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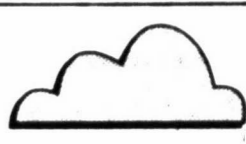
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Good Evening!

AREA

WHEELER — The Wheeler County Veterans Memorial will be dedicated June 10.

The red granite memorial featuring a six and a half foot Lone Star is to be placed on the northeast corner of the Wheeler County Courthouse square, according to Mac Christner, a spokesman for the memorial committee. The memorial is being made in Granite, Okla.

U.S. 83 has been designated the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Highway, Christner said, and the Vietnam veterans have a memorial where the highway passes along the east side of the square.

"That's why we're putting this memorial there, too," he said.

The committee is selling bricks for \$50 a piece to pave a walk up to the site to defray the cost of the memorial. Donations are also being accepted.

MOBEETIE — An art contest will determine the stamp cancellation for Sweetwater City Station on July 1 during Wheeler County Heritage Days.

Second place in the contest, sponsored by the Old Mobeetie Texas Association, will be used for the cover of a booklet about the area.

The Sweetwater City Station will open only on July 1, in the Old Mobeetie Jail, now a museum.

Association members said the art work must be black and white and five by seven inches in size and reflect the purpose of Sweetwater City, the town which eventually became Old Mobeetie. Sweetwater City grew up next to Fort Elliott in the late 1870s, before Wheeler County was organized.

Deadline for the art work is March 15.

HEREFORD — The Hereford Police Department will sponsor a one-man magic show to raise money for the Rape Crisis/Domestic Violence Center here.

The show, featuring Dan Summer's Magic Spectacular Show, is scheduled for 6 p.m. Feb. 18 at Hereford High School Auditorium.

Center officials said that those attending the show are being asked to bring travel and personal hygiene items to help victims of domestic violence who are homeless.

WORLD

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Declaring Gaza "open for business," Commerce Secretary Ron Brown brought American investors to the autonomous area today to meet with Palestinian business leaders.

"We are bringing together a public-private partnership," Brown said in a joint appearance with PLO chief Yasser Arafat. Brown acknowledged the difficulty of "starting from zero."

Arafat said the Palestinians need help building infrastructure in the autonomous regions.

"We are sure this coordination and cooperation can do a lot for our people, for the peace process and for our children," he said.

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — The epidemic that struck north-west India last year was the pneumonic plague, a government-appointed group said today.

Some scientists had expressed doubts about whether the epidemic was the plague, said V. Ramalingaswamy, who led the 11-member group. But an extensive study showed that it was, he told The Times of India newspaper.

At least 56 people died in the outbreak, which began in the city of Surat on Sept. 20. Hundreds of thousands of people fled the area.

Bush says he'll keep his word

By MICHAEL HOLMES
 Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush, delivering his first state of the state address, today repeated his four key campaign promises and told the Legislature, "I intend to keep my word."

Bush again called on lawmakers to enact changes in the civil justice system, toughen juvenile crime laws, reform the welfare system and decontrol education.

"You and I know that people have become cynical. It has happened partly because government has tried to do too much. It has also happened because people run for office saying one thing and then do another," Bush said.

Pledging to fulfill his promises, the governor said his guiding philosophy is one of "limited government, personal responsibility, strong families and local control."

Bush noted that he has talked about his four goals in nearly every speech since launching his candidacy in November 1993, including

his Jan. 17 inaugural address. But he said he now had a fifth objective: "Number five is pass the first four."

In remarks prepared for the speech to a joint House-Senate session, the Republican governor praised the Legislature's Democratic leaders — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and House Speaker Pete Laney.

Bush is only the second Republican governor since Reconstruction, but he said that working with Bullock and Laney during the first weeks of his term had shown a spirit of cooperation.

"It shows we know our task is to serve the great people of Texas. Our profound obligation transcends typical politics," Bush said.

"Equally important, we share a conservative philosophy. ... These are not partisan values, these are Texas values," he said.

Bush has designated tort reform — changes in the way civil lawsuits are handled — a legislative emergency. A bill designed to stop "frivolous" lawsuits already has passed the Senate, and others are in the works that would limit damages.

"We must act swiftly and boldly. Texans expect meaningful tort reform and will not tolerate piecemeal or watered-down changes. The scales of justice in Texas are out of balance. It is time to stand up and say, 'We object.'"

The governor said the current welfare system "rewards illegitimacy, diminishes the motivation to work and robs Texans of dignity and self-worth."

Bush called for requiring mothers to identify the fathers of their children before receiving welfare benefits; revoking any state license held by a child support deadbeat; requiring teen welfare mothers to live with their parents or another supervised setting.

He also proposed cutting off benefits for recipients who have additional children beyond two while on welfare. "If you choose to have additional children ... that's your right, but the taxpayers of Texas will not provide additional money to encourage you to do so."

He proposed seeking waivers from the federal government to limit welfare benefits to two years for the able-bodied who don't have

children, and to require all welfare recipients to work, go to school or take job training.

When it comes to educating children, Bush told lawmakers local school districts are better equipped to do the job than a distant state bureaucracy.

"Texas has the best education professionals in the country. We do not need to change the people. We must change the system," he said.

Bush called for increasing the state's share of school spending, now about 45 percent of a \$16.5 billion annual total.

"As we tackle the question of how to govern our schools, I will be guided by an unshakable belief in the power of local control. To encourage innovation, to seek excellence, we must free local teachers, parents and administrators to design schools which fit their communities' needs," he said.

Bush also urged attention for his idea of "home rule education districts." That would allow any district that chooses to declare itself free of state mandates, as long as its students achieve state standards.

Trial begins over use of herbicide

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
 News Editor

At noon today, the defendant in a civil trial completed testimony before a six-man, six-woman jury in which he told them he was at work the day his neighbors contend he applied an over-the-counter herbicide which caused a life-threatening reaction in their son.

Called as an adverse witness by plaintiffs Juanita Emily Luna and Mario Alberto Luna, defendant James Standerfer produced his truck driving logs which show he was at work on Aug. 22, the day Mr. and Mrs. Luna say he sprayed Spectracide on weeds adjoining their property.

The Lunas maintain Timothy Albert Luna, 14, broke out in a rash, ran a fever and swelled up so that he had to be taken to the doctor because the herbicide blew into their yard and got on weeds Timothy was pulling the same day.

The yard weeds, Standerfer said, are like "a hairy grapevine" with clustered leaves and runners. Standerfer said he suffered rash and itching from 10 to 12 contacts with a similar vine through the years. District Judge Lee Waters declined to let Standerfer, as a lay witness, name the vine as poison ivy.

Standerfer maintains he sprayed Spectracide on the vines Sunday, Aug. 16, 1992, the same day his wife chopped them down; and broke out himself with an itchy rash on Thursday, Aug. 20, 1992.

The Lunas say Timothy broke out with rash the evening of Saturday, Aug. 22, 1992, after he pulled weeds oversprayed with Standerfer's Spectracide they say was applied the same day. Timothy was treated by a Pampa physician on Monday, Aug. 24, 1992, for contact dermatitis, Mrs. Luna said on Monday.

The youth was examined by an Amarillo allergist, Dr. Kent Sorajja, in November 1992, and diagnosed as being allergic to Spectracide after a patch with undiluted herbicide was left in place 72-hours on Timothy's arm.

"In my 17 years in practice, I have yet to see a poison ivy case. We do not have poison ivy that grows in Amarillo or Pampa, Texas," Sorajja said in the video.

He said the boy continues to show signs of pigment loss due to scarring in the skin from the rash and blisters.

Testimony was scheduled to continue after the lunch recess.

Library research aid



(Pampa News photo by Ben Keck)

Joe Kyle Reeve, director of Clarendon College-Pampa Center, demonstrates a new CD-ROM computer at Pampa's Lovett Memorial Library to a group of college students. The college spent about \$8,000 to subscribe to more than 1,600 periodicals contained on more than 720 compact discs. More than 350 of the publications are "full-text, full-view," and the rest contain abstracts of articles. In addition, the Friends of the Library spent about \$4,000 on the computer system. The new system is available for use by the public. Reeve said it would be helpful for students — both at the college and high school levels — doing research work.

GOP-controlled House passes line-item veto

WASHINGTON (AP) — Moving systematically through the "Contract With America," the Republican-controlled House is ready to begin toughening last year's crime bill after approving a measure designed to let the president weed out wasteful spending.

"It's an important step on a bipartisan basis to do it for the president of the United States, without regard to party or ideology," House Speaker Newt Gingrich said Monday night shortly before passage of the measure, which would permit rejection of individual spending items within larger bills. The vote was 294-134, with more than one-third of House Democrats — 71 — joining 223 Republicans in favor.

Now, a president must sign or veto an entire bill that often provides billions of dollars for hundreds of individual programs.

The vote allows GOP leaders to check another item off the 100-day "Contract With America" agenda that led to the Republican sweep in last fall's elections.

At the same time, it sets the stage for a strong battle over the measure this spring in the Senate, where opponents claim it would cede too much power to a president. "There are people over there who desperately want to protect pork," Gingrich, R-Ga., said moments after the House vote.

Next up in the House: a series of bills to make changes in last year's bitterly fought crime law. One of two measures on today's schedule would require anyone convicted of a federal crime to pay full restitution to the victim. Another would give prosecutors greater leeway in using evidence seized in violating constitutional protections, so long as police were acting in good faith.

"There's no way we're going to solve the crime problem, but we can make it a lot tougher on criminals and set the stage for assisting the states in creating more prisons and having tougher sentences and short-circuiting endless appeals," said House Judiciary Committee

Chairman Henry Hyde, R-Ill.

Gingrich and the Republicans have put off until spring a bill that Clinton has vowed to veto: a repeal of last year's ban on certain types of assault-style weapons.

Clinton is a strong advocate of the line-item veto, however, and is expected to sign the measure if it reaches his desk.

Rep. Martin Sabo, D-Minn., echoing concerns expressed by others, said the line-item veto bill "transfers incredible power to the president to modify spending decisions of the Congress," including not only high-way projects often cited by critics of "pork-barrel spending" but also education and other programs.

But Republicans and many Democrats said Congress had failed to control spending, and it was time to strengthen the hand of the president — any president.

"This week, we're going to give the president, whoever the president is, the tools to help balance the budget," said Rep. Bill Baker, R-Calif.

As an example of the type of spending that could be cut, Rep. Joe Knollenberg, R-Mich., said a bill to provide California earthquake relief last year grew to encompass \$10 million for a train station in New York and funds for sugar cane growers in Hawaii.

Republicans held the vote on a symbolic date: the 84th birthday of former President Reagan. Reagan had long campaigned for a line-item veto, and speaker after speaker in the House credited him for the effort.

Moments after rapping the gavel to mark House passage, Gingrich presided over a celebration of Reagan's birthday, wheeling in a cake with red, white and blue icing.

In floor debate earlier Monday, Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., pointed out that budget deficits had risen dramatically under Reaganomics. "Happy birthday, of course, to the ex-president," said DeFazio, who then added: "His legacy is a \$3 trillion debt, which stands as a monument to generations to come."

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

BYERS, Ila Layton — 2 p.m., Country Chapel, Wheeler.
WHITEAKER, Bob — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Dalhart.

Obituaries

BOB WHITEAKER
 DALHART — Bob Whiteaker, 73, of Dalhart, father of a Pampa woman, died Sunday, Feb. 5, 1995 in Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in First Baptist Church of Dalhart, with the Rev. Travis LaDuke officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Hass-Ferguson Funeral Directors.

Mr. Whiteaker was born Nov. 25, 1921 in Sherman. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He moved to Dalhart in 1945 from Amarillo. He served 16 years as a Hartley County commissioner. He married Yvonne Allard on July 3, 1981 in Stratford. He ranched for 40 years.

He was preceded in death by a son, Mike Whiteaker.

Survivors include his wife, Yvonne, of the home; two daughters, Martha Clark of Pampa and Debra Horne of Dalhart; a son, Pat Whiteaker of Dalhart; a stepdaughter, Jolene Scaggs of Stratford; three stepsons, Wesley Hopson and Walter Hopson, both of Dalhart, and B.R. Hopson of Amarillo; two sisters, Dell Cooper of Uvalde and Betty Hindley of Albuquerque, N.M.; four grandchildren; and five step-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to favorite charities.

Calendar of events

TOTS-N-TRAINING
 The Tots-n-Training program for preschool children ages 3-5 who will be future students of Horace Mann, Wilson, Lamar and Baker elementary schools has resumed for the second semester of the school year. Each Wednesday parents and guardians may pick up newsletters and free materials at the following locations and times: Albertson's Food Store, 1233 N. Hobart, 10:30-11:30 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Franks Food Store, 401 N. Ballard, 3-4 p.m.; Frank's Food Store, 300 E. Brown, 10:30-11:30 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Step Ahead Day Camp, 500 W. Crawford, 1-2 p.m.; Texas Department of Health, 408 W. Kingsmill, 10-11 a.m.; and Community Day Care Center, 1100 Gwendolen, 5-6 p.m. The program is sponsored by the Pampa Independent School District, Chapter I.

RED CROSS YOUTH GROUP PARENTS MEETING
 The Red Cross Youth Group will be having a meeting for parents of those enrolled in the youth group. The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8, at the Pampa Youth and Community Center.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler Evans of Pampa		Chevron		46 3/4		NC	
Wheat	3.34	Coca Cola	53.58	up 3/8			
Milo	3.81	Diamond Sham	24.18	up 1/4			
Corn	4.35	Enron	31.18	dn 5/8			
		Halliburton	34.34	dn 1/8			
		HealthTrust Inc.	35.18	dn 1/8			
		Ingersoll Rand	31.18	dn 1/4			
		KNE	21.12	NC			
		Kern McGee	48.14	NC			
		Limited	16.34	dn 1/8			
		Magco	53.14	up 1/4			
		Maxus	3.58	up 1/8			
		McDonald's	32.78	dn 1/4			
		Mobil	87.34	dn 5/8			
		New Atmos	16.78	dn 1/8			
		Parker & Parsley	17.98	NC			
		Penney's	43.18	NC			
		Phillips	32.38	up 1/8			
		SIB	54.58	dn 1/4			
		SPS	28.34	up 1/8			
		Tenneco	44.34	up 1/4			
		Texasco	61.12	up 1/8			
		Wal-Mart	24	dn 1/8			
		New York Gold	374.40				
		Silver	4.64				
		West Texas Crude	18.59				

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Feb. 6
 2:15 p.m. - A 1976 Cadillac driven by Kenneth Wayne Weaver, 64, 508 Doucette, was in collision with a 1988 Ford van driven by Tetta Etta Brown, 45, 512 Harlem, in the parking lot at 401 N. Ballard.
 4:50 p.m. - A 1984 Ford pickup driven by Gary Lynn Epperson, 49, HCR 2 Box 472, was in collision with a 1990 Chevrolet pickup driven by Bryan Edward Waldrip, 2511 Mary Ellen, at the intersection of West Randy Matson Avenue and Charles Street. Waldrip was cited for having no driver's license. Epperson was cited for failure to yield right of way at stop sign.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Feb. 6
 Gaylene Shipp, 1701 McCullough, reported theft at 332 Tignor, which occurred Friday.
 Tamie Jolene Reames, 616 N. Dwight, reported criminal trespass at 522 E. Browning which occurred at 11:55 p.m. Monday.
 Sgt. Kenneth Hopson reported a sick or injured prisoner in city jail.
 Roberta Pugh of Roberta's Flowers, 217 N. Ballard, reported credit card abuse.
 Randal Leighton Williams, 422 Wynne, reported theft which occurred at 708 Doucette.
 Lisa Ann Bowers, Box 481, reported assault by contact which occurred at 822 W. Francis, between 3:30 and 4 p.m. Sunday.
 Andrea Reed, 705 Henry, reported criminal trespass which occurred at 1 p.m. Monday.
 Mary Woodward of Overall Package Store, 538 S. Cuyler, reported theft.

TUESDAY, Feb. 7
 Debra Ann Enloe, 1505 N. Dwight, reported aggravated assault which occurred at 11:15 p.m. Monday. She reported scratches and abrasions and a bloody nose.
 Bernard Morris Enloe, 1505 N. Dwight, reported domestic assault which occurred at 11:15 p.m. No injuries were reported.

Arrests
MONDAY, Feb. 6
 James Walling, 42, was arrested on Tyng Street on two warrants.
 Steven L. Cook, 38, 933 Love, was arrested at 500 S. Barnes on three warrants.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents and arrests in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Feb. 6
 A battery was stolen from a Caterpillar belonging to Gray County at Lake McClellan.
 Gray County Sheriff's Office reported narcotics information received in east Pampa.
 Kim Lee reported criminal mischief at Rt. 1 Box 855. BBs were shot into a Suburban.
 Elizabeth Cano, 1108 Terry, reported information.
 June Thomas, US 60 East, reported information.

Arrests
MONDAY, Feb. 6
 Kevin Paul Bjerke, 30, 1108 Terry Rd., was arrested on a charge of injury to a child. He was released on bond.
TUESDAY, Feb. 7
 Timothy Lee Willson, 33, 812 N. Gray, was arrested on a Carson County DPS warrant. He paid a fine and was released.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions Pampa		Boyd Thurman	
George R. Cosper	46 3/4	Spence Hearn (to extended care)	53.58
Hazel D. Ford	24.18	Ellen E. Bronner	24.18
Robert O. Graham	31.18	Madeline Rowntree	31.18
Velma L. McDaniel	34.34	White Deer	34.34
Calvin Parsley	35.18	Heather Estes and baby girl	35.18
Spence Hearn (extended care)	31.18		31.18
	21.12		21.12
	48.14		48.14
	16.34		16.34
	53.14		53.14
	3.58		3.58
	32.78		32.78
	87.34		87.34
	16.78		16.78
	17.98		17.98
	43.18		43.18
	32.38		32.38
	54.58		54.58
	28.34		28.34
	44.34		44.34
	61.12		61.12
	24		24
	374.40		374.40
	4.64		4.64
	18.59		18.59

Fires

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

MONDAY, Feb. 6
 10:16 a.m. - Three units and five firefighters responded to a false alarm/alarm malfunction at Genesis House, 600 W. Browning.
 4:41 p.m. - Two units and four firefighters responded to a smoke scare at Images, 123 N. Cuyler. Nothing found.
 10:55 p.m. - Two units and four firefighters responded to a medical assistance call at Coronado Nursing Center, 1504 W. Kentucky.

Nice day for a walk



Michelle Mayfield takes her children Brianna, 6 months, and Michael, 3, out for a walk along Alcock on their way to Perry Street on Monday afternoon. Since it was a nice day out, Mayfield thought that her children would enjoy the fresh air.

Arafat warns of crackdown against militants

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) - Palestinian police rounded up 45 followers of a radical Damascus-based group today following a deadly ambush on Israelis, and Yasser Arafat swore not to let anyone spoil his peace pact with Israel.

Arafat, the PLO leader, has been under mounting pressure from Israel to crack down on militants and foil attacks on Israelis. On Monday, gunmen killed one private Israeli security guard and wounded another as the two men escorted Israeli gasoline trucks into Gaza.

The Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, a Marxist group headed by Nayef Hawatmeh, is suspected in the 1974 massacre of 27 Israelis at a school in Ma'alot and other attacks on Israel.

Nihad Abul-Ghosh, a member of the Syrian-based faction, said the sweep began at dawn when police rounded up 35 activists. Police picked up 10 more at the faction's Gaza City office around noon and took them by bus to jail.

"This campaign comes in response to instructions from the (Israeli) government and is aimed at choking the opposition," he said.

In a statement, the faction said such arrests "will kindle popular discontent and indignation and will create more violence."

Today's sweep indicated Arafat was serious about clamping down on militants who have killed 55 Israelis since October and soured many Israelis on the peace process. Most attacks were carried out by Muslim militants from the Hamas and Islamic Jihad groups.

Arafat has ordered arrest sweeps in the past, including 180 Islamic fundamentalists rounded up after two back-to-back suicide bombings in October.

But he quickly released the detainees. And previous arrests - including the detention of several Islamic Jihad leaders after 21 Israelis died in a Jan. 22 suicide bombing - were not accompanied, as they were this time, by his repeated warnings of retribution.

Israeli leaders have accused Arafat of not doing enough to stop attacks, and have threatened to delay the next stage of autonomy - a troop pullout from West Bank towns - until Arafat does more.

Arafat and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin are to meet Thursday to discuss Palestinian police efforts and try to bring negotiations on expanding self-rule back on track. PLO and Israeli negotiators met in Cairo today to work on reaching an agreement on Palestinian elections.

Four-hour plasma center standoff ends in suicide

TYLER (AP) - An Oklahoma man who entered a plasma center where his ex-girlfriend worked casually waved away 20 employees and threatened to commit suicide once he became locked in a standoff with police.

Four hours later, Tony Ray Evans gave up. The woman he went to see had escaped, possible thwarting his plans to take her hostage. He then turned his pistol on himself and shot himself in the head, officials said Monday.

"We did everything we could do," said Interim Tyler Police Chief Bob Bond. "It's unfortunate it ended the way it did."

Evans, 33, of Moore, Okla., fatally shot himself with a .38-caliber handgun, Bond said. There were no other serious injuries.

Witnesses said Evans walked in and spoke with Evelyn Daly, the woman described as his ex-girlfriend, then he left and returned waving a pistol and telling her "see, see" as he pointed it toward his head.

A woman who declined to be identified said Ms. Daly had been stalked by the man since breaking up with him last year.

Donors said the gunman allowed them and employees to leave, but he continued to scream at Ms. Daly as she ran out the door. "He was very nonchalant, like he was holding a Coke or a Pepsi," one witness said.

Bond said officials believe Evans may have planned to take Ms. Daly hostage.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Clear early tonight, with increasing cloudiness late. Light and variable winds, with a low of 22. Mostly cloudy Wednesday, with a high near 50 and south winds 10 to 15 mph. The high Monday was 60; the overnight low was 32.

REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, clear this evening, increasing cloudiness late. Lows in mid teens to low 20s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of showers in the afternoon. Highs in upper 40s to low 50s. South Plains: Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Lows in low to mid 20s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the 40s to low 50s.

North Texas - Tonight, decreasing clouds, becoming mostly clear and cold. Lows 25 to 32. Wednesday, increasing high clouds. Highs 48 to 54.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in the 30s Hill Country and 40s south central. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the 50s. Coastal Bend: Tonight, mostly cloudy and windy. Lows from low 40s inland north to low 50s coast. Wednesday, mostly cloudy and breezy with widely scattered rain. Highs in upper 50s to low 60s. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, cloudy and becoming breezy with widely scattered rain. Lows in upper 40s to mid 50s. Wednesday, cloudy and breezy with scattered rain. Highs in upper 50s to low 60s.

BORDER STATES
 New Mexico - Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy late northwest and clear to partly elsewhere. Breezy and colder east and central. Lows 20s to low 30s mountains north and east with 30s elsewhere. Wednesday, partly to mostly cloudy with chance of snow showers mountains and rain showers lower elevations in the north. Highs upper 30s and 40s mountains and north with 50s to mid 60s elsewhere.

Oklahoma - Tonight, mostly clear. Lows upper teens north to low 20s south. Wednesday, increasing high clouds. Highs in the 40s northern and central areas.

Shareholders approve Santa Fe merger

FORT WORTH (AP) - Shareholders of Burlington Northern Inc. today approved by a 78 percent margin an approximately \$4 billion merger with Santa Fe Pacific Corp., more than seven months after the deal was first struck.

A majority of Burlington's 89.2 million outstanding shares was needed to approve the deal.

About 120 people - far more than usual - attended the shareholder meeting held at a Burlington Northern training facility north of Fort Worth. No one offered an objection to the merger, and the audience applauded politely after the vote was announced.

Santa Fe's shareholders also were scheduled to vote later today on the marriage, which would create the nation's largest rail network.

Burlington Northern is offering a combination of cash and stock for

Santa Fe valued at \$3.8 billion to \$4 billion.

The union, which still needs approval from the Interstate Commerce Commission, would forge a railroad stretching from Canada to Mexico, with 33,000 miles of track in the Midwest, West and Southeast. The new railroad would have about \$7 billion in annual revenue and would dominate the West, where it can take advantage of business from the Pacific Rim.

It also would marry Burlington Northern's specialty in hauling grain, coal, autos and timber with Santa Fe's pioneering use of intermodal transportation - carrying tractor-trailers on flat-bed rail cars. Intermodal has been the fastest growing segment of the rail industry in recent years.

Gerald Grinstein, chairman and chief executive officer of Burlington Northern, said the railroad can expect

an additional \$560 million in operating income annually from the merger.

"The emphasis on this is not that it's a bigger railroad but that it's a better railroad," Grinstein said.

"Burlington Northern has always been an east-west railroad, and the addition of Santa Fe now gives us a north-south dimension," he said.

The agreement between the two railroads, reached last June, ran into trouble in October when Union Pacific Corp. made a competing bid. Union Pacific - based in Bethlehem, Pa., and now the nation's highest-revenue railroad - was vying with No. 2 Burlington Northern for control of Santa Fe's Chicago-to-Los Angeles line, the most direct rail connection between those cities.

But that stumbling block was removed Jan. 31, when Union Pacific bowed out after a four-month hostile attempt to woo Santa Fe away.

City briefs

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TAX SERVICE: Mary Jane and Mary McBee. 1040EZ \$15 and 1040A \$25. 669-9910. Adv.

LAKEVIEW APARTMENTS 1 and 2 bedroom unfurnished apartments available. 669-7682. Adv.

HOUSE FOR Sale, 302 E. 8th, Lefors. Call 665-4937. Adv.

BILLIE'S BOUTIQUE - Opening Soon! Watch for details! Adv.

CAJUN FOOD, Wednesday 8th, 6-9 p.m. Hamburger Station. Adv.

MOM N Me is back! Come in this week to see what's new. 318 E. Foster, Wednesday-Saturday noon-5:30, 665-7132. Adv.

TIME TO apply dormant oil to fruit trees and Weed & Feed to your lawn - available at Watson's Feed & Garden 665-4189. Adv.

10% DISCOUNT - Valentine gifts, all occasion. Booth 128 & 350 - Ask Delores - Cottage Collection - 2121 N. Hobart. Adv.

SMALL ACREAGE, southwest of Pampa. Call 665-3368. Adv.

ROLANDA'S JUST received new shipment of Spray-On Potpourri Oil. Adv.

TAMMY'S CUP-Up's now non-smoking with exception of designated/isolated room. Old, new and walk-in customers welcome. 816 N. Hobart, 665-6558. Adv.

PERSONAL TOUCH Sale ends in 9 days. 75% off, \$10 rack. Hurry in before it's all gone!! Adv.

JOHNSON FENCE, old or new. Call 665-3368. Adv.

VALENTINES DAY is next week, order your sweetie a balloon bouquet attached to a basket of gourmet chocolates. Sugarless chocolates and candies also available. Celebrations, 665-3100. Adv.

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Republicans vow leadership they say Clinton's budget lacks

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans are vowing to demonstrate the leadership they say President Clinton abdicated when he submitted to Congress what they believe is a spineless budget that sidesteps the tough choices needed to balance the budget.

The administration had hoped Clinton's \$1.61 trillion spending plan for 1996 with its middle class tax relief and avoidance of unpopular cuts in government benefit programs would be a political crowd pleaser.

But instead of widespread praise, Clinton's budget was drawing heavy criticism, not only from Republicans but from many Democrats as well.

Critics complained that the president should have gone after fast-growing benefit programs that account for almost half of federal spending. His failure to do that, they said, was the main reason that the deficits in his budget hover near \$200 billion a year for the rest of the decade.

Clinton's budget proposed cutting government pro-

grams by \$144 billion over the next five years, mainly through restructuring several big departments and eliminating or reducing the size of 400 smaller programs. Of the savings, \$63 billion would be used for middle class tax relief and \$81 billion for deficit reductions.

Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, White House budget director Alice Rivlin and presidential economist Laura Tyson were heading to Capitol Hill today to defend the president's budget before a skeptical Congress.

"We're going to try to work with him but essentially this budget, while it's not dead on arrival, is on life support," said Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici, R-N.M.

But White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta said on Fox TV this morning, "It's easy to throw stones from the sidelines. They have responsibility now to try to come up with specifics ... We've proposed our budget. Let's see what they do."

Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., chairman of the Democratic National Committee, said on CBS that if Republicans "want credibility on this, they've got to

engage in more than platitudes and rhetoric."

House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio, charged that Clinton's budget represented "an abdication of leadership. It's a political document meant to try to trap people who are serious about reducing the deficit."

But the administration, which pushed a \$505 billion deficit-cutting program through Congress two years ago without any Republican support, seemed more than content to sit back and watch the GOP, which now controls Congress, take the lead in deficit reduction this year.

Clinton challenged Republicans, who are pushing for a constitutional amendment to require a balanced budget by 2002, to let Americans know where they will find the estimated \$1.2 trillion in cuts that would be needed to accomplish that feat.

"My budget cuts spending, cuts taxes and cuts the deficit and does not cut education or Social Security or Medicare. That is a good budget," Clinton said of the spending plan for the fiscal year starting Oct. 1.

While both parties are vowing to leave Social Security untouched, the battle lines appeared to be shaping up

over Medicare, which provides health insurance for the elderly, and Medicaid, which insures poor people.

Clinton's budget leaves both programs virtually untouched, even though a year ago he proposed \$118 billion in Medicare savings to help finance his health reform program.

Both Domenici and Kasich said the budgets they hope to produce later this spring will have significant savings in health care as well as other entitlement programs.

Clinton's budget proposed making NASA rely on private companies to communicate with satellites, cutting aid to Amtrak and imposing new fees for federal small business loans and bank examinations. But even many Democrats were not impressed.

"The president's budget falls short, way short, of the deficit reduction we need," said Sen. James Exon of Nebraska, ranking Democrat on the Senate Budget Committee.

Former Sen. Paul Tsongas of Massachusetts, who ran against Clinton in the Democratic presidential primaries in 1992, said the proposed budget would make it harder for him to support the president in 1996.

Convicted killer becomes fifth put to death this year

By MICHAEL GRACZYK
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HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A tearful Jeffrey Motley expressed love to his mother and quietly was put to death early today for the abduction and murder of a Houston-area woman more than a decade ago.

Motley, 29, had virtually no reaction to the lethal drugs as they passed through tubes and needles inserted into his arms.

"I love you, mom, goodbye," he told his mother, Joanne Motley, who sobbed quietly in the death chamber a few feet from the gurney.

"Goodbye mom."

Eight minutes later, at 12:20 a.m. CST, he was pronounced dead.

Motley became the fifth condemned killer executed in Texas this year and the 90th since Texas resumed carrying out capital punishment in 1982. The totals are the highest in the nation.

State officials said the five executions already this year — an unprecedented pace — did not reflect any move by Texas authorities to accelerate executions but merely represented the exhaustion of appeals for a number of inmates.

Defense attorneys filed last-minute appeals Monday contending Motley's trial lawyer denied him adequate representation by sleeping during some of the proceedings. State appeals courts, however, refused the claim.

The U.S. Supreme Court on Sunday rejected another appeal that claimed jurors who voted to condemn Motley were not allowed to consider evidence that showed he had been abused by his father.

"I'd like to live, don't get me wrong," Motley said in an interview last week. "But I'm powerless."

Motley was convicted of abducting and killing Maria Adilia Duran, who was last seen alive July 22, 1984 when she left her Houston-area apartment to go swimming with a friend. She never arrived at the friend's home and was reported missing.

Her body was found 10 days later, decomposing in a field in La Porte, just southeast of Houston. She had been fatally shot with a shotgun. Dental records had to be used to identify her.

"I want him dead," said the victim's twin sister, Marie Evellia Duran. "He took a life. It took this long for him to die. He didn't care when he took my sister's life, so why should I care if he dies."

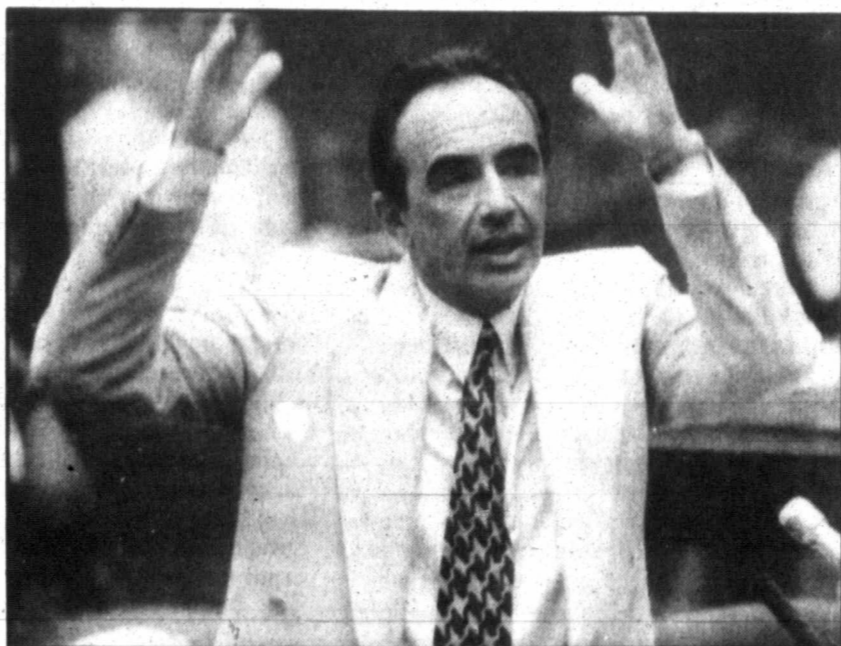
Motley was 19 and on parole after serving 11 months of a five-year term for burglary when was arrested a week after the woman was reported missing.

At the time of his arrest, he was driving Ms. Duran's car, which had been reported stolen. Witnesses said he was carrying jewelry that belonged to the victim and was toting a shotgun under the seat in the car.

He also was identified on a bank videotape as accompanying the victim when she made \$300 in withdrawals from an automatic teller machine. In addition, the victim's identification, credit cards and checkbook were found in a trash bin at an apartment complex where Motley was living.

He told arresting officers he had not shot the woman, puzzling authorities who had not yet found her body.

More than two dozen of the 397 condemned killers in Texas have pending execution dates, although only a few of those convicts have exhausted their appeals and are considered likely candidates for execution.



O.J. Simpson defense attorney Robert Shapiro cross-examines Denise Brown, sister of the late Nicole Brown, during the murder trial Monday.

Jury hears contrasting views of O.J. Simpson

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hours before his ex-wife and her friend were murdered, O.J. Simpson was "simmering" and "spooky" at his daughter's dance recital, witnesses say.

But after the recital, a home video shot outside the auditorium by another parent shows Simpson laughing, kissing his former in-laws, scooping his son into his arms and joking around with a friend.

Monday was a day of contrasting images for jurors in Simpson's murder trial.

Candace Garvey said the angry-looking man who showed up at the June 12 recital "was just not the same person I was used to seeing."

"It was almost like he was simmering," said Garvey, the wife of former baseball star Steve Garvey and a friend of Nicole Brown Simpson's. "When he stared at me I felt like he was looking right through me and it scared me a little bit."

Defense lawyers, however, argued that witnesses' memories have been altered by time and emotion. After showing the jury the videotape, defense attorney Johnnie Cochran Jr. said it showed the kind of man Simpson really is: happy, affectionate and family-oriented.

When asked during cross-examination what she thought of the videotape, Garvey acknowledged seeing "an amazing change" in Simpson's demeanor.

"It amazes me. I guess that's why he's a spokesman," she said, apparently referring to his work for the Hertz car rental company.

Prosecutors planned to shift attention today from domestic violence to evidence about the actual killings of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman.

"We're going to start the case tomorrow," Cochran said outside court on Monday. "This is a murder case. All we've seen so far is character assassination."

Deputy District Attorney Marcia Clark suggested that jurors be taken on a tour of the crime scene and Simpson's estate on Thursday. Superior Court Judge Lance Ito said

he would make a decision on the issue.

Also Monday, Denise Brown, Ms. Simpson's older sister, wrapped up a second day of testimony. She said Simpson behaved strangely at the recital, greeting all the Browns except Ms. Simpson and staring at her while sitting in the back of the auditorium.

As she spoke, Simpson shook his head and smiled in disbelief.

"He had a very bizarre look in his eyes, it was a very faraway look," Brown said. "It was actually really kind of spooky. It was a frightening look."

Brown continued, describing his look as "glazed-over, kind of frightening, dark eyes. It just didn't look like the O.J. we knew."

"Every time I turned around he was staring at Nicole," said Brown, who has publicly declared her belief that Simpson is the killer.

After the recital, the family went to dinner at Mezzaluna, the restaurant where Goldman was a waiter.

At the end of the evening, Brown kissed her younger sister goodbye.

"The last thing I told her is that I loved her," Brown said, weeping uncontrollably. Weeping harder, she said: "She was happy."

In the courtroom's front row, her father, Louis Brown, took off his glasses and wiped away tears.

Then, in a gentle cross-examination, defense attorney Robert Shapiro tried to show jurors that Brown had changed history in her mind, and was exaggerating the problems of Simpson and her sister.

Shapiro suggested some of her recollections about three incidents she described would be contradicted by others who were present, including Brown's former boyfriends.

Last week, Brown told jurors that an enraged Simpson hurled his wife against a wall and tossed her and her friends out of his house when Brown accused him of taking her sister Nicole for granted. She also described a scene at a restaurant where she said Simpson grabbed his wife's crotch and declared, "This belongs to me."

Report confirms 'crazy' tales of massacres by Colombian army, allies

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — In April 1990, a man traveled from his village to the capital to tell officials an incredible tale: Soldiers and their paramilitary allies were torturing peasants and killing them with chainsaws.

Authorities sent the man — Daniel Arcila, a fruitpicker from Trujillo — to a psychiatrist. He was judged a paranoid psychopath and his claims were dismissed. A year later, Arcila was arrested by security forces and hasn't been heard from since.

Almost four years and over 100 mutilated bodies later, the account by Arcila — now believed to be a victim of the soldiers he denounced — has gained credibility.

The Organization of American States will hold a hearing in Washington today on what has become known as the "Trujillo massacres."

A report prepared by a joint commission of Colombian government representatives and human rights investigators links the killings of 107 people in Trujillo between 1988 and 1991 to an army major, other soldiers and paramilitary members.

The report, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press, slams Colombia's judicial system. It recommends that the judge and psychiatrist involved in the botched proceedings against Arcila be investigated, and that the accused killers be tried and, if found guilty, punished.

The massacres chronicled in the report shocked Colombia — even after more than 30 years of guerrilla warfare, in which leftist rebels have also committed atrocities.

Government soldiers used Arcila, whose car had been commandeered by guerrillas, to identify suspected rebel collaborators. They didn't bother to send him away before killing them.

Arcila's testimony about water torture and beatings — discarded as rubbish by prosecutors after they heard the psychiatrist's evaluation —

were reprinted Monday in the *Semana* weekly newsmagazine.

"They were blindfolded ... and put into large coffee sacks," he said.

"Later, Maj. Uruena took a 2-inch hose, and the first he put it to was a 55-year-old lady, who began to shout: 'Don't you have children? For holy God's sake, what are you going to do to me?'"

"The major repeated the same torture with everyone. Then he told one of the paramilitaries to get a chainsaw. Then he cut off their heads ... and later cut everyone into pieces."

The accounts provoked horror in Colombia's media.

"What happened in Trujillo is monstrous. It's savage. Primitive. Barbaric," mourned a columnist in Monday's edition of *El Tiempo*, Colombia's most widely read newspaper.

President Ernesto Samper, who assumed office last August, ousted Col. Alirio Antonio Uruena, a major at the time of the massacres, for his alleged role in the killings. Until his firing last week, Uruena was a brigade intelligence officer.

Today he is not in jail, or even charged.

Samper last week acknowledged the government's responsibility for the killings. Human rights observers hailed Samper's courage for accepting government blame for the killings in a country where such massacres have long been committed and covered up by the military — with civilian rulers consistently failing to intervene.

But while human rights monitors applaud Samper for taking responsibility for the murders and vowing not to let them be repeated, they worry the deaths will go unpunished.

They hope the OAS human rights commission will press the Colombian government to go beyond taking responsibility to exacting punishment.

Bush wants to protect killdeer

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush poked a little fun at himself during his first state of the state address.

Bush told lawmakers he was declaring a legislative emergency to speed action on an "environmentally sound bill, a bill absolutely necessary to protect the state from 'fowl' acts."

As a candidate last Sept. 2, Bush accidentally shot a killdeer while dove hunting. He paid the \$130 fine.

So Tuesday, Bush called on lawmakers to pass what he dubbed the Killdeer Protection Act.

"After all," he said, "There is no telling when I might go hunting again."

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Opinion

Congress pension plan needs reform

Give the new Republican Congress its due. Last month, with broad Democratic support we might add, Congress passed a landmark congressional reform bill. President Clinton has signed it into law.

The reform bill, promised in the "Contract With America," fixes a number of festering problems. Among other changes, it will require Congress to live under the same laws it imposes on the rest of us, limit terms of committee chairs, ban proxy voting and cut committee staffs by one-third. So far, so good.

Beyond these procedural changes, however, Congress must also look at its own fluffiest nest that it has been feathering for decades. An obvious place to start would be the congressional pension system.

Besides their generous pay of \$135,000 a year, every three-term member of Congress becomes eligible for an even more generous pension.

Under the pension rules Congress has written for itself, 20-year members can draw a pension at age 50, 10-year members at age 60. And what a pension. It starts at a generous amount based on years of service and is then indexed to inflation.

The National Taxpayers Union estimates that the typical retiring congressman will draw a pension approximately double the size of pensions awarded to corporate executives earning their same annual salary. A number of current and recently retired members of Congress can expect to collect more than \$1 million each in pension payments if they live a normal lifespan.

Former House Speaker Tom Foley, "retired" by his constituents in the last election, becomes eligible this year for a \$122,478 a year pension. If he lives as long as the actuarial tables indicate, he'll collect a total of \$3.2 million. Dan Rostenkowski, the former House Ways and Means Committee chairman who lost his post November in the face of corruption charges, will soon be eligible for a pension of \$96,462 a year (payments that will continue even if he is sentenced to prison).

The rabble rousing class of Republican freshmen is eager to change the system so that it more closely reflects the typical private sector pension plan. Speaker Newt Gingrich has reportedly given his blessing to the effort, provided it does not retroactively affect current members of Congress. Other proposals would end the system outright, replacing it with a self-directed 401(k) savings plan like those offered by many private companies.

If the new Republican Congress is serious about reforming the institution and refurbishing its public image, it should immediately end its outrageously generous pension plan and replace it with one that reflects the real world.

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Guns can aid self-protection

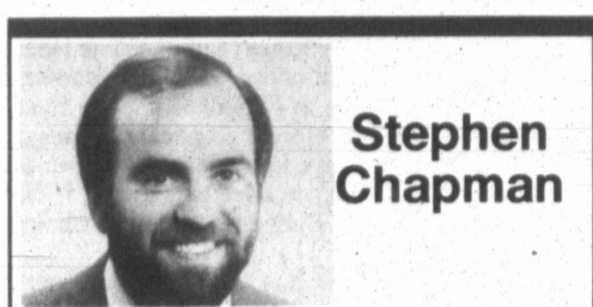
During last year's re-election campaign, Texas Gov. Ann Richards knew enough to cultivate the gun owners vote: She made a show of taking a shotgun into the field on the first day of dove season. Though no game birds ventured her way, she came off better than her Republican opponent, George W. Bush, who mistakenly (and illegally) bagged a killdeer. But Richards had vetoed a bill making it easier to get a concealed weapon permit, which Bush endorsed. On Election Day, shotgun and all, she got cashiered by the voters.

This issue is not just one of those weird Texas things. The most striking recent development in gun laws is not last year's federal ban on "assault weapons." It is the parade of states that have decided to let responsible adults carry handguns. Since 1987, 10 states have made concealed weapon permits easy to get, bringing to 19 the number with such a policy. Several more are considering the idea.

Guns, in the wrong hands, facilitate crime. But in the right hands, they can also prevent it, which is why we insist that cops be armed. In this violent society, the wrong people — namely criminals — already wield firearms in abundance. The question is whether we would be better off or worse off if more of the right people — law abiding, mentally competent citizens who have taken gun safety courses — were also packing heat.

Whoever killed Nicole Simpson didn't need a gun: He was (or they were) strong enough to dispatch two healthy adults with only a knife. But if she had been carrying one, she might be alive today. Texas has an example that is less hypothetical: a woman who left her pistol in the car when she went into Luby's Cafeteria in Killeen and then had to watch as an armed man killed 22 patrons, including her parents.

Advocates of gun control are appalled at the idea of allowing more ordnance on our streets, which



Stephen Chapman

they equate with gasoline on a forest fire. Their Exhibit A is Florida, the first state to liberalize its concealed handgun law. Handgun Control Inc. notes that "between 1987 - the year Florida enacted its law - and 1992, the violent crime rate rose 17.8 percent. Florida's 1992 violent crime rate of 1,207.2 per 100,000 people is the highest in the nation for any state."

But Florida had more than its share of mayhem long before this law. Handgun Control doesn't mention that between 1987 and 1992, the violent crime rate for the country as a whole rose by 24 percent — considerably faster than in the Sunshine State. During that period, the national murder rate increased by 12 percent nationally, but the Florida murder rate fell by 21 percent.

Handgun Control warns that "more guns lead to more deaths and injuries from gunshots." Not in Florida, they don't. More than 100,000 people have licenses to carry concealed handguns, but the abuses have been rare. By the end of 1993, only 17 licenses had been revoked because the licensee committed a crime with a firearm. The prediction that every traffic dispute would end in a hail of bullets has not come true.

Meanwhile, a few crimes have been thwarted by permit holders. And, as the Independence Institute

of Colorado notes, "There was no known incident of a permit holder intervening in an incompetent or dangerous manner, such as shooting an innocent bystander by mistake." The case of Florida suggests that permissive "concealed carry" laws won't necessarily increase crime.

But, you may wonder, why take a chance? Two reasons. First, because law abiding citizens can't count on law enforcement agencies to preserve their lives and property. A woman who has to come home late to a gang-infested housing project is bound to be safer with a pistol in her pocket, if only because she couldn't possibly be less safe.

Even if she never had to use her weapon, she would gain some peace of mind knowing she could defend against predators. Likewise for lots of other people who have the bad luck to live or work in the many places where thugs abound.

A second reason is that such permit holders could eventually deter crime, as crooks begin to perceive a heightened risk in their profession. The presence of guns in the home is a major reason why the high crime United States has a lower burglary rate than England, where guns are largely forbidden and intruders don't have to worry about death from Sudden Perforation Syndrome. For those who worry that America will come to resemble the Wild West, the Independence Institute says we should be so lucky: Homicide was almost unknown in Dodge City and other gun heavy places.

The fallacy of the gun control argument is that because guns are dangerous in the hands of people who are criminally inclined or mentally unstable, they are also dangerous in the hands of those who are law abiding and sane. It may be the height of sanity to suppose that if our police can't protect us from criminals, we should insist on the right to protect ourselves.

Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Tuesday, Feb. 7, the 38th day of 1995. There are 327 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Feb. 7, 1964, The Beatles began their first American tour as they arrived at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport, where they were greeted by thousands of screaming fans.

On this date:
In 1812, author Charles Dickens was born in Portsmouth, England.

In 1904, a fire began in Baltimore that raged for about 30 hours and destroyed more than 1,500 buildings.

In 1931, aviator Amelia Earhart married publisher George P. Putnam in Connecticut.

In 1943, the government announced that shoe rationing would go into effect in two days, limiting consumers to buying three pairs per person for the remainder of the year.



Taking responsibility for actions

Charley Reese

As I understand it, some Republicans propose to cut off federal subsidies for bastards. I think that is a good idea.

Bastards - children born out of wedlock - are presently being subsidized via the welfare system, and like most anything which government subsidizes, they are proliferating.

Now it sounds harsh, doesn't it, to use that old and perfectly legitimate word, "bastard," to describe illegitimate children? We live in an age of euphemisms, when people try to blur reality by blurring the language used to describe it. This habit has helped to create many of the problems in our society. Humans live by adapting to reality. To blur the symbols used to describe reality often means you will not correctly identify reality. This will always lead to errors.

But there is more to it than just timid language. The secular sociologists, psychologists and politicians aspire to be the new priesthood. To do that, the old priesthood of actual priests, rabbis, imams and preachers must be displaced. One way to do that is to reduce human behavior from the realm of moral choices to the realm of social and economic conditioning. To do that, the language must be purged - morality cleansing, you might call it - of all words which denote a moral judgment about behavior.

That's why prisons are called "correctional facilities" and sociologists speak of deciding on a "treatment" for an offender. But, of course, criminal behavior like sexual behavior is a matter of choice, and the choices are made on the basis of morality or lack thereof. You don't catch criminal behavior the way you catch a cold. You choose to be a criminal.

Between stimulus - some message from reality - and response lies a space in which human character is formed. That is the space where humans exercise their freedom to choose, which all humans, contrary to liberal sociological dogma, possess. Credit for this clear formulation belongs to Stephen R. Covey and A. Roger Merrill, authors of *First Things First: A Principle-Centered Approach to Time & Life* (Simon & Schuster, 1994, \$23).

People choose to commit the act of bastardy, that is, producing illegitimate children. People choose to rob, kill or steal. And in both cases, it is a matter of morality, not a matter of social conditioning or economics.

At the root of all liberal and socialist rhetoric - and that may be a redundancy - lies the determination to avoid the subject of morality which, of course, deprives psychologists, sociologists and politicians of their status as a modern priesthood. That's why you hear talk about "values" rather than "morals."

But values and morals are not the same thing. A value is anything a person desires to acquire and to keep. That can be a house, public office or a mistress. Morals are rules for human behavior, specifically as to right or wrong.

Since most social problems from crime to bastardy are the result of bad choices by human beings in terms of how they should behave, it is obvious that what is needed is not government training, indoctrination or subsidies, but moral teaching.

George Washington said that no means of moral teaching for large numbers of people has ever been found that is more effective than religion. He was right then, and that's still true.

Someone once defined insanity as doing the same thing and expecting a different result. Liberals want to keep on doing the same thing, but doing the same thing will produce the same results: crime and bastards.

The American people should insist that government end all subsidies to people who behave badly, whether it's by producing bastards or entering the country illegally or violating its laws.

Job woes: The big, bad BA dilemma

Lately there has been much hand wringing over the plight of Generation X. Having grown up in the era of Vietnam, Nixon and Whip Inflation Now buttons, they are now discovering that adult life is even worse than they imagined. This generation has been particularly celebrated for its failures in the job market, and indeed these troubles are tangible.

"It's real clear that for the '90s, people may find work but not work they're happy with," a University of Delaware career counselor told *The New York Times*. The counselor, Edgar Townsend, was referring to the fact that while Fortune 500 companies like DuPont are no longer recruiting college grads, many chain retailers are.

At the Gap, a recruiting form for a supervisory job seeks a bachelor's degree and an "ability to lift 50 pounds consistently." The Mall of America in Bloomington, Minn., set up a retail "internship" program at their on site campus. And at universities across the country, retailers like Caldor, Kmart and J.C. Penney are hustling the career fairs.

"Retailers are aggressively recruiting college graduates, especially female grads," says Mary Pat Blankenheim of the National Association of Working Women, who says that guidance counselors are warning future grads not to take jobs that are below their skill level. "(The universities) are telling students there are going to be employers out there looking for you to fill jobs that can be filled by people who don't have your educational background."



Sara Eckel

Now cut to Wilkes-Barre, Pa., to a very different type of worker.

She is an employee at the Leslie Fay apparel factory. She is female, she is middle aged and she doesn't have a college degree. When her company announces that its operations will be moved south of the border, she feels angry, betrayed and, finally, frightened.

So with the help of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, she fights like hell to keep her job. Months of negotiation ensue. And though the ILGWU manages to save 600 jobs, it fails to save 450. Hers is one of 450.

This is what happened last summer in Wilkes-Barre. And though the damage could have been much worse, things look bleak for the hundreds of women - who comprised 90 percent of Leslie Fay's work force - who lost their jobs.

It's already clear that their chances of finding a comparable job in northeast Pennsylvania are slim at best.

"Wilkes-Barre is an area that's been in decline for a long time," says Susan Cowell of the ILGWU. "It used to be a major center of apparel manufacturing, but they've seen tens of thousands of jobs go off shore."

It's easy to see why. Though the \$7.80 average wage that the Leslie Fay workers were paid is modest - even low, by American standards - it's astronomical when compared to the wages commanded by workers in Guatemala and Honduras - roughly 40 cents an hour.

Conventional wisdom says that displaced factory workers will enter the service sector, albeit at a substantially lower wage. Since the retail trade is picking up, and since women have traditionally comprised the majority of retail employees, it's logical to assume that our former Leslie Fay employee will head straight for the local mall.

But wait - she can't do that. She can't stand behind a counter and sell perfume. She can't stack towers of fisherman's sweaters and pocket T's. She may not even be able to ask customers if they "want fries with that." Why? Because she's not overeducated. All the jeans folding jobs have been filled by jaded chemistry majors.

Our friend at Leslie Fay, then, is caught in a lurch. She lost her good manufacturing job to underpaid sweatshop workers. Now, when she tries to enter the service economy, she may find that that door has slammed shut, too.

Lifestyles

Feel like spaghetti tonight?



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Here's hoping you do. Pride of Pampa High School band members Kaleb Allen, sophomore (left); Ashlee Bohannon, junior; Sarah Yowell, junior; and Eric Grusendorf, freshman, are just a few of the band members who will serve, cook and clean up during the spaghetti supper tonight at the Pampa High School cafeteria. The dinner starts at 5 p.m. and will go on until 8. Tickets are \$4.50 at the door and proceeds will benefit the band banquet.

Timer on water heater can cut utility bill

Q: Is there any way an insulated glass window can be repaired when the seal has broken, and moisture has gotten in between the panes? I'd like to repair it rather than replace the entire window?

A: This is a frequently asked question. Unfortunately, the problem cannot be corrected by the homeowner. In many cases, not only is there moisture between the panes, but there is also a discoloration that obstructs visibility through the pane. Even with this condition, the window will still serve an energy-saving function. It is more effective than a single-glazed window and is probably comparable to a storm window.

Q: We are trying to cut down on our electric bill. Our electric water heater is a big energy user and we are wondering if there is any way to reduce this appliance's energy appetite without having to take cold showers.

A: Yes. Installing a timer on your electric water heater can cut your utility bill by preventing the appliance from heating water when there is no demand for it.

To understand this, some background is helpful. Whether or not a water heater can supply an adequate amount of hot water will depend on both the capacity of the heater and the amount of hot water generated in one hour, known as the recovery rate. An electric water heater has a low recovery rate, generally on the order of 18 gallons per hour. As a result, in order to supply adequate hot water, the tank capacity is usually a minimum of 52 gallons and often can be as large as

80 gallons.

On the other hand, an oil-fired water heater can supply a comparable amount of hot water with a 30-gallon tank. These appliances have a high recovery rate, often on the order of 80 to 120 gallons per hour.

Homeowners who have electric water heaters can save energy and money by installing a timer that turns the water heater off during periods when hot water is not needed. The water heater will heat the water during the times of day when it is needed, such as for morning showers and evening dishes. The timer prevents energy from being wasted on storing a large quantity of hot water. Thus it helps the water heater match supply to demand.

A study conducted by the Illinois Institute of Technology showed that this approach can reduce the cost of heating water by 26 percent. Electric water heaters are among a household's biggest electricity users. In many cases, the timer could pay for itself in less than one year.

We know of two companies that make electric water heater timers, though there are almost certainly others. They are: Intermatic Inc., Intermatic Plaza, Spring Grove, Ill. 60081, and First Alert, 780 McClurg Rd., Aurora, Ill. 60504.

Intermatic's residential electric water heater timers cost about \$25. They are sold at hardware stores, home centers and electrical supply houses. First Alert's digital timer costs about \$35 at home centers.

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.

Author fore-saw way to reduce health care costs

DR. MICHAEL FREEDMAN

NEW YORK (AP) — Dr. Arthur M. Sackler, author several years ago of a book called "Questions Patients Most Often Ask Their Doctors," wrote about health care costs long before the issue became a national political cause.

"One obvious way to cut down on health care costs," he wrote, "is to have a lifestyle that is health promoting."

Sackler cited one study, which found that 50 percent of all early deaths were caused by unhealthy behavior or lifestyle; another showed that a large percentage of health costs were due to a relatively small number of people — and that many of these people were sick with preventable diseases.

"But I don't think the problem is that people don't know how to lead healthy lives," he said. "While there has been a lot of confusing and contradictory studies about nutrition in recent years, the most important aspects of preventive medicine have been known for some time."

Smoking is harmful to health in a number of ways, and overindulgence in alcohol is bad for you.

"Do you really need someone to tell you that?" he asked. "Most of us learned enough in school to know how to eat well. We know that exercise is good for us. People who abuse drugs certainly know they're abusing them."

"And everyone knows that sexual promiscuity has hazards of venereal disease and pregnancy," Sackler wrote in the days before AIDS became an international epidemic.

"Most people know these things, so what's the problem?" he wrote.

It all seems to be a problem of motivation, Sackler added.

An excellent observation that holds true even today, more than 10 years after Sackler put his thoughts in writing.

Folk wisdom says that retirement can kill you. It seems to make sense, the argument being that when you give up your job, you also give up your income, you give up a life-time of friends made on the job, and you give up a certain sense of identity and prestige.

A job has kept you active for a good part of your life, and the simple fact of retirement is a major life change — the sort of thing that commonly causes stress.

For those who are nearing retirement, take heart!

A study made several years ago at the Boston Veterans Administration Clinic showed no differences at all in the overall health of men who retired and those of the same age who continued to work. Not even reduced income affected the health of retirees as a whole, nor did it matter whether retirement was voluntary, involuntary, expected or unexpected.

Of course, increased illness often comes with increased age — as is often the case in the loss of a spouse. But when such events occur around retirement time, the harmful effects are often blamed on retirement.

"Deer" school spirit



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Showing her school spirit, White Deer High School freshman cheerleader Amanda Freeman allows Tabitha Harvey, a WDHS sophomore, to paint a blue "#1" on her cheek. Harvey said a "Jam the Gym" will be held this evening as the WDHS Bucks and Does basketball teams play Sunray and everyone who wants to show their pride in the Bucks and Does is asked to attend the game and paint their faces blue and white.

More than fun and games for you and your dog

AP Special Features

A simple game of fetch is more than just fun for you and your dog. Dogs that play frequently with their owners learn to bond better with them and obey commands more readily, reports Better Homes and Gardens magazine. In fact, a lifetime of play is crucial to a dog's development and well-being.

A pup's mother starts the playful learning process right after birth. Her tussling, tickling and licking activate a young dog's mind and provide needed exercise. A gentle bite on the nose tells the pup to stop when the play gets too rough. After a few weeks, the pups grow more rambunctious, wrestling with each other and carrying socks or small toys in their mouths. By competing with each other for these toys, the young pups learn their place in the litter's pecking order.

A pup needs to learn its place in your home's pecking order, too, just as soon as it arrives. A game of fetch can help teach your new pet that human family members are the top dogs.

Learning the game forces Fido to pay attention to your commands and to recognize praise. Both lessons subtly teach your dog that you're the boss. They make Fido more prone to obey you at other times, too — when you take him to obedience class, for instance, or when you shout "stop" when he lunges off after a squirrel.

To start the play, roll an old tennis ball or other soft toy in front of Fido. He won't be able to resist the fun. Praise him when he picks up the toy. Heap more praise when he voluntarily drops it before you. Next, toss the ball and praise him when he returns to drop it at your feet. As a variation, hide the ball someplace nearby instead

of throwing it.

The key to correct training is to instruct and reward your dog one step at a time — when he picks up the ball, when he drops it, when he runs to fetch it, and so on. That way, the lessons sink in. Use praise only when Fido performs correctly. Remain quiet if he runs off with the ball or wants to play tug of war (an aggressive game to be avoided altogether). If Fido bites playfully, take a lesson from his mother: Hold his nose firmly but gently to correct his behavior. You also can redirect inappropriate biting to a toy.

Good play helps a young dog grow up to be a model citizen. Bad play,

such as wrestling, teasing or roughhousing, can turn a dog into a neighborhood menace that's prone to bite.

Fido won't be able to tell good play from bad, but your kids will. So lay down the rules — no horseplay — especially if you own one of the more aggression-prone breeds, such as chow, Doberman, Akita and Rottweiler. With such breeds, it's best to play more sedate games, like fetch and running on a leash. Again, start young. Praise your doberman pup when it rolls over on its side (a submissive act in dog body-language), and reward it further with a belly scratch.

If you play with and exercise your dog regularly, he may be less likely to chew the rug or furniture when left alone. One suggestion is to play with the dog immediately each time you return home.

Most dogs don't care when you play with them, but you should set aside the same time each day, and try not to disappoint. Like many people, dogs crave routine.

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Responsibility for child care is too heavy for older kids

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter from "Firstborn, California," who resented being a built-in baby sitter for her younger brother; I had to write to disagree with your response.

While caring for a younger sibling may be good practice for parenthood, I've seen such "practice" rob the older children of their childhood with too much responsibility too soon.

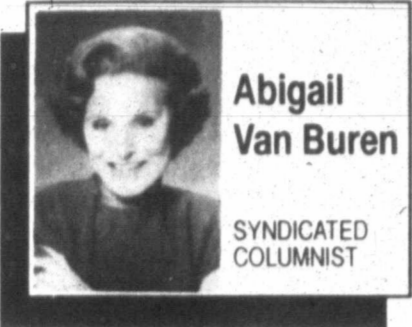
Tradition or not, "help" is one thing; indentured servitude is quite another.

My aunt has two children. The elder, "Karen," is 9 and the baby, "Jane," is 3. Since Jane's birth, Karen has been forced into the role of surrogate mother. She is responsible for changing Jane's diapers, putting away her toys, playing with her, and sharing her own toys even if they are not appropriate for a younger child.

This is too much responsibility for a 9-year-old. Recently I heard Karen tell her mother that when she grows up, she is going to have only one child because she already knows what it is like to have two!

Children are not built-in nannies, whether the parents can afford a nanny or not. Childhood is fleeting enough without inconsiderate parents prematurely robbing their eldest by forcing them into the role of "second mommy" to their younger siblings.

I'm all for encouraging children to help out around the house, but



Abigail Van Buren
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

such help should not come at the cost of a carefree childhood.

PUTTING THE 'CHILD' BACK IN CHILDREN

DEAR PUTTING: You are far from alone in your feelings (the number of responses amazed me). However, some of my readers agreed with me. Read on for both the pros and cons:

DEAR ABBY: If you're counting votes, count one more no for taking care of younger siblings.

For 10 minutes, while Mom is on the phone is OK, but a regular assignment of minding a youngster should never be given to a sibling — unless he or she is a teen-ager and it's his or her choice. Even then, many kids are not up to the role, and they boss their siblings around without mercy.

It's not the same as taking out the trash. Supervising a child is a heavy responsibility — one that

belongs to parents, not kids.
K. WILLIAMS, OJAI, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: I am 10 years old and have three younger brothers. My mother has a lot to do, so once in a while I have to watch my 2-year-old brother. I love my brothers, and have never been embarrassed if any of my friends saw me taking care of them. I think it's important that older brothers have a good relationship with their little brothers.

NICHOLAS COREY,
MOUNTLAKE TERRACE, WASH.

DEAR ABBY: I have a few things to say about "Firstborn, California," who complained about having to watch her younger siblings:

I am the oldest of 13 children, and I was often expected to look after the younger ones.

By the time I was in grade school, I could change diapers. In those days, the diapers were cloth with pins and plastic pants. (The other kids used to fight over who had to perform these chores.)

I am now a single mother with two children. Thanks to my experience, I can handle baby care like a "pro."

JANET KILKIN,
BELLEVILLE, ILL.

Horoscope

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 1995

In the year ahead, changes might develop that could enhance your material circumstances. You might not implement them yourself, yet they'll work out to your ultimate benefit.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Unfortunately wishing will not make it so today. Heed the voice of practicality when it tells you that if you want something, you must make it happen. Aquarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your position in several critical matters at work is

by no means impregnable today. Keep this in mind if you feel the urge to start flexing your muscles.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Avoid encounters with individuals whose ideas usually conflict with yours. Today they might be particularly intent upon defending their positions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Do not yield to pressure when shopping today. The money being spent is coming out of your pocket, not the intimidating salesperson's.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You will have little tolerance for anyone tampering with your independence today. Avoid companions who try to arrange your schedule to accommodate theirs.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Normally tedious tasks could prove extremely frustrating today. Focus your efforts on jobs that don't require an oppressive commitment of mind, body or time.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your friends may express interest in what you have to say today, but during your coffee breaks, be careful not to monopolize the entire con-

versation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today you might be tempted to point the finger of blame elsewhere for mistakes you made. Even if it wounds your ego a bit, own up to your errors.

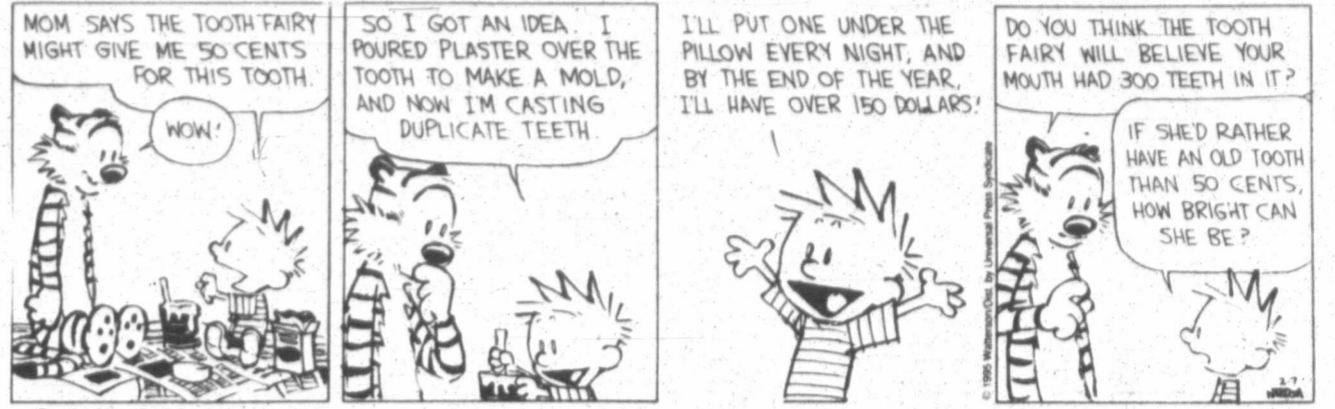
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Instead of adhering to narrow views today, try to be flexible in your thinking. A closed mind might shut out enriching thoughts or ideas.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Steer clear of complex financial involvements today, especially those in which you question the credibility of the persons presenting the deal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Do not deliberately ignore the counsel of others today, but try to think for yourself, too. Weigh your thoughts against the advice you receive.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Arrange your schedule today so that your most difficult tasks are at the top of your list. Your proficiency might lessen with the passage of time.

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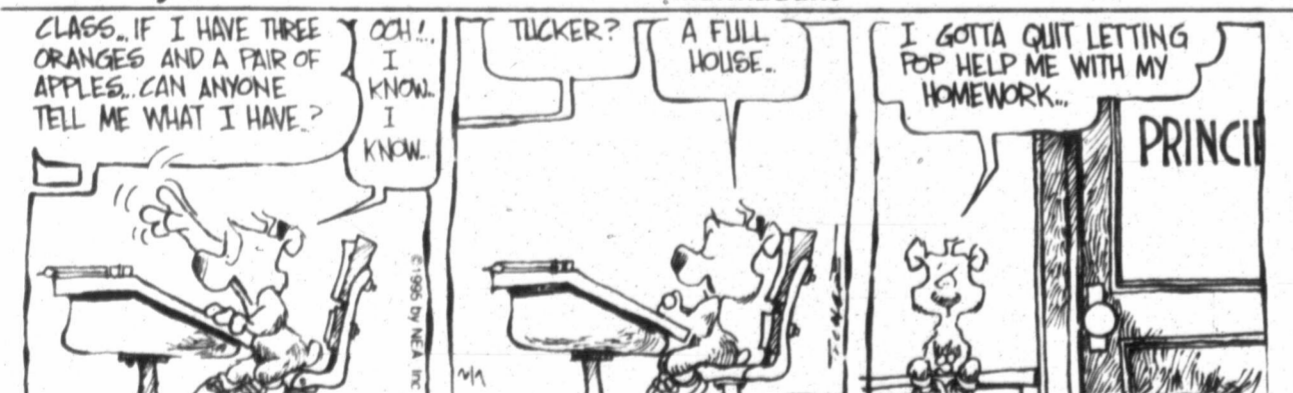


Billy reveals Daddy's secret process in creating fresh ideas: process of elimination.



"Mind if I give him a lift? The Winslow house is on the way."

The Family Circus



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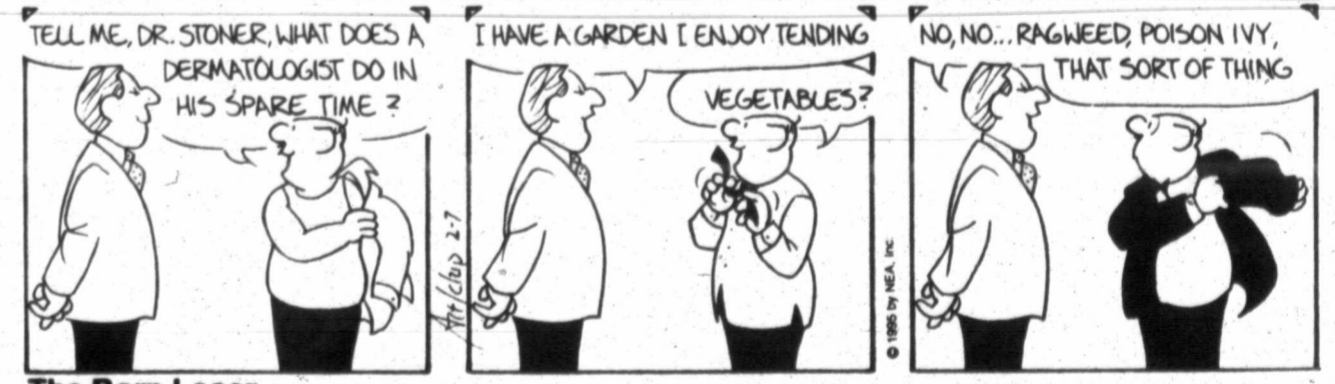
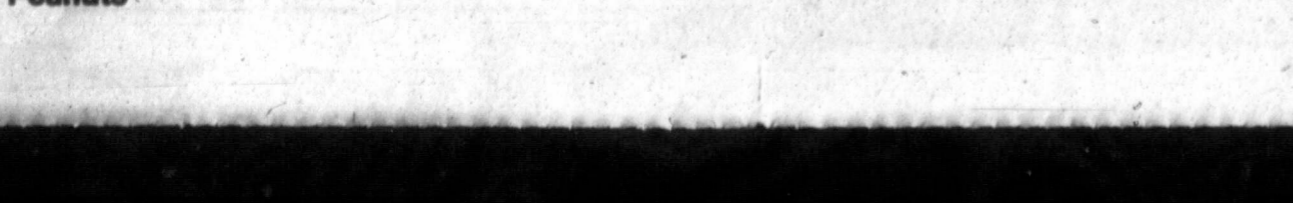
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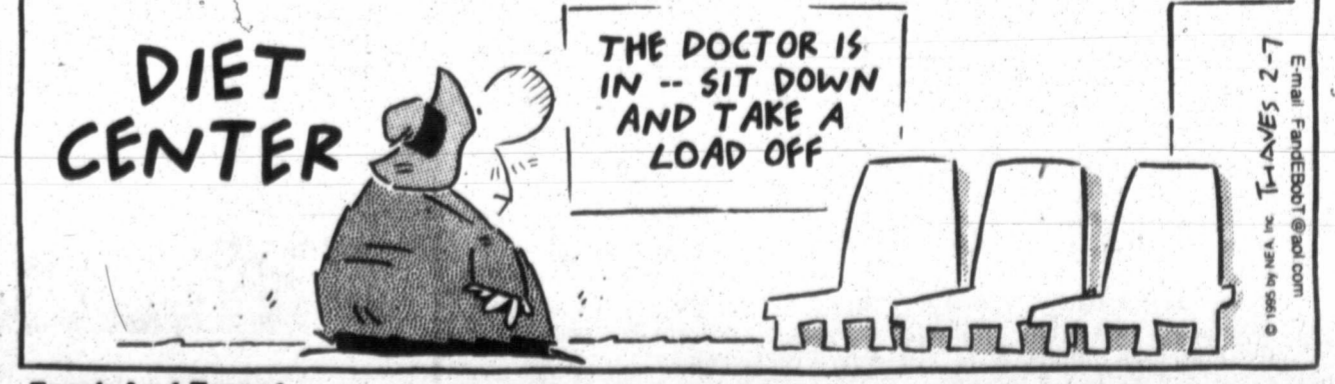
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SPECIAL OLYMPICS

PAMPA — On Saturday, Pampa's McNeely Fieldhouse will be the site of the Area 16 Basketball Special Olympics Tournament.

Opening ceremonies begin at 8:30 a.m. with the parade of athletes followed by a short ceremony. Competition starts at 9 a.m. at McNeely, the high school girls gym and Austin Elementary School Gym. The tournament continues until approximately 4:30 p.m. when there will be an awards ceremony to close out the day.

There will be around 25 teams representing the Texas Panhandle. Local teams include the Baker Bouncers, Baker Head-up, Pampa America's Team, Pampa Harvesters, Pampa Hustlers, Pampa Workshop, Pampa Heroes and Pampa's Dream Team.

Admission is free and local support is welcomed. There will be over 200 athletes and coaches participating in the competition of Individual Skills I and II, Traditional Team Competition and Unified Team Competition.

HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING

AMARILLO — The Pampa High swim teams tuned up for district meet Feb. 24-25 by competing in the Amarillo Invitational last weekend.

The Pampa boys finished fifth with 225 points. Jeremy Nunn for Pampa won the 100 butterfly and placed second in the 500 freestyle. Dakota Tefertiller was third in the 200 medley and second in the 100 breaststroke. Bobby Venal was third in the 50 freestyle.

Pampa's 200 medley and 400 freestyle relay teams both finished third.

In the girls division, Pampa was sixth with 145 points.

Janet Dancel won the 100 backstroke while Ashlee David was second in the 50 freestyle.

PRO BASKETBALL

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Just when the Houston Rockets were beginning to look like contenders for another NBA title, they made a disastrous trip to Portland.

In one day, the Rockets went from a nationally televised romp at Phoenix to a 120-82 blowout at the hands of the Trail Blazers in a game where four players and an assistant coach were thrown out.

And the knockout punch in the humbling defeat came long before Houston's hot-tempered Vernon Maxwell charged into the stands and, according to witnesses, connected with a right jab to the jaw of a heckling fan.

Portland outscored the Rockets 30-10 in the second quarter and led 61-35 at halftime.

"That's the nature of this game," said Houston's Hakeem Olajuwon, who had 22 points. "Yesterday you can be so up, so happy that you won. And tonight, this was a disaster."

On Sunday, the Rockets won their fourth in a row and seemed to be emerging from its early season struggles with a 124-100 victory over the Pacific Division-leading Suns.

Then they went to Portland.

"I guess it's normal to have a bit of an emotional letdown after having such a big win," Houston coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. "But we didn't even put up a game. It was a wasted night."

The Rockets never seriously challenged in the second half en route to their most one-sided loss of the season, and worst ever to the Trail Blazers. But there was plenty to keep the crowd interested.

Maxwell faces at least a suspension for charging 10 rows into the crowd and, by several accounts, punching a fan.

The fan, Steve George, 35, said the entire section heckled Maxwell all night.

"I'm a fan yelling about the game," he said as he held an ice pack to his left jaw. "I was definitely riding Vernon, you know, 'Five points, four fouls, you're not having a good night.' I don't deserve to get hit in the face for that."

The Rockets' Robert Horry and assistant coach Larry Smith followed Maxwell into the crowd and also were ejected.

George said he planned the press charges. The incident occurred during a timeout with 3:33 to play in the third quarter and Portland leading 79-52.

Maxwell and Horry weren't the first players to be kicked out. In the opening minute of the third quarter, Houston's Otis Thorpe and Portland's Chris Dudley were ejected in a separate altercation after a foul was called on Thorpe and the players became entangled. No punches were thrown.

Clifford Robinson scored 20 points for Portland, and James Robinson, Jerome Kersey and Clyde Drexler each had 16. Kersey had a season-high 14 rebounds as Portland dominated the boards 59-39.

Kersey and Rod Strickland ignited the Blazers' second-quarter outburst. Kersey had 10 points and five rebounds, while Strickland had 11 points and three assists.

Olajuwon drew his third personal foul when he elbowed Dudley in the mouth with 7:02 to play in the first half, forcing the Houston center to leave the game. The play came during a 17-2 run that put the Blazers ahead 54-31.

Olajuwon returned and played the final five minutes of the half, but failed to score. He was 4-for-12 in the first half.

The Blazers played Olajuwon one-on-one and took away Houston's outside shooting.

"Hakeem's one of the best two or three guys in the game, and we're trying to play him with one guy," Portland coach P.J. Carlesimo said. "So he's going to get his points. But hopefully, we somewhat contain their outside guys. That was the key for us."

Portland snapped a two-game home losing streak and is 2-0 against Houston this season. The Blazers are 0-10 against the other four top teams in the Western Conference.

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Baseball strike no closer to being solved

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — What once looked like a big day for baseball instead became just another episode of strike-watching.

On Babe Ruth's 100th birthday Monday, fans found no reason to celebrate. The strike was no closer to being solved, President Clinton's deadline for an agreement passed without any progress, mediator W.J. Usery did not present his plan for a settlement and players filed another unfair labor practice charge with the National Labor Relations Board.

All in all, not exactly a banner day for the old ball game.

"It's just a few hundred folks trying to figure out how to divide nearly \$2 billion," Clinton said, summing up a popular sentiment. "They ought to be able to figure that out."

But with so much money at stake,

and the sides so far apart, it didn't seem that easy.

"On this 100th anniversary of Babe Ruth's birth, the Babe would not be enormously optimistic for any quick settlement right now," Labor Secretary Robert Reich said.

Clinton's deadline of 5 p.m. EST for an agreement passed without Usery presenting his terms for a solution. Usery said his recommendations would be ready at 3 p.m. today.

"We simply ran out of time," Usery said.

White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta discussed the president's involvement trying to settle the strike this morning on a couple of TV talk shows.

Interviewed on Fox TV, Panetta said "the president met with Mr. Usery last night and Mr. Usery said he was making some progress. ... So, he's got until 3 o'clock. But there's obviously, at some point, a time if we don't get agreement when the president is going to have to recommend

further action to the Congress."

Asked what action President Clinton would recommend, Panetta said, "the president hasn't made that final decision, but it could be anything from binding arbitration — requesting that — to enacting whatever proposal Mr. Usery has recommended for settlement."

Later on NBC's "Today" show, Panetta said, "the president obviously has been pushing towards trying to get a settlement here... the president wanted to give him (Usery) as much room as possible to see if we can't come down to a final settlement here and I think they're getting closer."

"But ultimately if they fail to do that the president's alternative is to make a strong recommendation to the Congress, with regards to binding arbitration or trying to impose the settlement that Mr. Usery is working with. We've got to take that action."

Usery tried his best to be upbeat, despite bouncing back and forth

from the White House to the Mayflower Hotel, where talks were definitely not taking place.

"I refuse to be pessimistic, although it is very difficult to seem to find a voluntary agreement between the parties," he said.

No matter what he did, Usery could not persuade players and owners to meet with each other. They did not speak for the second straight day, even after Clinton ordered them to try to solve the dispute themselves.

Today, according to union head Donald Fehr, Usery hoped to give suggestions to both sides about how they might resolve their differences. Later, Usery planned to take his proposal to the president.

"Essentially, we're in a period of time where we're waiting," Fehr said.

Usery met separately with each side after returning from the White House. Though he has been staying up until the early-morning hours for a week while trying to get a deal, Usery turned in well before midnight.

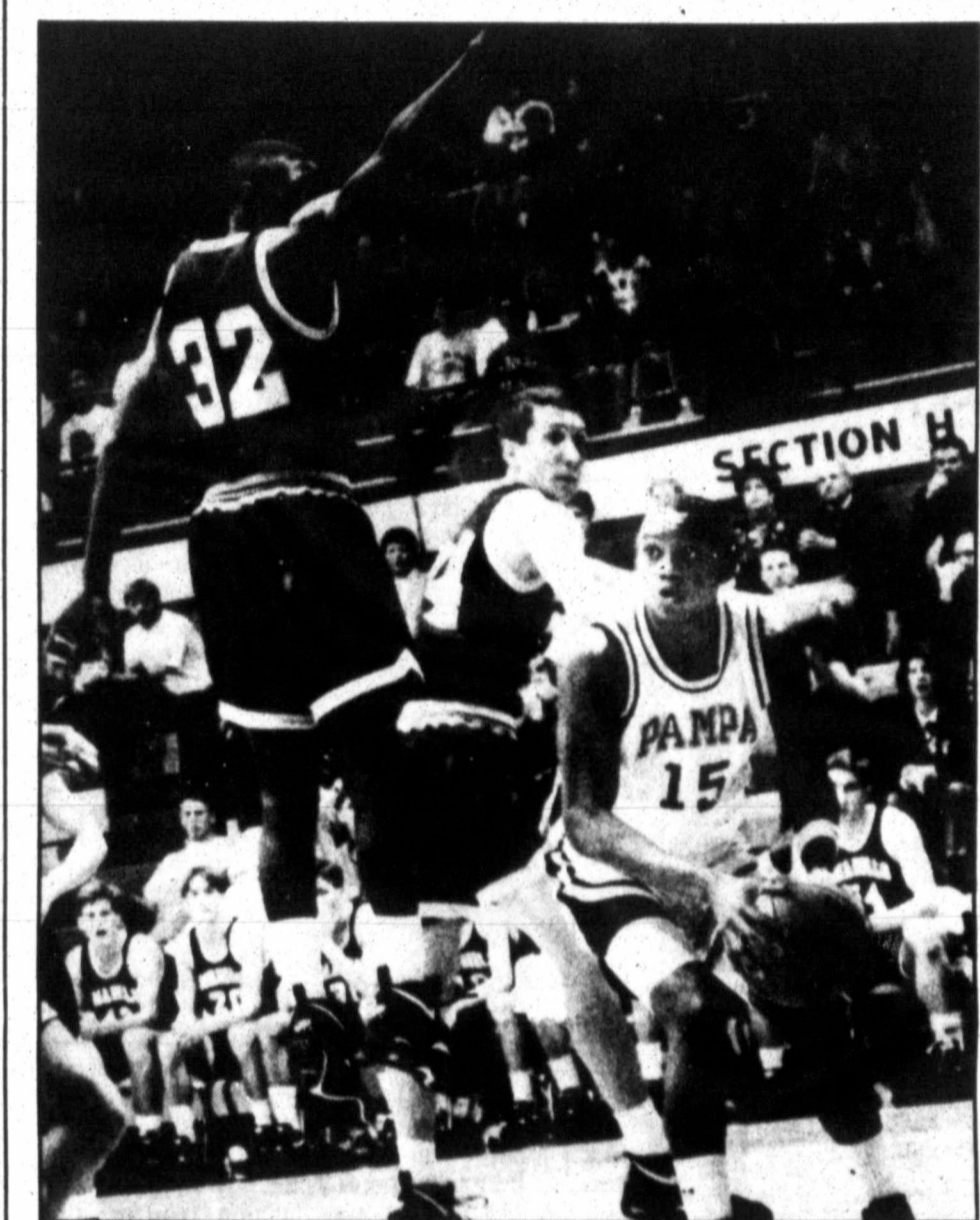
"We'll wait and see what system Bill recommends," Atlanta Braves president Stan Kasten said. "We're hoping it's something we can work with."

"Obviously, any delay jeopardizes spring training," he said.

As things stood, there seemed little chance of opening camps Feb. 16 with regular major leaguers. Still, owners plan to begin having pitchers and catchers report that day, even if it means using strikebreakers.

It was uncertain what Clinton would do if the sides rejected Usery's plan. The president could propose special legislation to enact terms of a settlement or binding arbitration, but both types of bills would have to be approved by the House and Senate.

"We detect among many members of Congress a desire to see baseball get back on the boards for 1995," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said.



(Pampa News photo)

Pampa junior Coy Laury (15) had 21 points and 10 rebounds in the Harvesters 69-51 win over Borger on Jan. 13. The two teams meet at 7:30 tonight in Pampa's final home game of the season in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Pampa, Borger collide tonight

PAMPA — For the first half, Borger turned out to be a pretty pesky team for Pampa to handle in a District 1-4A clash back on Jan. 13.

Borger trailed by just three points before Pampa went on a scoring spree in the second half to rout the Bulldogs, 69-51.

There's more on the line tonight when Pampa hosts Borger at 7:30 in McNeely Fieldhouse. With a victory, the Harvesters can clinch a playoff spot for the seventh year in a row.

The Bulldogs are out of the playoffs and can only play a spoiler role like they did last week by beating Hereford, 72-69. Hereford at one time was the district leader, but now have dropped three league games.

"Borger has a pretty talented team," said PHS head coach Robert Hale. "They've got a big post man and some good quickness. They put themselves in a bad position by losing some games early, but they're still a dangerous team."

Pampa junior Coy Laury broke Borger's back in the first meeting when he scored five straight points late in the second quarter on a three-point play and a steal to give the Harvesters the lead going into the second half. Borger never quite recovered from that scoring spurt. Pampa led by seven after three quarters and then went on a 22-11 run in the fourth period to finish off the Bulldogs.

Laury finished with 21 points and 10 rebounds in that game while junior guard Rayford Young followed right behind with 20 points.

The Harvesters won their seventh consecutive game last Friday night, racing away from Dumas, 98-63. Although the Harvesters almost reached the century mark, Hale wasn't all that pleased with his team's performance on the defensive end of the court.

"Offensively it was a good game, but we didn't look all that good on defense. Of course, we always like the ones we win. They're a lot of fun," Hale said. "We had real good fan support at Dumas and that makes it fun also."

Pampa is 8-1 in district play and 22-6 for the season. In the latest Texas Association of Basketball Coaches poll, the Harvesters were ranked 10th in Class 4A.

Borger is tied with Randall for fourth in the district standings at 4-4. For the season, the Bulldogs are 15-10.

Borger's three-point win over Hereford was sparked by guard Eric Powell's 30 points. Tim Baker, Borger's 6-4 post, added 14 points. However, the pair was held in check by Pampa's defense in that first clash, combining for 20 points.

Canyon and Hereford are Pampa's closest challengers in the district race. Both teams are tied for second at 6-3.

"We're in a highly-competitive district this season. It makes it tougher for all the teams," Hale said.

Tonight's girls game between Pampa and Borger tips off at 6.

Oklahoma State shocks second-ranked Kansas

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Bryant Reeves didn't waste any time making a statement against Kansas.

On Oklahoma State's first possession, the 7-foot senior wheeled and went right at 7-2 Greg Ostertag, who had outplayed Reeves in three games last season.

Ostertag blocked the shot, but Reeves recovered the ball, went back up, drew a foul and made both free throws. It started him on his way to a 33-point, 20-rebound performance that carried No. 24 Oklahoma State to a 79-69 victory over the second-ranked Jayhawks on Monday night.

"I think this has probably been maybe my best game of my career," said Reeves, a two-time all-Big Eight pick and the league's player of the year in 1992-93.

"Coming out and being able to get 20 rebounds and 33 points, it's a great accomplishment for me but it's an even bigger accomplishment for the team."

The Cowboys (16-6, 6-1 Big Eight) took over first place in the conference with their 15th straight home victory. They had moved back into the AP poll Monday for the first time since late November.

Reeves' 20 rebounds were a career-high and came on a night when he became just the fifth Big Eight player to reach 2,000 points and 1,000 rebounds in a career. He also became the first Cowboy to have at least 30 points and 20 rebounds in a game.

"I thought Bryant was sensational," Kansas coach Roy Williams said. "I can't remember a post player doing that much against us in my seven years."

Reeves had 14 points and a dozen rebounds in the first half, while Ostertag had two points, one rebound and played only nine minutes.

"Bryant was playing so well, I thought it bothered Greg," Williams said.

In the only other game involving a ranked team Monday night, No. 3 Connecticut beat Pittsburgh 91-60.

Oklahoma State coach Eddie Sutton said it was important to keep the Jayhawks from scoring in transition and to keep them off the offensive boards. Kansas wound up scoring just 20 first-half points and fell behind by 11 as Reeves grabbed nine defensive rebounds.

"Bryant just took over the defensive boards," Sutton said. "I'm not sure I've ever seen him play any better in a game than we saw tonight."

Oklahoma State outscored the Jayhawks 20-6 over the final 12:10 of

the first half to take the 31-20 half-time lead. But Reeves picked up his third foul on the Jayhawks' first possession of the second half, and they quickly started going inside during an 8-2 run that made it 33-28.

Reeves then scored baskets on two straight trips, widening the lead to nine and giving the Cowboys' breathing room. Their largest lead was 60-48 on a 3-pointer by Randy Rutherford with 4:36 remaining.

Kansas cut the deficit to 71-67 with 33 seconds left on a 3-pointer by Jerod Haase, who led the Jayhawks with 15 points. During the rally, Oklahoma State missed three of four free throws, including the front end of two 1-and-1s.

Big after Kansas got within four, the Cowboys made eight in a row from the line to seal the victory.

Williams felt his team was impatient on offense and didn't do a good enough job making Reeves work away from the basket.

"When we got it inside, we got it to our players eight feet from the basket," he said. "When they got it inside to Bryant, they got it four feet from the basket. We didn't do as good a job and you have to credit their defense for that."

Oklahoma State won its sixth straight conference game, the first Cowboys team to do that since 1965. They started the year ranked among the Top 25, but fell out of the rankings after losing to Brigham Young and Arizona in the Great Alaska Shootout.

Their other losses have come against Arizona State, Providence, Kansas State and Michigan State, all on the road. They have won six in a row since the one-point loss to No. 7 Michigan State.

"This puts us in a chance to be at a new level," Reeves said. "Winning against a top-ranked team like Kansas and a quality ball club, this gives us something we can build on."

No. 3 Connecticut 91, Pittsburgh 60
The Huskies extended a Big East record with their 16th consecutive regular-season conference victory and also won their 27th straight at home. Ray Allen had 24 points to lead Connecticut (18-1, 11-0), which blew the game open with a 14-0 run early in the second half.

Allen, who was 6-for-9 from 3-point range, had half the points in the run that gave the Huskies a 62-37 lead.

Jaime Peterson led the Panthers (5-15, 1-11) with 16 points.

Top Six



(Courtesy photo)

The Top Six anglers for 1994 in the Top of Texas Bassmasters of Pampa were honored during a recent awards banquet at Pamcel Hall. They are (l-r) Maxine Stauffacher, Joe Millican Mike Young, Billy West, Steve Stauffacher and Roy Alderson.

Scoreboard

PRO BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association At A Glance

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Orlando	29	10	.743	—
New York	29	15	.659	6
Boston	18	27	.400	17 1/2
New Jersey	19	30	.388	18 1/2
Miami	16	29	.356	19 1/2
Philadelphia	14	33	.298	22 1/2
Washington	32	25	.562	23 1/2

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Charlotte	30	16	.652	—
Cleveland	27	18	.600	2 1/2
Indiana	26	18	.591	3
Chicago	23	23	.500	7
Atlanta	21	26	.447	9 1/2
Milwaukee	17	29	.370	13
Detroit	16	28	.364	13

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Utah	34	12	.739	—
San Antonio	29	16	.646	5 1/2
Houston	28	16	.636	5
Denver	20	24	.455	13
Dallas	18	26	.409	15
Minnesota	10	35	.222	23 1/2

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Phoenix	36	10	.783	—
Seattle	32	11	.744	2 1/2
L.A. Lakers	27	16	.628	7 1/2
Sacramento	25	19	.568	10
Portland	24	20	.545	11
Golden State	13	30	.302	21 1/2
L.A. Clippers	7	39	.152	29

Monday's Games

Atlanta 107, Philadelphia 92
New Jersey 101, Detroit 97
Portland 120, Houston 82

Tuesday's Games

Milwaukee at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Denver, 9 p.m.
San Antonio at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Cleveland at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Chicago at Portland, 10 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Golden State at Denver, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Monday's Sports Transactions

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BASEBALL

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

Suspended Darryl Strawberry, San Francisco Giants outfielder, for 60 days for violating major league baseball's drug policy and terms of his aftercare program.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

COLORADO ROCKIES—Named Greg Gross coach at New Haven of the Eastern League; Joe Marchese coach at Asheville of the South Atlantic League; and Scott Greiner trainer at Portland of the Northwest League.

MONTREAL EXPOS

Named Jim Gabelia manager; Butch Hughes pitching coach and Martin Miller trainer at Vermont of the New York-Penn League; and Rock Sofield manager, Mitch Zolensky pitching coach and Luis Dorante coach for the Expos of the Gulf Coast League.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

Terminated the contract of Darryl Strawberry, outfielder.

FRONTIER LEAGUE

Awarded a franchise to Richmond, Ind.

RICHMOND ROOSTERS

Named John Case managing partner; Gary Kitchel vice president and director of sales, marketing and promotions; Tom Cooper director of player personnel; and Darlene Hileman administrative assistant. Signed Stoney Burke and Scott Henson, catchers; D.J. Austin and Ben Neff, pitchers; Doug Bolton, shortstop; and Chris Hanam, outfielder.

NORTHERN LEAGUE

Winnipeg Goldeyes signed Corey Morris, outfielder.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS—Placed Eric Riley, center, on the injured list. Activated Elmore Spencer, center, from the injured list.

PHOENIX SUNS

Activated Antonio Lang, forward, from the injured list.

WASHINGTON BULLETS

Signed Brian Oliver, guard, to a 10-day contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

DENVER BRONCOS—Named Gary Kubiak offensive coordinator; Brian Pantiu tight ends coach; and George Dyer defensive line coach.

MIAMI DOLPHINS

Named Monte Clark offensive line coach.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

Promoted Bobby Griener, director of pro scouting, to director of player personnel.

Arena Football League

FIREBIRDS—Signed Derek Baldwin, wide receiver-defensive back.

IOWA BARNSTORMERS

Named John D. Gregory coach and director of football operations.

MILWAUKEE MUSTANGS

Signed Mike Jefferson and Lee Ford, linemen.

ST. LOUIS STAMPEDE

Signed James Turnage, fullback-linebacker; and Darian Bryant, wide receiver-defensive back.

GOLF

United States Golf Association

USGA—Re-elected Reg Murphy, president, for one year.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

MONTREAL CANADIENS—Activated Ron Tugnutt, goaltender; Sent Martin Brochu, goaltender; to Fredrickson of the American Hockey League.

SAN JOSE SHARKS

Traded Jimmy White, goaltender, to the Chicago Blackhawks for a

GOLF

PGA STATS

PGA TOUR statistical leaders through the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, which ended Feb. 5:

Scoring Leaders

1. David Duval, 69.29; 2. Ben Crenshaw, 69.60; 3. Tom Watson, 69.63; 4. Blaine McCallister, 69.70; 5. Payne Stewart, 69.71; 6. (tie), Mark Calavecchia and Jim Furyk, 69.73; 8. Bruce Lietzke, 69.74; 9. Bill Glasson, 69.82; 10. Tom Purtzer, 69.89.

Driving Leaders

1. John Daly, 282.2; 2. Joe Ozaki, 280.4; 3. Dennis Paulson, 280.0; 4. (tie), Dan Pohl and Bob Tway, 277.6; 6. Vijay Singh, 277.0; 7. Robert Gracie, 276.3; 8. Andy Bean, 275.4; 9. Steve Stricker, 273.5; 10. Woody Austin, 272.0.

Driving Accuracy

1. Bruce Lietzke, 86.4%; 2. Hal Sutton, 84.9%; 3. Mark Carnevale, 82.4%; 4. Rocco Mediate, 82.0%; 5. Tom Watson, 81.1%; 6. Nick Faldo, 80.8%; 7. Loren Roberts, 80.7%; 8. Fred Funk, 80.5%; 9. Doug Tewell, 80.4%; 10. 2 tied with 79.3%.

Greens in Regulation

1. Peter Jacobson, 83.9%; 2. Mark O'Meara, 77.8%; 3. Bart Bryant, 77.3%; 4. (tie), Dave Barr and Dan Pohl, 76.7%; 6. Fred Funk, 76.6%; 7. Tom Purtzer, 76.4%; 8. Scott Simpson, 76.3%; 9. Bobby Watkins, 76.1%; 10. David Duval, 75.0%.

Total Driving

1. Tom Purtzer, 48.2; Tom Watson, 58.3; Fuzzy Zoeller, 63.4; Bob Tway, 65.5; 5. (tie), Dave Barr and Dan Pohl, 76.7%; 6. Fred Funk, 76.6%; 7. Tom Purtzer, 76.4%; 8. Scott Simpson, 76.3%; 9. Bobby Watkins, 76.1%; 10. David Duval, 75.0%.

Birdie Leaders

1. Mark Calavecchia, 73.2; Steve Stricker, 70.3; Jim Furyk, 69.4; (tie), Steve Lowery and Woody Austin, 66.6; Mark Brooks, 63.7; Rick Fehr, 62.8; Tom Lehman, 61.9; Phil Mickelson, 58.1; 2 tied with 57.7.

Sand Saves

1. Jerry Haas, 85.7%; 2. Rocco Mediate, 81.8%; 3. Steve Elkington, 80.0%; 4. Jay Deising, 75.0%; 5. John Huston, 73.7%; 6. Emlyn Aubrey, 73.3%; 7. Bob Estes, 72.7%; 8. (tie), Andrew Magee and Billy Mayfair, 71.0; 10. John Morse, 70.6%.

All Around

1. Tom Purtzer, 196.2; Joe Ozaki, 244.3; Duffy Waldorf, 250.4; David Duval, 255.5; Ben Crenshaw, 269.6; Tom Watson, 278.7; Rick Adams, 279.8; Rocco Mediate, 297.9; Rick Fehr, 300.1; Phil Mickelson, 301.

HOCKEY

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Islanders	4	3	1	9	24	25
Florida	3	5	1	7	20	24
N.Y. Rangers	3	5	1	7	23	21
Tampa Bay	3	5	1	7	25	29
Philadelphia	3	6	1	7	22	31
New Jersey	2	4	2	6	14	20
Washington	2	4	1	5	11	17

Northeast Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	7	0	1	15	36	24
Quebec	7	1	0	14	31	19
Buffalo	5	3	1	11	20	20
Boston	5	2	0	10	20	14
Montreal	3	2	2	8	17	15
Hartford	2	4	2	6	17	18
Ottawa	1	6	2	4	21	30

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	6	2	0	12	39	23
Chicago	6	3	0	12	40	23
Detroit	6	3	0	12	34	21
Toronto	4	4	2	10	31	30
Dallas	3	4	1	7	26	20
Winnipeg	2	5	2	6	27	33

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	5	2	1	11	22	21
Calgary	4	1	1	9	28	26
Anaheim	4	5	0	8	23	38
Edmonton	3	5	0	6	20	33
Los Angeles	2	5	1	5	22	28
Vancouver	1	4	2	4	18	34

Monday's Games

Ottawa 3, Philadelphia 0
Toronto 7, San Jose 3
Winnipeg 5, Calgary 4

Tuesday's Games

Montreal at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Florida at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
San Jose at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at St. Louis, 8:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Vancouver, 10:30 p.m.
Chicago at Anaheim, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Quebec at Hartford, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Winnipeg at Edmonton, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Quebec at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at N.Y. Islanders, 7:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Florida at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.
Anheim at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.
Winnipeg at Vancouver, 10:30 p.m.

Girls 6 on six basketball is coming to an end

By DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press Writer

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — The end is coming earlier than expected, certainly sooner than Oklahoma coach Steve Freeman would like.

The last 6-on-6 girls basketball game in Oklahoma — or in the nation, for that matter — will be played March 11 at the state tournament in Oklahoma City.

"Maybe I'm a nostalgic type of person, but I think it's a great game," Freeman said. "A piece of history is being lost. I'm not negative against change, but some things are worth keeping around."

The days of 6-on-6 already were numbered. The Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association voted last summer to make all high schools play the conventional 5-on-5 game, starting with the 1996-97 season.

But the OSSAA sent surveys out in the fall to the 290 schools that play 6-on-6, trying to get an idea how many wanted to make the switch early.

Schools were told in December how other 6-on-6 programs were leaning, and the OSSAA asked them again to indicate their preference by Feb. 1. Of 262 6-on-6 schools that

returned their questionnaires, all but one — Okemah — voted for change a year early.

"There's a lot of sadness, but everyone realizes that change is inevitable and we might as well do it and get it over with," said Bill Self, executive secretary of the OSSAA.

The argument to ditch 6-on-6, where three guards stay on one side of the court to play defense and three forwards keep on the other half to play offense, was mainly to keep in sync with the rest of the nation.

Oklahoma is the last state to play 6-on-6, after Iowa made the switch to 5-on-5 last year.

As more teams continued to switch to 5-on-5, scheduling became difficult and travel extensive for the remaining 6-on-6 teams, which are in Classes 3A, 2A, A and B. Class 3A has only 30 schools still playing 6-on-6, and Self said some junior high teams had to travel 100 miles one way for a game.

Freeman, in his 12th year as a head coach, acknowledges the travel and scheduling problems, but he's not going down without his own argument.

"We've seen it coming, but my problem is we were forced to do something we didn't want to do," he

said. "When other schools went to 5-on-5 two years ago, we didn't begrudge them their choice. I just feel like we were denied the option to play the game of our choice."

"This is a better high school game for girls."

Even Self, who recommended to the OSSAA board in 1993 and 1994 that the state play only 5-on-5, will miss the game. He won a state championship in 1965 with a Morris girls team that played 6-on-6.

"It was the toughest recommendation I ever made to the board," Self said. "Rural areas have had it since 1919. Players, coaches and fans love it, simply because it is a great game."

To send it out in style, the OSSAA is offering \$1 student tickets to the semifinals and finals of the state tournament March 3-4 and March 10-11 at the State Fairgrounds.

"We're going to try to fill up the place and recognize this great game we've had for many years," he said. Freeman, whose team is 14-5, would like to be there.

"It's not something I've emphasized to the kids, but personally I'd love to be a part of the last team to play in the last 6-on-6 game in Oklahoma. I love the game. I really do."

8th graders down Dumas

PAMPA — Pampa 8th grade boys defeated Dumas, 49-42, in middle school basketball action Monday.

Kyle Gamblin was high scorer for Pampa with 19 points, followed by Shawn Young 10.

Dumas won the B game, 45-38. Jose Gutierrez had 14 points for Pampa while Joel Bolz added 8.

In the 7th grade division, Pampa defeated Dumas, 44-41, in the A game.

Jason Hall and Jeremy Silva had 9 and 8 points respectively to lead Pampa scoring.

Dumas won the B game, 38-36. High scorer for Pampa was Greg Lindsey with 9 points. Matt Heasley followed with 6.

The Pampa 8th graders are entered in a tournament Thursday and Saturday in Dumas.

The Pampa teams finish the season next Monday at Canyon.

Winners listed in Super Shootout

PAMPA — Winners in the Super Shootout held last weekend in the Lamar Elementary School gym are listed below.

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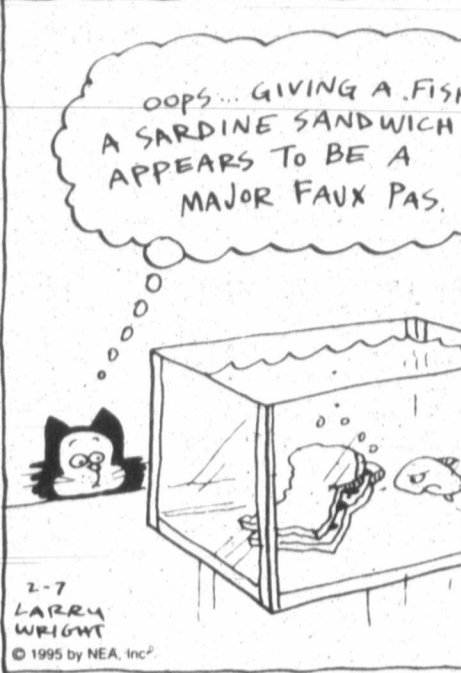
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4 Con-densed moieties
5 Anger
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7 Actress
8 Like (suff.)
9 Regretted
10 Goddess of earth
11 Reward
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48 - Moines

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Discovery crew releases satellite after rendezvous

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — One commander likened the moment to "a fairy tale." His counterpart repeated "beautiful" over and over. It was a spectacle: two 100-ton spaceships, flying only 37 feet apart at 17,500 mph.

"Unbelievable," Discovery commander James Wetherbee said as the shuttle and the Russian space station Mir participated in a 245-mile-high orbital ballet worthy of 2001: A Space Odyssey.

"It's a beautiful sight. It's a great world," he said.

Crew members were still talking about the rendezvous early today after Mission Control awoke them with "The Blue Danube," a Strauss waltz played in the 1968 science fiction film. By that time, they were 52 miles away from Mir.

"When we saw the Mir up here, it sure felt like we needed that music in the background," said shuttle pilot Eileen Collins.

The close encounter almost didn't

happen. Russian space officials waited until three hours before the rendezvous before deciding to allow the maneuver. They feared that fuel leaking from a Discovery tail jet might damage the station, but agreed to let the shuttle approach if the troublesome jet was shut off.

The dramatic space meeting now history, crew members returned to less momentous tasks, tending to experiments in the shuttle science laboratory and releasing a 2,800-pound astronomy satellite.

Russian cosmonaut Vladimir Titov hoisted the boxy red satellite and an ultraviolet telescope it contains from the cargo bay with the 50-foot shuttle crane. He held the craft high and let it go as the spaceship backed away.

The telescope will spend the next two days collecting ultraviolet light from neighboring galaxies for clues on the formation of new stars. The crew is to pick it back up Thursday for the ride home.

Monday's rendezvous, the first between U.S. and Russian spacecraft since the 1975 Apollo-Soyuz docking, was a rehearsal for the first shuttle-space station docking in June. This time, Discovery and Mir hovered between 37 and 44 feet apart.

"We are bringing our spaceships closer together. We are bringing our nations closer together," Wetherbee said at the moment of closest approach.

Mir commander Alexander Vikorenko said it was "almost like a fairy tale ... almost too good to be true."

Three Mir cosmonauts and six shuttle crew members took pictures, chatted via radio and waved enthusiastically from windows during the three-hour rendezvous.

"It's the most beautiful thing I've ever seen in space," Wetherbee said. One of the Mir crew broke from Russian to English and echoed, "Beautiful, beautiful."

Discovery's eight-day flight is to end Saturday. In addition to the satellite retrieval, the crew also has a spacewalk still on its schedule.

"While this has been a very invigorating exercise and taken a lot of energy up to this point, there is still a long way to go on this flight and a lot of work to be done yet," said flight director Phil Engelauf.

It's doubtful, however, that anything else on this flight could match the spectacular images beamed from space Monday. Some showed parts of both Discovery and Mir with a backdrop of blue-and-white Earth.

"Just a few years ago we were pointing missiles across the ocean at each other," said NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin. "And just 15 minutes ago, I saw a Russian cosmonaut sitting in the cockpit of the shuttle Discovery waving to the cosmonauts on the Mir station."

"If this isn't a change in the approach to the world I don't know what is," he said.

'Free Willy' whale heads to Oregon

MEXICO CITY (AP) — This time he has a reason to leap.

Keiko, the killer whale made famous by the film *Free Willy*, is heading toward a new home in Oregon and eventual freedom, his owners announced Monday.

The Reino Aventura amusement park where Keiko has lived for the past decade signed an agreement donating the 3.5-ton mammal to the Free Willy-Keiko Foundation, which plans to eventually free him in waters off Iceland after a rehabilitation period at the Oregon Coast Aquarium in Newport.

The amusement park said the 15-year-old whale, captured off Iceland at age 2, has performed for some 12 million visitors over the past 10 years. Efforts to free him have been under way since the Warner Bros. film was released in 1993.

"Keiko will be the only captive orca whale that doesn't have to do shows or perform," David Phillips,

director of the foundation, said at a news conference Monday.

The foundation plans to move him in November.

In many ways, Keiko is like a typical human teenager — he's got skin problems, has grown (to 21 feet), and now wants a girlfriend.

"He requires more space, different conditions and also a companion," said Oscar Porter, director of Reino Aventura.

Porter said the park had "received letters and proposals of aid from all over the world." He said it waited until receiving "an absolute guarantee" that conditions in the killer whale's new home would be adequate.

Phillips said the entire project will cost more than \$9 million over four years and include Keiko's "relocation, rehabilitation, possible mating, possible liberation and investigations into the whereabouts of the family of Keiko."

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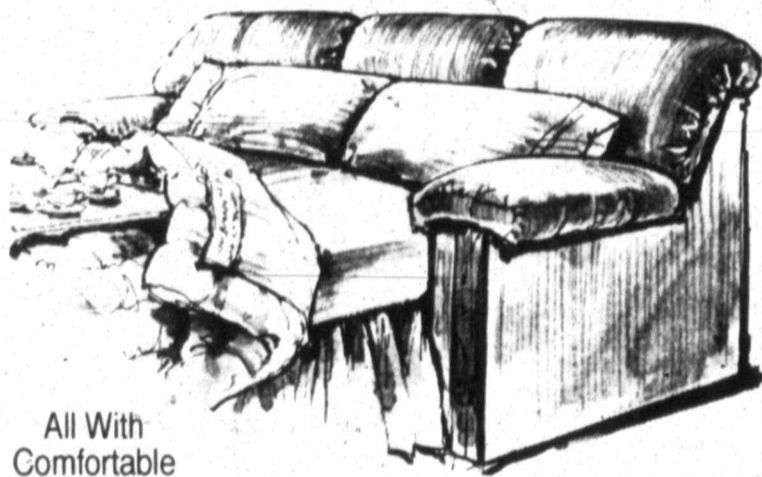
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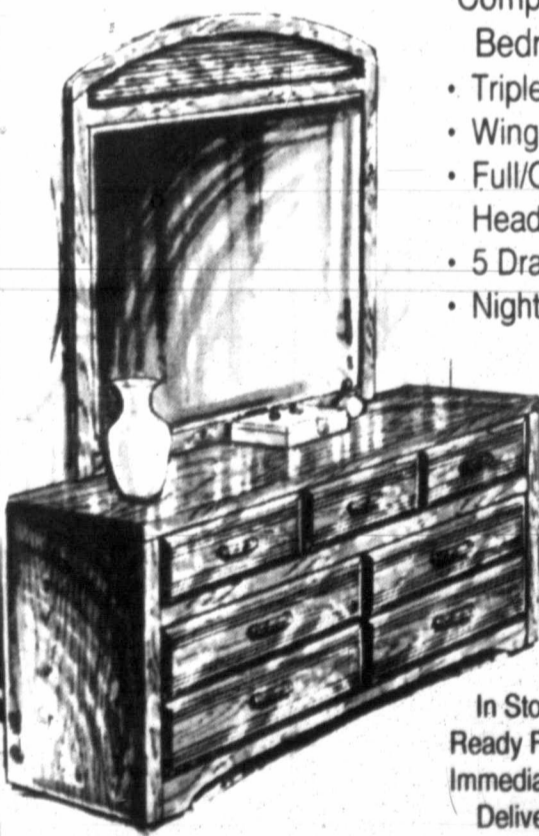
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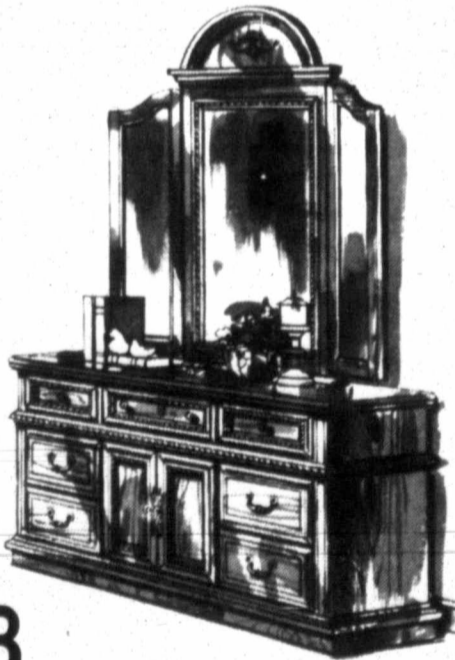
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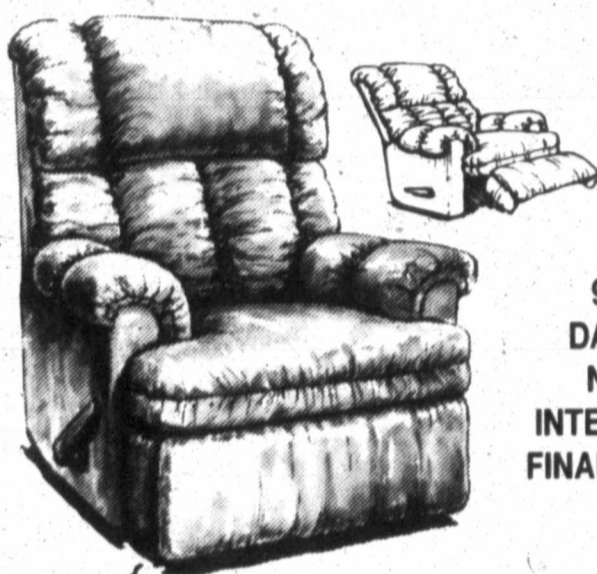
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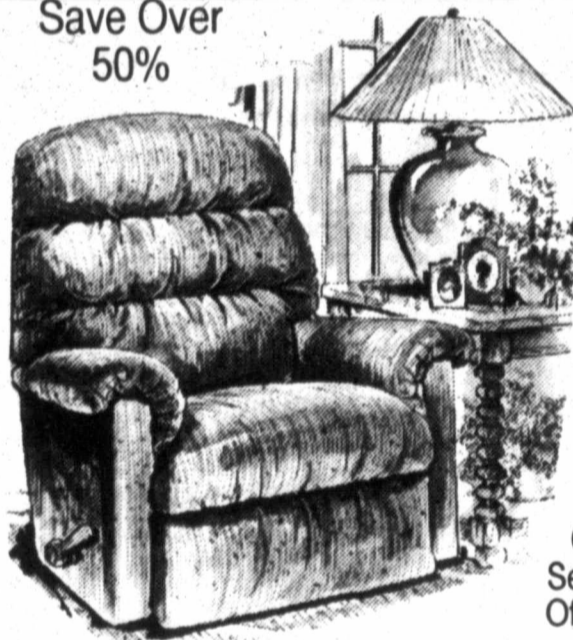
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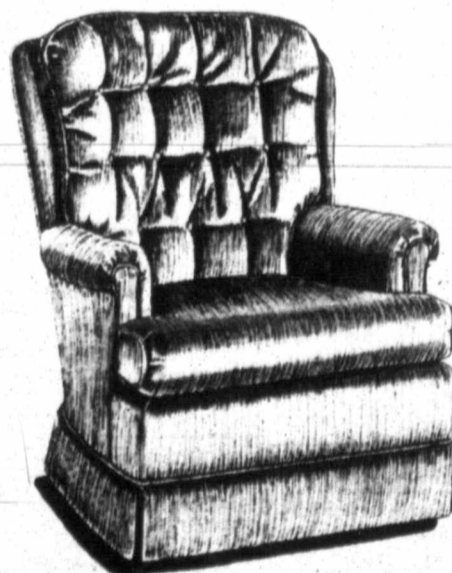
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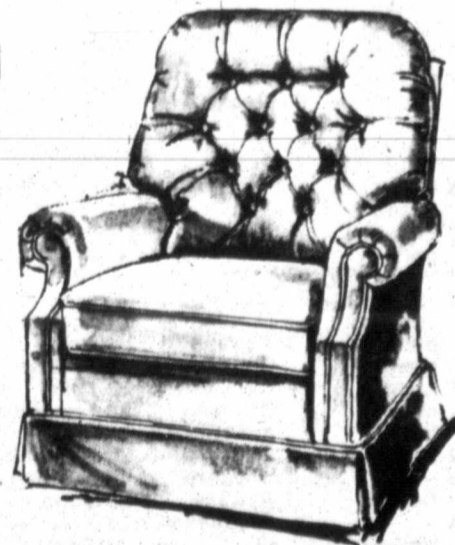
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