would be a bit leery of a physician who would resent my requesting a second opinion.

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Horoscope

Wednesday, April 5, 1995

In the year ahead, you may do quite well in arrangements that motivate you materially. The more you see in it for yourself, the harder you'll try and the more likely you'll be to succeed.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your judgment might be impaired by the wrong people today. Just because a person has a title or a position doesn't mean he/she has all the answers. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and a SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Someone who is presently indebted to you might

try to put the bite on you again today. If you repeat your old mistake, you'll have only yourself to blame.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You aren't apt to let today's events cave you in, and this is well and good. However, don't treat situations too lightly if they should be taken seriously.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Even though you might feel you're treating others fairly today, you may find yourself in a position where the more you give, the more they seem to want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Companions could exert an unusually strong influence on you today. If you hang around with pals who waste their time and resources, you might do the same.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your probabilities for personal achievement are good today, provided you don't look for easy outs or shortcuts. Be prepared to work for what you want.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Some petty, but frustrating situations might develop today. They will be manageable if you treat them philosophically. Hang loose

and keep your cool.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In a joint endeavor today you might find yourself relegated to a minor role. Swallow your pride instead of speaking out and creating additional difficulties.

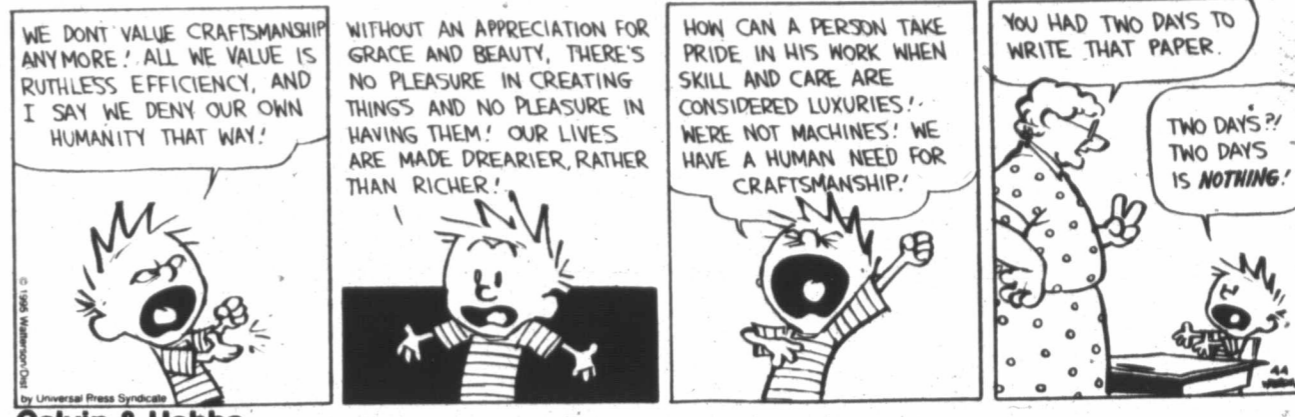
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Steer clear of arrangements with friends today in which you either have to borrow or lend something of value. Unanticipated complications are likely.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Matters you deem important should be taken care of as early as possible today. As time ticks on, you might begin to coast and get off on a different route.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your organizational skills might be better than your peers' today, yet you might not be able to convince them of this. What you bind together they could untie.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) In your business dealings today, don't bank on things that you hope will happen. If a situation can't stand on its own, wishing won't make it better.

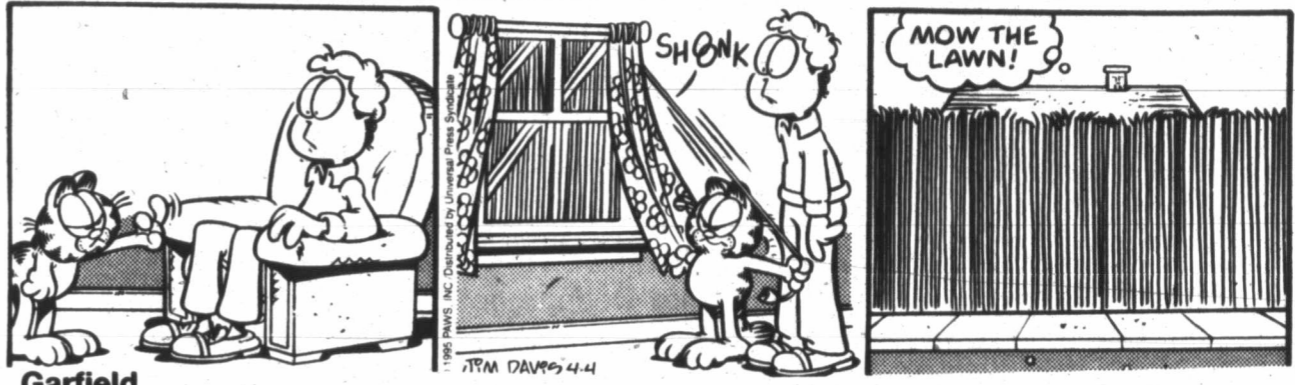
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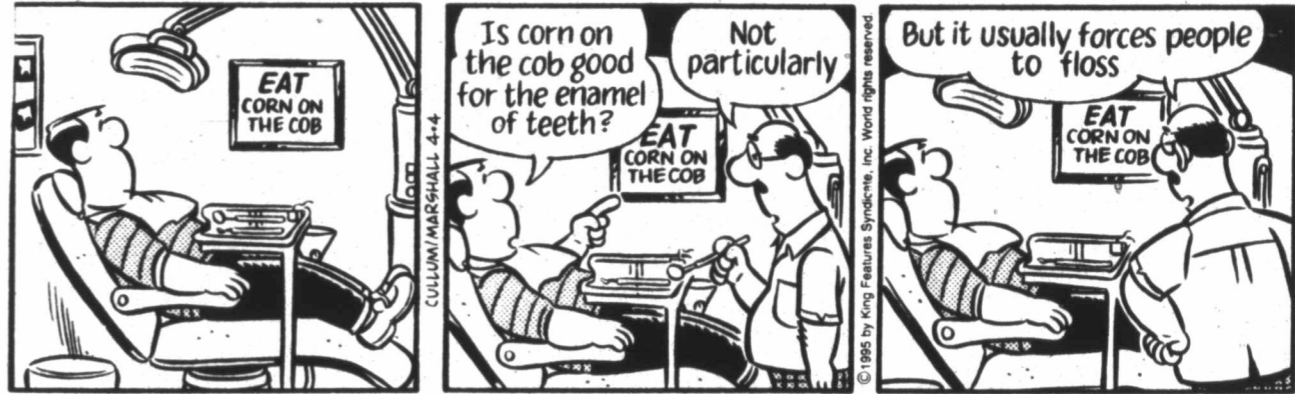
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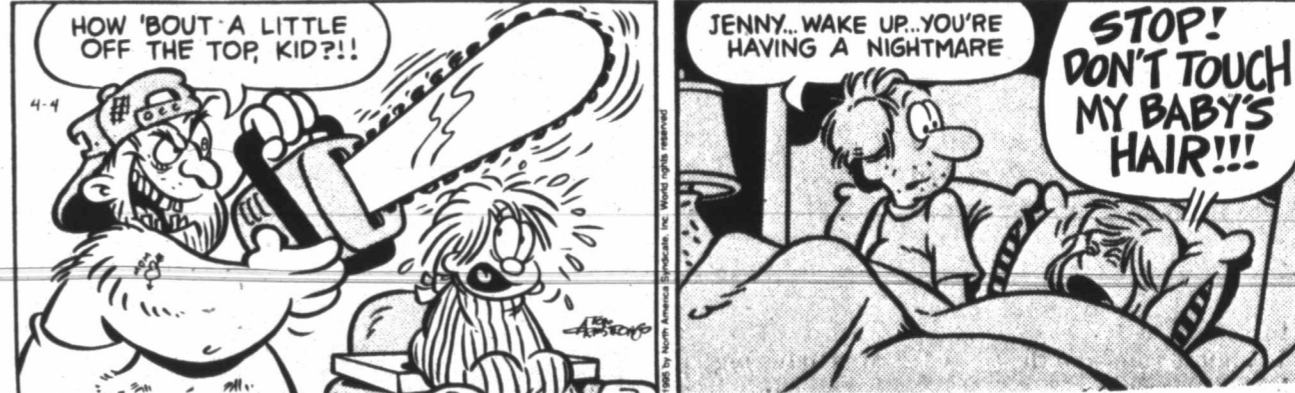
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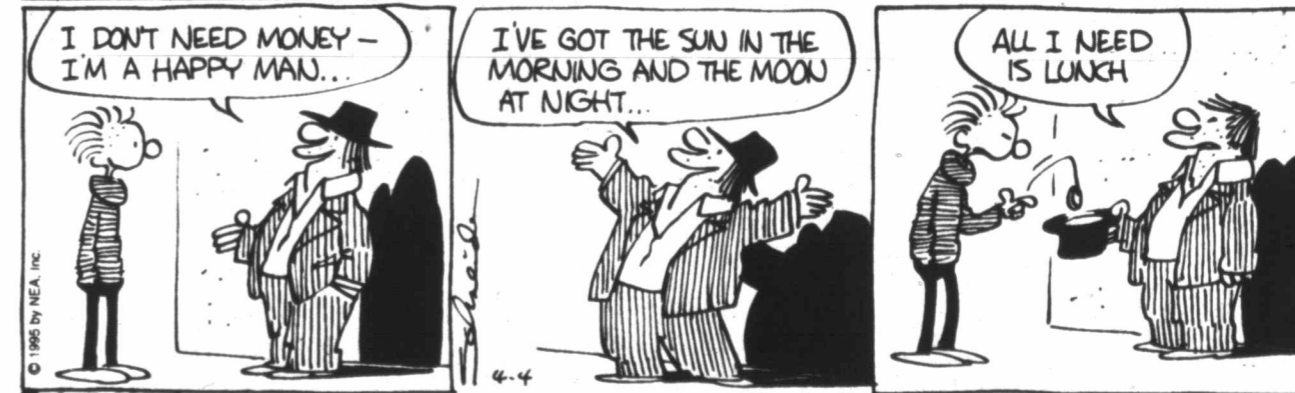
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The Born Loser



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"I'll do the corners."



"It's somebody from Rizzo's Pizzeria... I can't understand his shouting."

The Family Circus



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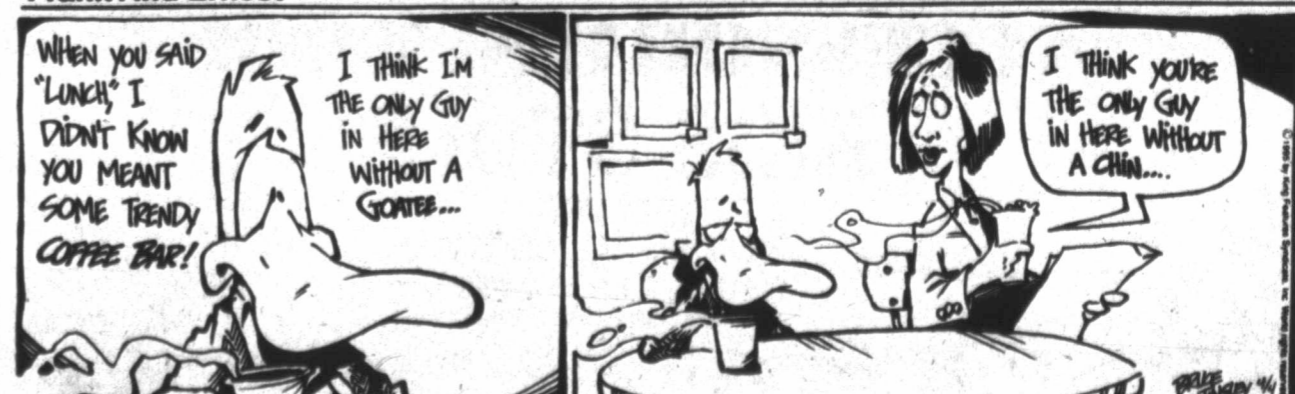
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OPTIMIST SIGNUPS

PAMPA — The Pampa Optimist Youth Club will have additional signups for their baseball and softball programs Tuesday through Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Signups will be held at the Optimist Club, 601 East Craven.

Fees for ages 6-12 will be \$55 and for baseball ages 13-15 \$60. Signups will be limited and players will be assigned to a team on a first-come, first-served basis. Tryout information will be available at signups.

Parents are also needed to assist in coaching a team.

If interested, call 665-4361 before Saturday and leave a message.

BO RETIRES

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — Bo Jackson, once a star in both the NFL and major league baseball, says he has retired from baseball.

The 32-year-old Jackson is quoted in today's editions of USA Today, as saying he had been thinking about retiring for months as the strike dragged on and he spent more time with his family.

"It was great while it lasted," Jackson, a free agent, told the USA Today from his Chicago home. "But it's over now. As of April 3, I'm retired from pro sports."

Jackson played in the NFL with the Los Angeles Raiders from 1987-90 before leaving because of a bad hip, which eventually required replacement surgery.

During the baseball dispute, Jackson told USA Today he got calls "from five or six clubs. I got to know my family. That looks better to me than any \$10 million contract."

The Heisman Trophy winning running back from Auburn began his baseball career with the Kansas City Royals in 1986 and spent four plus seasons there. He was released by the Royals on March 18, 1991 when it looked like his hip injury would keep him out for up to nine months.

Jackson signed with the Chicago White Sox soon after and spent time in the minors rehabilitating before returning to the majors on Sept. 2, 1991.

He was waived by the White Sox and then re-signed. He underwent hip replacement surgery, came back in 1993 and spent one more season in Chicago before signing with the California Angels last season.

Once a starting outfielder, he was limited at the end to a designated hitter role. Jackson hit 141 home runs and drove in 415 runs in his big league career.

UCLA CELEBRATION

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A barrage of rubber pellets fired by police and as many as 20 arrests dispersed thousands of rowdy, chanting UCLA basketball fans who descended on the streets near their campus.

Police said they fired at least 20 rounds of rubber pellets into a screaming crowd and pushed back fans with batons Monday night after UCLA won its first NCAA basketball championship in 20 years.

"Several citizens have been hurt. People were just throwing bottles into crowds and one guy turned around and got it right in the face and without a doubt lost all of his teeth," Los Angeles police department spokesman Tim McBride said.

At least one student was hit in the neck with a pellet, and a police officer sustained broken ribs after being hit with a bottle during the raucous celebration. Revelers caught up in the excitement wrecked a radio station van.

It was not until some 2 1/2 hours after the game that the crowds had thinned and the streets calmed. There were about 20 arrests, McBride said.

Many who jammed the streets of Westwood Village had just returned from spring break. Within an hour of the Bruins' 89-78 victory over Arkansas in Seattle, police in Los Angeles went on a citywide tactical alert.

"With a crowd as large as this, you're going to have someone who is drunk who is going to confront police officers," police officer Arthur Holmes said.

At least 200 officers, many in riot gear, marched into the streets lined with restaurants and shops and walked in lines, baton to baton, pushing the students back.

Students threw glass bottles at police, cheering as the bottles smashed to the ground at officers' feet.

The officers occasionally charged the fans, jogging toward them with their batons out and discharging pellets.

Matthew Zujovich, 20, a junior economics student, said he was shot by a policeman apparently wielding a pellet gun.

"I was shot in the back of the neck when I was pushing people back," Zujovich said. "This guy put his barrel in my back and as I kept pushing people back, he shot me in the neck. The shot knocked me on my face, it hurts like hell."

"They (the police) pushed me up and got me going again. They just have to do their job, but there's absolutely no reason to pull out a gun and shoot somebody when their back is turned."

Geoff Christian, 25, who graduated two years ago, blamed the police.

"We were just celebrating. Why did they need to save an intersection that people were just hanging out in?" Christian asked.

The police didn't agree with Christian's assessment.

"We didn't cause the problem here. The five percent (of the crowd) breaking the law) caused the problem. We're the peacemakers," McBride said.

Baseball's back in the swing of things

By **BEN WALKER**
AP Baseball Writer

General managers are scrambling to sign players and Louisville Slugger is in a frenzy making fresh bats. Schedules need to be revised, scoring rules must be rewritten and there's an umpires' lock-out to resolve.

Plus, major leaguers and management still do not have a contract.

At least, though, baseball finally seemed to be moving forward Monday.

"There's unfinished business," batting champion Tony Gwynn said as he checked into San Diego's spring camp in Peoria, Ariz.

"The buzz that usually comes through you when you come into the clubhouse didn't come this time because I know we still have to get an agreement," he said. "Hopefully, with everything we've gone through, they'll realize we can't go through this again. Let's get to the table and iron out an agreement."

So much to do and so little time to do it. Camps officially open Wednesday, exhibition games begin April 13 and the regular season starts April 26.

On Monday, a day after owners accepted the players' back-to-work offer, all sides seemed eager to get going following the 232-day strike.

A sure sign that big leaguers were back: A Rolls-Royce rolled into training camp. Out stepped All-Star Lou Whitaker, ready for action at Tigertown in Lakeland, Fla.

"I could just wake up out of bed and play," the Detroit second baseman said.

There were plenty of other indicators, too.

In Cincinnati, team owner Marge Schott sounded a horn on a fire truck that started the city's traditional opening day parade, albeit now three weeks early. Had the season started with replacement players, the Reds would've opened Monday.

In Baltimore and Boston, fans lined up outside Camden Yards and Fenway Park to buy tickets, and the Minnesota Twins offered them at half-price. President Clinton even said he might throw out the first ball, something he said he wouldn't do if replacements were on the field.

"We've been waiting for today for a long time," Boston Red Sox manager Kevin

Kennedy said at camp in Fort Myers, Fla. "It's going to be fun now."

Tigers manager Sparky Anderson, who left camp in February rather than work with replacements, prepared to arrive today in Tigertown. Toronto manager Cito Gaston, who had been coaching minor leaguers instead of the strike-breaking team, readied to take over the real Blue Jays.

To play, though, teams need bats. Ten clubs had not placed their orders with Louisville Slugger while waiting for the walkout to end, and now they need 6,000 new bats right away.

"It's nuts in here today," company spokesman Chuck Schupp said. "We still have plenty to make."

Even more pressing is the issue of 800 unsigned players and 200 free agents. Dennis Eckersley became the first player to make a deal since the strike ended, re-signing with the Oakland Athletics.

Meanwhile, a special training camp has been set up in Homestead, Fla., for free agents, whose ranks include Bo Jackson and Orel Hershiser. In an unprecedented move, they will be allowed to play

exhibition games against other teams.

Several trades are in the works. The Montreal Expos expect to swap either Marquis Grissom, Ken Hill or John Wetteland this week, while St. Louis may send Mark Whiten to Boston for Scott Cooper.

"There's going to be good deals available," Montreal general manager Kevin Malone said.

The Los Angeles Dodgers announced Monday night that Brett Butler, their center fielder since 1991 when he signed with them as a free agent, won't be offered salary arbitration.

"I have spoken to both Brett and his agent, Dick Moss, and informed them that we will not be offering salary arbitration to Brett as a re-entry free agent," Dodgers general manager Fred Claire said. "I thank Brett for his four outstanding years with the Dodgers. He has made many contributions to the Dodger team and we appreciate all his efforts."

The situation with the umpires also is unsettled. They were locked out by owners Jan. 1 because of a contract dispute, and amateur fill-ins called the replacement exhibition games.

"I don't think there's any question that now that the regular major leaguers are back, it's more likely we will be able to make a deal," said Bob Opacka, an associate of umpires' union head Richie Phillips.

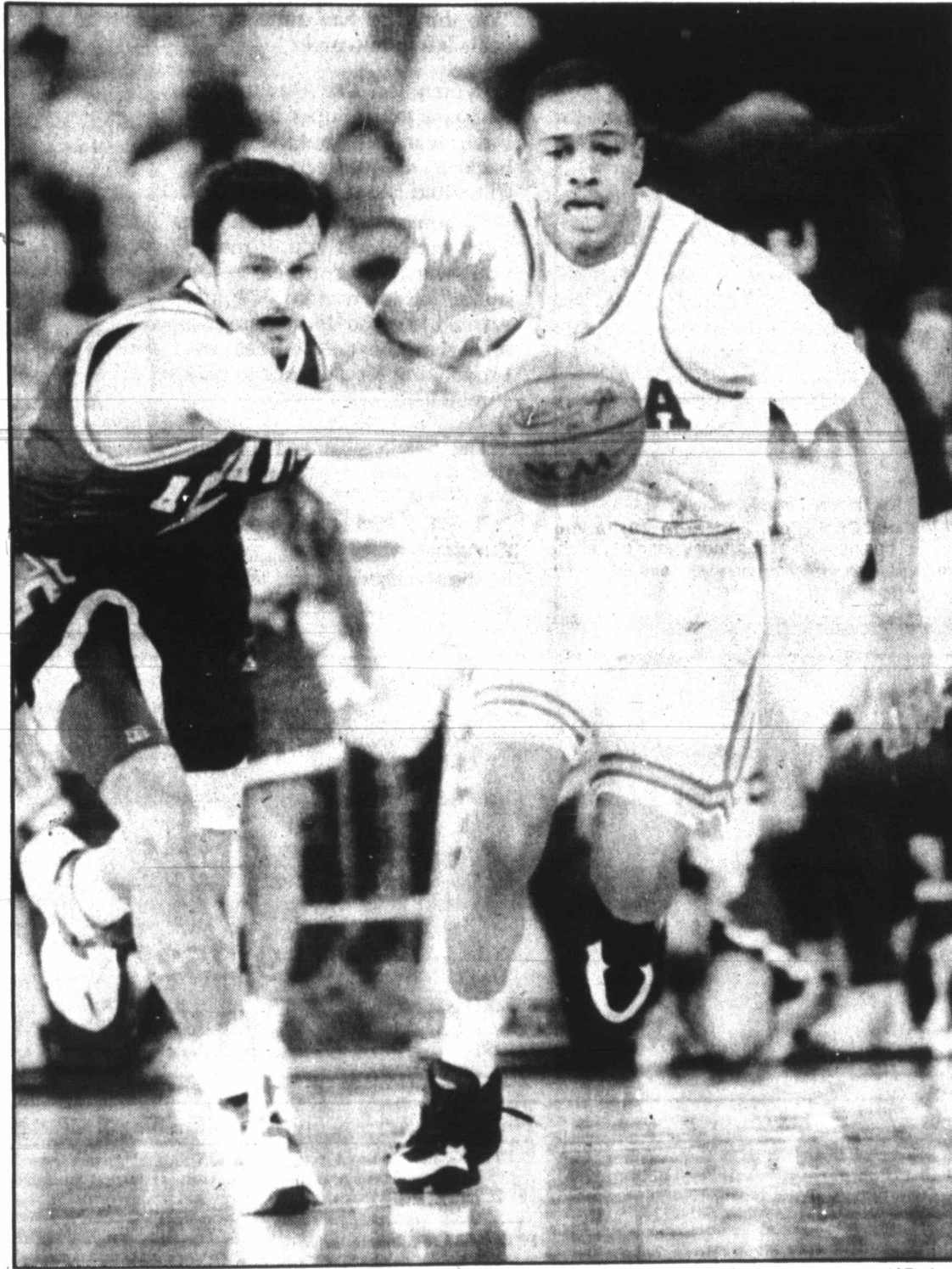
Other items pending:

— Revising schedules. Baseball plans to have new slates of 144 games, and possibly a few more, ready by Monday. Some teams can expect to play the day after the All-Star game, and also play one-day series.

— Rewriting scoring rules. Because pitchers won't have much time to prepare, starters must go only three innings, instead of the usual five, to get credit for victories through May 9.

— Rejiggering postseason TV schedules. ABC says it should get the World Series this year because it lost the event last season; NBC holds the rights to show the 1995 Series.

For most clubs, the priority is getting players into camp. That old spring training bug-a-boo — visa problems — was expected to prevent some Latin players from arriving on time.



Arkansas' Davor Rimac (left) and UCLA's J.R. Henderson go after a loose ball. (AP photo)

Bruins return to NCAA throne

By **STEVE WILSTEIN**
AP Sports Writer

SEATTLE (AP) — From his perch atop the victory stand, Ed O'Bannon clutched the Final Four's Most Outstanding Player plaque in one hand and pointed to Tyus Edney with the other.

"This is the REAL MVP right here. He got us here," O'Bannon shouted through a microphone as he turned to the UCLA section of fans in the Kingdom.

"Ty-us, Ty-us, Ty-us," the crowd chanted, and the emotion of that roar cascaded down on the little guard who sat helplessly almost the entire game and watched the rest of the Bruins beat Arkansas 89-78 Monday night for the NCAA championship.

When the chanting finally died, the Bruins leaped from the 3-foot platform and urged Edney to be the first to climb the ladder for the net-sniping ritual. It was the only thing Edney could do with his right hand all night.

The Bruins' chances for their first title in 20 years, and

record 11th overall, looked bleak when Edney came out for a layup drill before the game, shot only left-handed, then tossed up an airball from inside the foul line on his sole right-handed jumper. The right wrist he sprained Saturday still throbbed, making it impossible for Edney to shoot or dribble with any strength.

At the worst possible moment, playing the defending champions for the national title, the Bruins suddenly lost the man who made them run.

"Before the game, I knew he couldn't play," UCLA coach Jim Harrick said. "He couldn't handle the ball, dribble the ball. I have enough experience to know we'd be better off without him."

Edney tried to play, but lasted less than three minutes. Cameron Dollar, a sophomore who had been under Edney's tutelage and had chased him in practice for two years, subbed for him with Arkansas leading 12-5.

"It really hurt a lot to just sit there," Edney said. "It was the

worst thing I could imagine." John Wooden, the 84-year-old Wizard of Westwood, sat in the stands and figured, along with almost everyone else, that the Bruins were headed for defeat without Edney.

But the Bruins, performing some wizardry of their own under the sharp eye of Harrick, had other ideas: Dollar and freshman guard Toby Bailey played inspired ball, Dollar guiding the team deftly on offense with eight assists and shutting down the Hogs' guards on defense. Bailey scored 26 points on 12-for-20 shooting and had nine rebounds, and O'Bannon scored a routinely brilliant 30 points while also leading both teams with 17 rebounds.

"Tyus taught me to get in the paint and use your speed and quickness," Bailey said. "If you watch Tyus' game, he doesn't go at just one gear. He knows how to turn it on and he knows how to score. Playing and practicing against him, I've learned to be able to do that."

Fort Elliott cager selected to play in all-star game

BRISCOE — Fort Elliott senior Lindsey Fillingim has been named as an alternate in the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association All-Star Basketball Game in Wichita Falls in July.

The 5-7 Fillingim was also selected to play in the 25th annual Golden Spread All-Star Games, starting Thursday at Cal Farley Coliseum in Amarillo.

Fillingim, who is also an all-state volleyball player, averaged 15.8 points, 10.2 rebounds, 3.4 assists and 2.6 steals per game for the Lady Cougars this season. Fillingim played post this season, but she's played every position as a four-year starter and a four-year all-district pick at Fort Elliott. The Lady Cougars were district runnersup this season.

Fillingim has been offered athletic scholarships to Tabor College in Hillsboro, Kan., Kansas Wesleyan and Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

Fillingim has received many other honors and awards during her high school career. Among them are America's National Teenager award; district champions and regional qualifier and the district's most valuable player in tennis; doubles as a junior; Who's Who among American High School students for basketball, volleyball, tennis and Business Education; T.A. Hennard, Jr. Citizenship Award and the United States Achievement Academy for Business Education.....just to name a few.



Lindsey Fillingim

Fillingim will be on the East squad for the Golden Spread All-Star Games. Her teammates will include Misty Homen and Melanie Friemel of Groom and Adrian Vanhooser of Canadian.

The East girls play the North squad in their first game at 6 p.m. Friday. The girls consolation game tips off at 1 p.m. Saturday, followed by championship game at 6 p.m. The East squad will be coached by Jerry Morgan.

The Golden Spread players are all seniors and will be represented from the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle, Bailey, Lamb, Hale, Floyd Motley and Cottle Counties, and the counties of Eastern New Mexico boarding Texas.

The Sudan teams, which won both boys and girls Class 1A state championships this season, will be honored Thursday night.

Murray State coach turns down Tulsa job

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — One of at least two coaches that Tulsa has contacted about replacing Tubby Smith already is out of the picture.

Murray State coach Scott Edgar, a former assistant at Tulsa, has told his team he is taking the job at Duquesne.

Meanwhile, Arkansas-Little Rock coach Wimp Sanderson has confirmed his interest in coaching the Golden Hurricane, which has reached the Sweet 16 the past two years.

Sanderson, ousted at Alabama over sexual harassment charges by his secretary, said he has contacted Judy MacLeod, Tulsa's assistant athletic director.

"I don't know if I am in

their picture or not," Sanderson told the Tulsa World in today's editions.

"But I am interested and I considered it important, because of my situation, that I visit with the lady to explain my situation and see where I stood."

MacLeod and athletic director Christopher Small could not immediately be reached for comment.

The World also had reported that Texas Tech coach James Dickey was interested. Dickey later told the newspaper he has not expressed any interest in Tulsa.

Dickey told the Lubbock (Texas) Avalanche-Journal that he was tired of fending off rumors about his future.

Massacre erupts between rival ethnic groups in African nation

By TERRY LEONARD
Associated Press Writer

BUJUMBURA, Burundi (AP) — Even in a country that endures recurring explosions of ethnic violence, the massacre was unusually large — 150 people, mostly women and children, killed in a single village.

The victims, members of the Hutu ethnic group, were shot, stabbed and bludgeoned to death last week at their village in north-eastern Burundi, a region where confrontations between Hutus and Tutsis have claimed as many as 450 lives in the past two weeks.

Survivors say their attackers wore army uniforms, according to U.S. Ambassador Robert Krueger, who reported the massacre Monday after visiting the area over the weekend.

"One child had been shot in the face and had lost an eye," Krueger said, adding that he saw another child beaten so badly that his brain had been exposed. The killings didn't appear to be

related to an exodus of Rwandan refugees last week from nearby camps. Both countries suffer from similar tensions between Hutus and Tutsis, but diplomats don't expect violence on the scale of Rwanda's ethnic massacres last year to erupt in Burundi.

Since independence in 1962, Burundi's Hutus and Tutsis have slaughtered each other in their fight for control of the central African nation. More than 100,000 people have been killed since a failed October 1993 coup attempt by members of the Tutsi-dominated army.

However, neither side apparently is powerful enough to launch a large-scale massacre like the one blamed on Rwanda's military last year that killed some 500,000 people, mostly Tutsis, and sent thousands of refugees into Burundi.

Krueger said he learned about the latest massacres Friday and visited the area Saturday, touring hospitals and talking with parents of children who

had been beaten to death. "I have no explanation for why people would beat children's heads with clubs," he said Monday. "How can you explain something like that? But that is what I saw, children who had their heads beaten in."

He said the killing began Wednesday in Gasorwe, about 70 miles northeast of the capital of Bujumbura, and "was still going on Friday." Ten people were killed Friday morning.

"The village is virtually empty," the ambassador said. "Virtually every house was vacant. For several kilometers down the road I didn't see a single person."

In another massacre March 25 in the nearby village of Karosi, more than 100 people were killed, he said, and up to 200 other people had been killed in the area in the past two weeks.

Krueger declined to elaborate, saying he had to talk with Burundian officials. President Sylvestre Ntibantunganya denied the army was attacking Hutus.

Gang summit opens on sour note, sparse participation

EL PASO (AP) — The sparse turnout for what was billed as a national gang summit hasn't discouraged former gang member Manny Rico, who still believes the gathering can accomplish a great deal.

"Everything is going to be worthwhile if at least one person gets saved," said Rico.

The National Gang Peace Summit opened Monday with a meager 150 participants, far below the 3,000 expected as organizers prepared for the three-day meeting.

"I'm disappointed. I'm real disappointed," said Guillermo "Chuco" Velasquez, executive director of the National Commission on Gang Violence, the summit's primary sponsor. Yet, he promised the peace

process would continue. "I accomplished my mission. We brought a message. We brought an awareness," said Velasquez.

Scheduled through Wednesday, the summit will bring together gang members, councilors and others for discussions dealing with the roots of gang violence and ways to bring it to an end.

The slate includes motivational speakers, poets, artists and former gang members like Rico, who has spent the last few

months acting as an informal adviser to gang members and others seeking a friendly ear.

The summit opened with a group prayer that called for a cease-fire among gangs.

Fellow lawman shoots police chief at City Hall

FARMERSVILLE, Texas (AP) — The Farmersville police chief was in fair condition today after being shot by one of his officers in an altercation at City Hall, officials said.

City Manager Randall Holly said Chief Greg Gordon had summoned officer James R. "Cowboy" Theis to the police sta-

tion to discuss disciplinary action against him Monday afternoon.

An argument erupted between Gordon, 43, and Theis, 54, and Theis fired one shot at Gordon, but missed him, according to City Council member Bill Mitchell.

Mitchell said that Gordon ran next door to City Hall while Theis went

to his patrol car to get a shotgun. Theis then chased the chief into City Hall and chased him down a hallway, firing blasts from the shotgun into the ceiling, walls and a door, according to Texas Ranger Sgt. Lee Young. The chief returned fire with a handgun, but missed.

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