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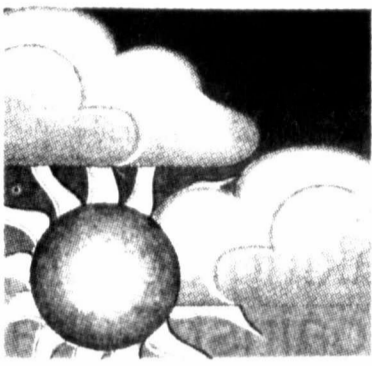
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weather details.

**PAMPA** — A Pampa man is in Gray County jail today on \$250,000 bond after being charged with aggravated kidnapping.

Charlie Broadbent, 38, 1116 E. Browning, was charged with kidnapping his ex-wife about 9:30 a.m. Sunday from her Graham Street home.

Police officials say Broadbent took Sheila Louise Broadbent, 40, to McLean against her will.

They returned to Pampa shortly after noon. Mrs. Broadbent reported scratches but no serious injuries, according to Cpl. Donny Brown.

Mr. Broadbent was taken into custody at the 436 Graham and later transferred to county jail.

Brown explained Mrs. Broadbent's purse was discovered at Barnard and Tignor after it fell out of the car where she was held by Mr. Broadbent.

The purse was found by a citizen and turned into police. Mrs. Broadbent's cousin, who was coincidentally at the police station, told officers it was suspicious that the purse was found on the street, said Brown.

Officers proceeded to Mrs. Broadbent's home at her cousin's request and waited until the Broadbents returned.

**AUSTIN (AP)** — Two tickets bought in Fort Worth at Ramey's Market and in Houston correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$4 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 3, 7, 21, 22, 33 and 40.

There were 161 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth \$1,023. There were 8,094 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning \$73.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be \$4 million.

**HENRIETTA (AP)** — A squirrel is being blamed for a seven-hour power outage in this North Texas town.

Authorities say the squirrel stepped on two electric lines at the city's sub-station about 11:15 a.m. Sunday. It knocked out the power for about seven hours.

In fact, electricity was cut off to most customers of the Jack-Archer-Clay Electrical Co-op covering the southern part of Clay County.

Alternate electricity was made available to some customers after about two hours.

The city's hospital, a nursing home and the Henrietta Fire Department used power from emergency backup systems.

Power was finally restored about 6:30 p.m.

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## Agency office to offer aid for abused youth

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS  
News Editor

The Bridge, a non-profit agency linking law enforcement, prosecutors and child welfare agencies on behalf of abused youth, has opened an office in Pampa.

"We advocate for children who are caught up in the investigative process of child abuse," explained Larry Barnes, executive director of The Bridge.

The agency, temporarily located in First United Methodist Church, offers services which include a videotape interview service for children who may have been the object of abuse and sponsorship of a case review team to study child abuse reports and determine a plan of action.

Sandy Carr of Miami will serve as facilitator for the Pampa office and conduct interviews with children for the 31st, 223rd and 100th Judicial Districts.

Carr explained her job is to let a child who may have already been victimized have to tell his story only once. The interview is taped and used by law enforcement for evidence in what may become a criminal case, she explained.

"What we are trained to do ... is create a comfortable atmosphere for them, not to victimize, not to lead children, so questions can be used by law enforcement," Carr explained.

"Our point is, we're a neutral organization. We want to simply say, 'What is truth?'" Barnes continued.

Carr began with The Bridge on Jan. 1. She spent the last two months in training.

The case review team meets twice months and typically considers more thorny investigations and reports. They began meeting in May 1995 under Barnes' leadership.

A local advisory board comprised of County Judge Richard Peet, Pampa Schools Assistant Superintendent Jane Steele, Coronado Hospital Administrator Bill O'Brien, Juvenile Probation Officer Garland Allen, Duane Harp and Marie Hoepfner oversee local operations and assist the team.

The Bridge has memorandums of agreement with Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, Gray County attorney and district attorney's offices, the county judge's office, Pampa

Police Department and Gray County Sheriff's Office.

The memorandums say the agency is in harmony with the concept and philosophy of The Bridge and yields an inside track when working with an investigating agency.

According to Barnes, 17,500 of 108,000 Panhandle children ages newborn to 18 are at risk for physical or sexual abuse or neglect.

In 1994, DPRS and/or law enforcement investigated 141 incidents of suspected child abuse, Barnes said.

Statistics for 1995 are not complete, he said.

Gray County's greatest need in the fight against child abuse is improved reporting, Barnes said.

"I would say our greatest need would be for people in the community to regain trust in the system and begin reporting what is in the community," said Barnes.

Some people fear more abuse by the system than at the hands of perpetrators, Barnes said.

The Bridge is seven years old and uses a multidisciplinary approach to case review. It is the first Texas agency to use the approach.

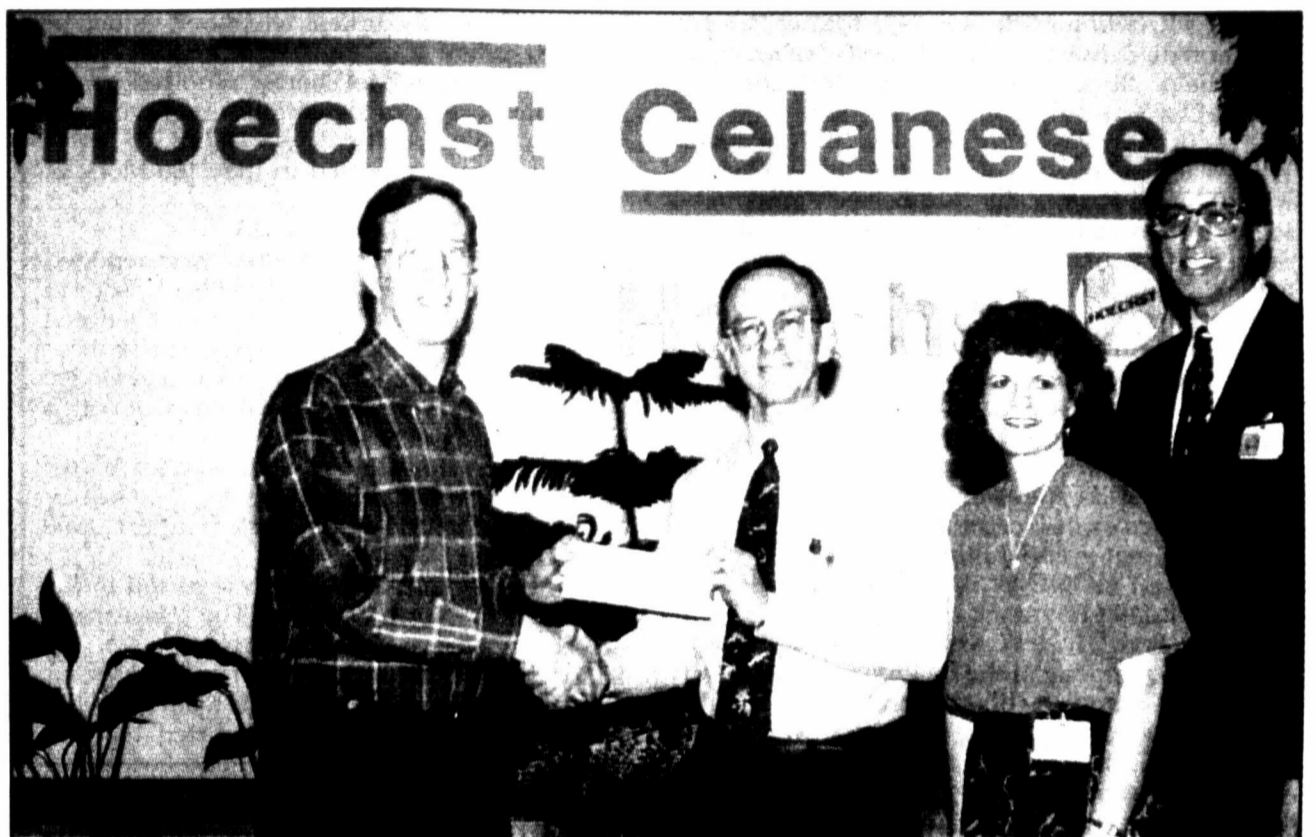
Multidisciplinary review utilizes agencies of differing approaches and skills to look at child abuse. Barnes explained the method was studied by the University of California at Los Angeles, which discovered increased conviction rates due to higher quality of evidence, lessened investigation time and reduction of trauma to the child.

"That's the one thing we're most proud of," Barnes said.

Funding for the local office comes from Amarillo contributors, he said.

"We're hoping this year to shift that to the local communities," explained Barnes.

Serving on the case review team are Marvella Collins, Diana Bartlett and Susan Timmons of DPRS; District Attorney John Mann, Assistant District Attorney Tracey Jennings and office Investigator Bill McMinn; County Attorney Todd Alvey; Det. Bracie King of Pampa Police Department; Sheriff Randy Stubblefield, Lt. Jess Wallace and Deputy Steven Lewis of Gray County Sheriff's Office; Sana Alexander and Linda Town of Tracee Crisis Center; and Janet Watts of Court Appointed Special Advocate.



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Hoechst Celanese Human Resources/Process Safety Manager Jack McCavit, left, presents a \$10,000 check to Pampa Independent School District Technology Coordinator Lee Carter, Pampa Middle School teacher Suzie Jameson and middle school Principal Tim Powers. The money will be used to furnish an Internet web server at Pampa Middle School which will allow the school to provide information about the district to Internet accessors across the world. Internet access in the schools is just one aspect of the district's technology plan.

## Pampa public schools prepare to connect with Internet access

*Editor's note: This is the second in a week-long series of articles on programs in Pampa's public schools in recognition of Texas Public Schools Week.*

By CHIP CHANDLER  
Staff Writer

"For any student to be able to sit there in their class and be able to listen to the president's own words inviting them to take a pictorial tour of the White House just wouldn't happen to all of them," says Pampa schools' cyberwizard Lee Carter.

"We have kids who rarely even make a trip out of state, much less a trip to Washington, D.C. [With Internet access] they can go wherever they want, whenever they want."

Pampa Independent School District will soon tap into the vast collection of resources available through the Internet, through grants from the state's technology allotment for schools and locally through Hoechst Celanese Chemical Group.

"The district is going to get a direct connection to the Internet this spring. We'll establish a web server with Celanese's money.

[With that] people everywhere ... can log on to our location and look at information Pampa ISD faculty and students have posted there," Carter said.

Celanese recently donated \$10,000 to the school district to help pay for that server.

"Students and ... teachers will also have direct access to the Internet," he continued.

Direct access will come through a T-1 line, a techno-term for a high-speed data line that supports Internet access for up to 200-250 people simultaneously.

By the end of the school year, Carter said, the Net should hit middle school. Sometime after that, high school students and faculty will be able to log on in their school, followed by elementary schools as they express desire to hook up.

"There are very few schools with a district connection to the Internet, so it's sort of new territory," he said.

To help local teachers navigate through that new territory, Carter plans staff development workshops this summer.

Carter spoke about the district's planned expeditions onto the information superhighway

in an interview in his office at Lamar Elementary School last week. The office is crowded with 3.5-inch diskettes, extension cords and other evidences of Carter's fascination with technology.

Carter is the district's official technology coordinator, responsible for the Internet forays as well as a number of other computer projects across the district.

Pampa teachers have written a number of grant proposals, requests that have resulted in multimedia computers in the middle school library, a variety of computers and multimedia technology for Sherry Seabourn's high school history classes and a number of other projects.

In Seabourn's class, students will soon be able to develop research projects, consisting of massive multimedia links instead of traditional posters or dioramas.

Seabourn said students will use a program called Hyper Studio that will allow them to import text, still photos, video clips and laser disc images onto their document.

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## Tether breaks, satellite lost in space

**SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP)** — A half-ton metal satellite and its 12-mile leash snaked through orbit free of shuttle Columbia today after breaking loose without warning and drifting into space.

The electricity-generating experiment ended abruptly Sunday night, five hours after it began, with an urgent message from astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman.

"The tether has broken at the boom! The tether has broken! It is going away from us!" he told Mission Control.

Ground controllers verified after a few anxious moments that the satellite and its 12.2 miles of dangling cord, resembling a long, spiraling french fry, posed no danger to the seven astronauts.

Although relieved the crew was safe, American and Italian researchers who had poured years into the tethered satellite system were crushed.

"There is ... intense disappointment," NASA mission scientist Nobie Stone said today.

No evasive action was needed by the shuttle pilots. The satellite and tether were more than 18 miles away from Columbia within minutes after the break and hundreds of miles away within hours. The satellite eventually will burn up in the Earth's atmosphere.

The slender cord, one-tenth of an inch thick and resembling a boot lace, was supposed to be unreeled to a distance of 128 miles. It was nearly to that point when the break

occurred inside a 40-foot tower in the shuttle cargo bay.

If the cord had snapped higher up, the portion remaining attached to Columbia might have gone out of control and possibly even wrapped around the shuttle.

Astronauts later said the tether appeared frayed and stripped and noted that its nylon and Teflon outer coating looked to be charred and melted. The satellite and cord were generating about 3,500 volts of electricity as they swept through Earth's magnetic field.

NASA officials refused to speculate on what might have gone wrong but promised to find out. All data was ordered impounded.

## Pampa city commissioners to meet Tuesday

Pampa city commissioners are to meet at 4 p.m. in work session and 6 p.m. Tuesday in regular session to consider a light agenda and an executive session.

During the work session which meets in the third floor conference room of City Hall, commissioners will discuss the history of the city's alley clean up program and continuing operational problems.

Other projects to be reviewed include the dumpster replacement project, polycart trash collection system scheduled for later this year and expansion of solid waste collection outside the city limits.

A review of the street improvement project also is planned.

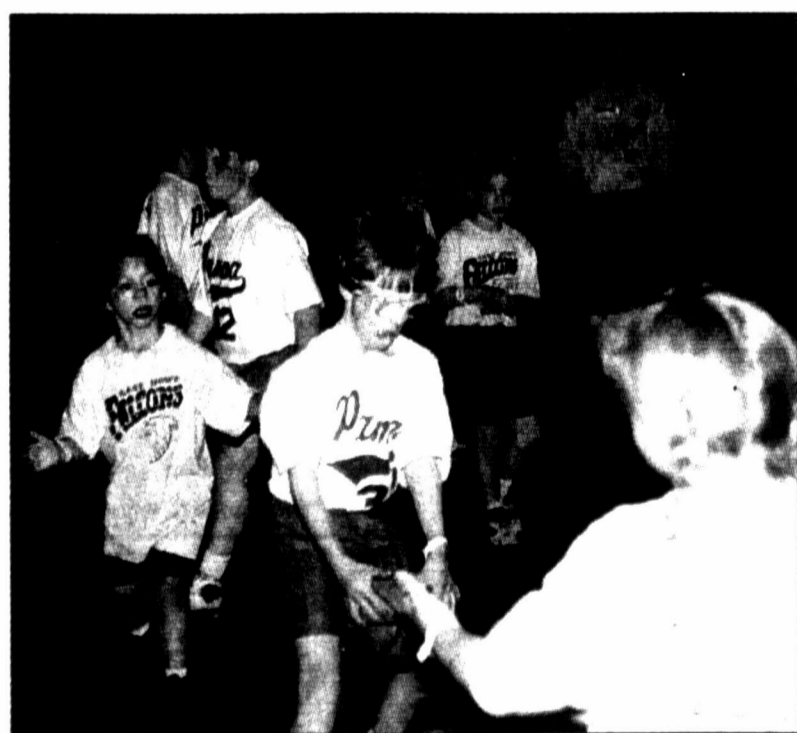
During the regular meeting in commission chambers, the group will award the bid for a pothole patching truck and consider

appointments of three persons to the Cable Advisory Board.

The commission plans to designate March as Fair Housing Month in Pampa.

In executive session, the commission will consider an appointment to Pampa Economic Development Corporation following Ernest Ramirez's resignation and continue the city manager performance review.

## Special Olympics winners



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

The Pampa Little Harvesters were named winners in Division One finals of the Special Olympics basketball tournament after winning the final round against the Gene Howe Falcons Saturday afternoon in Austin Elementary School gym, 20-12. The Falcons placed second in the division. Teams from Amarillo, Borger, Canyon, Hereford, Perryton and Pampa played Saturday, with traditional and unified teams competing. About 300 athletes attended the tournament.

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**NOBLE**, Ira Benjamin — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Sanford.

**RHODES**, Elouise — Graveside services, 3 p.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

## Obituaries

### LORENE BROWN

**ELECTRA** - Lorene Brown, 84, a former Pampa resident, died Tuesday, Feb. 20, 1996. No services were held. Burial was under the direction of Totten-Day Funeral Home.

Mrs. Brown was born Feb. 13, 1912, at Iowa Park. She had resided in Electra for two years, moving from Pampa. She had been a Pampa resident for 40 years. She was a member of the Southside Church of Christ in Electra. She was active in the Annie Powell Senior Citizens Center at Electra.

She was preceded in death by her husband, J.A. Brown, in 1977.

Survivors include a son, Clint Cooper of Williston, N.D.; two stepsons, Eddie H. Brown of Geary, Okla., and Lee Brown of Pampa; a step-daughter, Wanda Anthony of Fargo, N.D.; a sister, Lida Beasley of Electra; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

### RAYMOND W. HARRAH JR.

**AMARILLO** - Raymond W. Harrah Jr., 71, died Saturday, Feb. 24, 1996. Memorial services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon • Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors with the Rev. Charles Waugh, of Westview Christian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Mausoleum.

Mr. Harrah was born at Pampa. He graduated from Kemper Military Academy in 1941 and served in the U.S. Army from 1942-45. He served with the 34th Infantry Division and participated in the landings at Anzio. He also served in the Philippines. He attended the University of Texas, and after World War II he farmed and ranched west of Pampa. He married Marie Piascik in 1953 at Dallas. He was the credit manager for Glidden Paint Company, retiring in 1981. He moved to Dallas then to Amarillo in 1984.

Survivors include his wife, Marie; a daughter, Leslie Fowler of Amarillo; and three grandchildren.

The family will be at 3419 Gladstone Lane in Amarillo and requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

The body will not be available for viewing.

### IRA BENJAMIN NOBLE

**SANFORD** - Ira Benjamin Noble, 89, a former Skellytown resident, died Sunday, Feb. 25, 1996. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Memory Gardens Cemetery with Dwight Noble, grandson, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.

Mr. Noble moved to the Texas Panhandle in 1925 working as a rig builder. He married Edith Luellen Hutchinson in 1930. He lived and raised his family in Skellytown. He was a member of the Odd Fellows in Skellytown. He moved to Sanford in 1970. He was a member of the Baptist church. He retired from Texas Sulphur in 1980.

He was preceded in death by a son, Jimmy Wayne Noble, in 1933.

Survivors include his wife, Edith; four sons, J. Ethan Noble of Lubbock, Benny E. Noble of Stinnett, Carroll D. Noble of Moore, Okla., and Travis G. Noble of Miami; a sister, Alice M. Snodgrass of Pampa; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Hospice of the Panhandle, 300 S. McGee, Borger, TX 79007.

### ELOUISE RHODES

**AUSTIN** - Elouise Rhodes, 80, died Saturday, Feb. 24, 1996. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa. Arrangements are under the direction of Beck Funeral Home of Austin.

Mrs. Rhodes had been a Borger resident and had lived in Whitney. She moved from Borger to Austin six years ago.

Survivors include two sons and two daughters-in-law, Scott and Linda Terry of Leander, Texas, and Billy Clyde and Betty Terry of Borger; seven grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

## Calendar of events

### TOASTMASTERS

Smooth Talkers and Knee Knockers Toastmasters Club meets 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the dining room of Coronado Inn. For more information, call Daniel Silva at 669-6351 or Vernell Houska at 669-7402.

### CLEAN AIR AL-ANON

Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-3988.

### TOP O' TEXAS REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

Richard J. Roach, county attorney for Roberts County and Republican candidate for district attorney, will be the guest speaker at the Top O' Texas Republican Women's Club's covered-dish luncheon meeting at 11:45 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, at Republican Headquarters, first floor, Hughes Building. Guests are welcome to attend. For more information, call Marilyn Lewis at 669-7290.

## Police report

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

### SATURDAY, Feb. 24

Johnson's Home Furnishings, 801 W. Francis, reported hindering a secured creditor at 12:30 p.m. Saturday.

Burglary was reported in the 900 block of Twiford which occurred between 11 p.m. Friday and 3 p.m. Saturday. A video cassette recorder valued at \$200 and cordless telephone valued at \$100 were stolen.

Officer Dunnigan McWhorter reported someone evading arrest or detention - fugitive from justice at 11:56 p.m. Saturday.

A runaway was reported in the 2100 block of Williston at 5:30 a.m. Saturday.

### SUNDAY, Feb. 25

Two episodes of criminal mischief were reported in the 1500 block of Williston and another episode in the 1600 block of Williston. They occurred between Saturday evening or night and were reported about 1 a.m. Sunday. A Suburban, Ford pickup and Dodge Ram Charger were damaged. Each was shot with a suspected pellet gun or slingshot.

Criminal mischief to a 1981 Chevrolet Blazer was reported on Banks Street.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1800 block of Coffee.

Domestic violence assault was reported in the 1000 block of North Sumner. The 24-year-old man reported bruises to the left ear.

Kidnapping was reported at Barnard and Tignor at 9:30 a.m. Sunday by 40-year-old woman.

Harboring a runaway was reported to have occurred in the 1200 block of Finley between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday.

### Arrests

#### SATURDAY, Feb. 24

Bobby Ladell Dorsey, 33, 1000 S. Huff Rd., was arrested in the 500 block of Harlem on a charge of violation of probation and a charge of evading arrest. He was taken to Gray County jail. His bond on the evading charge is \$2,000. There is no bond on violation of probation.

#### SUNDAY, Feb. 25

Ray Howard Vance, 24, 1031 N. Sumner, was arrested on a charge of domestic violence assault. He was released on bond.

Charlie Edward Broadbent, 38, 1116 E. Browning, was arrested on a charge of aggravated kidnapping. He was booked into Gray County jail. His bond is \$250,000.

## Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents and arrests in the 40-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

### SUNDAY, Feb. 25

Information was received on a burglary in the 200 block of Foster.

Information on a burglary was received in the 300 block of Baer.

Allsup's, Price Road and Texas 152, reported theft.

### Arrest

#### SATURDAY, Feb. 24

Orvis Justin Davis, 73, Raydon, Okla., was arrested on a charge of having no driver's license, failure to dim headlights, two capias pro fine warrants and failure to appear. His fines total \$570 on the capias pro fine warrants and failure to appear.

## Stocks

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

Wheat	5.00	Chevron	57	dn 1/4
Milo	6.40	Coca-Cola	81 3/4	dn 1/8
Corn	6.96	Columbia/HCA	55 5/8	dn 3/4
		Diamond Sham	31 3/8	dn 5/8
		Enron	39	NC
		Halliburton	55 3/8	dn 3/8
		Ingersoll Rand	41 1/2	dn 3/8
		KNE	30 5/8	up 3/8
		Kerr-McGee	61 1/8	up 1/8
		Limited	17 3/8	NC
		Mapco	56 1/2	dn 1/8
		McDonald's	50 1/4	dn 1/4
		Mobil	112 7/8	dn 1 1/8
		New Atmos	22 7/8	up 1/8
		Parker & Parsley	21 3/4	up 1/8
		Penney's	47 3/4	dn 5/8
		Phillips	35 1/4	NC
		SLB	74 5/8	up 1/8
		SPS	32 5/8	dn 1/8
		Tenneco	55 1/8	dn 5/8
		Texasco	81 3/8	dn 1/4
		Wal-Mart	22	dn 1/4
		New York Gold	399.00	911
		Arco	113 3/8	dn 5/8
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The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

Nowscow	13 1/4	NC
Occidental	23 3/4	dn 1/8

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

Magellan	88.02
Puritan	17.69

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

Amoco	70 1/2	dn 1/2
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## Fires

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

### SATURDAY, Feb. 24

6:46 p.m. - Three units and four personnel responded to the 1300 block of South Barnes on a controlled burn.

### SUNDAY, Feb. 25

3:04 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to the 200 block of North Crest on a false alarm.

3:12 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to 116 S. Faulkner on smoke removal.

## Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700

## Clinton makes FEMA part of his Cabinet

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton made the Federal Emergency Management Agency part of his Cabinet today, attributing the move to an unusually high number of disasters in recent years.

Clinton announced the upgrade to FEMA, which means

director James Lee Witt becomes FEMA secretary, during a telephone call to a conference of disaster relief workers.

The president said Cabinet status was necessary because floods, blizzards and wildfires the nation has experienced in the past six weeks far exceed the number of

disasters "at this same period in the past 20 years."

Those came while FEMA was still busy with earlier disasters: the Midwest floods of 1993, earthquakes in Northridge, Calif., hurricanes Opal and Marilyn and the Oklahoma City bombing.

## Wright seeks re-election as county commissioner

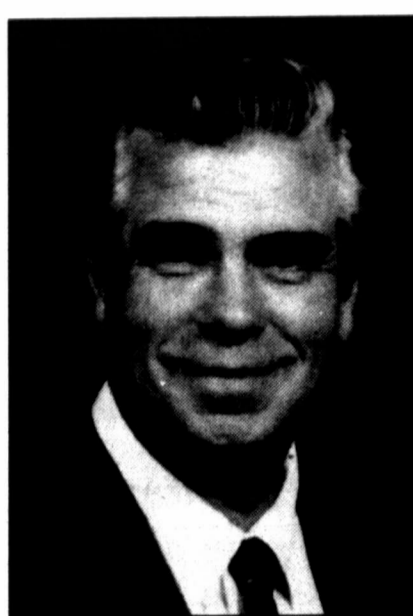
Gerald Wright, Gray County commissioner for Precinct 3, announced he will seek a fourth term of office on the Republican ticket.

He was first elected to office in 1994. Wright feels the Gray County road system is one of the best in Texas and has made maintenance and upgrading of these roads an ongoing priority.

"My mission is to meet the needs of our citizens and to find solutions that are of benefit to local residents and to all Texans," he said.

Wright is a member of the Gray County Historical Society, Texas Association of County Judges and Commissioners, and the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce.

He was appointed by the com-



Gerald Wright

missioners court to serve on the White Deer Land Museum board of directors.

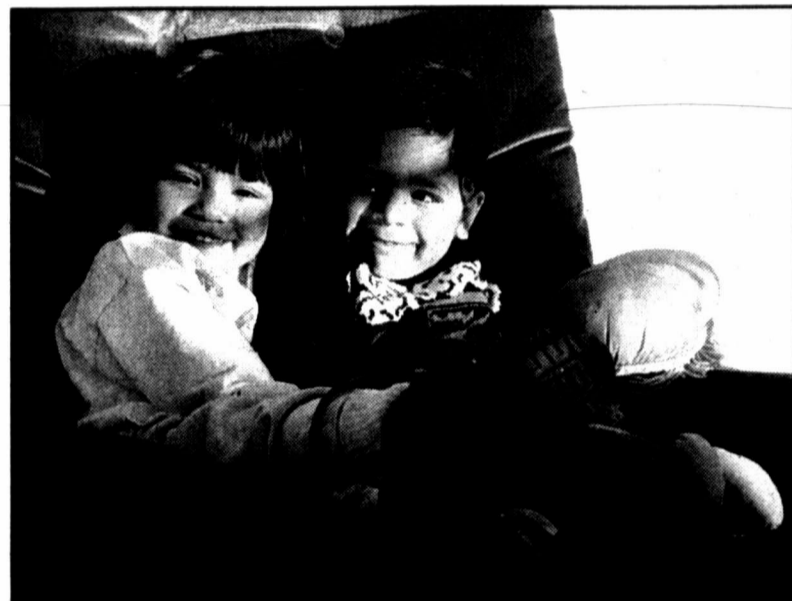
He has been safety director of Gray County for 10 years, during which time Gray County has won seven safety awards from Texas Association of Counties.

Wright has spent the past 11 years working with the U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Congress for the restoration of Lake McClellan and served as president of Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. for four years.

He is married to Charlene Wright and they are the parents of two sons, Wade and Kerry. They are members of Fellowship Baptist Church.

Wright is employed by Cabot Corporation as an operator.

## Just relaxing



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

While the adults take the chance to check out items at a recent garage sale on Craven Street, these two youngsters decide they would rather sit back and relax in a chair. The two kids are Liceth Calvera, 4, and cousin Alexander Resendiz, 3.

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## Internet

For example, if a student was doing a project on World War II, people viewing it would be able to click different "hot spots" and see photos of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, news reel footage of actual battles in progress and newspaper text from VE Day.

One potential project is the expansion of Travis Elementary School's Accelerated Reading Program to allow for one computer in each classroom so students can test easier.

In the reading program, students read a book and test for their comprehension on a computer in the library.

The program is so popular with students, however, that the library is bottlenecked with eager children wanting to

test, according to Carter and Travis resource teacher Susan Ferguson.

"There's too many kids in the library and they're testing all day long. 'When can I take a test?' are their first words when they walk through the front door," Ferguson said.

The projects are the results of the district's commitment to technology through the development of technology plans.

In February, the school board adopted a resolution for Carter to write a district technology plan per state requirements. Such a plan is already in place, but Carter will update it soon.

"Over the years, things have changed in technology a lot. It's hard to keep up with. Equipment gets out of date more and more quickly. That's why the plan is so important," he said.

## Weather focus

### LOCAL FORECAST

Partly cloudy and colder tonight with a low in the mid 20s. North winds 10-20 mph. Tuesday, partly cloudy with cooler air. A high in the mid 40s with north winds 10-20 mph. Sunday's high was 69; the overnight low was 50.

### REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, considerable cloudiness and colder. Lows near 20 to mid 20s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy and cold with flurries or drizzle possible. Highs in upper 30s north and 40 to 45 south. South Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy and turning colder. Lows in low to mid 30s. Tuesday, becoming mostly cloudy. Colder with highs in the 40s to near 50.

North Texas - Tonight, mostly cloudy. A chance of thunder-

storms north and northeast. Lows 50 west to 63 southeast. Tuesday, mostly cloudy and cooler with a chance of rain and thunderstorms. Highs 60 north to 78 southeast.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, cloudy with widely scattered showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 60s south central, 50s Hill Country. Tuesday, cloudy with widely scattered showers. Highs near 80. Upper Coast: Tonight, cloudy with areas of fog. Widely scattered light rain or showers. Lows in the 60s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy and windy with widely scattered showers or thunderstorms. Highs near 80 inland, 70s coast. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, cloudy. Lows in the 60s to near 70. Tuesday, mostly cloudy and breezy. Highs in the 80s inland to 70s coast.

### BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight, mostly cloudy and colder northwest with scattered snow showers. Fair to partly cloudy and colder southeast. Lows from near 10 to 20s mountains and north, mid 20s to 30s lower elevations south. Tuesday, variable cloudiness northwest with a chance for mainly snow showers. Skies fair to partly cloudy southeast. Cooler west Tuesday and colder east. Highs 30s and 40s mountains and north, upper 40s to near 60s lowlands south.

Oklahoma - Tonight, partly mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows from mid 20s northwest to mid 50s southeast. Tuesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of light snow northern regions and light rain elsewhere. Highs from mid 30s northwest to mid 60s southeast.

## City briefs

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# Security surrounding Royals intensifies following reports

LONDON (AP) — Soldiers with machine guns have replaced ceremonial red-uniformed sentries on guard outside Britain's royal residences as newspapers reported today that the IRA is targeting the queen and her family.

While lower-level government officials prepared to meet with the Irish Republican Army-allied Sinn Fein party for the first time since the IRA violently ended its cease-fire Feb. 9, photographs in London newspapers today showed a security-minded weekend changing of the guard.

Gone are the bayonet-armed sentries in dress uniforms who stand at attention in sentry boxes, much photographed by tourists.

In their place, at London's Buckingham Palace and St. James' Palace and at Windsor Castle west of the city, stand soldiers in camouflage fatigues, machine guns at the ready.

Although Scotland Yard would not comment on the reason for the stepped-up security measures, The Sun newspaper said today that they were prompted by the discovery of maps and security plans for Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle at the London apartment of an IRA bomber. Edward O'Brien died Feb. 18 when the bomb he was carrying exploded prematurely on Feb. 18.

The bungled bombing followed the Feb. 9 detonation of a truck bomb in London's business district. Two people were killed in that explosion, which broke the IRA's 17-month cease-fire amid stalled peace talks for Northern Ireland.

After the initial bombing, Britain and Ireland barred ministers of the two governments from meeting with the Sinn Fein party, but ruled that meetings between lower-level officials and Sinn Fein could continue.

Sinn Fein deputy leader Martin McGuinness said Sinn Fein asked for today's meeting, meant to "examine how the peace process can be rebuilt."

The British Army, meanwhile, ordered another 400 soldiers back to Northern Ireland.

Britain sent 500 troops back last week, and Sunday's order will bring the total British force there to 17,400.

In Ireland today, police were questioning IRA member Pearse McCauley, currently fighting extradition to Britain, where he is wanted on charges of terrorism and escaping from jail.

Police arrested McCauley and four other men Sunday under the republic's anti-terrorism laws, which allow police to hold people for up to 48 hours even if they are not charged in a crime.

In London, the beefed-up military guard at

Buckingham Palace was backed up by extra police patrolling the perimeters, holstered handguns prominently displayed.

The palace is Queen Elizabeth II's residence in London, while Windsor Castle is her weekend home. Prince Charles has an apartment at St. James' Palace.

Besides maps and plans for the palaces, The Sun said, police found a hit list and coded attack warnings hidden under a floorboard at the slain IRA member's apartment.

"The documents and battle plans basically showed the IRA were going after the royal family," the newspaper quoted a security official as saying. It did not identify the official.

The documents named the queen as the top target, and Windsor Castle as one site to go after her, the newspaper said.

## Officials hope to halt 160-mile bus commute

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Officials want to put the brakes on what is believed to be the longest school bus ride in the United States.

The marathon, 160-mile commute has been one of life's dreary constants for Big Bend-area high school students since the early 1960s. And it will end forever this spring if local educators and community leaders have their way.

"By hook or by crook, we're going to have a new high school here by August," Terlingua Common School District principal Kathy Killingsworth told the *San Antonio Express-News*.

The two dozen students live in Big Bend National Park, Lajitas, Terlingua and other Big Bend settlements. But because classes at the Terlingua and San Vicente school districts stop at the eighth grade, students must attend Alpine High School, 80 miles to the north, to stay in school.

By the time they disembark the bus each evening, some of them have put in more than 200 miles by car and bus. In four years of high school, that would add up to 150,000 miles.

"I don't like riding the bus four hours each day. I get up at 5 a.m. and catch the bus at 5:45 a.m.," said Jenny Hines, 17, a junior.

The school project got the official launch this week, when trustees for both the San Vicente and Terlingua districts approved a proposal for a "partnership" high school and sent it to the Texas Education Agency for review.

As outlined, the new school would accommodate about 40 students in seven classrooms,

and use both full-time and guest instructors.

The proposal describes a technologically advanced school where high school students will benefit from traditional teaching methods with interactive video and other computer-based instruction.

If it comes to pass, the new school would catapult the district from the age of Norman Rockwell to that of Microsoft magnate Bill Gates.

The proposal is especially daring given the extreme modesty of the two districts' collective resources.

San Vicente, based at the park, has only 22 students and 11 taxpayers with a tax base of \$5 million. The Terlingua district, based in Study Butte, has about 110 students and a \$25 million tax base.

Instead of raising taxes, a not-for-profit entity called the Big Bend Education Corporation has been created to buy the land, build the high school and then create an endowment for future improvements.

Ramrodding the fund-raising is Doug Smith, 75, a brusque, retired engineer who since January has been stalking donations of cash, building materials and other negotiable assets.

But Smith needs about \$400,000 just to build the school, which right now is a graded piece of desert adorned with a couple of yucca plants.

So far he has only \$36,000 in the bank.

The two districts would be responsible for equipping the high school with everything from chalk boards to video terminals, and they also are seeking donations and grants.

## Sculpture to honor game wardens

ATHENS — The life sized bronze sculpture commissioned by the Texas Gamewarden Association to honor game wardens killed in the line of duty is nearing completion at the hands of Buffalo Gap, Texas, artist Pamela Gilbreth Watkins.

Underway since August, the preliminary clay model has recently been viewed and approved for casting by the sculpture committee for the Texas Gamewarden Association, whose members expressed particular satisfaction with the sculpture's attitude of honor and reverence to the 13 officers who have lost their lives in service to Texas.

These include: Joe Williams and Harry Raymond, 1919; Claude R. Murchison, 1938; R.M. Wynne, 1948; Gus A. Engeling,

1951; Claude Keller, 1956; J.D. Murphree, 1963; Joe Evans, 1965; Lloyd Gustin, 1968; Ronnie Germany, 1973; James Daughtrey, 1978; and Barry Decker and Bruce Hill, 1990.

The bronze is scheduled for installation in July at the memorial courtyard of the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center at Athens. The Center serves as an educational and research facility fostering tourism and wildlife conservation under the auspices of the Parks and Wildlife Foundation of Texas.

The site is currently undergoing a long range expansion program to enhance these services. It is slated to become a major asset to the state's fishing and wildlife interests and East Texas' "crown jewel" in related tourism.

## Wilson School Spelling Bee winners



Joshua Cook, left, was recently named Woodrow Wilson Elementary School's fifth grade spelling champion and will compete in Friday's Gray County Spelling Bee. Also set to compete are fourth grade alternate Kendra Strickland and fifth grade alternate Dawn Stevens. Not pictured is fourth grade winner Michael Peralto.

## City records show noticeable difference in pay

AUSTIN (AP) — Minority employees at almost every job level at the city of Austin are paid less than their white counterparts, according to an *Austin American-Statesman* analysis of pay records.

Overall, white city employees make an hourly wage of \$16.88 on average, compared with \$13.50 for blacks and \$13.20 for Hispanics, the newspaper reported Sunday. The discrepancies exist even among employees who work in similar jobs and have comparable tenure.

Twenty-eight years ago, Rosie Acuna made \$1.62 an hour as a file clerk. Hers, she said, was one of the first brown faces in an office position with the city.

Now an administrative assistant, Ms. Acuna makes almost \$12 an hour.

"People have been here less than me, and make two or three

dollars more, and I'm able to do their jobs and then more," she said. "To me, I was like, it's my color, and it probably was at the beginning, and it's gotten better. But not for the oldies like me."

Hispanic workers in Ms. Acuna's job class have an average of about nine years' tenure and make \$11.35 an hour, while white employees, who have about eight years with the city, earn \$11.83.

Black employees have the most time on the job, with an average of 10 years' tenure, and make an average of \$11.75.

City Manager Jesus Garza said officials are working to close the salary gap, reviewing one department each month to make sure it is progressing toward fixing pay inequities.

The newspaper's analysis showed that the city work force has grown more integrated since

1991, although movement has been incremental.

Many individual departments, however, fall short of putting together work forces that are 3 percent Asian American, 11 percent black and 20 percent Hispanic, which are the city's goals and reflect the Austin population.

White employees tend to occupy the city's highest-paying positions — 76 percent of the city's top echelon of managers are white — while black and Hispanic employees are clustered in the lower-paying jobs.

Hispanic employees out-earn their white counterparts only among administrators, where Garza, who is Hispanic, tops the city payroll.

Black employees as a class don't accomplish that feat in any grouping of similar jobs, even when they have more years of tenure with the city.

## University breast cancer screening targets rural areas

LUBBOCK (AP) — Women in rural West Texas who live miles away from mammogram facilities can soon have breast-cancer screening come to them.

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center will unveil today a mobile clinic expected to serve 3,000 women in its first year.

Texas Tech signed a five-year contract with the state to provide mammograms and health education in 10 counties south and west of Odessa. A \$300,000 grant from the Texas Cancer Council paid for the bus-sized vehicle and other start-up costs.

"We promised the state we would not stand by idly while watching somebody with breast cancer not get treated," said Dr. Glenn Roberson, the clinic's medical director in Lubbock.

Texas first lady Laura Bush was expected to attend the unveiling ceremony in Odessa.

The clinic will travel within Brewster, Crane, Crockett, Loving, Pecos, Reagan, Reeves, Upton, Ward and Winkler counties.

Hospital workers in that vast region say women's health has suffered because no mammograms are available there.

"It's very inconvenient for the women in our county because many of them are indigent or elderly," said Cheryl Roberts, director of nursing at the 13-bed McCamey Hospital, about 60 miles south of Odessa.

"They're not getting any screening because they don't want to bother anybody" for a ride to El Paso, San Angelo, Big Spring, Midland or Odessa, she said.

A mammogram is a low-dose X-ray that can show a cancerous lump only one-eighth of an inch in diameter, long before it can be felt. Texas Tech's mobile clinic comes equipped with a dark-room so that its film can be processed on board.

Patients start out by watching a videotape on breast health and hearing a lesson on warning signs of cancer. They also get a

clinical exam in a separate room aboard the vehicle.

Cost is \$65. It takes about 40 minutes, operators said.

Roberson said local doctors in the region will provide follow-up care if suspicious areas show up on the mammograms.

## Nation briefs

### Carrier returns to port after fatal jet crash

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The USS Kitty Hawk is back in port and its aircraft remain grounded today as investigators search for clues in the crash of one of the carrier's radar-jamming jets during a training exercise.

Saturday's accident left one crew member dead, two injured and a fourth missing.

The eighth crash involving a Navy aircraft in two months prompted Pacific Fleet Vice Admiral Brent M. Bennett to ground all 1,600 aircraft stationed at 79 squadrons on the West Coast, Hawaii, Guam and Japan. The aircraft were ordered to undergo 48-hour safety tests before March 5.

Squadrons will review safety issues, practice in simulators and review maintenance records. The tests will include reviews of ejection operations and training for air crews.

"Losing this many people is certainly not normal," said Cmdr. Gregg Hartung, spokesman for Commander Naval Air Force U.S. Pacific Fleet.

"The threat that we see here is that in many of these recent actions, our crews have made the decision either too late or not at all to eject from an aircraft that's too damaged to be saved."

### Tourist killings spark outrage and negative publicity

MIAMI (AP) — The tourist brochures are full of photographs of palm-fringed beaches, shimmering blue waters and glitzy hotels. The impoverished Liberty City section is only mentioned with a warning: Stay away.

High in crime and low on hope, the neighborhood is also home to the three suspects arrested Saturday in the slaying of a Dutch tourist gunned down in her car as her husband asked for directions at a gas station.

Police don't know if the couple had been followed or, as whites, simply stood out in the mostly black neighborhood of barred homes, low-income apartments and boarded-up buildings.

There was no answer at the homes of suspects Max Brazley, 16, Barry Chandler, 20, and Xavien Bendross, 16, and neighbors refused to talk about them. But residents bristled at the crime-ridden image of their neighborhood.

Police found an abandoned car late Friday fitting the description of the getaway vehicle, a late '70s blue or gray Chevrolet. Police said one of more than 200 tips led to the arrest.

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Opinion

Vietnam takes a step backward

In recent years, we've heard a great deal about how the communist regime that rules Vietnam has come to understand that its economic policies have only brought disaster, that growth requires more toleration of businesses, including foreign ones, and that the establishment of a market economy characterized by respect for private property is essential.

A great deal of that perception is probably accurate, but big changes in countries seldom occur without detours and bumps along the way. The Vietnamese government's recently announced campaign against "sin" and "corrupting foreign influences" suggests that the government in Vietnam, while perhaps not as hardline as before, is still an essentially authoritarian, Leninist institution.

The Vietnamese government has announced a crackdown on popular entertainment it considers likely to promote sinful and culturally depraved behavior. This includes forcing some of the country's 14,000 video rental shops to stop stocking violent or pornographic videos, promoting new rules for karaoke bars, and enforcing a ban against copies of audio and video tapes made without permission from overseas record companies.

Why such a campaign now? It is quite possible that with recent liberalization, there really has been a proliferation of entertainment many would view as offensive. When an economy starts to grow and more people have a bit more disposable income, some will spend it on pornography and other types of trash.

But there's also an inherent desire by true believers in Leninist-style regimes to want to control everything, to have the authorities' hand in every aspect of life. Most communist regimes have been characterized by a marked puritanical streak - not necessarily because Marxist leaders are more moralistic than other leaders, but because controlling people's morals is simply one aspect of controlling people's lives.

There's also a history of cultural sensitivity that is hardly unique to Vietnam. The government of France, which has few objective reasons to feel insecure, conducts periodic campaigns to reduce the influence of foreign - mostly English-language American - products.

Ultimately, economic reality is likely to win out, as it has in many formerly socialist countries. You can't have a vibrant, growing economy connected to the rest of the world and tight control over the flow of information and private activities and attitudes at the same time. Tight controls over any aspect of human behavior tend to stifle economic activity. If a country wants prosperity, it has to choose less control.

But the path to economic liberalization in Vietnam seems likely to suffer a number of two-steps-forward-one-step-back episodes and might not be clear until the present regime is ousted or succeeded by a new regime made up of people with less Leninist attitudes.

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"Here's a bit of good news. The Misery Index is at a low 8.3."

Franken's cheap-shot satire

Few doubt that Al Franken's a genuinely funny guy. He wrote for *Saturday Night Live* during its golden age in the latter half of the 1970s. Years later on *SNL*, he created and realized the character of wispy self-help sage Stuart Smalley and performed a hilarious impression of Sen. Paul Simon.

Alas, national recognition for his ability to amuse apparently wasn't enough for Franken, who now styles himself a pundit as well. He says his sporadically laugh-provoking best seller, *Rush Limbaugh Is a Big Fat Idiot and Other Observations* (published by Delacorte), is a "satire about the breakdown in the civility of public discourse," but on the frequent occasions when his ideology crowds out his wit, he's unquestionably uncivil in his own right.

Is Franken a humorist seeking to score laughs or a polemicist out to slay the dragon of the right? To be sure, much of what he writes is clearly satirical. Of an exhibit at the never-built Disney's America theme park, which was to have simulated what it was like to be a slave, he quips, "All I can say is that it (would have been) a gross distortion of history to have the Underground Railroad loop the loop." Not quite Jonathan Swift, but pretty clever. His political humor can carry a punch. But can conservatives take offense at a chapter titled "Pat Buchanan: Nazi Lover" when we've laughed uproariously at Limbaugh's "feminazi" digs? Not really, not if the intent is satire.

But that's where Franken fails. There's a certain venom in his pen that transforms humor into spite, and spite undisciplined becomes insult. Limbaugh thus becomes "mean," a "bully," and a "liar." Limbaugh's fans are trashed as "yahoos" and "f---ing morons." Buchanan's a "racist." Anyone who thinks Ronald Reagan was the greatest president of this century is a "f---ing idiot."



L. Brent Bozell

Casting aspersions on these and other conservative personalities and causes, Franken's acting as a hatchet man - no more, no less.

Franken asserts that his harshness is ironic, that he's "making fun of meanness ... by being mean myself." The problem with that argument is that amidst all the invective in his book, there's virtually no indication that he does not really despise his targets, or at least their politics. As far as keeping up with whether or not Franken is kidding at any given moment is concerned, *Rush Limbaugh* ... is basically a 271-page shell game.

Naturally, Franken's choice for the best president of the century is ... Bill Clinton. "I was trying to write a scathing piece on Clinton," he declares, "and at a certain point it just became impossible ... This kind of thing never happened when I was writing the Phil Gramm chapter." Gramm, on the other hand, is a "bastard" and a "big jerk." (But how dependable is Franken's opinion anyway? He's still trying to sell the long-debunked story that Gramm invested in a porn flick.)

Franken pulls out all the stops in a chapter concerned with skewering Reaganomics and blasting Limbaugh for his defense of same. Regarding said

defense, Franken sneers: "These are the rational, carefully constructed, deliberate lies of a man running a giant propaganda factory dedicated to two things: convincing people who were screwed sideways by Reaganomics that it was actually good for them, and encouraging the people who turned the screws to feel good about themselves ... Reaganomics worked. This is the jewel in Rush's crown of bulls---t."

If there is an economically sophisticated anti-Reaganomics case to be made, Franken doesn't make it, resorting instead to Richard Gephardt-like class-envy hackwork. As for most Americans forgetting that real income taxes paid by 90 percent of Americans fell by 10 percent from 1981 to 1987, while real income taxes paid by the richest 5 percent rose by nearly 43 percent in the same period. Add to that the obvious (seven years of prosperity; two decisive election victories for presidential candidates running on a Reaganomics centered platform) and you realize why liberals in the entertainment community behave the way they do: Like Oliver Stone and his movies, Franken cannot defend the principles of liberalism - so he enters the world of make-believe instead. Creative license, we're told.

Toward the end of that ill-fated chapter, Franken writes: "I think I'm really breaking new ground here. I mean, did you see bar graphs in Jerry Seinfeld's book? In Tim Allen's?" No, and the reason you didn't, obviously, is that Seinfeld and Allen had way too much comedic acumen to even dream of putting in bar graphs in the first place. There's some amusement to be found in *Rush Limbaugh* ..., but considered as political analysis, it is - in the derisive, non-funny sense - a joke.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Feb. 26, the 57th day of 1996. There are 309 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 26, 1846, Wild West frontiersman-turned-showman William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody was born in Scout County, Iowa.

On this date:

In 1802, French literary giant Victor Hugo was born in Besancon.

In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte escaped from the Island of Elba to begin his second conquest of France.

In 1870, New York City's first pneumatic-powered subway line was opened to the public.

In 1919, Congress established Grand Canyon National Park in Arizona.

In 1929, President Coolidge signed a measure establishing Grand Teton National Park.

In 1940, the United States Air Defense Command was created.

In 1945, a midnight curfew on nightclubs, bars and other places of entertainment was set to go into effect across the nation.

In 1951, the 22nd Amendment to the Constitution was ratified, limiting a president to two terms of office.

In 1952, Prime Minister Winston Churchill announced that Britain had developed its own atomic bomb.

In 1962, after becoming the first American to orbit the Earth, John Glenn told a joint meeting of Congress, "exploration and the pursuit of knowledge have always paid dividends in the long run."

In 1979, a total solar eclipse cast a moving shadow 175 miles wide from Oregon to North Dakota before moving north into Canada.

In 1987, the Tower Commission, which probed the Iran-Contra affair, issued its report, rebuking President Reagan for failing to control his national security staff.

In 1993, a bomb exploded in the parking garage of New York's World Trade Center, killing six people and injuring more than 1,000.

Ten years ago: Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and author Robert Penn Warren was named the first poet laureate of the United States by Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin.

Five years ago: Kuwaiti resistance leaders declared themselves in con-

rol of their capital, following nearly seven months of Iraqi occupation. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced on Baghdad Radio that he had ordered his forces to withdraw from Kuwait.

One year ago: The United States and China averted a major trade war by signing a comprehensive agreement. Barings PLC, Britain's oldest investment banking firm, collapsed after Nick Leeson, a 28-year-old securities dealer, lost over \$1.4 billion by gambling on Tokyo stock prices.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Mason Adams is 77. Actor Tony Randall is 76. Actress Betty Hutton is 75. Singer Fats Domino is 68. Political columnist Robert Novak is 65. Singer Johnny Cash is 64.

Patrick's 180 degree about-face

When I was a junior in high school, I had the same European history teacher my brother had had five years before. Jeffrey, ever organized, had kept copies of each weekly quiz Mr. Shields had administered. One week, quiz in hand and thinking I could trap my teacher, I challenged him, saying, "Do you know that you are asking the very same questions this year that you asked five years ago?"

He smiled a half smile and replied, "History hasn't changed."

I thought of Mr. Shields this week as I paged through my old friend Pat Buchanan's superb memoir, *Right From the Beginning*, written in 1988. With his showing in Louisiana and Iowa, Pat has eclipsed Ross Perot to become America's leading advocate of trade protectionism. This is not the same Pat Buchanan I knew and worked with in the Reagan White House. That PJB was a fervent (well, Pat is always fervent) free trader.

Here's how Pat put it in his own book: "In the fight to maintain open markets, worldwide, a strong president, again, is indispensable. Congress, composed of 535 moving parts, is incapable of resisting the concerted pressures of American corporations and unions."

"Among the great American achievements of the 20th century is free Asia, democratic and capitalist, which arose out of the ashes of World War II and Korea. Hundreds of millions of the most capable and energetic people in the world are prospering, on the side of freedom, because of the bravery of American soldiers ... To squander that in an absurd 'trade war' because we cannot compete with Korean cars or Japanese computer chips would be an act of almost terminal stupidity for the West."



Mona Charen

Well said, Pat! But what happened? Today, Pat argues that raising tariffs is the way to go to protect American jobs. Has history changed? Buchanan says he'll be a tough negotiator on trade matters - but will he cut off America's nose to spite our face?

Today, Pat denies that the Smoot-Hawley Tariff of 1930 deepened and lengthened the Great Depression. Professor William Lash, director of the International Law Program at George Mason University, says, "There is no thinking economist on either side of the aisle who does not think that is true."

How did it have that effect? Well, we imposed tariffs on imports. That permitted domestic producers to raise their prices in turn. They did so. Everything - not just imports - thus became more expensive for consumers. That's why economists refer to tariffs as just another form of tax. Patrick Buchanan is the only Republican candidate who is running on a platform of higher taxes. (In his book, Buchanan said, "No new Federal taxes should be imposed. The nearly 20 percent of gross national product the federal government collects in revenue is enough government.")

After we imposed Smoot-Hawley, our trading partners retaliated with tariffs of their own, making it impossible for us to sell our goods overseas. Everyone got progressively poorer, especially the Germans, with results that need no recapitulation.

Though Pat likes to portray a "tough" stance on trade as "conservatism of the heart," it is really "conservatism of the foolish" or no conservatism at all. Conservatives oppose big government. Yet to impose tariffs on certain goods, Buchanan would have bureaucrats in Washington deciding which domestic industries to favor and which to disfavor. How? Well, if computer company A imports its computer screens from Japan and company B imports them from Malaysia, Buchanan would have government decide which company will prosper and which will not. Indeed, that would be true of whole industries.

There is another major political figure who thinks government should pick winners and losers in the marketplace. His name is Bill Clinton (he favors targeted investment in high-tech industries). But at least Clinton is not so far to the left as to endorse protectionism.

You won't hear this from Buchanan, but the United States is the world's leading exporter. We sell the world airplanes, electronics, computers, medical services and equipment, and agricultural products, among many other things. At least 14 million U.S. jobs depend directly on exports.

Protectionism, especially in the hands of such an articulate spokesman as Buchanan, is enticing. But it is dangerous in the extreme. Economic prosperity, like freedom, is not free. It must be vigilantly defended.

Government only hampers business

Bad smells don't always become obvious at first. Sometimes, you sniff quizzically, suspiciously, unable to believe your nose. When the smell becomes overpowering, nonetheless, it's time to throw open a window.

Like now, with respect to the rough handling that business is getting on the presidential circuit - from Democrats, yes, and even from Republicans. Job security and layoffs have become the red meat of political discourse.

Pat Buchanan has been beating up on companies that, in pursuit of profits and free trade, put long-time workers on the streets. Ted Kennedy proposes commissioning the federal government to reward companies that treat their workers right and penalize those who don't. Kennedy would define good corporate behavior - including the avoidance of layoffs, the creation of jobs and the maintenance of training programs. The favored companies would receive tax breaks. The Democrats have an entire legislative agenda along these lines.

We need to throw open some windows before the bad smell overpowers common sense and drives the nation to make malignant and economically devastating decisions.

We want government intervention to protect jobs? Why? Government intervention is the principal force undermining the job market. America's chief economic chore is reducing the tax and regulatory burden that stifles job creation and maintenance.

In constant dollars, Americans pay twice what they paid in taxes 40 years ago. No great apprecia-



William Murchison

tion on this score is due Bill Clinton and Ted Kennedy's Democratic colleagues, who inflicted on us, in 1993, the biggest tax increase in U.S. history.

Dick Arme's Institute for Policy Innovation estimated a year ago that slower economic growth due to taxes and regulation has cost average Americans \$5,200 since 1989, with prospects of adding another \$10,000 to that dismal sum before 2000.

Why aren't there more well-paying jobs? Because job-creation is expensive: Social Security and Medicare are huge components of business' personnel costs. Even a citizen who wants to work for himself pays these exactions, plus the Self-Employment Tax. Meanwhile, subsidies and tax penalties distort economic decision-making.

What should we do about all this? The prescription is obvious: Cut taxes, and reduce regulation. Dick Arme's flat-tax proposal - made famous by Steve Forbes - is the most constructive plan on the table right now. Buchanan has called

for at least a flatish tax and for gutting the inheritance tax. Congressional attempts to balance the federal budget, if successful, should make for a slimmed-down federal presence in our lives.

On the other hand, what would Kennedy stick us with? More government than ever before. Who would judge the fairness of pay? Government. Who would decide how many workers should be retained and how many laid off? Government. How would we pay government? With tax monies. Would those monies increase or diminish under the Kennedy regimen? They would have to increase, no doubt sharply.

What we have from Kennedy is a proposal to slit the throat of the golden-egg-laying goose. Business is that goose. There is no other instrument of job creation but business. Even the jobs that government creates have to be financed with money taxed from business and/or the people business employs.

Attacks on business as the source of our economic discontents miss the target by a mile. Layoffs there will always be, along with low-wage jobs and worker discontent. That's the nature of things in this fallen world. We can minimize such disagreeable occasions, even so, by according business maximum freedom to seek economic advantage.

Events of the past 30 years should have proven that business - meaning the sum total of private endeavor - is infinitely smarter than government, including, apparently, half the politicians who make up government. Not everyone so far believes that? Keep talking, Sen. Kennedy, keep talking.

## Doctors seeing more minorities with asthma

HOUSTON (AP) — Asthma, a chronic breathing disorder with complex genetic and environmental links, is puzzlingly on the increase here, especially among children and people in low-income and minority groups.

The latest official estimates indicate it afflicts about one in 20. More than a third are children, and health experts say the growing costs for individuals and for society are considerable.

"My sense is that the biggest issue for the inner cities ... is that asthma is not in control," said Dennis Perrotta, epidemiology chief for the Texas Department of Health and an asthmatic himself.

"These people are always on the brink of an attack," he said, "and the littlest thing — a virus, allergens, air pollution or stress — kicks them into an attack and they're back into the emergency room."

Doctors and other health experts say living in poverty or

near-poverty can magnify those burdens — reducing access to medical care and medications, and increasing the exposure to allergens, irritants and other asthma triggers.

Doctors view asthma as a chronic condition, and say the stream of patients to hospital emergency rooms is costly and largely preventable.

In financial terms, medical treatments for asthma in a three-county Houston area cost more than \$78 million in 1991, including \$14 million for children, according to calculations made at the request of Mayor Bob Lanier's office.

However, that total doesn't reflect indirect costs because of school absences and lost wages.

For the young, asthma's impacts can include limits on normal childhood activities and numerous school absences that hamper educational advancement.

"It's now recognized that poor-

ly controlled asthma can lead to reduced lung function by early adulthood," possibly including a chronic, emphysema-like condition, Brown said.

Efforts to reduce the demand for asthma-related hospital care in Houston have increased in the last few years. Pediatric programs featuring self-management education have been started at Texas Children's and Hermann hospitals, for instance.

But a number of asthma specialists said more such activity is needed here, particularly among the poor, who often find it easier to get emergency-room attention for asthma than to obtain help in avoiding attacks.

"Prevention is the key to asthma," said Dr. Steve Whitney, who closed his Fifth Ward pediatric clinic last year but continues to treat many poor children at his downtown office. "But preventive care is what is often neglected in a poverty situation."

## State briefs

### Austin-based spouse abuse hotline now in operation

AUSTIN (AP) — The woman on the other end of the telephone has escaped her abusive husband and found safety at a shelter for battered women.

She is seeking legal advice about whether she has to attend a hearing with her husband present — a potentially abusive situation.

Her call is significant for two reasons.

First, she is reaching out for help in the fight against domestic violence, which affects roughly 4 million women each year, including 1,300 of whom are killed by their husbands, ex-husbands or boyfriends.

Secondly, she is the first caller to the National Domestic

Violence Hotline, which after a nearly four-year hiatus, resumed operation on Feb. 21.

The Austin-based Texas Council on Family Violence received the federally funded project as part of the Violence Against Women Act in the 1995 crime bill passed by Congress.

The number is 1-800-799-SAFE (7233), with a separate service for the deaf at 1-800-787-3224.

on campus. The occasion: a street dance wrapping up the school's "Diadeloso," or Day of the Bear festival.

Outside an occasional ballroom or square dance, cutting the rug has been against the rules on the 12,000-student Baylor campus since the school was founded 151 years ago. Last month, university president Robert B. Sloan Jr. lifted the ban.

"There will be some students who disapprove, but those who want to dance will have a good time," said Stan Madden, Baylor's director of marketing. "The ones who don't will still enjoy the good music."

Baptists' views on dancing vary, but some people of strong convictions see it as possibly morally harmful.

### First dance in 151 years scheduled at Baylor

WACO (AP) — The Macarena, the Tootsie Roll and the Creep will debut at Baylor University on April 18.

Students will slide, dip and step — but not gyrate — to those dance favorites for the first time

## Two brothers suspects in diamond merchant's death

HOUSTON (AP) — Two brothers in the jewelry business have been charged with capital murder in the death of a diamond merchant who was shot during a \$3 million jewel heist.

Police arrested Jose Albert Dennes, 42, and Reinaldo Dennes, 40, in the Jan. 24 slaying of Janos Szucs. They were being held without bail Sunday, one day after they were taken into custody.

Estrella De Jesus Martinez, 23, charged with aggravated robbery,

was being held in lieu of \$30,000 bail. Martinez, who reportedly was dating one of the men, allegedly was paid \$5,000 to assist in the robbery.

Houston Police Department spokesman John Cannon said he had no other information.



However, associates of the 44-year-old Szucs told the *Houston Chronicle* that Reinaldo Dennes is a jewelry merchant with offices in the same high-security building where Szucs worked and was


killed. Jose Dennes is a jewelry setter.

Police sources said Szucs was shot with a weapon fitted with a silencer. They said the brothers became suspects when police checked Szucs' computer files and found that Reinaldo Dennes owed him a large sum of money.

Reinaldo Dennes is believed to have stashed the stolen jewels in his third-floor office in the building and later moved it out, the sources said.

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## Body-Building Husband Should Exercise Restraint

DEAR ABBY: Like the lady in Arlington, Va., whose husband lived at the gym lifting weights, I am also alone.

My husband, "Paul," is 50 and wants the body of a 20-year-old. He consumes protein drinks and energy bars, pops vitamin pills, and reads body-building magazines every day. His gym equipment amounts to several thousand of dollars. Paul is constantly after me to get into exercising with him, but I'm really not interested. Besides, I still have a pretty good figure after five kids.

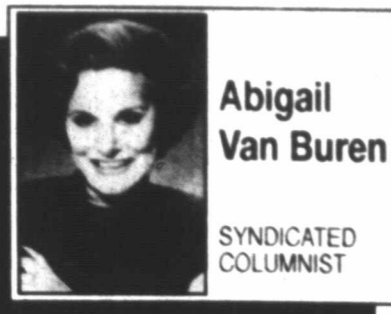
Now that the kids are grown, you'd think we would spend more time together, but Paul is in the recreation room working out four nights a week, so I find myself alone. He can find the time to exercise, but no time to paint the house. I told him painting would be good exercise, but he says, "It's the wrong kind."

Abby, after 30 years of marriage, I still love Paul, and I'd never leave him, but he's really overdoing the physical fitness routine. All in all, if it were up to me, I'd prefer a husband with love handles to no love at all.

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DEAR WIDOW: Perhaps I'm jumping to a wrong conclusion, but if you are literally getting no love at all, you should insist that Paul join you in some sessions with a marriage counselor.

DEAR ABBY: I never thought I'd



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be writing to you, but a family problem has gotten out of hand and I need the help of an objective party.

My older brother, "Victor," who is 28, attempted suicide two years ago after a messy breakup with his wife, with whom he was still in love. He now regrets the act and realizes that they married too young (at 21).

Since suicide is a crime in our religion, my parents and my younger sister, "Sarah" (who is still in college), refuse to speak to Victor.

In a few months, I plan to marry a wonderful man. We had planned to include both Victor and Sarah in the wedding party. However, each has said he/she will not attend if the other does.

My parents predict that my marriage will end as Victor's did if I allow him to come. Victor says our parents will disown me, too, sooner or later, so it may as well be sooner. My husband-to-be just rolls his eyes.

Whom should I choose, Sarah or Victor?

### DISTRAUGHT MIDDLE CHILD

DEAR DISTRAUGHT: It is your right to invite whomever you want to your wedding; furthermore, it's unfair to be put on the spot as you have been.

Anyone who says, "If you invite so-and-so, I'm not coming," deserves to be excluded. I would exclude both of them.

DEAR ABBY: My mother always used to say, "The shoemaker's family goes barefoot." Well, she was right. I married a plumber, and every faucet in our house drips.

I have begged my husband to fix them, but he keeps putting me off. I tried to repair them myself and almost lost my thumb. What should I do?

PLUMBER'S WIFE: DEAR WIFE: The biggest "drip" in your house is your husband. The plumbing in a plumber's house should be perfect, so tell your husband you'll give him one more chance before calling his competitor with instructions to put your plumbing in first-class condition, and send the bill to your husband.

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## Horoscope



Tuesday, Feb. 27, 1996

In accordance with the laws of nature, nothing is actually wasted. Painful lessons from the past can be utilized effectively in the year ahead.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** You are the kind of person who usually treats guests warmly and cordially, but today you might not be your usual hospitable self. Mind your manners. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill

Station, New York, NY 10156.  
**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You might become involved with an individual who operates in a manner that makes you uncomfortable today. Do not let this person patronize you.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Open your heart as well as your purse strings today if an old friend needs financial assistance. Make sure to offer only what you can afford.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Your ambition will be aroused easily today, but you might focus on the wrong objective. Try not to waste time on something of little real value.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Guard against the inclination to suppress things that bother you today. Try to bring them out into the open instead so that they can be discussed and resolved.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** If you poke your nose into a situation where it doesn't belong today, a friend who has kept to herself recently might dump her problems on you.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** An associate

who cooperated with you previously might be reluctant to do so today because he or she will feel that past efforts were not acknowledged properly.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** A negative attitude will not only make your tasks more difficult today, but also your co-workers' performance may suffer as well.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Someone with whom you're closely affiliated might make unfair demands on your resources today. Know your limits and stay within them.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Try to avoid making a major decision today if you haven't had enough time to evaluate all of the pros and cons. Hasty judgments will only invite problems.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Prepare to fend for yourself today. You will not have the capacity to get others to do your bidding. Why court rejection?

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** In an attempt to improve your lot in life today, you might be tempted to take a foolish gamble. Do not lose your grip on reality.

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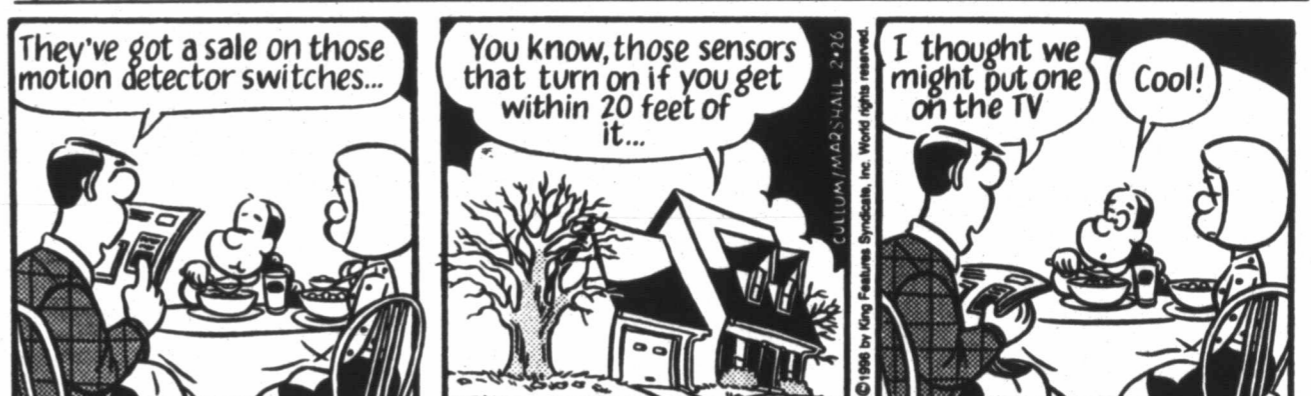
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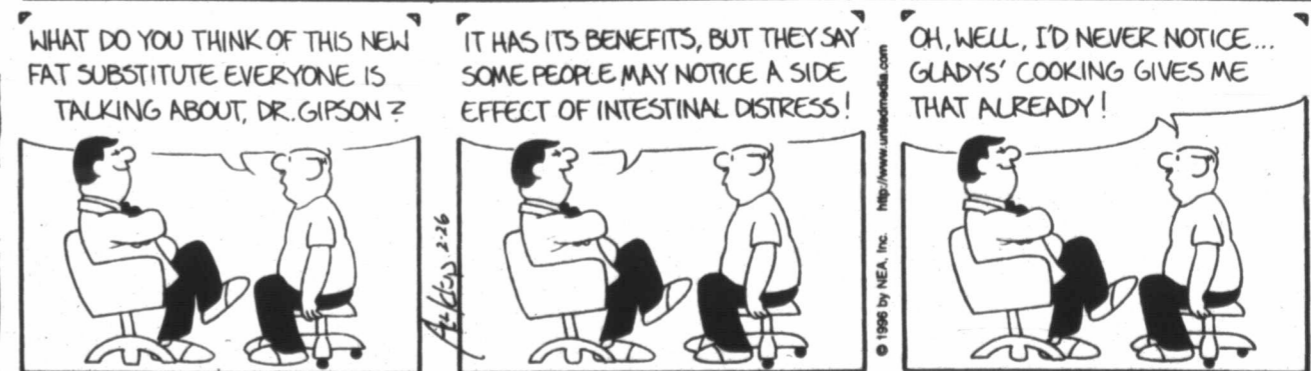
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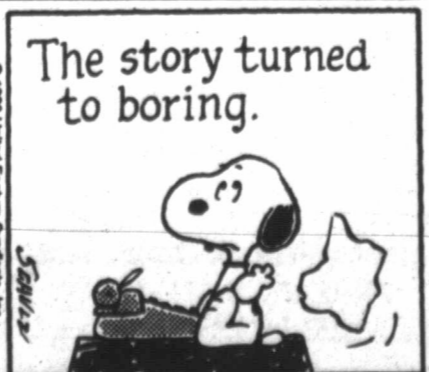
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SOFTBALL

**PAMPA** — The organizational meeting and mandatory classroom and field mechanics clinics to prepare for adult spring softball will be held from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 10. The location will be the new umpires building at the north end of Recreation Park.

This training is mandatory for all returning and interested new softball umpires. The required test will be given at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 12 at the same location and will be offered Sunday, March 17 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. east of town. Spring ball will begin March 23 with the 11th annual Early-Bird Tournament. For more information call Mike Killgo, Shane Stokes or Scott Hahn.

FOOTBALL

**MINNEAPOLIS (AP)** — Dixon Edwards, a starting linebacker for the Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys, was expected to sign with the Minnesota Vikings today.

The Vikings called an 11:30 a.m. news conference to announce the deal. Terms of the contract were not immediately available.

Edwards is the third Dallas defensive starter to leave this offseason, following cornerback Larry Brown, the Super Bowl MVP, and defensive lineman Russell Maryland, both of whom signed with the Oakland Raiders.

Edwards, the Cowboys' second-round pick in 1991 out of Michigan State, has started 53 of the past 56 games at strong linebacker. He was third on the team in tackles in 1995 with 109 and had two sacks, starting 15 regular-season games and all three playoff games.

Edwards is the first significant free agent acquisition for Minnesota, which badly needs to strengthen its defense after missing the playoffs with an 8-8 record. Edwards is expected to replace Broderick Thomas at strong linebacker. Thomas was cast off after he was arrested on drunken driving and weapons charges shortly after the season.

BASKETBALL

**VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP)** — Sean Elliott had the hot hand on a chilly afternoon at GM Place.

"It was cold out there, it was freezing," said Elliott, who had 29 points Sunday as the San Antonio Spurs beat the Vancouver Grizzlies 95-84 for their fifth victory in six games. "When it's cold it's hard to shoot the ball, for sure. We run into this every once in a while when you go into places that have ice underneath for hockey teams. Then it's usually cold in there."

Elliott made five of eight 3-pointers and was 11 of 20 overall as the Spurs overcame David Robinson's 6-for-19 performance.

"We played off David today," Elliott said. "They were double teaming him and that left a lot of guys open. We were able to pick and chose our shots."

Elliott did just that, making life miserable for the Grizzlies, who thought they had slowed the game down to a pace they could handle.

"Vancouver is playing much better as a team," Elliott said. "They have direction and the guys are fitting in with each other. They're a decent team."

Vancouver led 77-76 in the fourth quarter before Elliott knocked down his last 3-pointer. After the Grizzlies pulled even at 79, the Spurs went on a 6-0 run, with Robinson getting four of his 20 points.

All the Spurs thought the GM Place arena was cold and there was a chilly, unexplained draft.

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Pampa, Sweetwater hook up in area showdown

**PAMPA** — Third-ranked Pampa takes on tenth-ranked Sweetwater at 7:30 Tuesday night in the Region 1-4A semifinals at Lubbock's Municipal Coliseum.

Sweetwater, 28-3, slipped by Burk Burnett, 62-61, in the area round on Saturday.

"Sweetwater has a pretty athletic team. They depend a lot on their size and quickness to score and get rebounds," said Pampa head coach Robert Hale.

The Mustangs have a balanced scoring attack, led by 6-7 junior Robert Reid, (13 points and 7 rebounds per game) and 6-0 junior Shedrick Williams (12 points).

LaDon Bennett, a 5-8 senior, averages 10 points a game off the bench.

Two of Sweetwater's losses came in district play. The Mustangs lost to Frenship and split two games with Snyder. The other loss came against Whitehouse in a tournament game.

The Harvesters, 29-3, had an easier time than Sweetwater in the area tilt, as they rolled past El Paso Parkland, 79-48.

Pampa guard Rayford Young scored 25 points and had 6 rebounds and 6 steals against the Matadors. Senior forward Coy Laury added 14 points and collected 17 rebounds. Jason Weatherbee and August Larson chipped in 10 points each.

"Our guys are playing real well right now. This is a fun time for the team, the community and the student body," Hale said. "It should be a great game."

Sweetwater beat Cleburne in bi-district while Pampa drew a bye.

Boys UIL Pairings

**FORT WORTH, Texas (AP)** — Pairings for the University Interscholastic League's Region I boys playoffs:

Class 5A

**Quarterfinals**  
Abilene Cooper (23-9) vs. El Paso Eastwood (25-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Midland's Chaparral Center

Keller (21-11) vs. Euless Trinity (27-3), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Haltom City's Thomas Coliseum

Lubbock Monterey (29-6) vs. El Paso Irvin

(24-5), 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, Midland's Chaparral Center

Fort Worth Dunbar (27-4) vs. Fort Worth Paschal (18-11), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Fort Worth's Daniel-Meyer Coliseum

Class 4A

**Region I Semifinals**  
Pampa (29-3) vs. Sweetwater (28-3), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Lubbock Municipal Coliseum

Canyon Randall (21-13) vs. Wolfforth Frenship (28-7), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Plainview High School

Class 3A

**Region I Area**  
Tulia (22-7) vs. Graham (29-4), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Snyder's Scurry County Coliseum

Seminole (22-10) vs. Clint (12-17), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Pecos

Dalhart (23-9) vs. Jacksboro (21-12), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Shallowater

Class 2A

**Region I Area**  
Gruver (25-6) vs. New Deal (29-4), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo Palo Duro

Tuscola Jim Ned (21-9) vs. Haskell (23-6), 7:30 Tuesday, Abilene Cooper

Stratford (17-10) vs. Tahoka (24-6), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon

Stanton (20-6) vs. Cisco (25-5), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Abilene's McMurry

Class A

**Region I Bi-District**  
Adrian (15-12) vs. Shamrock (16-4), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo Caprock

Miami (20-8) vs. Nazareth (24-6), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo Tascosa

Lorenzo (25-5) vs. Smyer (22-9), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Lubbock Cooper

Ackerly Sands (18-4) vs. Balmorhea (15-5), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Odessa High School

Claude (24-6) vs. Groom (16-10), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo Caprock

McLean (13-10) vs. Sudan (16-6), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon Randall

Petersburg (13-15) vs. Plains (21-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Levelland

Lamesa Klondike (21-0) vs. Tornillo (19-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Odessa College SportsCenter

Fatheree sets new records

**FRENSHIP** — PHS freshman Jenny Fatheree set meet records in the 3200 and 1600-meter runs as the Lady Harvesters placed second at the Tiger Relays held Saturday.

Fatheree's 12:34.06 in the 3200 broke the old record held by Pampa's Marcy Leal.

As a team, the Lady Harvesters scored 108 points and finished second to Big Spring's 152. Hereford was third with 84 points.

Pampa hosts the Top O' Texas Relays on Saturday with the events starting at 9 p.m. at Randy Matson Field.

Workers are needed for the track meet and interested persons are urged to call Mike Lopez or Tad Smith at the high school as soon as possible.

Pampa results in the Tiger Relays are listed below:

3200: Jennifer Fatheree, first place, 12:34.06.

110 hurdles: Lori Lindsey, sixth place, 17.69.

800: Robin Williams, third place, 2:23.05.

100: Tashia Wilson, second place, 12.07.

300 intermediate hurdles: Robin Williams, first place, 50.84; Lori Lindsey, second place, 51.73.

200: Regina Holt, fifth place, 27.61.

1600: Jenny Fatheree, first place, 5:52.16.

1600 relay: Audrey Wilbon, Lisa Kirkpatrick, Leshia Evans and Carla Dunn, second place, 4:27.27.

800 relay: Regina Holt, Tashia Wilson, Leshia Evans and Audrey Wilbon, third place, 1:54.84.

Shot: Barbara Wine, first place, 35-2 1/2; Stephanie Winegeart, sixth place, 30-4 1/2.

Triple jump: Katy Cavalier, fourth place, 32-9.

Long jump: Katy Cavalier, fourth place, 15-7.

High jump: Regina Holt, fourth place, 4-10; Tiffany McCullough, fifth place, 4-10.

Irwin striking it rich on Senior Tour

**SARASOTA, Fla. (AP)** — More than competitive when he left the PGA Tour last June, Hale Irwin is striking it rich on the Senior PGA Tour.

His \$135,000 payday Sunday in the American Express Invitational pushed the three-time U.S. Open winner over the \$1 million mark in a senior-record 16 events. With \$1,066,100, he's averaging \$66,631 per start.

Playing three rounds without a bogey, Irwin closed out his third senior title with an 8-under-par 64 at the TPC of Prestancia for a five-stroke victory over Bob Murphy.

"I did a lot of things very well," Irwin said. "My execution was not my very best, but the results were. I don't think I could have done any better. I didn't leave anything out there. I got everything out of it."

Irwin's 19-under 197 was the lowest Senior PGA Tour score since last July's Ameritech Senior Open, also won by Irwin at 21-under.

Special players



Kale Lofton (21) of the Canyon Eagles gets set to pick up the basketball during a Special Olympics Tournament held over the weekend at the Pampa Middle School gymnasium. Other 300 athletes were entered in the tournament, which consisted of teams from Amarillo, Borger, Canyon, Hereford, Perryton and Pampa.

Purdue sophomore steps in to save seniors

By The Associated Press

The only non-senior starter for No. 5 Purdue had missed seven straight shots. So when the Boilermakers came down to needing the big basket to win at Indiana for the first time since 1990, the choice was easy.

Sophomore Chad Austin ended his shooting slump with a 3-pointer with 13 seconds to play that gave Purdue a 74-72 victory over the Hoosiers on Sunday.

"It was a play we set up to get him open. It worked and he knocked it down," Purdue coach Gene Keady said.

Indiana still had a chance to win but Herb Dove, one of six Purdue seniors looking for their first win at Assembly Hall, came up with some good defense against Brian Evans and the Boilermakers held on.

"We tried to space three people and get a crack at a 3, and go

from there to try and rebound if we missed," Indiana coach Bob Knight said.

Dove gave a blow-by-blow of the final possession.

"It was one of the most scariest things in my life. I never thought it would come down to that," Dove said. "I just got over him. He picked the ball up, and that's when I normally get up on people. That's what I did."

"He hooked me and got around me. ... I slid my feet and caught up with him. He jumped up into me. I thought that's what made his shot short. If he had stepped back and squared up, he probably would have hit it because I wasn't going to foul him."

The Boilermakers (23-4, 13-2) moved within one victory or a Penn State loss of clinching its third straight outright Big Ten title. The last team to do that was Ohio State from 1960-62.

"I'm so proud of the six

seniors, I'm about to bust at the seams," Keady said. "They have done a tremendous job this year keeping their composure in games like this and playing good defense when our offense went dry."

Austin finished with 18 points, while Todd Lindeman had a career-high 21 points for the Hoosiers (15-11, 8-6).

In other ranked games Sunday, it was: No. 4 Connecticut 70, No. 6 Villanova 59; No. 7 Cincinnati 65, Tulane 63; No. 14 Memphis 57, No. 21 Louisville 54; Temple 57, No. 16 Virginia Tech 41; Duke 85, No. 17 UCLA 66; and No. 18 Georgia Tech 92, North Carolina State 83.

In games involving ranked teams on Saturday, it was: No. 1 Kentucky 94, Florida 63; No. 24 George Washington 86, No. 2 Massachusetts 76; No. 3 Kansas 77, Kansas State 66; No. 8 Georgetown 67, Boston College 64; No. 9 Texas Tech 75, Texas 58;

and No. 10 Utah 74, Air Force 50. Also, No. 11 Arizona 84, Oregon State 60; Virginia 67, No. 13 Wake Forest 49; No. 15 Syracuse 77, Pittsburgh 60; Florida State 84, No. 19 North Carolina 80; Illinois 91, No. 20 Iowa 86; No. 22 Wisconsin-Green Bay 73, Butler 66; No. 23 Iowa State 78, Missouri 74; and No. 25 Stanford 71, Washington 56.

**Sunday's Games**  
No. 4 Connecticut 70, No. 6 Villanova 59

Ray Allen scored 26 points as the visiting Huskies (25-2, 15-1) clinched the top seed in the Big East tournament. The loss was the first of a three-game suspension for Wildcats guard Kerry Kittles and it ended a 10-game winning streak. Travis Knight had eight points, 15 rebounds and five blocks for Connecticut, which won the league regular-season title the last two years. Jason Lawson had 14 points for the Wildcats (23-4, 13-3).

Pampa Middle School track

1996 Schedules		
7th and 8th Grade		
	BOYS	GIRLS
March 22	Dumas	Dumas
Finals	4:00 P.M.	4:00 P.M.
March 29	Pampa	Borger
Finals	4:00 P.M.	4:00 P.M.
April 4	Borger	Valleyview
Finals	4:00 P.M.	4:00 P.M.
April 26		Canyon
Finals		4:00 P.M.
April 27	Hereford	
Preliminaries	9:00 A.M.	
May 4	Valleyview	Hereford
Preliminaries	9:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.

**BASKETBALL**

**The Top Twenty Five**  
By The Associated Press  
The top 25 teams in the Associated Press college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Feb. 25, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

Rank	Team	Record	Pts	Prv
1	Kentucky(64)	24-1	1,648	2
2	Massachusetts(2)	26-1	1,563	1
3	Kansas	23-2	1,496	5
4	Connecticut	25-2	1,469	3
5	Purdue	23-4	1,327	7
6	Villanova	23-4	1,272	4
7	Cincinnati	21-3	1,265	6
8	Georgetown	23-5	1,185	11
9	Texas Tech	24-1	1,174	9
10	Utah	22-5	949	8
11	Arizona	21-5	944	13
12	PennSt.	19-4	881	14
13	WakeForest	18-5	869	10
14	Memphis	20-5	719	19
15	Syracuse	20-7	682	15
16	VirginiaTech	20-4	644	12
17	UCLA	19-7	530	16
18	GeorgiaTech	18-10	450	23
19	NorthCarolina	19-8	381	17
20	Iowa	19-7	357	18
21	Louisville	19-8	349	21
22	Wis-Green Bay	24-2	289	25
23	IowaSt.	19-7	245	22
24	George Washington	18-5	232	—
25	Stanford	17-7	111	24

Other receiving votes: Mississippi St. 95, Boston College 86, New Mexico 32, Coll. of Charleston 28, E. Michigan 24, Fresno St. 24, Duke 21, Marquette 21, Texas 16, Tulane 16, Bradley 11, Arkansas 8, Tulsa 7, Georgia 6, Davidson 5, Ark.-Little Rock 4, Illinois 4, Drexel 3, Temple 3, California 2, Coppin St. 1, Michigan 1, Montana 1.

**National Basketball Association**

**At A Glance**  
By The Associated Press  
All Times EST  
EASTERN CONFERENCE  
Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	40	15	.727	—
New York	32	21	.604	7
Miami	26	29	.473	14
New Jersey	24	30	.444	15 1/2
Washington	24	30	.444	15 1/2
Boston	19	35	.352	20 1/2
Philadelphia	10	43	.189	29

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	49	6	.891	—
Indiana	34	20	.630	14 1/2
Cleveland	31	22	.585	17
Atlanta	20	24	.456	18 1/2
Detroit	27	25	.519	20 1/2
Charlotte	27	26	.509	21
Milwaukee	20	33	.377	28
Toronto	14	39	.264	34

WESTERN CONFERENCE  
Midwest Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	36	17	.679	—
Utah	36	17	.679	—
Houston	36	20	.643	1 1/2
Denver	22	31	.415	14
Dallas	18	35	.341	18
Minnesota	16	37	.302	20
Vancouver	11	41	.212	24 1/2

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	42	12	.778	—
L.A. Lakers	33	20	.623	8 1/2
Phoenix	27	26	.509	14 1/2
Golden State	26	28	.481	16
Sacramento	24	27	.471	16 1/2
Portland	25	30	.455	17 1/2
L.A. Clippers	17	37	.315	25

Saturday's Games  
Indiana 104, Charlotte 90  
Cleveland 103, New Jersey 74  
Houston 96, L.A. Lakers 94  
Denver 99, Utah 90  
Seattle 104, Sacramento 91  
Golden State 86, L.A. Clippers 80

Sunday's Games  
Washington 111, Milwaukee 103  
Chicago 111, Orlando 91  
Phoenix 113, New York 105  
San Antonio 95, Vancouver 84  
Atlanta 92, Minnesota 76  
Detroit 93, Portland 81  
Miami 108, Philadelphia 101  
New Jersey 111, Boston 105  
Dallas 105, Toronto 98  
Seattle 106, L.A. Clippers 101

Monday's Games  
Indiana at Boston, 7:30 p.m.  
Phoenix at Utah, 9 p.m.  
New York at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Detroit at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.  
Tuesday's Games  
Miami at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.  
Golden State at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.  
Portland at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.  
Charlotte at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.  
Minnesota at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.  
Toronto at Houston, 8:30 p.m.  
Washington at Denver, 9 p.m.  
San Antonio at L.A. Clippers at Anaheim, Calif., 10:30 p.m.

**HOCKEY**

**National Hockey League**

**At A Glance**  
By The Associated Press  
All Times EST  
EASTERN CONFERENCE  
Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Rangers	35	15	11	81	219	167
Florida	35	19	7	77	206	173
Philadelphia	31	18	11	73	209	163
Washington	28	25	7	63	169	162
New Jersey	27	25	8	62	154	147
Tampa Bay	27	25	8	62	180	193
N.Y. Islanders	18	33	8	44	173	223

Northwest Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	36	20	4	76	268	204
Montreal	30	24	7	67	200	186
Boston	26	25	8	60	205	207
Hartford	25	28	6	56	170	189
Buffalo	25	29	6	56	180	185
Ottawa	12	45	3	27	142	227

WESTERN CONFERENCE  
Central Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Detroit	44	11	4	92	222	132
Chicago	32	19	11	75	210	161
St. Louis	26	24	11	63	166	176
Toronto	25	27	10	60	183	186
Winnipeg	24	30	4	52	195	207
Dallas	19	31	11	49	177	211

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	34	17	10	78	243	173
Vancouver	24	23	14	62	221	205
Calgary	23	28	11	57	179	189
Ns. Angeles	18	30	15	51	201	232
Anaheim	22	34	5	49	170	201
Edmonton	21	33	6	48	163	227
San Jose	13	42	6	32	186	263

x-clinched playoff spot  
Saturday's Games  
Montreal 7, Pittsburgh 3  
New Jersey 2, Washington 1  
N.Y. Rangers 4, Florida 0  
Dallas 3, Toronto 2  
Detroit 2, Tampa Bay 0  
Los Angeles 2, St. Louis 2, tie  
Boston 2, Calgary 1  
Sunday's Games  
N.Y. Islanders at Edmonton 0  
Anaheim 4, San Jose 3  
Dallas 6, Hartford 1  
Buffalo 6, Florida 1  
Philadelphia 3, Chicago 2  
Colorado 4, Ottawa 2  
Monday's Games  
Los Angeles at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.  
Anaheim at Colorado, 9 p.m.  
Montreal at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.  
Tuesday's Games  
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.  
Edmonton at Boston, 7:30 p.m.  
Detroit at N.Y. Islanders, 7:30 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at Vancouver, 10:30 p.m.

**SPORTS IN BRIEFS**

**Weekend Sports In Brief**

**BASKETBALL**

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Confirming long-standing rumors, Illinois coach Lou Henson said Saturday that this season will be his last. Henson, 63, who made the announcement after his team's 91-86 victory over Iowa, will remain at Illinois as a part-time assistant athletic director. He is 422-220 at Illinois and third among active NCAA Division I coaches with 661 victories.

**BOWLING**

Harvester Lanes — Pampa MONDAY NIGHT NTA

Team	W	Lost
Sadie Hawkins	57	23
Mr. Gatti's	54	26
The Pampa News	38	42
Red Deer Station	35	44
Pizza Hut	35	45
Ron's Mr. Muffler	30	49

Week's High Scores  
Men  
High game: J.T. Lamberson 300; High series: J.T. Lamberson 750; High handicap game: J.T. Lamberson 300; High handicap series: J.T. Lamberson 750.  
Women  
High game: Kelly Fishburn 223; High series: Kelly Fishburn 550; High handicap game: Kelly Fishburn 254; High handicap series: Elaine James 637.

**WRESTLING**

Los Angeles at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

**BASEBALL**

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**AHS sweeps Pampa teams**

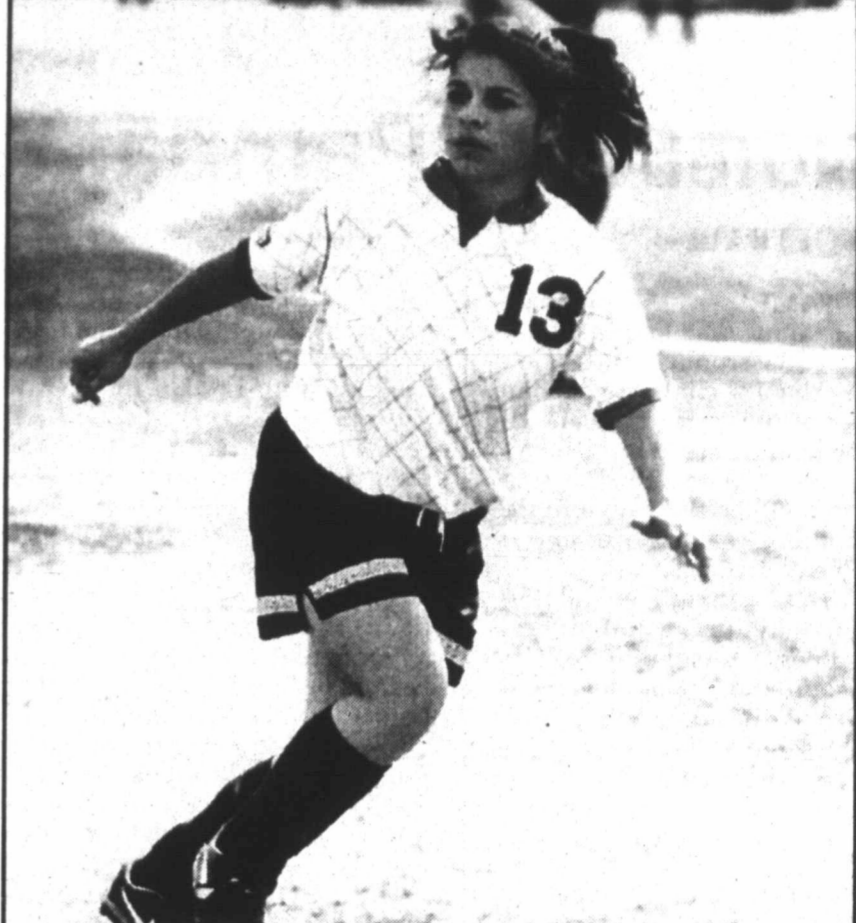
PAMPA — Amarillo High won over Pampa, 4-1, in a District 3 boys soccer match here Saturday.  
Ninth grader Joel Bolz scored a first-half goal for the Harvesters as they defeated the Harveters 4-1 in the 14th minute.  
Pampa's district record is 3-4 while overall the Harvesters are 7-4. AHS is 7-0 in district play and 10-1 for the season.  
"Nothing was clicking for us and Amarillo High played exceptionally well," said Pampa head coach Warren Cottle. "Our timing just wasn't there."

**Both the Pampa High School boys and girls teams play at Caprock on Saturday with matches beginning at 4:15 p.m.**

Pampa lost to Amarillo High, 3-1, in a girls match Saturday.

AHS girls are 4-1 in district and 9-4 for the season. Pampa is 4-3 in district.

Pampa's next home matches are March 9 against Amarillo Tascosa.



(Pampa News photo)

**Pampa's Candace Ramirez moves into a defensive position during soccer action against Amarillo High.**

**Just another speed bump on the Bulls' run**

CHICAGO (AP) — So much for the latest Game of the Century. This one wasn't even the best game of the afternoon.

As statements go, Chicago's 111-91 pounding of Orlando said simply "change the channel" at the very moment the game should have been at its best. Go figure. Michael Jordan goes 8-for-19, Scottie Pippen 5-for-18 and the Bulls still win by 20. Another day, another trampling.

Four points separated what were supposed to be the league's No. 1 and 1A teams when Sunday's fourth quarter began. Then the fourth-best guy on Chicago's team took over. Toni Kukoc doesn't have any commercials, yet. He banked a short jumper, rained down three straight 3-pointers and suddenly it was 85-76, Chicago. Nick Anderson retaliated with a 3, but it turned out to be token resistance. The Bulls strung together the next 11 points and called the Magic show off even though some five minutes remained on the clock.

Anyone looking for excitement after that was already looking elsewhere on the dial. Well, almost everyone.

"We wanted to find a way to get

Toni to be more aggressive," Bulls coach Phil Jackson said afterward. And even the coaching staff didn't dare claim credit, the motivation wasn't hard to come by.

"We knew mom was back home watching the game in Croatia," Jackson added. "It's a reputation thing."

That was the buildup for this contest, the reason it was going to be more than just another speed bump on the Bulls' run toward 70 regular-season wins and another NBA championship. All kinds of reputations were supposed to be on the line.

There was age vs. youth. There was Michael vs. Shaq for the title of most dominant player and biggest endorser, both backed by the hype machines of sneaker conglomerates. There was Pippen and Penny Hardaway in a battle for best supporting actor. There was the rebounding war between oblivious Dennis Rodman and jilted Horace Grant, who only left the Bulls because Chicago wasn't big enough to accommodate three superstars. (Oops!)

But that wasn't all. There was the memory of the Magic ending Jordan's comeback last season. There was lingering resentment from the All-Star game earlier this

month, when Jordan sabotaged Hardaway's warmup pants before the game and made off an MVP trophy O'Neal thought should have been his at the end. And then there was the bit about home.

With the Eastern Conference finals expected to be a rematch between Chicago and Orlando, home-court advantage could be the decisive factor. Besides, the Magic broke a 49-year-old NBA record last week by improving to 28-0 at the Orlando Arena — the best start ever at home. By beating the Bulls, 24-0 this season at home before Sunday, they could have assured the mark would remain theirs.

And so what, if anything, should we regard different after Sunday?

Not much.

The Magic is still not a very good road team. They were 12-15 coming in, having won three road games in a row. But they looked lost once more by the time they left.

They still don't know how to finish. Shaq came out breathing fire and rang up a game-high 33 points. But only six came in the final quarter, when the game was still to be decided.

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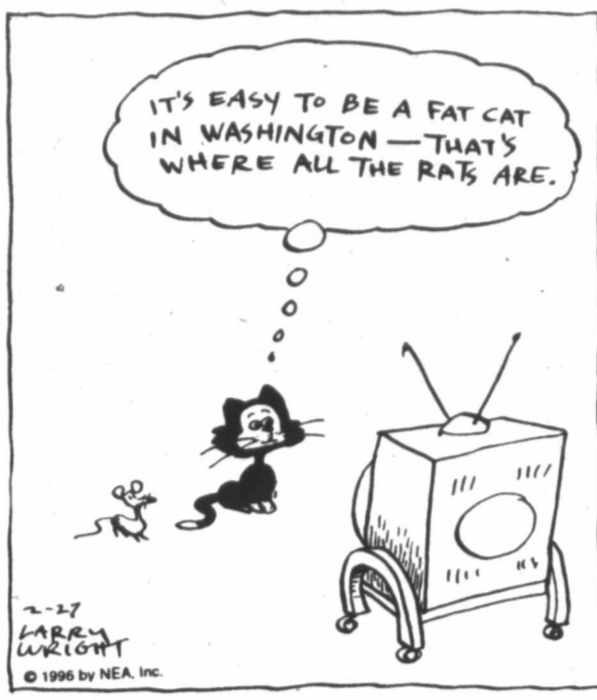
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5 Comic — 50 Inventor  
9 Use a straw 53 Sen. Nunn  
12 Indian 54 The King  
13 Jelly — 56 South African  
14 Last mo. 58 Dutch  
15 Prefix for dynamic 58 Snow runner  
16 — arms 59 Urges  
17 Guldo's high note 60 Virginia willow  
20 Directs 61 Asian holiday  
22 Have lunch 62 RBI or ERA  
23 Band 63 Small pie  
24 Bro's sib  
27 Old soldier  
29 Electron tube  
33 Roguish act  
35 I cannot tell —  
36 Tennis pro Nastase  
37 Writer Garrison —  
40 Many Moore  
42 Fowl product  
43 Year (Sp.)  
44 Sleep stage

**DOWN**

1 Drivers' gp.  
2 Soviet refusal  
3 Challenge  
4 — where the buffalo roam  
5 Owner of an adjoining property  
6 Agt.  
7 Follows  
8 Group of

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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## Leap Day is unique, so doesn't it deserve some respect?

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — It's a day unique among 1,460 others, coming along every four years to keep the passage of time in synch with the Earth's seasons.

So why isn't Leap Day a bigger deal?

It's not a national holiday. It's not a day off work. Good luck finding a greeting card to mark the occasion.

From its inception in 46 B.C. during the reign of Julius Caesar, Feb. 29 has struggled for recognition. For centuries, it wasn't even considered a legitimate day, says folklore expert Joseph P. Goodwin of Ball State University.

"Because the day occurred every four years, it was not considered a legal day. It was an extra day. It was something outside the regular calendar," Goodwin says. "Some people think that's why it came to be called Leap Day — you

leap over it." Until about 300 years ago, no official business was transacted Feb. 29 because the day wasn't considered to have actually occurred and deals would not hold up in court, says Donald Dossey, author of *Holiday Folklore, Phobias, and Fun*.

So why haven't labor leaders seized Feb. 29 as an opportunity for the working masses to enjoy a day off? After all, employers would have to grant it only once each four years.

"It didn't have a lot of history to it, no long-term feelings to it as far as workers were concerned," Dossey explains. "It didn't have any tradition that workers could hang onto."

One observance of Feb. 29 is Bachelor's Day, when women were afforded the chance to ask men for their hands in marriage.

Legend has it St. Bridget took up the cause with St. Patrick and, in a compromise, he allowed the role reversal to occur once every four years.

Still, even with the proliferation of occasions to send greeting cards, it's tough finding cards to mark Leap Day, other than special birthday cards.

"There's no demand for it," says Hallmark Cards spokeswoman Rachel Bolton in Kansas City, Mo. "You have to ask yourself: What does a day mean to people? With Valentine's Day for example, it is a day to do something, to profess love."

Short of action by Congress or some other arbiter of official days, Leap Day is likely to remain mired in obscurity. "For every holiday that exists," Bolton says, "there was a grassroots movement, that one leader or

group was pressing to have." Peter Morris of Kelowna, British Columbia, may be ready to take up that challenge.

Twelve years ago, while toiling as a marketing director for a shopping center in Edmonton, Alberta, Morris bellyached to colleagues that average workers, unlike bosses and secretaries, have no designated day and labor on with little recognition. "Much like Leap Day itself," he says.

Inspired to fill this gap, Morris created International Underlings Day, observed each Feb. 29.

Until this year, observances have been limited to Morris and his co-workers. This year, however, after winning mention in *Chase's 1996 Calendar of Events*, a book that catalogs celebrations throughout the year, Morris has been fielding calls from across the continent.

## Christopher visits Latin America

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — After waiting years for a visit from a U.S. secretary of state, Central American leaders found a sudden crisis with Cuba overshadowing their own concerns as Warren Christopher begins talks here today.

Christopher arrived in El Salvador on Sunday for a nine-day visit to Latin America, the longest since 1988 by a secretary of state to a region that sometimes seemed to have slipped off the radar screen of U.S. foreign policy.

In visits to 80 countries in three years, Christopher has spent only 24 working hours in Latin America, in three separate trips to Haiti and Mexico.

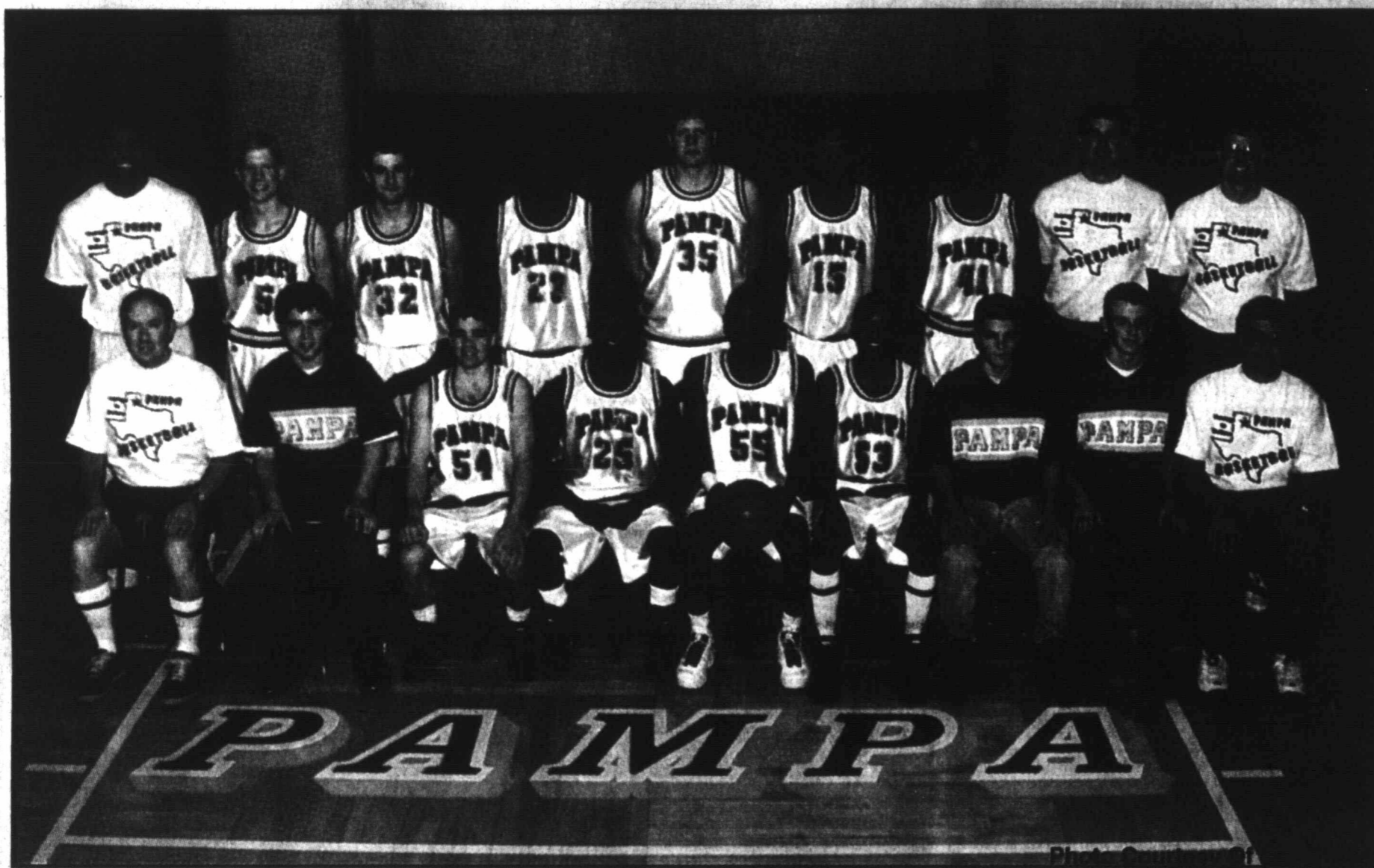
In their talks today, Salvador President Armando Calderon Sol and other Central American

leaders were expected to push Christopher for assurances that their countries will not lose out in U.S. free-trade pacts with Mexico and the Caribbean.

A 35-nation summit convened by President Clinton in Miami in 1994 set a goal of a hemispheric free-trade zone by 2005. But with the Clinton administration facing criticism by free-trade opponents at home — most notably by Republican presidential candidate Pat Buchanan — Christopher was expected to ask the Central American presidents for patience.

For his part, Christopher planned to encourage Central American countries to press ahead with democratic reforms after the civil wars that ravaged the region in the 1980s.

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