

## **GOOD EVÉNING**

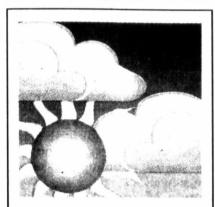
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Low tonight near 20, high tomorrow in low 40s. See Page 2 for weather details.

PAMPA — Local music teachers were active at last weekend's Texas Music Educators Association convention in San Antonio, presenting sessions and organizing events in elementary, instrumental and vocal divi-

Pampa High School Band Director Bruce Collins judged alto and bass clarinet auditions for All-State Band in addition to conducting sectional rehearsals.

Wanetta Hill, Horace Mann Elementary School music instructor, presented a session entitled "It's a Jungle Out There," staffed the elementary division office and served as presidor and facilitator with the elementary choir concert.

PHS Choir Director Fred Mays served on the concert facilities committee in the vocal division and sang with the Panhandle Men's Chorus when they presented a concert of music new to the UIL prescribed music list.

Susie Wilson, assistant choir director, served as All-State Choir organizer, presented the Panhandle Men's Chorus and gave a report to the vocal division.

The TMEA convention is the largest convention of its kind in the world, providing services to 15,000 members from middle school, high school and universities across the state.

**LEFORS** — The Lefors City Council will meet in special session Friday at 7 p.m. in the Lefors Civic Center.

On the agenda is discussion of a resolution to apply for a grant from the Texas Community Development Program of Panhandle Regional Planning Commission.

The council voted earlier this month to apply for a grant from the program to be used for essentially any city project.

Meetings are open to the

**WASHINGTON** (AP) — Happy birthday, Chelsea. Now go to school.

Chelsea Clinton, the nation's First Daughter, turned sweet 16 today and began the special day like she does most others: "She's at school," said family spokes-

man Neel Lattimore. He said the Clintons have not shared their plans with him, but he suspects the family will enjoy a quiet gettogether after school. The president has no public

events on his schedule today. Lattimore said Chelsea will probably have a party later this week with her school

As for the normal privileges of 16, Chelsea plans to take her driver's test soon and is dating, Lattimore said.

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## Clinton defends response to downing of two planes

WASHINGTON (AP) – Under attack from critics who say the United States isn't getting tough enough with Cuba, the Clinton administration today defended its response to the downing of two unarmed U.S. civilian planes off the Cuban coast.

"We took additional measures vesterday which are effective and will increase the pressure on Castro's government," said Undersecretary of State Peter Tarnoff in an interview with CBS. "It's exactly what's warranted at this time."

President Clinton announced a series of actions Monday designed to retaliate against Fidel Castro's government for the incident Saturday over the Florida Straits that left four occupants of the planes missing and presumed dead. Another plane from the Cuban-American exile group Brothers to the Rescue escaped Cuban MiGs and returned safely to the United

Congressional Republicans said Clinton's actions are welcomed but don't go far enough.

"Castro won't exactly be shaking in his boots unless we get tougher sanctions," said Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, R-Fla., a Cuban-American who represents a heavily Cuban district in

Presidential candidate Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan., declared that Clinton was "coddling Castro."

"The president has yet to understand that the only way to deal with Castro's tyranny is with real firmness and pressure," said Dole, the Senate majority leader.

House Speaker Gingrich, R-Ga., said Congress "either this week or next week" would send the president legislation dramatically expanding sanctions on Cuba. He criticized the administration for not pushing more vigorously for a condemnation of Cuba from the United Nations.

"The administration needs to indicate clearly that our goal, frankly, is a free, democratic Cuba and our goal is not to find ways to accommodate Fidel," Gingrich told reporters.

Clinton halted all charter flights between the United States and Cuba and added new restrictions to Cuban diplomats' U.S. travel. He pledged support for legislation toughening the embargo against Cuba and said he would ask Congress to compensate the victims' families out of \$100 million in frozen Cuban

Clinton called the attack "an appalling reminder of the nature of the Cuban regime: repressive, violent, scornful of international law," and said he was "not ruling out any further steps in the future should they be required."

Several members of Congress and Cuban American activists demanded more punitive measures, starting with final action of a tough bill that would dramatically expand sanctions on Havana.

Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, promised to pass "the strongest possible" embargo bill "and have it on the president's desk before the blood dries on Fidel Castro's hands."



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Sixth graders Bradley Stucker and Keenan Davis finish up their Friday tests last week in Anita Grice's fifth-hour math class. The students are learning their math this semester following the Saxon math procedure, a method that stresses incremental introductions and gentle repetitions.

## Wheeler to host wheat production meeting

rounding area are invited to a tificate. Wheat Production meeting,

Program participants will include Dr. Brent Bean, Extension agronomist in Amarillo; Dr. Carl Patrick, Extension entomologist in Amarillo; and Rick Hargrove of the Wheeler County Consolidated Farm Service Agency.

Topics to be covered by Dr. Bean will include "Grain and Forage Production of Various Wheat Varieties," "Effect of Grazing Pull-Off Dates on Grain Production" and "Outlook for the 1996 Wheat Crop.'

Dr. Patrick will discuss "Identification and Control of Wheat Insects" and Hargrove will give an update of the Farm Bill.

Those attending the meeting will receive two CEU's toward

Officials enforce

campaign signs

state law against

VICTORIA (AP) - Drivers on

highways through Victoria

won't see many campaign signs.

dates, when they were notified

the signs were illegal, cooperat-

Texas' Highway Beautifica-

tion Act makes it illegal to post

campaign signs where they can

be seen from an interstate or fed-

eral-aid primary highway. In the

Victoria area, those include U.S.

59, 77, 90A, 183 and 290; Texas

Political signs can be posted

with either an exemption or a

license, but exemptions are

granted only for warning or

other safety-related signs and a

license costs \$125, plus a \$96

money," said Randy Boop, can-

didate for constable of Victoria

So about half of Boop's cam-

paign signs had to come out of

his supporters yards along Main

"I've had several people that

had my signs in their yards say-

ing, 'Hey, they're telling me that

I can't put a sign up in my own

yard?' And I had to tell them

Garland Emerson, right-of-

way agent for the Texas

Department of Transportation's

Yoakum office, said no licenses

have been issued to political

candidates in the district.

Street - also known as U.S. 87.

"I don't have that kind of

permit fee for each sign.

County's Precinct 2.

they're right."

35, 36 and 71; and Interstate 10.

ed by having them removed.

City officials say that candi-

WHEELER - Wheat producers the renewal of their private pes- of the program. Dr. Jerry Cox, in Wheeler County and the surticide applicator's license or cer- Extension range management

A Forage Production meeting Thursday, March, at 7 p.m. in the is scheduled for Tuesday, March Coin & Copper Room of the 12. This meeting is co-sponsored Wheeler Banking Center in by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Wheeler County Soil & Water results of demonstrations mea-Conservation District.

The Forage Production meeting will begin at 5 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose room of the Church of Christ in Wheeler.

Program topics were selected to show producers ways to increase the amount and quality of the forage they produce.

Dr. Don Dorsett, Extension forage specialist from College Station, will discuss the use of cool season perennial grasses in a tion, quality and management.

Land that has been in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) is beginning to come out

specialist at Vernon, will explain how the grass that is coming out of the program can be managed

to produce quality forage. Don King, Wheeler County Extension agent, will present the suring the production of Luna pubescent wheatgrass.

Dr. Ted McCollum, Extension beef cattle specialist of Amarillo, will show how to determine the carrying capacity of pastures. With this information the cattleman can do a better job of planning his grazing program.

Rolling Plains Production Credit Association will sponsor a meal for those attending the Forage Production meeting. forage production operation. He Those planning to attend the will talk about varieties, produc- meeting are asked to contact Don King at the Wheeler County Extension Office at (806) 826-5243 by Friday, March 8, to make reservations for the meal.

## New program improves math skills for students

Editor's note: This is the third in popularity in schools across the a week-long series of articles on programs in Pampa's public schools in recognition of Texas Public Schools

By CHIP CHANDLER **Staff Writer** 

Tim Powers sees the new Saxon math curriculum offered at Pampa Middle School from two different angles.

As middle school principal, he views the program under the watchful eyes of an administrator, keeping the interests of the whole school in mind as he evaluates the success of the program.

As the father of a sixth grade daughter, he observes the program as a parent, arguably with an even greater sensitivity and with more attention to one child over the entire student body.

From both angles, Saxon math seems like a success to Powers.

"The reason we like it is because it is so instructionally think at a higher level of thinking," he said, speaking for the school as its principal.

"There is a lot of homework, but the dividends are paying off. I've seen it in my daughter, I've seen her confidence grow," Powers said as a parent.

Saxon math is a new approach to introducing and teaching various math skills that has grown in

country in the past few years.

The program is built around two basic tenets: presentation of skills in increments and gentle repetition of those skills. "Each lesson presents a small

bite of a math skill. Once it's been introduced the students have it for the rest of the class. ... Continuous practice is the basic philosophy," Powers said. "The difference is in a tradi-

tional math book it gives you the skill and 30 problems, then it leaves the skill to go on to the next one. [In Saxon math] the skill is built into all problems from then on," he continued.

For example, early in a section on fractions and decimals, students are introduced to a ruler that measures variously sized line segments as an exercise. Each time a new fraction (1/8, 3/4,1/2) is introduced, students look at a new line segment and learn to find that fraction on the ruler.

Also, once students are introsound and it causes students to duced to decimals, they will encounter a decimal problem in every lesson from then on.

Students notice the difference "It's better than the last book because in the other book it only told you a little about [one skill]. In the Saxon math book, it always tells you a little bit extra about the math," sixth grader Christopher Crook said.

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## School board candidates invited to attend workshop

board candidates will have an responsibilities, important ethiopportunity to learn more about the challenges and rewards of board service at a school board candidate workshop Monday, students and keys to responsible March 4, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Region XVI Education Service Center, 1601 S. Cleveland.

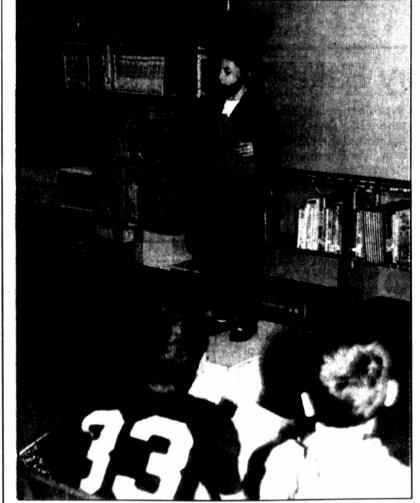
school board candidates and other interested citizens with a better understanding of what is involved in being elected and serving as a trustee. An experienced school board member will explain board members' key responsibilities and outline the

Topics to be covered include 580-8272, Extension 6191

AMARILLO - Area school the school board's duties and cal practices during board service, how board members are accountable for the education of campaigns. Participants will also view A Call to Service, a Texas Association of School Boards The workshop will provide video highlighting many aspects of board service and featuring several experienced school trustees.

The workshop is open to all school board candidates, current school board members and inter-/ ested community members. Admission is free. For more qualities necessary for effective information, call David Koempel at TASB, (512) 467-0222 or 1-800-

## **Book reports**



Third grader Autumn Schaub dresses as President Abraham Lincoln Monday afternoon to deliver her biographical book report to an audience of camera-toting parents during celebrations of Texas Public Schools Week at Austin Elementary School. "I wanted to help the country I love become strong again, but before I could a man killed me," Schaub read, flashing a big grin to the audience before taking her seat.

## Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

AVERY, Bobby E. — 11 a.m., Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors Ivy Chapel, Amarillo.

### **Obituaries**

### **BOBBY E. AVERY**

AMARILLO - Bobby E. Avery, 64, father of a Pampa resident, died Sunday, Feb. 25, 1996. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors Ivy Chapel with the Rev. Mitch Wilson, pastor, of River Road Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mr. Avery was born at Coleman and moved to Amarillo in 1949. He had served with the Marine Corps. He was a retired locomotive engineer with Burlington Northern Railroad and was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Louise Avery, of the home; two sons, Pat Avery and Kelly Avery, both of Amarillo; a daughter, Fonda Howard of Pampa; a sister, Jean Moss of Amarillo; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

LORENE COLEMAN

McLEAN - Lorene Coleman, 87, mother of a Pampa resident, died Monday, Feb. 26, 1996, at the McLean Care Center. Burial will be Friday in Jasper County, Ill. Burial will be under the direction of Harper-Swickard Funeral Home of Charleston, Ill.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice of the Panhandle, P.O. Box 2795, Pampa TX

## Calendar of events

### **TOTS-N-TRAINING**

The Tots-N-Training program for preschool children ages 3-5 in Baker, Lamar, Mann and Wilson school districts is continuing. Readiness materials may be picked up Wednesdays at the following locations: Albertsons, 10-11 a.m. and 3:30-4:30 p.m.; Frank's (Brown Street), 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Frank's (Hobart), 3-4 p.m.; and Community Day Care Center, 5-6 p.m. Registration sites are Outreach Health Services, 10 a.m.-noon, and Texas Department of Health, 10-11 a.m. and 2-3 p.m. Questions about Tots-N-Training may be directed to Sue Thornton at 669-**4700**.

### **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.

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY **BOOK SALE**

The Pampa Friends of the Library will be having its Book Sale at the Pampa Mall through March 6, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Closed Sunday. Donations of books will be taken at the Lovett Memorial Library of at the mall, Tuesday-Thursday, 1-4 p.m.

## **Fires**

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at

## MONDAY, Feb. 26

1:13 p.m. - Two units and three personnel responded to a small grass fire at 1817 N.

2:31 p.m. - Two units and three personnel responded to the Carson County line on a grass fire standby.

10:03 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to a grass fire in the backyard of a residence at 1300 Starkweather.

## Police report

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

MONDAY, Feb. 26

A .22-calibre Ruger was discovered in Pampa after having been reported stolen by the Tulsa Police Department on Oct. 26, 1990.

Runaways were reported in the 1000 block of South Wells and 2200 block of Hamilton.

EZ Serve Taylor Mart, 400 N. Ballard, reported

theft at 7:55 p.m. Monday. Theft of a \$1,000 Smith and Wesson .357 pistol was reported in the 1100 block of Terry at 8 p.m.

Saturday. Domestic violence - assault was reported by a 20-year-old woman in the 900 block of Duncan at 9:40 p.m. Monday. She reported being shoved by a man, who subsequently suffered a broken jaw when a scuffle ensued between her husband and

the man who reportedly pushed her, police

reports say. The 24-year-old man was admitted to

### **Ambulance**

Coronado Hospital.

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. MONDAY, Feb. 26

1:55 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of North Sumner on a medical emergency and transported one patient to Coronado

2:46 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1800 block of North Faulkner on a medical emergency and transported one patient to Coronado

9:41 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 900 block of Duncan on an assault and transport-

TUESDAY, Feb. 27 1:06 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2700 block of North Hobart on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

## Sheriff's Office

ed one patient to Coronado Hospital.

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests in the 24-hour period which ended

### Arrests MONDAY, Feb. 26

Cody L. Jordan, 822 N. Russell, was arrested on warrant alleging assault. He was released to stand trial, per Justice of the Peace Margie Prestidge

**Department of Public Safety** Karen Renee Eddleman, 35, Claude, was arrest-

ed on DPS traffic tickets. She paid fines and

| The following grain quotations are   | Chevron55 7/8          | dn 3/8   |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|
| provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa. | Coca-Cola81 1/8        | dn 5/8   |
|                                      | Columbia/HCA55         | dn 3/4   |
| Wheat 5.02                           | Diamond Sham31         | up 1/4   |
| Milo                                 | Enron38 3/8            | dn 1/2   |
| Corn                                 | Halliburton54 1/4      | dn 3/8   |
| 7.04                                 | Ingersoll Rand40 5/8   | dn 1/8   |
| The following show the prices for    | KNE31 3/8              | up 1/8   |
| which these securities could have    | Kerr McGee60           | dn 3/8   |
| traded at the time of compilation:   | Limited17 5/8          | up 1/4   |
|                                      | Mapco56 5/8            | · NC     |
| Nowsco13 3/8 dn 1/4                  | McDonald's50 1/2       | dn 1/8   |
| Occidental23 3/8 dn 1/8              | Mobil108 7/8           | dn 1 3/4 |
| The following show the prices for    | New Atmos 22 3/4       | dn 1/8   |
| which these mutual funds were bid at | Parker & Parsley21 1/2 | dn 1/4   |
| the time of compilation:             | Penney's47 3/8         | NC       |
| Magellan 87.46                       | Phillips35 5/8         | up 5/8   |
| Puritan                              | SLB73 1/4              | dn 7/8   |
| ruitaii 17.00                        | SPS32 1/4              | dn 3/8   |
| The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock   | Tenneco54 7/8          | dn 1/2   |
| Market quotations are furnished by   | Texaco81 1/8           | dn 3/4   |
| Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.      | Wal-Mart 21 1/8        | dn 5/8   |
| Amoco69 1/4 dn 1/2                   | New York Gold          | 398.50   |
| Arco110 5/8 dn 1 1/4                 | Silver                 | 5.49     |
| Cabot59 3/4 up 3/8                   | West Texas Crude       | 19.40    |
| Cabot O&G15 3/4 NC                   |                        |          |

## **Emergency numbers**

| Energas | 665-5777 |
|---------|----------|
| SPS     | 669-7432 |
| Water   | 669-5830 |

## Man's torte recipe wins Pillsbury Bake-Off

DALLAS (AP) - The joy of away with the grand prize. cooking meant big money today as a California father became the cook, so I am surprised more then submitted their culinary crefirst man ever to capture the don't enter," said Wait, 43, who ations at The Fairmont Hotel in grand prize in a prestigious bak- tried a similar recipe for his first ing competition previously mas- bake-off in 1994 and has previoustered only by women.

Kurt Wait's Macadamia Fudge the Pillsbury Bake-Off.

ration for the recipe from a test. chocolate caramel nut candy. He The 37th bake-off got a for the top award.

prizes in the contest, which got its revised to make recipes more relestart in 1949, but none had walked vant to today's consumers.

"A lot of my (male) friends ly won one other cooking contest.

Wait, who also won a \$10,000 Torte garnered him \$1 million in Kenmore Consumer Best Award based on viewer phone-in voting, Wait, a self-taught cook from hopes his victory will send more Redwood City, Calif., drew inspi-men to the kitchen for the con-

competed with dozens of other makeover last year when its announced the next day. cooks from around the country Minnesota-based sponsor announced it was raising its grand Until today, 32 men had won prize from \$50,000 and was being

In the Pillsbury Co.'s bake-off, 100 national finalists cooked and downtown Dallas.

Finalists measured, mixed and baked from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, each preparing their recipes twice, a third time if one batch flops.

Deliberating in jury-room secrecy, judges then chose the winners in the creme de la creme of cooking competitions to be

About half of the contest categories featured quick recipes, emphasizing the contest's relevance for those who don't have time for complicated cooking.

## Rain helps with battles against state grassfires

storms brought needed rain tried to turn it back to open countoday to North Texas, where try so we could catch it out there." grass fires ravaged thousands of One house was destroyed and acres last week, and firefighters another suffered \$15,000 in damput out a wildfire near Amarillo. age, he said. No major injuries

scattered homes some three miles fighter suffered smoke inhalation been totaled. northwest of Amarillo, was extinand another suffered an electrical guished Monday night.

"At the time we were fighting the fire, we had a constant wind rate blazes have consumed more Central Texas, where firefighters speed of 28 miles per hour with than 180,000 acres, almost 10 last week battled a 30,000-acre gusts up to 60 miles per hour," times as much land as all of last blaze on Fort Hood, there was Bivens said today. "It was real Division of Emergency Manage- regions received scattered rain hard to catch. The fire ran through ment said.

DALLAS (AP) - Thunder- two residential areas. We basically

The 2,000-acre fire, in an area of were reported, although one fireshock, Bivens said.

Those 180,000 acres represent an area of 281 square miles, about 85 percent the size of Dallas.

More than 130 homes and 115 vehicles have been destroyed by fire, state figures show. The dollar amount of the damage has not

Thunderstorms carrying hail brought some relief to parched Since January, some 3,000 sepa-areas of North Texas today, but in Potter County Fire Chief Jack year, officials with the State only a little rain. Parts of both showers Monday afternoon.

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## Math

A typical class hour begins with a daily quiz. Then students seventh graders).

Students are then introduced to their new material for the day and practice the skill. At the end of the hour, students get their homework assignment for the go up," he said, but added that written testimonials of their feelnext day.

The hour is almost always filled, Powers said, adding that students often are still working when the bell rings.

school. In October, middle school teachers heard a presentation about the benefits of Saxon math from a secondary teacher unaffiliated with the program.

Interest grew among the teachers, and visits were made to White Deer and Panhandle, where the program had already been implemented.

In mid-November, a Saxon math representative discussed school students and their parents, middle school math teachers, the board members.

pre-algebra would be switching tition of skills, he said. books and math programs at the The program is not for all stu-

start of the spring semester. switched to the Saxon math pro-

gram because Powers and his staff felt it would not benefit grade their homework from the those students to be exposed to night before (25 problems for the program for only one semessixth graders, 30 problems for ter before moving on to new programs in high school.

Now, seven weeks into the program, Powers feels it has been very successful.

some students have not seen the ings toward the program. same improvement.

Some students scoring A's previously have dropped to B's or C's, but Powers indicated that This is the first semester the those scores may be a better indiprogram is being used in middle cator of those students' actual math knowledge.

Previously, daily homework cessful in math. assignments had been given priority in grading. Now, though, mented in all grade levels next homework only counts for 10 percent of the final grade.

Test scores now count for 70 percent of the grade, a practice gram as well. that Powers feels will insure the students understand the processes they have learned.

Despite the lesser emphasis on the program in a conference with homework grades, the level of the program in some grades and elementary teachers, middle homework assignments has increased.

Powers explained that students high school math coordinator, are assigned more homework, administrators and two school but the exercises contain many review questions of previous sound and I'm excited that our Parents were notified in assignments. The homework December that all sixth graders method is another way the proand seventh graders not taking gram emphasizes continual repe-

dents, Powers said, but he added Eighth graders were not that students who don't understand the new method will not

hold back other students. "We're not going to water the program down, because then expectations will lower. If kids can't do it we'll find a program like resource classes to help them and not slow everyone else down," he said.

Sixth and seventh grade math "We've seen a lot of kids' scores teachers provided Powers with

All of the teachers expressed their feelings that the students as a whole were retaining more math skills under the program.

Cheryl Free indicated the students were "gaining the confidence that they need to be suc-

The program will be impleyear, and Powers indicated that the district's elementary schools have started adopting the pro-

Horace Mann and Baker elementaries are using the program school-wide. Travis, Woodrow Wilson and Austin are piloting classes. Lamar is looking "very seriously" at implementing the program as well, said Principal

Pat Farmer. "This is very fundamentally teachers are so encouraged by it," Powers said. "This is one of the soundest school curriculum programs I've ever been involved

## Astronauts turn to remaining experiments

(AP) – A radio signal sent today surprising ground controllers spokesman Dave Drachlis. looking for clues into why the space shuttle Columbia.

Sunday night and the satellite in a month. quickly slipped into the black spiraling behind.

Hoping to gather clues on what slew of science studies. went wrong, ground controllers at Experiments with protein crysther consideration despite the Iohnson Space Center used a radio tals, metals, fire and other materi- accident. tems on the lost satellite as it flew Earth late next week. over Houston late this morning.

There were some surprises: The their disappointment at the fate another hard look at it." the four gyroscopes were not chalked it up to experience. working, and both thrusters mys-Sunday's break of the tether.

the satellite that we do not under- true."

SPACE CENTER, Houston stand yet," Mission Control said. scopes had stopped working, data at this point," said NASA

spacecraft had broken away from enough battery power to allow lower packages to Earth, they communication for another one said. The slender, 12-mile tether or two days. After that, it will be linking the shuttle and its half- space junk and will probably ton, \$400 million satellite broke burn up in the atmosphere with-

void of space, the miles of cord crew members turned today to appears very much in doubt. the other half of their cargo - a

command to switch on a few sci- als will take up most of the astro-

on-board computer and two of of the tethered satellite but teriously had opened and spewed that we're not pretty bitterly disout nitrogen gas. It was unclear appointed," said Jeffrey Hoff- went wrong. An investigative whether there was any connec- man. "But nevertheless, human board has been established. tion between these problems and lifetimes are short in the big scheme of things, and hopefully

Scientists had hoped the teth-"Everybody is huddled over ered satellite would yield valufrom a doomed satellite showed the data and trying to figure out able electricity when dragged by that its computer and two gyro- what it means, because it's just a spaceship through Earth's magnetic field. The electricity could be used for space stations and The U.S.-Italian satellite has tethers might even be able to Before the break, part of the

theory had proved true. The metal ball and tether generated up to 3,500 volts. But the future of The shuttle's disappointed tether technology suddenly Shuttle commander Andrew Allen said the idea deserves fur-

"We can't learn unless we go ence instruments and other sys- nauts' time until they return to try," he said. "We haven't seen the last of tethers I hope, and we

The astronauts couldn't hide just need to go ahead and take Astronauts said the frayed tether end remaining aboard Colum-"I don't want to try to pretend bia appeared burned, but NASA is refusing to speculate on what

> Italian scientist Dobrowolny said the cord's insulation may have been stripped

### "There has been an event on these dreams will someday come away, exposing the copper wire. and turning colder. Lows in mid Weather focus

## LOCAL FORECAST

Cloudy tonight with a low near 20. Northeast winds 10-15 mph. Wednesday, partly sunny with highs in the low 40s and was 71; the overnight low was

**REGIONAL FORECAST** 

sunny with highs 30 to 35. Panhandle

to upper teens. Wednesday, partly cloudy and colder. Highs 40-

North Texas – Tonight, a 20 percent chance of evening thunderstorms east, otherwise east winds 5-15 mph. Thursday, decreasing cloudiness. Partly increasing cloudiness and colder cloudy central and west. Windy with highs in the 40s and lows in and colder with lows 28 norththe mid-teens. A chance of light west to 40 southeast. Wednesrain or snow. Monday's high day, partly cloudy, windy and cool with highs 45 northwest to 56 southeast.

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storms. Lows in the 50s. Wednesday, cloudy, windy, and cooler. Highs in the 60s. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, cloudy with lows in the 50s inland, near 60 coast. Wednesday, cloudy, windy and cooler. A slight chance for light rain. Highs in the 60s to near 70.

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Devil's Rope curator featured at White Deer Land Museum

Delbert Trew, curator of the Devil's Rope Museum of McLean, will give an informative tour of the exhibits on display at White Deer Land Museum at 2:30 p.m. Sunday. The program is sponsored by Gray County Historical Commission and is open to the public.

The exhibits include a section on tools: wagon buggy plow tools, "knuckle busters," leatherwork tools, tool making in 1870s, and both skinner and scraper tools used by the buffalo hunters, 1866 to 1884.

Also on display are "running irons" used by the cattle rustlers to change brands. Everything from cattle trails to chuckwagon cooking are portrayed in additional displays of artifacts that depict early life on the prairie.

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**Delbert Trew** 

In addition to the Devil's Rope McLean and is a board member traveling exhibit, visitors may of the Alanreed-McLean Area view the Phillips 66th anniver- Museum, also in McLean. He sary exhibit on loan from won the Texas Historical Commission volunteer of the A retired rancher, Trew lives on year award and Amarillo a ranch west of Alanreed. He has Chamber of Commerce Golden been an avid collector of artifacts Nail award for his volunteer and stories of the old west for efforts in remodeling the former many years and is currently Marie Foundation building in working on publications on the McLean for the Devil's Rope subject. He helped start the Museum, which contains many Devil's Rope Museum with adja- creative exhibits he researched

## State briefs

JP fined \$5,000 for dipping into office funds

**COTULLA** (AP) — A former La Salle County justice of the peace has been fined \$5,000, ordered to pay \$196 restitution and placed on eight years probation for dipping into office funds.

An information charge was filed Monday after Bill Peters waived his right to be indicted by a grand jury. He appeared in state district court in Cotulla and admitted that he took \$196 and \$260 on different occasions from an office cash bag.

Peters said he had repaid the \$260, which was to pay for a COD package, but had not repaid the \$196, which he said he took in November 1993 "for a card game."

Peters, 49, who owns a funeral home in Cotulla, resigned late last month after the district attorney's office and Texas Rangers launched an investigation into funds missing from his office. He had been justice of the peace since January 1991.

Judge rejects suit by group on turtles' behalf

GALVESTON (AP) — A federal judge has thrown out a lawsuit filed by an environmental group angered over what it calls inadequate measures by the government to protect sea turtles from the fishing industry.

U.S. District Judge Sam Kent also denied motions filed by the fishing industry that sought to invalidate emergency procedures designed to protect the

endangered sea turtles.

The environmental group filed its suit in 1994 after more than 700 sea turtles, were found dead along Texas and Louisiana

Kent's ruling effectively ends the lawsuit unless the environmental group, Washington, D.C.based Center for Marine Conservation, or the fishing groups, the Texas Shrimp Association and the National Fisheries Institute, file appeals.

Body discovered in canal weighted down with concrete

**BEAUMONT** (AP) — A man's body, weighted down by a bag containing concrete, has been pulled out of a canal in

Police said a fisherman checking lines he had put out the night before, reeled in the body about 7 a.m. Monday in the Lower Neches Valley Authority canal.

The fisherman said he thought he had snagged a bag of heavy garbage and notified authorities as soon as he realized it was a

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## Congressional immigration bills under fire

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Immigration check a job applicant's immigration status. reform bills pending in Congress are discriminatory and unworkable, says a coali-ment paperwork already piled on small they said is anti-immigrant rhetoric based in tion of San Antonio civic leaders joining the chorus of voices opposing the measures.

"I'm not alone when I say these bills will be bad for business," Maria Elena Torralva-Alonso, chairwoman of the San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, said at a Monday news conference.

The bills sponsored by U.S. Rep. Lamar Smith, R-San Antonio, and Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyoming, have been the subject of growing public debate.

The Senate Judiciary Committee is to consider the legislation Thursday and the U.S. House is expected to do so in mid-March.

Among the provisions in the bills are measures to beef up the Border Patrol, construct new border fences and reduce the number of

legal immigrants entering the United States. The San Antonio community and political leaders particularly criticized part of the legislation calling for a national employee verification system. Under the proposal,

business owners and lead to discrimination fear. against Latinos and "foreign-looking" job applicants, Ms. Torralva-Alonso said.

Furthermore, she said, such a system would make mistakes and wouldn't prevent employers from hiring illegal immigrants.

The Clinton administration has supported the idea of the worker verification system but has acknowledged problems with pilot projects in California.

John Swenson, executive director of Migration and Refugee Services for the U.S. Catholic Conference in Washington, D.C., joined the San Antonio group at its news conference. 'We hope that, as one nation and one peo-

understanding to recognize the positive contributions immigrants have made and will continue to make to the life of our country," he said.

Barbara Aldave, dean of St. Mary's employers would call a toll-free number to University School of Law, and Patricia Stout,

an immigrant from Mexico and owner of The requirement would add to govern- Alamo Travel and Tours, also criticized what

> Javier Santibanez, 24, who has been in the United States most of his life under the federal family unity program, said immigration reform proposals threaten his chances of remaining here with his relatives.

> "Before you create (such a law), think about how it's going to affect separating a child from their parents," said Santibanez, a bank teller.

"I have created my life like a normal U.S. citizen," he said.

State Rep. Ciro Rodriguez, D-San Antonio, criticized the border fences proposed in California and insisted it is not fair to blame Mexicans for all immigration problems. ple under God, we can unite in a common

Only 31 percent of legal immigrants to the United States came from Mexico in 1993, he

"We are asking the (Texas congressional) delegation to stop this particular piece of legislation and to oppose it," Rodriguez

## Study: GOP legislation still pays more to big farms

dollars for the same big farms, recipients. absentee landlords and corpora-

says an environmental group. \$36 billion in declining payments while ending free-float-

The group says the plan locks in tions that have taken their giant more money than the government farm now, and even fewer share of payments in the past, would have to pay out if the sub-That's because payments The Agriculture Department, in a would be based on who new forecast, says subsidies received subsidies in the past, based on the old farm bill could the Environmental Working fall to \$12.2 billion over seven Group says. The bill guarantees years – one-third the amount locked in by the Republican plan.

cent of subsidy recipients could The group agrees with the other 98 percent. collect 22 percent of the money Republican plan to cap pay-

farms, the group says.

Many of the recipients don't would have to under the new sidy program were kept intact. bill, the group says. The report notes that the Senate bill would retain a rule that lets someone with investments in more than one farm collect twice as much as the owner of one farm.

The House plans a debate this top 2 percent of recipients could Committee, noted that past ing subsidies based on crop week on the so-called Freedom collect \$281,487 each from 1996 to Farm plan, which passed the through 2002. That compares The study says the top 2 per- Senate Feb. 7 on a 64-32 vote. with an average \$25,798 for the

under the plan. Put another ments but said landowners still the nation's largest 50 cities. The GOP plan would guarantee way, fewer than 28,000 recipi- would get too much. More of could collect more than \$365 that spending will be capped at

WASHINGTON (AP) - A group reached its conclusions environmental cleanup and job least \$1.1 billion would be paid Republican overhaul of farm by looking at records of the creation in rural America while over seven years to recipients programs guarantees billions of nation's 1.38 million subsidy keeping a safety net for smaller who do not even live in the state where their farm is located.

The data have had some glitches. Some corporations are family enterprises or cooperatives that channel payments to members. Absentee owners split payments with tenant farmers and some even farm themselves.

Gary Mitchell, top Republican The analysis found that the aide for the House Agriculture forecasts have been wrong. The 1985 farm bill, for example, was supposed to cost \$55 billion but wound up costing \$80 billion More than 37,000 recipients in over five years, Mitchell said. ents could get \$7.8 billion. The the money should be shifted to million, the analysis said. At \$36 billion over seven years.

## Agencies investigating shootout between municipal, federal officers

that led to the death of one officer claims responsibility. and the arrests of 20 more.

what prompted some to open fire. able.

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico words that says, 'You started it,' " (AP) - Tensions have remained Jaime Torres, spokesman for high as authorities investigate a Ciudad Juarez's municipal govshootout between police agencies ernment, said Monday. "Nobody

Spokesmen for both the Federal and municipal officers Municipal Police and the Federal detained following the shootings Judicial Police declined to comwere released during the weekend. ment Monday when contacted by But verbal sparring continued The Associated Press. Other offieven as officials worked to sort out cials were not immediately avail-

"Right now it's a mutual war of Authorities have generally

declined to discuss details of Thursday's shootout. Municipal officials have said, others responded.

however, that they believe a fedthe local police.

prevent the arrest of fellow feder- fied gunshot wounds, Torre al agents who had been accused

During the ensuing confrontation, someone opened fire and

Federal officer Martin eral officer shot first. Federal Contreras was killed by a shot to authorities placed the blame on the heart. Several other officers were injured, including Juan The gunfight erupted after a Garduno and Gabriel Rangel; group of Federal Judicial Police who remained hospitalized officers apparently attempted to Monday for treatment of unspeci-

Eight federal officers and 12 of fighting with city officers, municipal officers were arrested

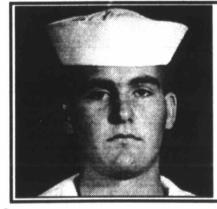


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Larry D. Hollis Managing Editor

## **Opinion**

## Tax suggestion is a sound one

Still wonder if a flat tax is a good idea? Wonder if filling out two post cards - one for federal, one for state taxes - would be a relief? Then wander over to the nearest post office or library and look at the latest versions of the national and state tax forms and instruction booklets.

The standard 1040 form for 1995 taxes includes 66 lines of complicated calculations and instructions, plus another eight sublines. Line 33c reads: "If you are married filing separately and your spouse itemizes deductions or you are a dual-status alien, see page 23 and check here ..." What's a dual status alien? Probably someone with residence status in both the United States and Mars.

The 1040A "Instructions" booklet runs to 80 pages. On page 4, IRS commissarina Margaret Milner Richardson writes: "Dear

"Last year we at the IRS made a commitment to serve you better in several areas. I'm pleased to report that we've made significant progress." That reminds us of the old "Twilight Zone" episode in which space aliens arrive with a book entitled, "To Serve Man", which the earthlings find out too late is a cookbook.

The 1040 EZ form runs to "only" 36 pages, including the same recipe letter from Ms. Richardson. EZ is the new government mandated way of spelling "easy." Violators who insist on the old spelling will pay a 10% surcharge. Or is the surcharge only for millionaires? It's hard to figure out which is which.

Why can't the state just say: "Pay X percentage of whatever federal tax you pay"? Because then lobbyists and state bureaucrats would have to get real jobs.

What a happy day when all these forms of tyranny can be put in the fireplace and torched.

## Thought for today

"Speak without emphasizing your words. Leave other people to discover what it is that you have said; and as their minds are slow, you can make

Arthur Schopenhauer, 1788-1860

your escape in time."

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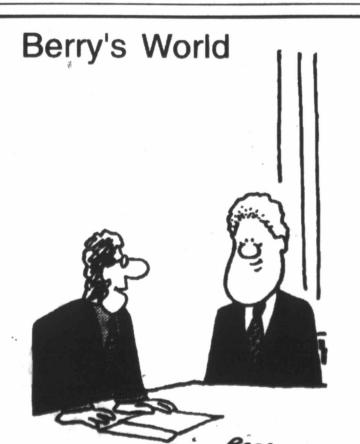
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## GOP takes pandering to a new low

My vote is for sale. I stand ready to cast a ballot for any presidential candidate who will do me one small favor: promise to abolish the ridiculous federal tax breaks for ethanol used in automotive

During the Iowa caucus which took place recently, I looked far and wide but found no takers. We expect pandering in a political campaign, but what the Republican candidates were doing to prostrate themselves on this issue would have embarrassed a medieval Chinese emperor.

Ethanol is made from corn, and Iowa is the largest corn-producing state. Even so, it has all of 72,756 corn growers, which is just 2.5 percent of the state's population. Neither the politicians nor the state's voters have figured out that there are a lot more Iowans who lose from the ethanol subsidy than there are Iowans who gain.

The issue arose because someone noticed that Steve Forbes' magazine had questioned the wisdom of providing special tax treatment for ethanol. The Iowa Corn Growers Association promptly denounced the publisher as "agriculture's worst nightmare," which I suppose means he is worse than tornadoes, drought, insects, foreclosure and the Russian grain embargo all rolled into one.

His rivals rushed to the attack. Bob Dole's aides claimed that ethanol production generates \$1.5 billion in economic activity in Iowa and boasted that "Dole's support for ethanol in Congress has been unmatched.

This is like saying that if winter arrives in each of the next 10 years, you should consider buying an overcoat. Ethanol has been enjoying the chance

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to prove itself since 1978, when the first federal tax break was enacted. If it hasn't succeeded vet,

While the price of gasoline has fallen sharply in the past decade and a half, after adjustment for inflation, the price of ethanol has not. It now costs more than twice as much as gasoline to produce.

Getting people to buy an automotive fuel that costs twice as much as gasoline, though it is not any better than gasoline, takes some doing. To encourage its use as a gasoline additive, the federal government grants ethanol a partial exemption from excise taxes, amounting to 54 cents per gallon of ethanol. For every gallon of the stuff fuel, the Sierra Club said the change would have burned by cars, the federal highway trust fund meaning the taxpaying public – loses 54 cents.

What does the public get in return? Not much. Dole claims the subsidy is good for Iowa because it brings in money, but much of the corn grown and ethanol produced merely supplant other economic activity that would have occurred if believe all the nonsense they spout about ethanol.

brained schemes. If Iowa is a net gainer from the subsidy, then there must be net losers. Dole has not identified them, but I can: nearly all the other

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Most of the economic benefit, in any case, goes not to farmers but to ethanol producers - particularly longtime Dole supporter Dwayne Andreas of Archer-Daniels-Midland, which accounts for at least half of U.S. output. ADM is based in Illinois.

Ethanol defenders claim it reduces our dependence on foreign oil, but the effect is trivial at best. The Renewable Fuels Association says that ethanol production reduces our oil imports by 43.5 million barrels a year. Assuming the number is accurate, King Fahd isn't losing any sleep over it. That's only about five days' worth of imports.

But the number isn't accurate. To produce a barrel of "renewable" fuel in the form of ethanol, you have to burn a barrel of fossil fuels - oil and natural gas. The whole transaction is a waste of time as well as money.

Nor is it true, as Dole and other supporters fantasize, that ethanol improves the health of the planet. When the Environmental Protection Agency mandated more use of ethanol in motor "no environmental benefits." A federal appeals court struck down the EPA rule, noting the agency's admission that "the use of ethanol might

possibly make air quality worse.' But plain facts are not enough to sway presidential candidates. In fairness, they could really Washington were not diverting funds into lame- Who knows? Maybe they've been drinking it.

## Today in history

By The Associated Press Today is Tuesday, Feb. 27, the 58th day of 1996. There are 308 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 27, 1933, Germany's parliament building, the Reichstag, caught fire. The Nazis, blaming the Communists, used the fire as a pretext for suspending civil liberties. On this date:

In 1801, the District of Columbia was placed under the jurisdiction of Congress

In 1807, poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow was born in Portland, In 1861, in Warsaw, Russian

troops fired on a crowd protesting Russian rule over Poland; five marchers were killed. In 1890, boxers Danny Needham

and Patsy Kerrigan fought 100 rounds in San Francisco before the match was declared a draw, after more than six and a half hours. In 1922, the U.S. Supreme Court

unanimously upheld the 19th Amendment to the Constitution that guaranteed the right of women

## The argument for immigration reform

Legal immigration must be greatly curtailed, and illegal immigration must be shut down to a dribble.

Why?

The immigration flood is a threat to American sovereignty and domestic tranquility. Immigrants displace American workers. They drive down American wages. They defraud the welfare system.

Donald Huddle, professor at Rice University, has been studying the effects of immigration. In

Confidential memos from the Immigration and

grams, need reforming or even abolishing. There s no evidence that there is any government sanctioned persecution of Jews or Pentecostal Christians in the former Soviet Union. Yet Congress won't touch this amendment.

When 59 percent of Californians voted to withhold state benefits to illegal immigrants, except for emergency medical care, a federal district

Big business and big business foundations back open immigration. Why? Cheap labor. Immigrants work for low wages, and immigration creates a Naturalization Service obtained by the Scripps surplus of labor which effectively prevents all Howard News Service reveal that only about .5 workers from bargaining for higher wages.

At this time, when thousands of American engineers have lost their jobs in post-Cold War layoffs, big business insists that Congress continue to allow it to recruit foreign born engineers and bring them in as immigrants.

The Catholic Church opposes efforts of Americans to control their own borders. The reason is simple: Virtually all Latin American immigrants are Catholic. Fill up the pews and the coffers.

The roadblock to immigration reform in the House of Representatives is Republican majority leader Dick Armey of Texas. Two good bills, HR 2162, introduced by Rep. Bill Archer, R-Texas, and HR 373, introduced by Rep. Bob Stump, R-Ariz., have gone nowhere, reform advocates believe, because of Armey's opposition. Their bills would reduce annual levels of immigration (now about 900,000) to 320,000 and 233,000 respectively.

If you favor immigration reform, you should write Armey, with a copy to House Speaker Newt Gingrich, and let them know how you feel. Armey's address is 301 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515. His fax number is (202) 225-7614. Gingrich's address is 2428 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515. His fax number is (202) 225-4656.

I speak only for myself, but I am tired of conservative speeches and liberal government. If Republicans can't curb immigration, who needs

## Flat tax proposition takes a pounding

Joseph

Spear

If Dick Armey's sense of self-worth is based on what his peers think of his work, he must be pretty despondent right now.

Over a year ago, the House majority leader proposed a flat-rate income tax system that is remarkably similar to the plan touted by Republican candidate Steve Forbes.

One of Forbes' opponents, Lamar Alexander, trashed the plan as "a truly nutty idea." Bob Dole belittled it as "snake oil." A renowned macro economist by the name of Ross Perot described it as "free candy just before elections."

This upset Dick Armey. The flat tax was too important to be dismissed so casually, he said, and he went to New Hampshire to set the record straight. On Feb. 8, he stood in front of the statehouse in Concord, surrounded by cheerleaders dressed in referee shirts, and declared he had come all this way "to blow the whistle on what has been a poor debate on the flat tax." Added Armey: "Steve Forbes' plan works."

On the same day that the majority leader went to Concord, the speaker of the House stopped by Sixth & E Street N.W., in Washington, D.C., to speak to the American Association of Retired Persons. Newt Gingrich told his AARP audience that parts of Forbes' flat-tax proposal were "nonsense." Forbes had "a couple of ideas" that would

probably never happen, Newt said. If Dick Armey had any moxie at all, he would've dropped a few flat tacks in Newt's coffee the next morning.

Armey is right. The flat tax is being besmirched

by demagogic pols who would probably

judgments you can trust: They say the flat tax would force the middle class to pay more taxes. FALSE. In no responsible study I have seen does the

denounce the Constitution as a nutty idea if they

thought it would buy them a vote. Sometimes it

gets to the point where a body can't tell fact from

fiction. Thank God there are a few curmudgeons

around to set the record straight. Herewith, some

middle class draw the short straw. In most flattax plans, a family of four wouldn't pay a dime of tax unless they made at least \$25,000. Forbes would exempt \$36,800. It is extremely easy to figure out for yourself what your taxes would be indeed, the Forbes' campaign has passed out hypothetical flat-tax forms to help you do it. Just add up all your wages, salaries and pensions in each of the past few years, subtract \$26,200 for wife and husband, \$5,300 for each dependent. Multiply by 17 percent. That would be the taxes you owe.

Flat taxes would help the rich more than the

average person. DUBIOUS AND DAMN NEAR

Seventeen percent is 17 percent. If your family income is \$50,000, under the Forbes plan you would pay \$2,244. If you made \$5 million, you would pay \$843,744. It is all relative, and thanks to the deductibles, it is progressive. Now, if you believe that rich folks should pay higher RATES (as opposed to amounts) than us average Joes, then I have nothing to say to you except that you are more sour than this professional sourball.

· The flat tax would reduce government rev-

enues and increase the deficit. TRUE, BUT ... I've always wondered about analyses that come to this conclusion. What level of spending are the figurers using as a base for their figuring? The current budget? The proposed Republican budget? Yes, the flat tax would probably mean that Congress

would get less of my money to spend. Boo hoo. The lack of a mortgage deduction would hurt homeowners. BULL. Excuse me, FALSE. Interest rates would plummet and homes would be cheaper, even without the deduction.

Flat taxers don't believe in balanced budgets.

Businesses would still be able to deduct expenses and thus would find loopholes. TRUE, and what's new about that?

• The flat tax is the latest fad, the panacea-ofthe-week, a free-lunch fantasy. PATRONIZING Flat taxes would rob the pols of power.

Castrate them.



his latest report, Huddle says, "The 21.9 million legal and illegal immigrants settling in the United Austin Address: P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768-2910 States since 1970 cost \$51.3 billion in 1994 alone in excess of taxes those immigrants paid." In other words, don't buy the baloney that the Austin Address: P.O. Box 12068, Austin, TX 78711 immigrant pays taxes. Some do, but the American taxpayers are suffering from a net loss of several billions of dollars every year. Washington Address: 1535 Longworth House Office Like native-born Americans, there are good immigrants and bad immigrants. America, for Washington Phone: (202) 225-3706 example, does not need any more unskilled illiterates. Our own public school system is producing an ample supply of those. We don't need any more criminals. Our native-born criminal population is more than sufficient. We don't need any judge effectively nullified their decision. more people on welfare; our native-born people are threatening to bankrupt that system.

tax everybody until they're FLAT BROKE!"

# Trial to begin for remaining half of 'Thelma and Louise' crime duo

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But when Javeed Gondal robbery charge in Galveston. opened his door a year ago, he told to reach for the sky.

told jurors Monday, was Rose mail. Marie Turford, registered nurse and mother of three.

so-called "Thelma and Louise" duo accused of duping lonely men through a telephone dating service. Instead of passion, at least four arrange to talk, and then meet. men in the Houston area, including dered of cash and possessions.

Mrs. Turford's suspected accomplice – Carolyn Stevens – charges of aggravated robbery and was sentenced to 10 years in prison. The two women met at a both worked, in 1992.

The two initially were captured last year. But they jumped bail and began a six-month flight that looking for a partner in his 50s. ended with their second capture in Toronto last October.

one depicted in the 1991 movie, job and income.

On Monday, the first of three call to a telephone dating service aggravated robbery trials began for his home address. Gondal would bring wife No. 4 to his for Mrs. Turford. Both women readily gave that out, too. face an additional aggravated

In opening testimony, Gondal conversation away was looking down the barrel of a recalled for jurors how a business 9mm semiautomatic pistol and acquaintance suggested he contact Telecompanions Inc., a sort of per-Holding the handgun, Gondal sonals company that uses voice he was interested in.

box, then cruise through a variety I told her I never do that." Mrs. Turford, 36, from London, of pre-recorded voice mail mes-Ontario, is believed to be half of the sages from compatible potential partners. If they find someone of interest, they leave a message on that person's voice mail box and

"I was interested meeting Gondal, found themselves plun- somebody, to get married," Gondal said.

He immediately clicked with a woman who identified herself on the night of Feb. 3, 1995, Linda pleaded guilty last week to three only as "Linda," he said. Prosecutors will try to show "Linda" was Mrs. Turford.

psychiatric hospital, where they lonely," Gondal recalled. "I said,

was interested in marriage and was

"Thelma and Louise," starring Gondal thought nothing of the her plea agreement.

HOUSTON (AP) - He was a Geena Davis and Susan Sarandon. questions and gave them freely. Linda asked if he lived alone and

> In the second phone conversation, Linda quickly steered the Gondal's material possessions to the topic of sex, specifically asking him what type of maneuvers

"She asked, You like oral Customers pay for a voice mail sex?" Gondal said. "I said, No."

> As Gondal related the conversation, the stonefaced Mrs. Turford appeared to laugh at the witness. Assistant Harris County District Attorney Dan Rizzo quickly objected and the defendant was instructed against laughing or making faces at wit-

Two days after the second call, and Gondal agreed to meet at his

"I opened the door. She pulled "She asked me if I was very a gun on me," Gondal said, pointing at Mrs. Turford.

With Mrs. Turford that night Linda told Gondal, 54, she also was another woman, Gondal said. Prosecutors plan to show the other woman was 31-year-old In their first conversation, Ms. Stevens. Although they Linda pressed Gondal for details won't call her as a witness, they Their flight was similar to the about his wealth - his car, house, plan to introduce a seven-page confession she wrote as part of

## Hip headstones popular with dearly departed

death.

Hipper headstones are letting today's dearly departed express themselves with immortal etchings that test the bounds of dignity: dancing elephants, dice, golf clubs and even beer cans with the

epitaph, "I did it my way." "When someone thinks something is wonderful and beautiful, it may be - in their mind," said Donald Kenney, director of cemeteries for the Archdiocese of Boston. "But someone else may be mortified to see a Schlitz beer can on a headstone."

With the refinement of etching during the past two decades, including the use of lasers and the addition of color, the possibilities for headstone designs have allowed for more than just crosses and flowers.

Yves Porier has been making markers in the Boston suburb of Quincy for 15 years, etching everything from marijuana cigarettes to a monument shaped like a poker hand, a royal flush, with two granite dice at the base.

"Obviously the man was a gambler," he said. want." "There are always families that would like something that pertains to how one lived."

Porier recently made a marker for a man that don't see it that way."

BOSTON (AP) - "Rest in Peace" is dying a slow included his date of birth, date of death and, 'Never Saw The Red Sox Win A World Series."

Juxtapositions between the religious and the secular are inevitable. On a headstone in Malden, words from the Scriptures are side-by-side with the motivational mantra: "No Guts, No Glory, Go For

The trend has not been greeted as good news from directors of cemeteries seeking to preserve a more subdued, traditional atmos-

'It makes all of my elder statesmen tremble," said Bruce Schlossberg, of the Jewish Cemetery

For Schlossberg, the biggest problem presented by modern technology is the request that faces of the dead be etched into the stone. In Jewish tradition, images of the deceased are not put on head-

As for requests for farm and home scenes, and unusually shaped stones, Schlossberg said he tries "to bend over backwards to let them do what they

"I think it adds to the texture and integrity of the cemetery," he said. "Unfortunately, traditionalists

## Nation briefs

Ex-pizza parlor worker guilty of murdering four

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — A man who had been fired from his pizza parlor job was convicted of all charges in a shooting rampage at the restaurant that left four workers dead and one wounded.

Nathan Dunlap, 19, was found guilty Monday of four firstdegree murder and attempted murder in the December 1993 shootings at a Chuck E Cheese's restaurant in Aurora.

All the victims were shot in the head. The lone survivor suffered a bullet wound to the jaw and identified Dunlap as the killer in court.

Prosecutors said Dunlap was motivated by revenge for being fired the summer before, and by racial hatred. Dunlap is black and his victims were white.

Hospital petitions court to remove baby from ventilator

NEW YORK (AP) — The parents of a brain-dead baby who doctors suspect was abused are fighting a hospital's attempts to disconnect her from life support.

Mariah was declared brain dead last Thursday, three days after she was taken to Long Island Jewish Medical Center with a severe brain hemorrhage.

The district attorney's office is investigating what caused the injury; the Scoons say they did not abuse their baby. No charges have been filed.

Lawyers for the hospital petitioned a court Monday to remove Mariah from the ventilator that is keeping her alive, saying there is no possibility she will recover. **State Supreme Court Justice John** A. Milano ordered the Scoons to respond by Wednesday.

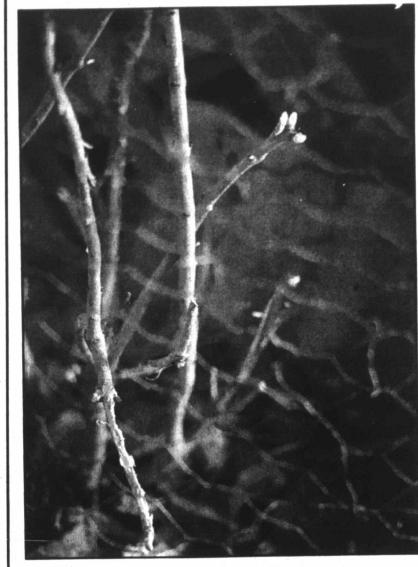
The Scoons oppose disconnecting the life support.

Actor says modesty is the best policy

**NEW YORK** (AP) — Christian Bale says modesty is the best policy when it comes to being an actor. "I want to be an actor, but I think it's nice to stay invisible," Bale, 22, told Spin magazine for its March issue. "With rock stars it's just you writing and performing. But an actor shouldn't be bigger than the film he's in."

When he was 13, Bale played the central role in Steven Spielberg's Empire of the Sun. He appeared inLittle Women in 1994 and will be seen this year in The Secret Agent.

## **Hungry rabbits**



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

People living in the country or in areas of cities near the countryside or creek draws may have noticed some chewing damages to their bushes, such as that seen on this lilac bush south of Pampa. Rabbits, out foraging for food in the dry and warm winter, have been seen eating on lilac, rose of sharon and snowball bushes, trying to find sustenance.

## Opry comedian Minnie Pearl hospitalized

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) -Legendary country comedian Minnie or stroke, her spokeswoman said.

Monday. Spokeswoman Judy Seal a stroke in 1991.

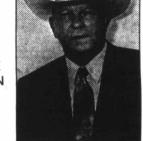
did not give further information. Pearl, whose real name is Sarah Pearl was hospitalized and being Ophelia Colley Cannon, has been examined for a possible brain seizure a Grand Ole Opry star since 1940 and spent 20 years on TV's "Hee Doctors had not yet diagnosed the 'Haw' series. She appeared week-83-year-old Pearl's ailment as of late ly on The Nashville Network until

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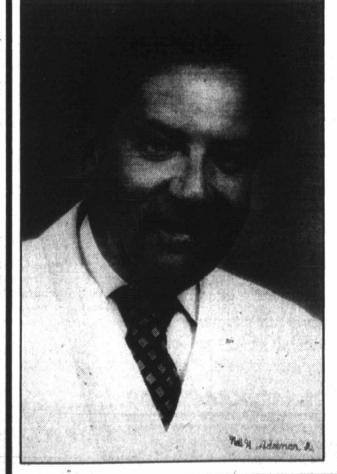
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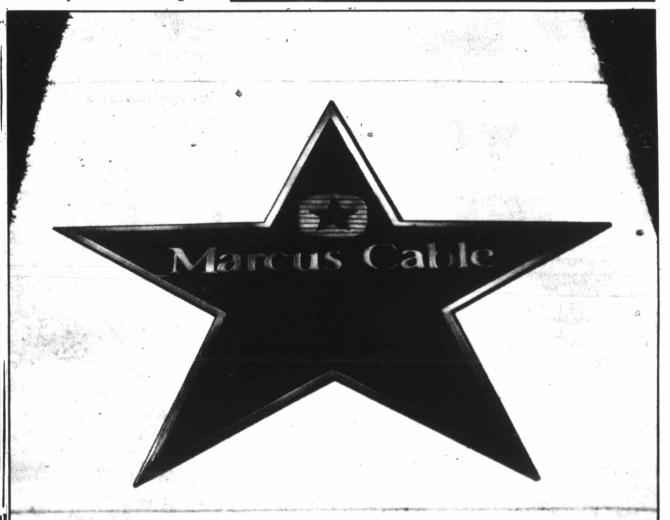


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## Pampa's First Christian Church was organized in 1909

First Christian Church was the third denominational church in Pampa. On Sunday afternoon, April 4, 1909, an organizational meeting was held in the small frame school house located at the corner of East Francis and North Starkweather. John D. White, minister of the Amarillo Christian Church, directed the

The charter roll was signed by eight people: Mrs. H.M. Bailey, Mrs. J.M. Bell, Miss Suda Bell, Mrs. Frances Knox, Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Lippold, Mrs. J.F. Meers and Mrs. J.A. Newman. A few weeks later Mrs. Jennie Ledrick, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ledrick and Mr. and Mrs. H.B. Lovett became members of the church.

In September, 1909, the Rev. Otis Hawkins conducted a revival meeting at the corner of

**Museum Mementos** 

**Eloise Lane** White Deer Land Museum



people came into the church. Among these were Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Masters and their family. Mr. Masters was the first Sunday School superintendent and choir leader for the church and held these positions for many years. He was also the only photographer in Pampa for a long period of time.

Cuyler and Francis Streets and 58 ing, plans were made to purchase lots on which to erect a church building. While the building was being constructed, the congregation met in the Methodist church building at the corner of South Starkweather and East Foster.

On Easter Sunday, April 16, 1911, the Rev. John D. White of Amarillo led the dedication service of the first church building. During the 1909 revival meet- This was a neat white frame

building located on the corner of East Kingsmill and North Ballard (present location of Duncan, Fraser and Brides Insurance Agency). The main entrance to the building faced east on Ballard

Consecrated lay members gave freely of their time, talent and treasure to the work of the church. Mrs. H.J. Lippold was typical of many who served well during the early years. Her buggy was a familiar sight on the streets of Pampa as she called on "her children," the members of her Sunday School class. At the time of the church's diamond jubilee in 1984, some church members still possessed the greeting cards Mrs. Lippold sent to them when they were children in her class.

Several ministers served the thurch on a part-time basis until 1915 when the Rev. T.Q. Purcell became the first fulltime resident pastor. The church grew rapidly and soon it was necessary to add a Sunday School annexm which was completed in 1916. In 1925 the Rev. James Todd

became the minister. The next year a parsonage on Ballard Street was built - largely by the men of the church. Mrs. Emma Todd, wife of the minister, was the librarian of the Pampa Public Library when it was located in the basement of City Hall.

The rapid increase in the population of Pampa as a result of the oil boom necessitated a larger church building. A tan brick building, constructed on a quarter of a block on the corner of East Kingsmill and North Starkweather, was dedicated in 1928. A second unit, added to the building in 1931, included a sanctuary with a beautiful baptistry window donated by Aurbra, John and Joe Bowers in "loving memory of Joe B. and Lizzy Bowers.'

In August 1939, a Hammond and many others made possible Starkweather to the new building Celebration Book.)

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Ladies Aid of First Christian Church, Pampa, in 1911. Front, left, Lottle Sills (Mrs. Alex Schneider Jr.), Edna Walberg (Mrs. Roy Tinsley), Maye Davis Skaggs. Middle, left, Mrs. T.H. Lane, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. C.B. Barnard, Mrs. Henry (Alice Ayres) Lippoid. Back, left, unknown, unknown, Mrs. Oscar (Gertrude) Cousins, Mrs. H.B. (Fannle) Lovett, unknown.

the purchase of this organ. A new on Nelson, a very impressive Hammond organ was installed in

services were held for a brick par- Starkweather - then a journey sonage constructed on the corner was made across the city to the of Kingsmill and Starkweather, new building on Nelson for the just across the street from the serving of wine. (The building on church entrance. In 1953, the educational plant was remodeled Bible Baptist Church.) and in 1957 a new youth and education building was constructed become an annual event, was on the lot south of the sanctuary.

Church was established at 1200 S. the generous donation of W.T. "hanging of the green," a special Church meets in the building at Christmas season, began in 1977. this location.)

half acres of land at 18th and Church, but the conviction, sacria new building occurred on terized the early members has organ was installed and dedicat- Sunday, Feb. 4, 1968. On the continued to the present time. ed. Mrs. Vera Davis, organist, and Sunday the congregation moved (Most of this info Mrs. W.A. Bratton, choir director, from the old building on the Diamond

"split church service" was observed. The communion bread On March 4, 1951, dedication was served at the building on Starkweather is now used by the

The church bazaar, which has organized by the Christian In 1955, the Lamar Christian Women's Fellowship Group(s) in November 1969, to help with Sumner on land purchased with building fund expenses. The Wilks. (Trinity Fellowship event that introduces the

It is impossible to name all of In 1959, the First Christian the people who have contributed Church purchased four and one- to the life of First Christian Nelson. The ground breaking for fice and dedication which charac-

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## **Sheriff forbids deputies part** time work at abortion clinics

County Sheriff Tommy Thomas move to appease opponents of has issued an order forbidding abortion rights. deputies from working as security guards at abortion clinics, allowed to continue their offand two Democratic rivals say duty work. Thomas is playing politics.

March 12 Republican primary, last week ended off-duty staffing at Planned Parenthood not to police a movie theater of Houston, whose services where a controversial movie is include abortions, sex education being programs and birth control asked. information.

tenders - Houston Independent said it's part of his new policy School District Police Chief against off-duty work at "con-Bruce Marquis and Houston troversial" sites, including labor Assistant Police Chief H.A. strikes and topless bars. "Art" Contreras - held back-toback news conferences on abortion rights. Contreras Monday to criticize the action.

town Planned Parenthood head- were irrelevant to the need for quarters, the Democratic candial abortion clinics to be protected dates said the timing of Thomas' against violence and vandalism.

HOUSTON (AP) - Harris decision makes it a political

Sanctuary of the First Christian Church building located on the corner of East Kingsmill

and North Ballard. The building was dedicated on Easter Sunday, April 16, 1911.

They said deputies should be

"That is selective law enforce-Thomas, who is running in the ment and that is wrong,

Marquis said. "Will Thomas order deputies

shown?" Contreras Thomas denied that the move The two Democratic con- is related to his campaign. He

Marquis said he supports

refused to discuss his views of Speaking in front of the down- abortion. Both said their feelings

## Special election: Vote for Hillary's best hairstyle

By EDITH PAAL **Associated Press Writer** 

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) -Hillary Rodham Clinton's hair.

A pair of World Wide Web identified by a number. designers have created a site displaying - at last count - 43 hairdos worn by the first lady.

"One night I'm watching the nightly news and I noticed "I thought 'hillaryshair dot com,' " said Mike Miller, an online services manager for Vanguard Technology Group in Chicago.

Between 30,000 and 40,000 people have looked at the site Miller said. each day since it went online

hairdo, Miller said.

A shoulder-length, side-part-While some voters weigh their ed hairdo is in the lead for choice for president, others "Best First Hair." "Worst First have another important race to Hair" honors are going to a decide: the best and worst of curlier, puffier, hair style of

Miller and his partner, James designer at Vanguard's headquarters in Winona, Minn., used images they found online Hillary had another new hairdo. and plan to add pictures from newspapers and magazines.

The two also are considering putting an image of a bald Mrs. Clinton online and letting people draw in their own hairdos,

Feb. 7. About 1,300 people have ing and the site should last in an e-mail response to the Schneider said. The results are available online and constantly

updated.

similar length. Each hairdo is ics, however, called the site Democrat wrote that the disdegrading. "They're missing the point," Schneider, a multi-media Miller said. "If she wasn't as

they've gotten mostly positive

ments as she is, there would be no point in doing this." A spokesman in Mrs.

Clinton's press office said no one there knew about the site and that the first lady probably hasn't seen it.

One woman from Longview, Texas, who described herself as There's no deadline for vot- a frustrated hair stylist, wrote said.

voted for the best and worst until the November election, page that, "When things get down I go for a new hairdo."

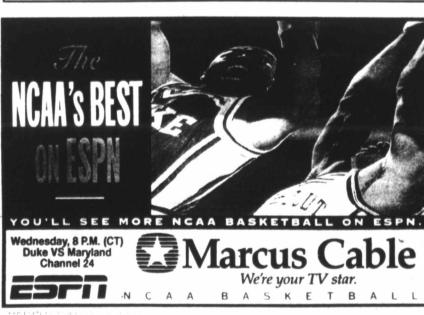
"Evidently, that is something I have in common with Hillary Miller and Schneider said Clinton," she wrote.

A New York City woman who comments via e-mail. Some crit-called herself a card-carrying play was the most entertaining spot on the Web.

"Who says Democrats have well known for her accomplish- no sense of humor?" she asked. Schneider called his own political views middle of the road – Democrat to Republican. Miller described himself as a liberal Democrat.

The site was not meant as a political commentary, Schneider said.

"It sounded like fun," he







Federal officials burn a ton of cocaine seized at sea

COZUMEL, Mexico (AP) -Agents of the Federal Attorney General's Office burned a ton of cocaine seized near here last year, Vice Adminral Alberto del Barrio Guille said Monday.

He said the drug cache, dropped by plane at sea six months ago, was the largest captured in the area.

He told the Notimex news agency that small quantities of other drugs also were burned.

Mexico is a major corridor for South American cocaine bound for the United States.

Iraqi opposition groups claim fighting in Iraq

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AMMAN, Jordan (AP) - Iraqi opposition groups claimed today that clashes have erupted between forces loyal to President Saddam Hussein and relatives of the two prominent defectors killed last week in Baghdad.

None of the reports could be confirmed and a journalist contacted by telephone in the Iraqi capital, Baghdad, described the city as quiet today with no reports of unrest.

Iraq's official media issued no statements on the rumors emanating from several capitals in the region.

In neighboring Jordan, Adel Ibrahim, a spokesman for the Iraqi Embassy, denied the reported clashes and said: "This is propaganda aimed at instigating instability."

But one opposition leader said a series of armed struggles broke out late Monday in Baghdad, including one near the presidential palace.

Ayatollah Mohammed Bakr Hakim, head of the opposition Supreme Assembly of the Islamic Revolution of Iraq, described the situation in Iraq as "turbulent."

Secretary of Agriculture, Livestock reports drought

HERMOSILLO, Mexico (AP) — About 430,000 head of cattle in the northern state of Sonora are in a critical situation because of drought, officials of the Secretary of Agriculture, Livestock and Rural Development said Monday.

The agency's delegate in charge of livestock, Alberto Navarro Cordova, told a news conference that about 55 percent of the grazing land lacks adequate pasture for the livestock.

The state has about 1.6 million

Conservationists: Authorities lying about oil spill

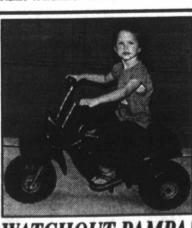
MILFORD HAVEN, Wales (AP) - An oil tanker spill off Wales is much bigger and more harmful to wildlife than the government has said, a conservation leader insists.

Official estimates put this month's spill at 20 million gallons - one of the 10 biggest tanker spills ever. The Exxon Valdez spilled 11 million gallons in Alaska in 1989, creating environ-

But Stephen Mulholland, head of the Welsh section of Britain's Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, said: "It is already clear that the spill is substantially larger than so far stated by the authorities and its effect will be considerably greater than any present official predictions."

The Sea Empress ran aground at St. Ann's Head at the mouth of Milford Haven estuary Feb. 15, rupturing cargo tanks carrying light North Sea crude. After repeated failed attempts, tugboats finally towed the tanker

clear of the rocks on Feb. 21. The government's Countryside Council for Wales said air surveys show that 100 miles of coast are heavily or moderately polluted. The area is one of Britain's main wildlife havens.



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## World briefs FDA investigating claims apple juice diluted with sugar water

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - A week after Minute Maid sued nificantly deplete its nutrient value, she said. its suppliers of apple juice concentrate, the Food and Drug Administration is investigating claims that prod- more expensive than others so consumers weren't get- investigated. ucts sold as 100 percent juice were diluted with sugar ting what they paid for.

fruits, FDA Deputy Commissioner Mary Pendergast alent of 90 percent juice, were defrauded by their juice said. Not enough was added to the apple juice to sig-suppliers.

However, 100 percent juice products are generally

The FDA said U.S. apple juice sellers, who paid \$10 a The sugar is a form of the fructose found in all gallon for 100 percent concentrate only to get the equiv-

The agency, which announced the investigation Monday, didn't say which other companies were being

Minute Maid, which is withdrawing all 100 percent juice products containing apple juice from warehouses, last week sued six suppliers of apple juice concentrate in Tampa federal court, claiming they sold diluted prod-

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# THE PAMPA NEWS

Tuesday, February 27, 1996

## No Thanks To The Groom, Couple's Notes Are Late

ten that it is the bride's duty to write all the thank-you notes? Aren't wedding gifts intended to be enjoyed by both the bride and the groom? At least half of our wedding gifts came from my husband's side of the family.

Even though my husband agreed to write thank-you notes for the gifts from his friends and relatives, he kept putting it off for so long, I was embarrassed, and I finally wrote them all myself.

Please print this in your column. Many newlywed wives will thank

> FRANK'S WIFE IN SPRINGFIELD, VA.

DEAR WIFE: Times have changed. More newlywed wives are now fully employed outside the home.

In years gone by, the husband brought home the bacon and the wife fried it. No more. There's a new innovation, as I clearly state in my wedding booklet: "The bride and groom share the writing of thank-you notes. She writes to her friends and family, he to his."

DEAR ABBY: Regarding "Enraged in Bremerton, Wash., who has been inspired to political activism by the closing of a government-sponsored food shelter in her

Horoscope

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1996

Hopes and expectations that are con-

structed on strong foundations can be

achieved in the year ahead if you work

hand in glove with reality and forego con-

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your pres-

ence will provide a welcome addition to

any social gathering you attend today.

Your entrance could transform a dull

event into something exciting and fun.

Pisces, treat yourself to a birthday gift.

the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE

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NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodi-

cerns about what might have been

Many food banks across the country are run in precisely this manner Abigail Van Buren SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

state: Why does she assume that it's the government's responsibility to feed the hungry? Where in the Constitution does it say that? Rather, it is our duty as neighbors and citizens to help those less fortunate

than ourselves She wanted to know what she could do to influence the government about the injustice of the closure. While voting responsibly and educating herself on the issues is always a good idea, rolling up her sleeves and pitching in to solve the problem herself is an even better idea. How about getting on the telephone to private businesses and local community members and asking for their financial support to keep it open? She could also make calls to area grocery stores, wholesalers, restaurants, etc., and ask them to regularly donate their surpluses and good-but-unsellable food to the food bank. She could ask local media to announce a food drive to help fill the shelves as well, and ask for volunteers to run it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Try to protect the one you love today if he or she lacks your boldness and savvy. Do everything in your power to see that his or her interests are secure.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Partnership arrangements will look encouraging to you today. You can supply the idea and game plan, but let your cohort carry out your strategy

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) With a concerted effort, you can derive greater-thanusual gains from your customary sources today. New channels might not offer you the same probabilities.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You should lead rather than follow today. If you hope to advance your self-interest, you should rely on your abilities and assets instead

of depending on others. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do not be unduly not let you down. hits in the early innings. Your strengths sures today to tighten the ties that bind what you want. you to two close friends. Something

 all organized and staffed by volunteers. When we volunteer our own time, it brings us closer to the problem, and we become more invested in solving it, rather than sloughing off responsibility to the government. Best of all, it's done with donated time and food that would have gone to waste, rather than spending our precious tax dollars EILEEN COALE, ANNAPOLIS, MD.

**DEAR EILEEN: Thank you** for your helpful suggestions to implement community activism. I see your point, and it makes sense to me. However, it's not as simple as you make it seem. There are health department regulations, tax ramifications and fiduciary responsibilities that I doubt an 18-year-old would know how to handle. Perhaps those wishing to solve this nationwide problem should volunteer to work with an established charity such as a privately funded or church-sponsored food bank or service club.

For everything you need to know bout wedding planning, order "How to Wedding." Send a busi-Have a Lovely ness-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

mutually beneficial can develop if these bonds remain intact.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You will have the ability to find what you seek today, especially if your objectives are of a financial or commercial nature. Pursue your goals boldly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Even

though you might be tempted to avoid

distasteful issues today, you must try to face the music. Today, even the unsolvable can be resolved. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Do not let preconceived, negative notions hold

you hostage today. Make an effort to experience new situations. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you have doubts regarding a decision you might have to make today, seek the counsel of a trusted friend. He or she will

concerned today if you have to take a few AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Set your playthings aside and focus your energies will come into play during your last at bat. and efforts on productive endeavors. You VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Take mea- can accomplish a lot today if you work for

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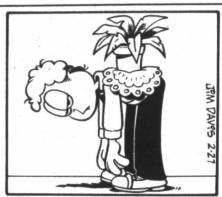




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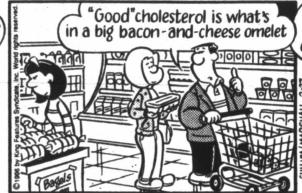


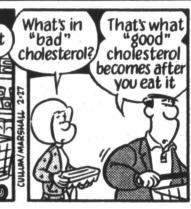




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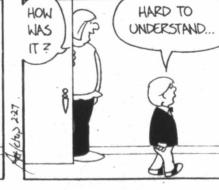
IT SAID ... WARM LOVING MATURE WOMAN, 600D COOK RESPONSIBLE HOMEMAKER, SEEKS YOUNG MAN WHO THINKS HE CAN FIND THIS TYPE OF PERSON ELSEWHERE, BUT MUST KNOW BY NOW THAT HE CAN'T ...







Mallard Filmore









**GOLF** 

PAMPA - The Pampa High boys' golf team continues on the tournament trail as they enter the Andrews Invitational March 1-2.

The Harvesters competed in the Tall City Invitational last weekend in Midland Twenty-one schools participated in the two-day tournament, which was played on the Midland Country Club and Hogan Park Country Club courses.

This was the first time the boys had seen either course. It's difficult to hit your shots when you don't know what lies ahead," said Pampa coach Frank McCullough.

Pampa finished in 12th place with a score of 667 (340-

Pampa's individual scores were Phil Everson 77-78-155; Bryan Rose 96-90-186; Mike Smith 87-79—166; Shaun Hurst 91-86-177; Jeff Henderson 85-84-169.

The Pampa girls' varsity start their season March 1-2 in the Midland Tournament.

### SOFTBALL

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**PAMPA** — Sign-up for Lady Harvester Softball is set between 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 29, at the Pampa High School Athletic Building, across from the tennis courts. A \$25 sign-up fee will be collected.

The league is comprised of middle school and high school students ages 13-19. Last year, the program fielded six teams and had more than 100 participants.

Parents are urged to accompany their daughters, as a parental consent form must be signed before students may begin practice. Try-outs will be from 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. March 4 and 5 at the Hobart Street Park's north field. Students that did not participate in last year's

In addition to the sign-up fee, a fundraiser is planned to help finance the program and to purchase equipment and a safety fence to be installed on the field at Hobart Street Park. Efforts are also underway to have a sign installed which will read, "Home of Lady Harvester Softball -UGŚA State Champions 1992."

League play will begin in mid-April and run to the end of the school year. Two games are scheduled each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday during the regular season.

An extension of the league will be played the first three weeks of June, then all-star selections are made for state tournament play. This year's tournament will be played in San Angelo the week of July

## TRACK

**FRENSHIP** — The Pampa boys track finished eighth in the Class 4A division of the Tiger Relays last weekend.

Pampa's Floyd White won a first-place medal in the discus with a 143-6 throw.

Placing among the top three was Pampa's Tim Fields, who was third in the 300-meter hurdles in 43.43. Pampa hosts the Top O'

Texas meet Saturday, starting at 9 a.m. at Randy Matson Field.

Workers are needed for the meet and interested persons can contact either Mike Lopez or Tad Smith at the high school.

## HOCKEY

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) Wayne Gretzky believes his days with the Los Angeles Kings are almost over.

"This probably won't drag on until March 20," said Gretzky, referring to the NHL's trading deadline.

Gretzky spoke Monday night in Winnipeg, where the Kings lost 4-3 to the Jets. The Kings were scheduled to practice today at the Los Angeles Forum, where Gretzky was sure to be the

center of attention. He has been the subject of trade rumors for more than a month now.

## Notebook Lost Cowboys cause headaches for Switzer

By DENNE H. FREEMAN **AP Sports Writer** 

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Super Bowl has meant unexpected riches for Larry Brown, Russell Maryland and Dixon Edwards.

It's also meant a big headache for coach Barry Switzer, who must find players to other defensive players. replace the starters off a championship

Linebacker Dixon Edwards signed a contract for \$10 million over four years, said. including a \$2.5 million signing bonus, with the Minnesota Vikings on Monday.

Switzer was disgusted. The Cowboys have lost 21 starters to free agency in three years.

"It's ridiculous the way money is being certainly fracture the esprit de corps of a Jones also left. team. The day of loyalty to a team is over. They go play for the dollar."

Edwards said he had no regrets about leaving Dallas, which traditionally has there people are willing to pay." spent less money on linebackers than

was tough for Dallas to see me leave, so it's not tough for me to leave," Edwards Switzer said.

starter to leave this offseason, following cornerback Brown, the Super Bowl MVP, and defensive lineman Maryland, both of whom signed with the Oakland happen. This is nothing unexpected.'

Switzer said he wouldn't be surprised lion remaining under the salary cap and

When asked if he thought Dallas would be able to keep Smith, Switzer said, "I doubt it. There's just too much money out

The Cowboys can match any offers to Smith, and it would cost another team a "It was fun, but it didn't seem like it first-round draft pick to sign him.

"We'll just have to see on Darrin,"

Switzer said the Cowboys are paying Edwards is the third Dallas defensive the price for winning three Super Bowl titles in four years.

"We're paying for our success now," the coach said. "We knew it was going to The Cowboys only have about \$2 mil-

thrown around," Switzer said. "It can if linebackers Darrin Smith and Robert owner Jerry Jones likely will renegotiate running back Emmitt Smith's contract. Jones paid out \$40 million in bonuses to keep most of the offense intact but the famed defensive depth of the Cowboys is being hit hard.

"We just have to find some players in the draft or at the low, bottom dollar of free agency," Switzer said. "This is not a great year for college linebackers, either."

Safety Brock Marion and offensive lineman Ron Stone are two other restricted free agents on the Dallas roster.

Other unrestricted free agents include quarterback Jason Garrett, punter John Jett, cornerback Robert Bailey, safety Scott Case, center Dale Hellestrae and special teams star Bill Bates.

## Kentucky is back on top

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) - With the regular season winding down and the NCAA tournament approaching, Kentucky coach Rick Pitino isn't getting caught up in his Wildcats return-

ing to No. 1.
"There's not too much difference between one and two," he said Monday. "The important thing in the regular season is that you try for a high seed, and whether you're one or two doesn't have much significance."

Kentucky (24-1), the preseason choice at No. 1, had been second to Massachusetts for the Minutemen's entire nine-week run at No. 1 in the AP poll.

The Wildcats were the overwhelming choice of the national media panel to replace UMass, which lost its first game of the season on Saturday. All but two of the 66 first-place votes went to Kentucky, which had 1,648

UMass (26-1), the only team to beat Kentucky, got the other two first-place votes and 1,563 points. Pitino doesn't believe his players will have trouble staying focused despite carrying the No. 1 tag. Kentucky plays at Auburn

on Tuesday night. "You try to become team every night out and exe-cute," he said. "You're really not looking at anything. Outside of that, we just try to take care of the present tense, and not look back or look ahead.

"If you do that, I think you can take care of business the right

Kentucky has won 23 consecutive games, the longest in Pitino's seven years at the school, and the longest since "Rupp's Runts" won 23 straight to start the season 30 years ago en route to reaching the NCAA title game.

Kentucky held the top spot for the two polls of the regular season until losing to Massachusetts in the Great Eight. Kansas moved in for three weeks until losing to Temple in the Jimmy V Classic.

Massachusetts then claimed the top spot and held it until this week, the longest run at No. 1 since Duke was there for the entire 1991-92 season.

The Minutemen's first loss was to George Washington (18-5) and it got the Colonials into the rankings for the first time since midway through the 1993-94 season.

Massachusetts was far from alone as a ranked team that lost last week. Fifteen Top 25 teams lost a total of 16 games from Monday through Sunday with Boston College, the team George Washington replaced in the rankings, losing twice.

Kansas moved from fifth to third this week and was followed Connecticut, Purdue, Villanova, Cincinnati, Georgetown, Texas Tech and Utah.

Arizona led the Second Ten and was followed by Penn State, Forest, Memphis, Syracuse, Virginia Tech, UCLA, Georgia Tech, North Carolina and Iowa.

The last five ranked teams were Louisville, Wisconsin-Green Bay, Iowa State, George Washington and Stanford.

Memphis and Georgia Tech tied for the week's biggest jump at five places. Memphis (20-5) won three games last week while Georgia Tech (18-10) won both its games and took over first place in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The biggest drop was Virginia Tech's fall from 12th to 16th after splitting two games Philadelphia, a close win over La Salle and a 16-point loss to



Pampa's Devin Lemons rips down a rebound in a recent game. The 6-3 Lemons will be in the middle tonight when the Harvesters take on Sweetwater in the Region 1-4A semifinals.

### in 4A regionals Lubbock's rently in the Class 5A regional Municipal Coliseum on the quarterfinals. Texas Tech campus will be the Pampa will have to contend site of tonight's 7:30 matchup with some Sweetwater height. In

Sweetwater tonight

Harvesters face

in the Region-1-4A semifinals.

Pampa head coach Robert Hale, who is a Lubbock native. "With the excitement surrounding the playoffs, it's a fun place to play."

The Harvesters will be the home team and will be wearing its green colors.

Pampa (29-3) goes into the game ranked No. 3 in the Texas play our game and play hard." Association of Basketball Coaches poll. Sweetwater (28-3), which has been ranked as high the TABC poll.

district round and defeated El with 10 per game. weekend's district and Burkburnett in the assists and 4 stea area round. One of the Pampa met Sweetwater in the Abilene Cooper, which is cur- games.

between Pampa and Sweetwater the middle for the Mustangs is 6-7 Robert Reid, who is team's "It's been five years since leading scorer (13 points) and we've played there and we're rebounder (7 per game). Backing looking forward to it," said him up is 6-5 Larry Ferguson. Going against taller teams, how-

ever, is nothing new for the Harvesters.

"We may be the only team in America who doesn't start a 6-4 starter," laughed Hale. "But we don't pay that much attention to size. We just want to go out and

The Harvesters aren't exactly small in the paint. Devin Lemons, at 6-3, is the starting pivot and he's as No. 4, is currently No. 10 in averaging 8 points and 8 rebounds per game. In reserve is 6-6 Chris The Harvesters, which has Miller, averaging 6 points and 5 won the district title the past rebounds. Coy Laury, a 6-2 foreight years, drew a bye in the bi- ward, leads the team in rebounds

Paso Parkland, 79-48, in last Pampa's up-tempo offense is area round. led by 6-0 guard Rayford Young, Sweetwater beat Cleburne in bi- who is averaging 25 points, 5

Mustangs' biggest win this sea- playoffs in 1991 and 1992 and son came against Class 5A came away with wins in both

## PHS tennis team continues win streak

AMARILLO — The dual win streak continues for the Pampa High varsity tennis team.

Last weekend, Pampa defeated Clovis, N.M., 6-2; Caprock, 8-0, and Palo Duro, 7-1, in extending their win streak to five matches.

The girls' team won all 12 of their matches while the boys' team triumphed in 9 of their 12

Players of the week are seniors Brooks Gentry and Cory Griggs, and junior Cami Stone.

The Pampa team begins a long stretch of tournament play this Friday and Saturday at the Sweetwater Invitational

Last weekend's results are as Pampa 6, Clovis, N.M. 2

Girls singles: Cami Stone (P) def. Sona Pandya, 6-2, 6-0; Many Wells (P) def. Luz Trujillo, 6-2, 6-

Girls doubles: McKinley Quarles-Julie Noles (P) def. Myers-Parker, 6-3, 7-5; April Lopez-Valerie Lee (P) def. Cardendas-Merritt, 6-2, 6-1.

Boys singles: Chris Stoneback (C) def. Kyle Easley, 6-1, 6-3; Ale' Nunes (P) def. Jared Wootton, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7-5).

Boys doubles: Brooks Gentry-Cory Griggs (P) def. Gallegos-Stevens, 6-3, 6-0; Hart-Haynie (C) def. Juan Campos-Russell

DuBose, 6-4, 6-4. Pampa 8, Caprock 0

Girls singles: Stone (P) def. Bree Wilmeth, 6-3, 6-1; Wells (P) def. Mandy Hermusillo, 8-2. Girls doubles: Quarles-Noles

(P) def. Hand-Littlejohn, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2; Lopez-Lee (P) def. Bates-Gossett, 4-6, 6-2, 7-6 (7-5). Boys singles: Easley (P) def. Dru Garcia, 6-2, 6-1; DeBose (P)

def. Josh Hoadley, 6-3-6-2.

Boys doubles: Gentry-Griggs (P) def. Mendez-Phelps, 6-0, 6-1; varsity. Nunes-Campos (P) def. Desai-Ragha, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

Pampa 7, Palo Duro 1 Girls singles: Stone (P) def. Celeste Soto, 8-0; Wells (P) def. Thuy Pham, 8-1.

Girls doubles: Quarles-Noles (P) def. Ly-S. Vongkaysone, 8-5; Boys singles: Nunes (P) def. Michael Little, 8-1; Chant Thommavong (PD) def. Campos,

Boys doubles: Gentry-Griggs (P) def. Ayala-Kongdara, 8-0; Easley-DuBose (P) def. Mixady-Phrisivath, 8-2.

The Pampa High junior varsity team competed in the Borger boys doubles. Junior Varsity Tournament this

junior varsities and the Perryton

Halley Bell and Maurey Bell combined to win the girls doubles division by winning all three of their matches.

Kristi Carter and Kimberlea McKandles finished second in girls doubles, losing to Bell-Bell, 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (7-5) in the finals.

Amanda Browning placed third in girls singles and Ty Newman was third in boys sin-

Fourth-place finishers were Jason Vickery in boys singles, Alicia Lee in girls singles;

Brandon Coffee-Dustin Laycock, boys doubles; Chris Harrison and Bryce Hudson teamed up to win the consolation bracket in

The team plays next in the past Saturday. Pampa competed Borger varsity tournament against the Borger and Dumas Friday and Saturday.

## Let the tour begin: Doral has a major field

PGA Tour finally gets to Florida it's sort of like Thanksgiving dinmake it, more than enough show Phil up to make it something special.

And after a two-month West Coast swing weakened by players taking some time off after the November-December made-for-TV-season and early season defections to places like Singapore and Australia, the Doral-Ryder Open is a welcome relief.

The PGA Tour gets going for championships real this week when most of the best golfers in the world start their run at the first of the major championships — the Masters, only six weeks away.

"This is where the season begins, right here at Doral," Greg Norman said last year, raising a few eyebrows.

Those eyebrows can go back down. Norman was right.

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — When the Championship will be there. Try these names on for size:

Norman, Nick Price, Nick ner. Even if the entire family can't Faldo, Corey Pavin, John Daly, Mickelson, Michael Campbell, Davis Love III, Bernhard Langer, Paul Azinger, Fred Couples, Lee Janzen, Steve Elkington and Ernie Els. They all will be competing for a piece of the \$1.8 million purse and \$324,000 first prize.

> About the only ones missing who pose a threat in the major are Montgomerie, Jose Maria Olazabal and the resurgent lan Woosnam.

> The four days in the Miami sun over the 6,939-yard, par-72 Blue Monster at the Doral Resort should give some kind of indication of who will emerge as the stars of 1996 and perhaps serve as a guidepost pointing toward who might win the major champi-

onships. Players Elkington — won a major cham- seems perfectly suited for him. Championship and the Tour pionship — and two others —

ond in majors.

A lot of intriguing dramas could unfold this year in golf and this tournament could well provide a preview of the storyline for the entire season. Is Mickelson, who has already

won twice this year and has seven career victories at just 25 years old, ready to start winning major championships at an age when Jack Nicklaus already had won four majors?

Can Pavin add to the U.S. Open championship last year that finally rid him of the title of "Best Golf in the World Without a Major

Will Love, who vies with Montgomerie for the current title of "Best Without a Major," finally get his breakthrough victory in one of the Big Four?

Daly won't be 30 until two weeks after the Masters in April and has a chance to be three-quar-

As far as he hits the ball, Daly is time great golfers.

Norman and Love — finished sec- frequently hitting short irons into the par-5s at Augusta and could play the 16 long holes of the Masters 10 under par, or better, over the four days. And he has a solid enough short game to handle the quick greens at the

> A win there would put Daly, at 29, only a U.S. Open victory away from the career Grand Slam, a feat accomplished only by Gene Sarazen, Ben Hogan, Gary Player and Nicklaus.

As swing doctor David Leadbetter likes to say, "This game is between the years." That's been the hardest fairway for Daly to hit.

As much money and as many tournaments as Norman has won — nearly \$10 million in the U.S. alone, nearly 70 tournaments worldwide — he has never won a major championship on American soil. Yes, he cherishes the two British Opens he has won, and yes Doral has perhaps its strongest " Last year's top-seven finishers ters of the way to the career he has been the dominant golfer field ever. The entire top-10 from at Doral all were in the top-25 on Grand Slam by then. He's already of the last 15 year but yes, you last year's PGA Tour money list the money list at the end of the won the PGA Championship and know he would like to add a and the winners of the four year. One of those - Steve the British Open. And Augusta major in the United States and perhaps slip up among the allKeller (21-11) vs. Euless Trinity (27-3), 7:30 Tuesday, Haltom City's Thomas

Lubbock Monterey (29-6) vs. El Paso Irvin (24-5), 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, Midland's Chaparral Center MDSD/.MDNM/ Fort Worth Dunbar (27-4) vs. Fort Worth Paschal 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Fort Worth's Daniel-Meyer Coliseum Class 4A

Region I semifinals

Region I area

Pampa (29-3) vs. Sweetwater (28-3), 7:30 Tuesday, Lubbock Municipal Coliseum Carryon Randall (21-13) vs. Wolfforth Frenship (28-7), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Plainview High School

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 Slaton (16-13) vs. Fabens (15-11), 8 p.m.

ulia (22-7) vs. Graham (29-4), 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Snyder's Scurry County Coliseum

Tuesday, Monahans 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. uesday, Abilene's McMurry University

Region I area 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 (18-7), 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), Tuesday. Odessa College

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| Indiana              | 35   | 20   | .636 | 14     |
| Cleveland            | 31   | 22   | .585 | 17     |
| Atlanta              | 30   | 24   | .556 | 18 1/2 |
| Detroit              | 28   | 25   | .528 | 20     |
| Charlotte            | 27   | 26   | .509 | 21     |
| Milwaukee            | 20   | 33   | .377 | 28     |
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| Denver        | 22   | 31 | .415 | 14 1/2 |
| Dallas        | 18   | 35 | .340 | 18 1/2 |
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### The Top Twenty Five

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press' women's college basket ball poll, with first-place votes in parenthe-Abilene Cooper (23-9) vs. El Paso Eastwood ses, records through Feb. 25, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking;

| F                                | Record | Pts | Prv |
|----------------------------------|--------|-----|-----|
| 1. LouisianaTech(30)             | 23-1   | 985 | 1   |
| 2. Georgia(8)                    | 23-3   | 961 | 2   |
| <ol><li>Connecticut(1)</li></ol> | 26-3   | 919 | 3   |
| <ol><li>Stanford(1)</li></ol>    | 22-2   | 878 | 4   |
| <ol><li>Tennessee</li></ol>      | 23-4   | 847 | 5   |
| 6. lowa                          | 24-2   | 795 | 7   |
| <ol><li>OldDominion</li></ol>    | 22-2   | 736 | 8   |
| 8. Virginia                      | 22-5   | 690 | 9   |
| <ol><li>TexasTech</li></ol>      | 22-3   | 678 | 6   |
| <ol><li>Vanderbilt</li></ol>     | 20-6   | 614 | 10  |
| <ol><li>PennSt.</li></ol>        | 22-6   | 610 | 11  |
| 12. Duke                         | 23-5   | 574 | 12  |
| <ol><li>13. Alabama</li></ol>    | 20-6   | 479 | 14  |
| <ol><li>OregonSt.</li></ol>      | 19-5   | 457 |     |
| <ol><li>15. Wisconsin</li></ol>  | 20-6   | 454 | 13  |
| 16. Auburn                       | 19-7   | 345 | 17  |
| <ol><li>Purdue</li></ol>         | 18-9   | 307 | 21  |
| <ol><li>Florida</li></ol>        | 18-7   | 290 | 19  |
| <ol><li>N.CarolinaSt.</li></ol>  | 18-8   | 242 | 18  |
| <ol><li>Colorado</li></ol>       | 22-8   | 173 | 20  |
| 21. Kansas                       | 18-8   | 164 | 24  |
| 22. Clemson                      | 19-7   | 161 | 16  |
| <ol><li>Mississippi</li></ol>    | 17-9   | 150 | 22  |
| tie. NotreDame                   | 19-6   | 150 | 23  |
| 25. Texas                        | 17-7   | 55  | _   |
|                                  |        |     |     |

Others receiving votes: DePaul 51, Colorado St. 48, SW Missouri St. 34, Oklahoma St. 27, Stephen F. Austin 24, Montana 18, George Washington 14, Kent 11, Utah 9, Nebraska 8, Rhode Island 7, Arkansas 6, Northwestern 6, Southern Miss. 5, Villanova 4, Tulane 3, Arizona 2, Michigan St. 2, Middle Tenn. 2, Ohio St. 2, UC Santa Barbara 2, Grambling

### **TRANSACTIONS**

Monday's Sports Transactions By The Associated Press BASEBALL Major League Baseball

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Named Jim Marshall director of Pacific Rim operations. American League

MILWAUKEE BREWERS-Agreed to terms with Steve Sparks, Brian Givens and Sid Roberson, pitchers, and Wes Weger, infielder, on one-year contracts. NEW YORK YANKEES—Sent Andy Croghan, pitcher, outright to Columbus of the International League. OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with Steve Karsay, pitcher, and Fausto Cruz, infielder, on one-year

contracts **National League** CINCINNATI REDS—Agreed to terms with Joe Oliver, catcher, on a one-year contract. Released Damon Berryhill,

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Signed Blaine Beatty, pitcher, to a minor-

league contract

BASKETBALL **National Basketball Association** NBA—Suspended New York Knicks forward-center J.R. Reid for two games without pay and fined him \$10,000 for flagrantly elbowing Phoenix Suns forward A.C. Green in the mouth during Sunday's game. TORONTO RAPTORS—Activated Dwayne Whitfield, forward, from the FOOTBALL

National Football League ARIZONA CARDINALS—Named Alan Everest special teams coach. **BUFFALO BILLS—Signed Henry** Bailey and Demeris Johnson, wide

PANTHERS-Sig Curtis Whitley, center, and Pat Terrell, safety. CINCINNATI BENGALS—Agreed to

terms with Ashley Ambrose, cornerback, on a three-year contract. DENVER BRONCOS—Signed Alfred Williams, defensive end, to a five year contract. MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Agreed to

terms with Dixon Edwards, linebacker, on a four-year contract. NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Signed Milton Mack and Corey Dowden, cor nerbacks; Dan Esposito and Dexter McNabb, running backs; Jeff Fields and Buster Stanley, defensive line-men; Paul Green, tight end; and Darren Reese and Tom Roth, offensive linemen

NEW YORK JETS-Signed John Hudson, offensive lineman. TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Named Herman Edwards assistant head coach-defensive backs coach National Hockey League

EDMONTON OILERS—Recalled Jiri Slegr, defensman, from Cape Breton of the AHL. HARTFORD WHALERS—Assigned Brian Mueller, defenseman, to Richmond of the ECHL. NEW JERSEY DEVILS-Acquired

Phil Housley and Dan Keczmer defensemen, from the Calgary Flames for Jocelyn Lemieux, right wing, and Tommy Albelin and Cale Hulse, defensemen. Loaned Steve Sullivan, center, and Kevin Dean, defenseman, to Albany of AHL NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Recalled Jarrett Deuling, left wing, from Worcester of the AHL

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS-Recalled Mark Kolesar, right wing, from St. John's of the AHL. Assigned Jason Saal, goaltender, to St.

**WASHINGTON CAPITALS—** Recalled Olaf Kolzig, goaltender, and Andrew Brunette, left wing, from Portland of the AHL. Returned Ron Tugnutt, goaltender, to Portland.

## Gaetti is back home with Cardinals

By TOM WITHERS **AP Sports Writer** 

Gary Gaetti moved across a state and jumped to a new league to fulfill a boyhood wish.

Growing up in Centralia, Ill., Gaetti rooted for the St. Louis Cardinals. He would travel to Busch Stadium and dream of playing for his beloved Cardinals. Now, nearly 18 years after becoming a major leaguer, he will.

"It's real exciting. I'm just really thankful for the opportunity to come over here and be part of this," said Gaetti, who signed a one-year, \$2 million deal with St. Louis last winter after 15 seasons in the American League, the last three in Kansas City.

"This is one of the highlights of my life, just being a part of the St. Louis Cardinals scene and being close to home."

Gaetti was chosen in the fourth a \$500 signing bonus. In 1981 he began his career with the Minnesota Twins, and on Sept. 20 he homered in his first major-

### SPRING TRAINING

"I got a 2-1 knuckleball off Charlie Hough, just yanked it down the left-field line and took off running," Gaetti said. "When they signalled home run it was pretty awesome."

He has since connected for 291 more homers, including a career-high 35 last season for the Royals. Gaetti's next contact with St. Louis came in 1987, when he helped lead the Twins to a sevengame World Series victory over the Cardinals.

"It was pretty ironic," the twotime All-Star said of his return to Busch Stadium. "I used to love to go over there and watch the games and just be at the stadium. I always dreamed about playing there when I was younger.'

Instead, Gaetti, 37, spent nine full seasons in Minnesota, then moved on to California in 1991. round of the 1978 free-agent draft The Angels released him in 1993, by the Cardinals, but turned down opening the door for a career revival in Kansas City. Reds

> Marge Schott has already placed some additional pressure on her

With the re-signing of catcher loe Oliver on Monday, Schott now has six members of the Reds' 1990 World Series championship team on this year's roster.

Oliver was accompanied at a news conference in Plant City, Fla., by Jose Rijo, Eric Davis, Chris Sabo, Hal Morris and Barry Larkin the other remaining players from the 1990 team. Their appearance prompted Schott to make an early demand.

"We got 1990 back, and they better get it done," Schott said.

Oliver's deal is worth \$500,000, including incentives. To make room for him on the roster, the Reds released catcher Damon Berryhill, who underwent reconstructive surgery on his right elbow last week and is expected to miss the entire season.

Brien Taylor, once considered a can't-miss prospect for New York, was hammered during an intrasquad game in Tampa, Fla.

Taylor, the top pick in the 1991 amateur draft who is attempting a comeback from shoulder surgery, struggled with his control, throwing 28 balls and 19 strikes.

"I tried to keep the ball down," Taylor said. "I really didn't miss high, and that's a good sign."

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He allowed six runs — four earned - four hits and walked

four in just over an inning. The Beaufort, N.C., native had

shoulder surgery in December 1993 after being hurt in a brawl. After missing all of 1994, Taylor made 11 appearances last season

with Tampa in the Gulf Coast League, going 2-5 with a 6.08 ERA. **Dodgers** Hideo Nomo looked sharp in two scoreless innings against many of the Los Angeles regulars,

while Ramon Martinez was hit hard in an intrasquad game at Vero Beach, Fla. Nomo, the NL rookie of the year,

allowed only two singles. "It was only an intrasquad

game," Nomo said through a translator. "Today was just like throwing in the bullpen, except there was a batter."

Martinez, however, gave up six runs on six hits in 1 1-3 innings against a team comprised mostly of backup players. That team beat the starters 14-3 in an eightinning scrimmage.

# Spurs' owners say they're committed to keeping NBA franchise in Alamo City

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — submitted plans, but not commite events, adding that at least four Nashville-based say they rejected recent serious Antonio," McDermott said. bids to buy the NBA franchise because the suitors refused to promise not to move the club to another city.

Twenty-one businesses and individuals who own the fran- keeping the Spurs in town and chise paid \$85 million for the Spurs in March 1993.

Spurs chairman Robert McDermott said Monday that the ownership group rejected two serious \$90 million offers last fall by prospective buyers who McDermott estimated. would agree only to "do their

And they didn't even deliberate less formal offers as high as have said they won't sell their inquiries. \$152.5 million because they stake to an investor who wants to would have ensured the team's move the team. departure, McDermott said.

San Antonio Mayor Bill Thornton, once an opponent but that weren't taken seriously now a proponent of providing because they would have guarthe Spurs a new arena, was anteed the Spurs' departure. aware of those votes. He was out

"The current investor group has voted down two offers from lion," McDermott said. (serious) prospects who signed confidentiality agreements and other sources confirmed those that Tennessee city, along with events.

Owners of the San Antonio Spurs ments, to keep the team in San

He did not name them, citing those confidentiality agreements. The two secret-ballot votes weren't unanimous, but a majority of the shareholders supported

under current ownership,

McDermott said. If the team were moved to a larger market and into a state-ofthe-art basketball arena it could be worth \$150 million or more,

The current owners say they best" to keep the franchise in bought the Spurs to keep the team in San Antonio. Several owners including McDermott

"queries" about selling the team

"The queries we have received of town until Friday and unavail- about buying the Spurs and moving them to another location have been as high as \$152.5 mil-

brokers from Austin, Houston, Dallas and a California city have expressed interest in handling the sale of the Spurs. One is believed to have had a New Orleans tie.

And more than a year ago, two Albuquerque investors inquired about buying the team, those sources said.

name those who have informally courted the Spurs, but the San Antonio Express-News quoted Texas representative of the investment banking Salomon Brothers Inc., appears

It was Salomon that helped for-McDermott said they have McCombs sell the team. Officials pay off loans and debts. It wasn't unclear Monday if received as many as four with Salomon couldn't be - Relocate to an arena reached.

> Although other comments are the most detailed to date about outside interest in the team and the owners' response.

Owners representatives and come from Nashville. Officials in and non-athletic entertainment

Entertainment Co., have spent years attempting to lure a professional sports franchise.

Gaylord Properties Inc., the entertainment company's largest shareholder, also is the largest shareholder of the Spurs. But an official with Gaylord said the firm bought its Spurs stake to keep the team in San Antonio, McDermott also declined to not to move it. The Spurs have a 10-year lease

at the Alamodome, which includes a provision allowing the one source as saying a North team to terminate the agreement following any season with 90 firm days notice. McDermott

said team to have initiated one of the investors have three "obvious" alternatives:

— Sell the team for more than mer Spurs owner B.J. "Red" \$150 million, reap the profits and

between San Antonio and Austin, which would enlarge the investors have made references team's market in terms of fans, to purchase offers, McDermott's corporate sponsors and affluence.

 Forge a public-private partnership in a downtown multipurpose arena that would McDermott said no offer has accommodate basketball, hockey

## Lady Longhorns keep basketball poll string intact

By CHUCK SCHOFFNER **AP Sports Writer** 

Texas was running out of time to maintain its string of yearly appearances in The Associated Press women's basketball poll. Thanks to a big victory in front of a big crowd, that string is still intact.

With just two polls remaining, Texas made its first Top 25 appearance of the season on Monday. The Longhorns grabbed the No. 25 spot and now have been ranked at least once in each of the 20 years The AP poll has existed.

Tennessee is the only other school with that distinction.

Louisiana Tech led the poll for the second straight week and the was the only newcomer, and the Longhorns literally came from nowhere to break into the poll.

a single vote. But an attention-

Tech, accomplished before a lively crowd of 14,115 in Austin, Texas, swung enough votes from a national media panel to get the Longhorns (17-7) ranked.

"Our crowd support has just been phenomenal," Texas coach Jody Conradt said. "The bond between the fans and this team has been incredible. They've really supported our team. They supported us last year when we weren't winning.

Now in her 20th season at Texas, Conradt still winces at the thought of last year, when the Longhorns finished 12-16 for her first losing season. Injuries were a factor and so was the team's youth. Conradt 12th time overall this season. Texas ended up using 12 different start-

ing lineups.
"We had no chemistry last year. We didn't have any offensive Last week, Texas did not receive punch. We just kept trying to find something that worked," she said.

defense and they just didn't get it. We were a pretty young basketball team and they just didn't understand what it took."

was 4-5 in early January, although all five losses were to nationally ranked teams — Florida, Tennessee, Vanderbilt, Stanford and Old Dominion.

"It took us a while to play past last year," Conradt said. "The schedule didn't help us because against some of the best teams in the country.

"Then we came to our conferwe started turning things around."

Texas is 12-1 in the Southwestern and Conference and has won 13 of 15 Connecticut,

grabbing 76-60 upset of Texas "Last year we had to win on last season, Conradt has used only four different starting lineups.

Junior guard Danielle Viglione, the leading scorer with a 13.4 average, has started every game. Junior With only one senior, this season forward Amie Smith has started all didn't start out much better. Texas 23 games she has played and senior forward Erica Routt has started all but two games.

"I'm enjoying this team a lot," said Conradt, the career leader among women's coaches with 671 victories. "They're very hard working. They're good people. They have learned the true meanwe were trying to get it together ing of being a team. All the good feelings you get from coaching, I've gotten from this group."

Louisiana Tech (23-1) was an ence schedule and it was like a overwhelming choice for No. 1, new beginning. Once we got there, receiving 30 of 40 first-place votes. Georgia remained second was followed Stanford games since a 98-61 loss at Old Tennessee in a top five that was Dominion. And in stark contrast to unchanged from last week.

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