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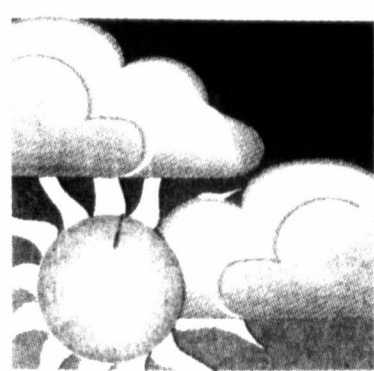
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Low tonight near 40,
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details.

WHITE DEER — The board of directors of Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District No. 3 is to meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday to consider well permits, a report by Canadian River Municipal Water Authority on the Campbell ranch testing program, a prototype joint management proposal and the Medina County case.

Also on the agenda are consideration of purchase of a down hole television camera for the district, ag loan accounts in executive session and out of district transportation reports.

District offices are at 300 S. Omohundro, White Deer.

AUSTIN (AP) — No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$18 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 14, 19, 25, 29, 44 and 49.

There were 155 tickets sold with five numerical matches, making each worth \$1,750. There were 8,142 tickets with four numerical matches, making each worth \$120. And there were 167,637 tickets sold with three numerical matches, making each worth an \$3.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be \$25 million.

MEXICO CITY (AP) — A huge mushroom-shaped cloud of steam and ash belched from the Popocatepetl volcano 50 miles southeast of here Monday a day after its newest spurt of activity.

It happened at 9:21 a.m. leaving a seemingly motionless cloud clearly visible from the capital.

Robert Quass of the National Center of Disasters Prevention told The Associated Press that the eruption was "a sporadic emission, a poof." "Seismologic activity remains very low and there is no cause whatsoever for alarm."

He said steam and ash went about about 3 miles into the air.

The director of Puebla's State Civil Protection System, Guillermo Melgarejo Palafox, said earlier his agency remains on alert after similar brief activity last week but there were no reports of evacuations from villages at the base of the 17,887-foot-high peak.

He told the government news agency Notimex that winds and possible rains could deposit some of the ash on the villages, some of which were evacuated during heavier activity in December 1994.

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U.S. moving warships to Taiwan area

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States is moving warships closer off Taiwan in response to China's plans to stage live-fire war games near the island and its escalating intimidation against the Taipei government.

Besides moving a naval battle group led by the aircraft carrier USS Independence to within about 100 miles of Taiwan, the Pentagon plans to pull the carrier USS Nimitz out of the Persian Gulf earlier than scheduled. The Nimitz battle group is due in the vicinity of Taiwan in about two weeks, a senior defense official said today.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher said Sunday the Independence would sail somewhat closer to Taiwan, but he was not more specific. The Independence and its escort ships had been within about 200 miles of Taiwan last week as they monitored China's test firing of three unarmed ballistic missiles.

Sen. Bob Dole, campaigning in the Republican presidential primary in Florida, said today, "I support sending a strong signal to China. In a sense, they may be testing the president."

Christopher noted on NBC's *Meet the Press* that the Navy had sent the Nimitz and escort ships through the Taiwan Strait in December to show support for Taiwan.

He did not say whether the U.S. warships would enter the 6,600-square-mile area designated by China for live-ammunition exercises. But he said, "We're concerned to make sure that those forces, that carrier battle group, are in a position to be helpful if they need to be."

The Nimitz had been sched-

uled to leave the Persian Gulf in April to return to its home port at Bremerton, Wash. The plan now is for it to leave on March 15.

It would take about 10 days to get to the vicinity of Taiwan, said a senior defense official who spoke on condition of anonymity. To replace the Nimitz in the Gulf, the carrier battle group led by the USS George Washington will leave the Mediterranean through the Suez Canal late this week, the official said.

The official said the carrier movements are designed to send a political signal to Beijing but are not part of a plan for any unusual U.S. military operation.

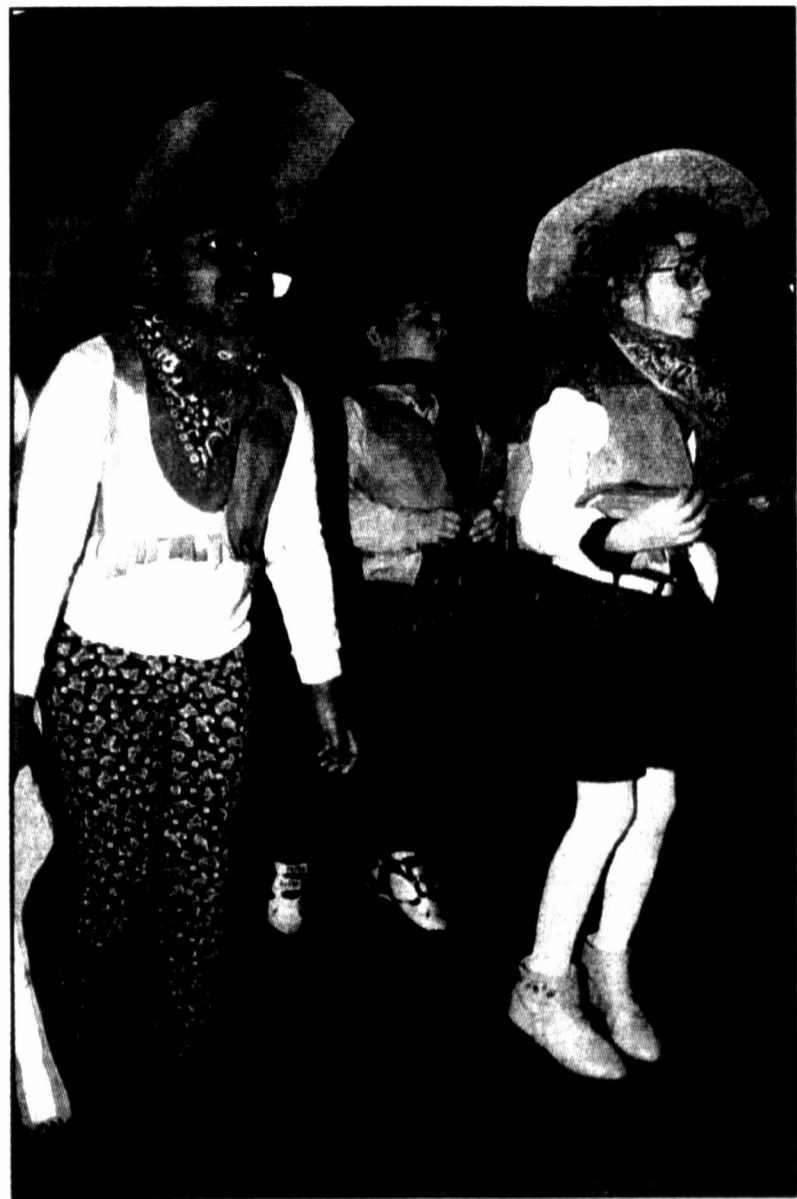
Hours after Christopher spoke, the Chinese foreign minister warned the United States not to intervene in its sovereignty dispute with the island. "Taiwan is a part of China and not a protectorate of the United States," Qian Qichen said at a news conference.

"We are very concerned and are looking at the situation very seriously," Madeleine Albright, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, said on CNN's "Late Edition With Frank Sesno." She said the Chinese had been given clear warnings that this was not the time for a confrontation.

China's announcement of the war games follow its missile tests off Taiwan's coast last week that also were condemned as a blatant attempt to influence Taiwan's first presidential elections later this month and stifle the pro-independence movement on the island.

Taiwan has been governed by the Nationalists who fled Mao Tse-tung's communists in 1949, and Beijing regards Taiwan as a renegade province.

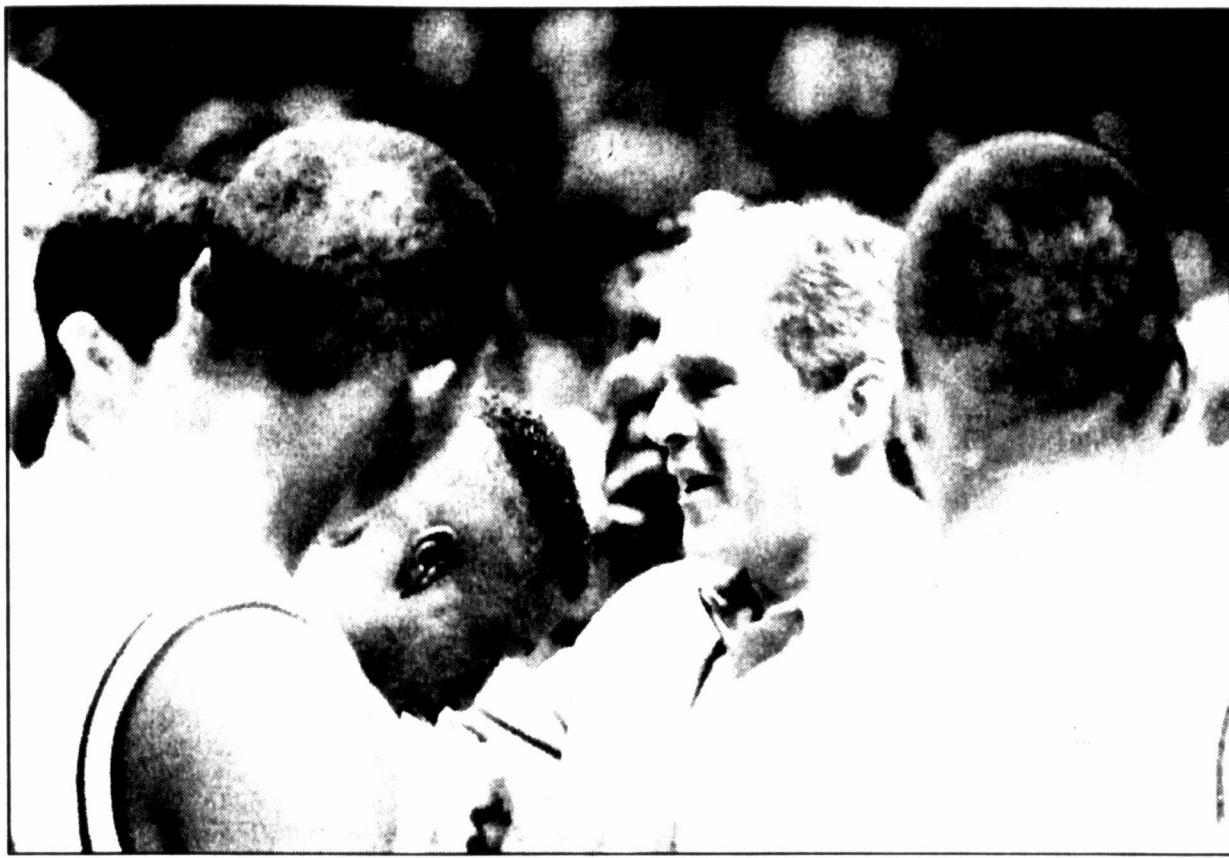
Texas songfest



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

St. Matthew's Day Care School kindergarten students, from left, Ashley Brown, Drew Williams and Elizabeth Wade joining in singing one of the songs about Texas during a play Friday at the school. The students, dressed in their western wear, presented a Texas songfest in honor of Texas Education Week.

Congratulations from the governor



(Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

Texas Gov. George W. Bush, center right, places a gold medal around the neck of Harvester team member J.J. Mathis while other Harvesters await their turn during ceremonies after Pampa's victory over the Dallas Madison Trojans Saturday afternoon to take the state Class 4A basketball championship title. The governor, congratulating the team for its victory, personally presented the gold medals to the Harvesters in the Frank Erwin Center in Austin after the Harvesters won the state title. The state champion Harvesters returned to Pampa Sunday evening to be greeted by a large crowd of fans at the high school. Pampa High School Principal John Kendall and Athletic Director Dennis Cavalier said plans are being made for "a great celebration" for the team after spring break. For more information on the state champs, see Page 7.

Gray County Red Cross director pleased with work of volunteers

By CHIP CHANDLER
Staff Writer

Gray County Red Cross Director Lynda Duncan is celebrating Red Cross Month by thanking her volunteers.

"We can never have too many disaster volunteers, [but] if a tornado hit Pampa again, I'd want everyone we had last year. They made everything so easy," Duncan said in an interview in her office last week.

"The volunteers here brought everything together. I didn't have to worry about anything," she recalled of the aftermath of the June 8 tornado that struck town.

She's not the only one singing the praises of the tornado volunteers.

While working with flooding victims in Pennsylvania earlier this year, Duncan received a number of compliments about the handling of the disaster.

"People from all over the

country are talking about how well handled the tornado was. It was the people here who made it easy," she said.

Volunteers from around the area appeared as well, offering physical help and money, she said.

Planning ahead for the next major disaster, Duncan said the Red Cross office is developing a disaster training workshop for adults and one for teens.

"Those [teens] who worked in the tornado worked just as hard as the adults did, if not more so," she said.

Besides the major disasters, Duncan said the Red Cross responds to catastrophes on a smaller scale.

"We respond to single family fires. Any type of emergency a family or city can't recover from without assistance we go in and help," she said.

Red Cross services go beyond disaster responses, she added.

Duncan related that her office aids military personnel in need, citing a recent \$2,000 loan to a serviceman whose car broke down near Shamrock.

Red Cross also delivers messages from family to servicemen stationed overseas.

Other services include classes for blood pressure and blood sugar offered every Friday at 11:30 a.m.

First aid and CPR classes are given every month, and in the summer, swimming and canoeing classes are taught as well.

To fit all the classes in, Duncan said the office is expanding, taking over space from an abandoned office next door.

To celebrate Red Cross Month, Duncan has planned an open house Tuesday, March 19, at 10 a.m.

The southwest regional director will attend and will speak at a Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

Precinct territory widely split in Gray County

Voters in voting precinct four will vote for one of four Republican constable candidates in Tuesday's primary, despite the fact precinct residents live on literally opposite ends of Gray County.

Precinct 4 includes residents near Pampa Middle School and Coronado Hospital to the north and McLean and Alanreed to the south.

Precinct 3 is almost as confusing, with voters in the northeast corner of town voting for the same candidates as residents in Letors.

It's all due to redistricting done around 1980 by court order, County Clerk Wanda Carter said.

Each commissioner's precinct contains three to four voting precincts. The commissioner's precincts were split about 16 years ago to insure that each commissioner was voted upon by a near-equal voting population.

Since Pampa is the most populous area in the county, the city had to be split on odd lines to balance other areas of the county.

Voters' voting precinct number

is listed in the center of their voter registration cards.

Primary voting takes place tomorrow across the state as part of "Super Tuesday" voting. Early voting wrapped up Friday with 1,214 votes cast in Gray County.

Of those, only 101 were Democratic ballots.

"It's usually a little more balanced than that," Carter said. "It was kind of a heavy vote, especially for one party."

Carter said about 200 more early votes were cast this year as compared to the average.

Two-ton Chinese satellite could fall out of orbit

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — A out-of-control, two-ton Chinese spy satellite could fall out of orbit as early as tonight, and there's a chance it could survive re-entry and smash into the ground, the Air Force said.

The British military, which estimates its weight at one ton, said it would likely fall into the sea.

The North American Aerospace Defense Command has been tracking the FSW-1 Chinese spy satellite since it was launched on Oct. 8, 1993. The recoverable satellite was supposed to have returned to the

ground after less than a month.

"It was only expected to be up there for about 20 days," said Maj. Steve Boylan. "Now, it's finally coming back."

The satellite weighs 4,500 pounds and is the size of a small car, the Air Force said.

It had on board a diamond-encrusted button commemorating Mao Tse-tung's 100th birthday and a 24-karat gold mold for printing U.S. banknotes, according to a report last year by China's Xinhua Evening News. The report said the items were among souvenirs put aboard the

satellite in hopes the space trip would increase their value.

Aviation Week has said the satellite likely will smash to Earth virtually intact because it has a heat shield designed to protect its cameras and film.

"The chances of it surviving (re-entry), there is a chance," Boylan said. "We don't know what 30 months of space time has done to an object that was only supposed to be up there a short time. And once it re-enters we can't predict where it will hit. There are too many variables for a computer model."

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

ELLER, Lois Mae — 11 a.m., Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ, Pampa.
McSPADDEN, Vileta — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Quanah.

Obituaries

WAYNE CHILDRESS

BRISCOE - Wayne Childress, 45, died Sunday, March 10, 1996, at Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the First Baptist Church at Wheeler with the Rev. Andy Taylor and the Rev. Charles Tatyrek, both of Sayre, Okla., officiating. Burial will be in the Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Childress was born Sept. 10, 1950, at Wheeler. He had been a lifelong Briscoe resident except for four years spent in Canadian. He attended school at Briscoe and was a Briscoe High School graduate. He married Pat Brown on July 16, 1978, in Beckham County, Okla. He was a self-employed truck driver and a member of the National Guard. He was also a member of the Gageby Community Church and the Canadian Riding Club.

Survivors include his wife, Pat, of Briscoe; a daughter, Amanda Childress, of the home; two sons, Colby Childress of Wake Forest N.C., and Jeremy Childress of Fort Knox, Ky.; his parents, L.D. and Wanda Childress of Briscoe; three sisters, Cathy Hunt, Kay Luttrell and Jane Dukes, all of Briscoe; his grandmother, Addie Swift of Wheeler; and a granddaughter.

The family requests memorials be to the Oklahoma City Memorial Childrens Hospital or the Tressa Perry Foundation.

LOIS MAE ELLER

MISSOURI CITY - Lois Mae Eller, 87, a former Pampa resident, died Sunday, March 10, 1996, in Missouri City. Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ at Pampa with Glen Walton, associate minister of North Amarillo Church of Christ, and Marcus Brecheen, minister of the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Eller was born Sept. 22, 1908, at Celina, Texas. She married Walter Scruggs Eller on Dec. 16, 1933, at Panhandle; he died June 9, 1990. She had been a Pampa resident from 1944 to 1993 before moving to the Houston area. She was a former member of the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Tim and Donna Eller of Missouri City; two sisters, Nita Wild of Houston and Gladys Pipes of Dallas; a brother, Harris Holmes of Amarillo; a granddaughter, Julie Eller of Abilene; and two grandsons, Brad Eller and wife April, both of San Antonio, and Steve Eller of Abilene.

The family requests memorials be to the World Bible School.

LESLIE L. GORDIN

DIMMITT - Leslie L. Gordin, 78, died Friday, March 8, 1996. Services were to be at 10 a.m. today in the Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home Ivey Chapel with the Rev. Lee Roark, pastor of First Methodist Church in Friona, officiating. Burial was to be at 3 p.m. today in the McLean Cemetery at McLean.

Mr. Gordin was born in Nowata, Okla. He lived in Shamrock before moving to Dimmitt in 1977. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Maxine Gordin, in 1978. He married Jo Nita Smith in 1978 at Dimmitt. He retired from El Paso Natural Gas Company in 1982 after 34 years of service. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Survivors include a son, Gary Gordin of Dumas; a daughter, Mary Evans of Midland; a stepson, Michael Sparks of Amarillo; a stepdaughter, Nita Ware of El Paso; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the American Heart Association.

VILETA McSPADDEN

QUANAH - Vileta McSpadden, 54, sister of a Pampa resident, died Sunday, March 10, 1996. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. John Spangler officiating. Burial will be in Quanah Memorial Park under the direction of Price-Jackson Funeral Home.

Mrs. McSpadden was born at Phillips. She married Charles McSpadden in 1960 at Phillips. She lived in Groom before moving to Quanah in 1974. She was a homemaker and a member of the Agape Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Charles; three sons, Mike McSpadden of Fort Worth, Steve McSpadden of Quanah and Scott McSpadden of Longview; two sisters, Elizabeth Burns of Mansfield and Nellida Pierce of Trenton, N.J.; two brothers, Gene Conklin of Abilene and Clayton Conklin of Pampa; and three grandchildren.

Calendar of events

TOASTMASTERS

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

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON

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

Fires

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

SUNDAY, March 10

5:53 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to 401 Red Deer on a grass fire that was out on arrival.

6:33 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 1000 block of South Banks on a dumpster fire.

Obituaries

JOHNNIE BEATRICE 'GRANNIE' NOEL

CANADIAN - Johnnie Beatrice "Grannie" Noel, 95, died Saturday, March 9, 1996, at the Abraham Memorial Home in Canadian. Graveside services were to be at 3 p.m. today in the Hart Cemetery near Breckenridge with the Rev. Lewis Ellis, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lefors, and the Rev. Hiram Reyes, associate pastor of the First Baptist Church of Canadian, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mrs. Noel was born Oct. 30, 1900, in Comanche County, Texas, to William and Mary Cowen. She was raised in Lueders and had been a Breckenridge resident for many years. She married James Samuel Noel on July 21, 1918, at Lueders; he died May 4, 1975. She moved to Lefors following her husband's death. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church at Nugent, Texas.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Hattie Mae Kimbrough, in 1971, and Helen Florence Alexander, in 1988; and by a grandson, Thomas Monroe Kimbrough, in 1992.

Survivors include a grandson, James Alexander of Miami; a great-granddaughter, Misty Barton of Canadian; a great-grandson, Greg Alexander of Canadian; a great-great-granddaughter, Brooke Barton; two great-great-grandsons, Blake Barton and Blaine Barton; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to the Edward Abraham Memorial Home, 803 Birch St. Canadian, TX 79014; or to a favorite charity.

DON N. PUMPHREY

BORGER - Don N. Pumphrey, 88, died Wednesday, March 6, 1996. Masonic graveside services were to be at 11 a.m. today in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa under the auspices of Isom Masonic Lodge No. 1242. Memorial services were to be at 12 p.m. today in St. Peter's Episcopal Church with the Rev. William Houghton, pastor, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Brown Funeral Home.

Mr. Pumphrey was born in Skiatook, Okla., and had been a Borger resident for 50 years. He was a retired foreman for Phillips Petroleum Company. He was a member of the Keeler Baptist Church and was a 53-year member of the Isom Masonic Lodge No. 1242. He was a lifetime member of the Order of the Eastern Star No. 811, a 51-year member of the Scottish Rite of Guthrie, Okla., and a member of the Lions Club and Phillips Free Fair. He received the Grand Cross of Color in 1944 for service to the Order of Rainbow for Girls.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lucille L. Pumphrey, in 1990.

Survivors include two sons, Ralph Pumphrey of Borger and James Pumphrey of Nicoma Park, Okla.; a daughter, Margaret Warner of Kirkland, Wash.; three sisters, Rowena Little of Riverside, Calif., Alice Tilford of Tulsa, Okla., and Wanita Lambert of Wallace, N.C.; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Alzheimer's Association, 2200 W. 7th, Amarillo, TX 79106; or to a favorite charity.

Sheriff's Office

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

SUNDAY, March 10

Pampa Country Club reported theft of golf balls. Gasman, US 60 west of Pampa, reported theft of over \$2,000.

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported unlawful carrying of weapon at Gray E and US 60.

Arrests

SATURDAY, March 9
 Billy Glenn Brown, 32, 1105 Starkweather, was arrested on three charges of issuance of bad check. He was released for time served and to pay fines later.

Department of Public Safety

John Franklin Bonner, 28, 124 S. Faulkner, was arrested on a DPS ticket - no liability insurance. He paid fine and was released.

SUNDAY, March 10

Charles Mathis Ashley, 48, 707 Frederic, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication and unlawful carrying of weapon. His bond is unset.

Department of Public Safety

Mark Dewayne Eakes, 31, Amarillo, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated - third offense. His bond is unset.

Stocks

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

Wheat	5.02	
Milo	6.55	
Corn	7.00	

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

Nowaco	13 1/2	NC
Occidental	23 1/4	up 1/8

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

Magellan	85.85	
Puritan	17.37	

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

Amoco	68 3/4	dn 1/4
Arco	111 1/8	dn 1 5/8
Cabot	60 3/4	NC
Cabot O&G	14 1/8	dn 1/4
Chevron	53 5/8	NC
Coca-Cola	81 1/2	up 1 1/4
Columbia/HCA	54 3/4	dn 1/4
Diamond Sham	29 5/8	up 1/2
Enron	35 5/8	dn 1/8
Halliburton	52 3/4	dn 7/8
Ingersoll Rand	41 1/2	up 1 1/4
KNE	30	NC
Kerr McGee	61 1/4	dn 1/4
Limited	19 1/8	up 1/4
Mapco	53 3/4	up 3/8
McDonald's	50 3/4	dn 1/8
Mobil	109 3/4	dn 1
New Atmos	22 1/4	up 1/8
Parker & Parsley	19 3/4	dn 1/8
Penney's	49	up 1/2
Phillips	36 3/4	up 1/4
Magellan	85.85	
SLB	73	up 1/4
SPS	32 1/4	dn 1/4
Tenneco	55 1/4	up 3/8
Texaco	81 7/8	dn 1/2
Wal-Mart	22 1/8	dn 3/8
New York Gold	394.75	
Silver	5.45	
West Texas Crude	19.57	

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	669-7432
Water	669-5830

Explaining the Internet



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Doug Locke, local certified public accountant, speaks to the Pampa Kiwanis Club at its noon meeting Friday, about the Internet. Locke, who has been spent time learning about the use of the computer information highway, discussed the make-up of the Internet and its possibilities for use by Pampa residents and businesses in coming years in relation to communications and entertainment.

So, exactly just what does a constable do?

What is a constable? A constable serves citations, warrants, subpoenas, eviction notices and writs of execution for the justice of the peace court in his precinct. He serves as bailiff to that court and may serve as bailiff in county court, according to incumbent constable James Lewis.

There are three constable positions in Gray County - Precinct 1 and 3 combined, Precinct 2 and Precinct 4. Constables are officers of the justice of the peace court for their precinct.

The office for Precinct 1 and 3 is in Gray County courthouse and the justice of the peace is Bob Muns.

Precinct 2 is officed in the courthouse and the JP is Margie Prestidge. Precinct 4 office is located in McLean and the JP is Mary Ann Carpenter.

A constable must hold basic peace officer certification and meet mandated training requirements for the office.

Running for constable posts in Tuesday's Republican primary are, for Precinct 4, Johnny L. Belt, W.H. "Bill" King, Frank W. Sparling and Doyle Lee; for Precinct 1 and 3, James H. Lewis and David E. Livingstone; and for Precinct 2, Chris Lockridge.

No Democrat has filed for constable in the primary election.

Police report

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

SATURDAY, March 9
 Criminal mischief to a front picture window, possibly with a BB gun, was reported in the 1700 block of North Russell.
 A runaway was reported in the 3000 block of Rosewood between 9:30 and 10 p.m. Friday.
 Two incidents of burglary of a room were reported in the 100 block of West Foster. Food items and \$45 cash were taken.
 Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart, reported three incidents of forgery.
 Criminal mischief to a vehicle were reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

SUNDAY, March 10
 Attempted burglary was reported in the 1600 block of Coffee between 4:30 p.m. Wednesday and 12:33 a.m. Sunday. An aluminum pole was used to break out a bedroom window. Estimated damage is \$50.

A 1995 GMC Suburban was reported scratched with a sharp object in the Wal-Mart parking lot at 1 p.m. Sunday.
 Harassment was reported to have occurred Feb. 26 in the 1300 block of Charles.
 A gas drive-off was reported at the Classic Lube and Wash, 2801 Perryton Parkway, at 7:24 a.m. Sunday.
 A 15-year-old girl was reported to be the victim of sexual assault.
 Criminal mischief totaling \$175 was reported to a 1994 Chevrolet pickup.
 Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1100 block of Farley. Someone was reported shooting at skunks between 6:30 and 9 p.m. Sunday.

Arrest
SUNDAY, March 10
 Tammie W. Bennett, 35, 1104 S. Sumner, was arrested at Oklahoma and Hobart on instanter charges of having no driver's license and no proof of insurance.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, March 9
 8:28 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2500 block of Fir on an injury and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.
 11:10 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Coronado Hospital for a patient transport to High Plains Baptist Hospital.
 11:27 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1300 block of South Barnes on an assault. No patient was transported.

SUNDAY, March 10
 3:53 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of Starkweather on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

9:31 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of Garland on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.
 3:55 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 600 block of Somerville on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.
 5:38 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Coronado Hospital for a patient transfer to a private residence.
 9:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 200 block of North Nelson on a medical assist. No patient was transported.

MONDAY, March 11
 1:03 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home on an aid call and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Clear tonight with a low near 40. South winds 10-20 mph. Tuesday, variable cloudiness, windy and warm with a high near 80. South winds up to 25 mph and gusty. Sunday's high was 73; the overnight low was 37.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, mostly clear. Lows in mid 30s to around 40. Tuesday, partly cloudy and warm. Highs from 75 to around 80. South Plains: Tonight, fair. Lows low to mid 40s. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs 80-85. North Texas - Tonight and

Tuesday, partly cloudy. Windy central and west. Lows 39 east to 52 west. Highs 70 northeast to 77 west.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy. Lows in the 40s. Tuesday, morning clouds and occasional drizzle and fog, becoming partly cloudy in the afternoon. Highs in the 70s. Upper Coast:

Tonight, partly cloudy and cool. Lows in the 30s inland to 50s coast. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 60s. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in the 40s to near 50. Tuesday, mostly cloudy morning, partly cloudy and windy afternoon. Highs in

the 60s coast to the 70s inland.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight, increasing high clouds northwest with mostly fair skies east and south. Lows 20s to 30s mountains and north, mostly 40s south. Tuesday, increasing clouds and a little cooler northwest with a slight chance for showers. Variable high clouds, breezy and continued warm south and east. Highs mid 50s to 60s mountains and northwest with upper 60s to low 80s elsewhere.

Oklahoma - Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in low to mid 40s. Tuesday, partly cloudy and windy. Highs in the 70s and lows in upper 40s to mid 50s.

City briefs

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

SALE, SALE, Sale - 3 shirts for \$42, sweatshirts, gloves, jackets, shoes and Jr. clubs drastically reduced. David's Golf Shop at Hidden Hills, 669-5866. Adv.

PETE'S GARDEN Center now open. Pansys, tomatoes, cabbage, Pre-Emergent Fertilizer. Regular hours, 9-6, Monday-Saturday. Adv.

BLOCK HEDZ Gym Spring Break. Tanning special. 1 month single \$25 or 2 for \$40. 125 N. Somerville. 665-1952. Adv.

ACT I auditions for "Angel Street" will be Monday and Tuesday, March 11, 12th, 7 p.m. Pampa Mall, for more information call 665-3725. Adv.

TAX SERVICE, Glenda Brownlee, 665-8074 or 274-2142, 614 Davis. Adv.

WILL DO ironing. \$8 per dozen. 665-6700. Adv.

TRAVEL EXPRESS - Hurry time is running out. Branson Bus Group, April 17. 665-0093. Adv.

COORS BAR Rodeo-Games! Tight Jeans Contest, Barrel Racing and more. Derrick Club, 2401 Alcock. Friday, March 15, 6-9 p.m. Games-Prizes. \$1 Coors Longnecks. Our regular beer specials \$1 beer, 5-7 p.m. Monday-Friday. Adv.

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Baker Star Readers



(Special photo)

Altrusa Karen Bridges and Baker Elementary School student Misty Cally celebrate Misty's second award for reading improvement presented last Tuesday. Altrusa Club of Pampa rewards first and second graders at the school for reading improvement. The literacy committee of the club sponsors the Baker Star Reading Program to encourage reading skills among students.

George Burns dead just weeks after turning 100

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — George Burns, the wry, cigar-smoking comic who played straight man to Gracie Allen for 35 years, then found new popularity when he won an Academy Award at age 80, died Saturday just weeks after turning 100.

Burns, whose health had been declining in recent years, died at 10 a.m. at his home, said his manager, Irving Fein.

He was with his son, Ronald Burns, a nurse and a housekeeper, Fein said.

Entertainers and politicians alike mourned his death.

"All I can say is that I've lost one of my dearest, closest friends who I've known for over 75 years," said Milton Berle. "I'm going to miss him terribly. I think the world is going to miss him because he gave us so much happiness."

President Clinton, traveling in Northern California said in a statement that Burns "enabled us to see humor in the toughest of times and laugh together as a nation."

There will never be another era like Burns', Carol Channing said. "What he stands for is the dignity and the aristocracy of show business," she said. It won't ever be gone. Everybody who knew it is going to carry it on as hard as we can."

Burns' career lasted more than 90 years, spanning vaudeville, radio, movies, television, nightclubs, best-selling books, recordings and video. He was the oldest actor ever to receive an Oscar.

At age 98, he was still delighting audiences with his perfectly timed quips, many of them at his own expense. ("I'm doing better with 18-year-old women now than when I was 18.") Fans eagerly awaited his long-promised 100th birthday shows in Las Vegas, with the \$100 tickets selling out long in advance.

But declining health ended his performing career after he was injured in a fall in July 1994. The 100th birthday shows were canceled. More recently, ailing with the flu, Burns was unable even to be a spectator at a gala in his honor a few days before he turned 100.

Burns' career was at a crossroads after Gracie — the ultimate ditzzy comedian and the love of Burns' life — retired in 1958. She died in 1964 and he never remarried.

He developed his own act as a single, starting in TV specials and playing Las Vegas

with such discoveries as Ann-Margret and Bobby Darin.

His popularity soared in the 1970s, with his Oscar for the aging vaudevillian in *The Sunshine Boys* touching off a string of movies, books and sold-out nightclub appearances.

Only actress Jessica Tandy was older than Burns, by a few months, when she won an Oscar in 1990 for *Driving Miss Daisy*.

"I've been in show business all my life and I've loved every minute of it," Burns said when he accepted the award. "It proves one thing — if you stay in the business long enough, and if you get to be old enough, you get to be new again."

That movie role was followed by starring parts in the *Oh, God* series, *Just You and Me Babe*, *Going in Style*, *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band* and *18 Again!*

As the Supreme Being in the *Oh, God* movies, Burns wore baggy pants, sneakers and a golf cap. He said he was a bit nervous at first about taking the role "because I didn't know what kind of makeup he uses. Besides, he's bigger than Milton Berle, you know." But he decided, "Why shouldn't I play God? Anything I do at my age is a miracle."

In January 1994, at his 98th birthday party in Las Vegas, Burns remarked: "It's nice to be here. At 98, it's nice to be anywhere."

Burns and Miss Allen were already vaudeville partners when they married in 1926. They continued working together for more than three decades, becoming one of the most popular couples in show business through a string of movie appearances, 19 years on radio and eight more years as stars of their own television series, *The Burns and Allen Show*.

Burns frequently said Gracie had the hardest part in the act, which changed little over the years. He would feed her simple questions, such as "How's your brother?," and she would have to respond with convoluted, nonsensical answers.

He did two more television series after Gracie retired in 1958. *The George Burns Show* in 1959-60, featured his son, Ronald, and the other in 1964-65, *Wendy and Me*, co-starred Connie Stevens.

After Gracie's death, Burns adopted the role of raconteur, telling funny stories that he said began in truth and were embellished over the years. Using his cigar for punctua-

tion, alternately taking a puff and flicking off the ashes with taps of his little finger, Burns was a master of timing and one-liners.

In 1980 he recorded an album for Mercury-Polygram, *I Wish I Was 18 Again*, and the title song became a hit single. He followed with the albums *George Burns in Nashville* and *Young at Heart*.

His books, some written with gag writer Hal Goldman, included *Dear George*, *How to Live to be 100 or More: The Ultimate Diet, Sex and Exercise Book* and *Gracie: A Love Story*. His last book, *A Hundred Years, a Hundred Stories*, was published at his 100th birthday.

A recording of him reading excerpts from *Gracie: A Love Story* won a Grammy award for best spoken-word record in 1991.

Burns was born Nathan Birnbaum on Jan. 20, 1896, one of 12 children. He was raised on New York's Lower East Side, and was 7 years old when he began singing with the Peewee Quartet in saloons and tenements.

He left school in the fourth grade, selling newspapers to help support his family. In his teens, Burns began song and comedy routines in "lousy little theaters that played lousy little acts — and I was one of them."

He said he was a bad performer for more than a decade. "Then I met Gracie."

That was in New Jersey in 1922. She was a part-time secretary and daughter of a song-and-dance man; he was breaking up a vaudeville act and asked her to join him in a new one.

Their first booking was for \$15 for three days in Brooklyn, Burns recalled. He said he was the funnyman for a total of one performance.

"The audience laughed at her straight lines and didn't laugh at my jokes. So I became the straight man," he explained.

Burns said he thought of Gracie constantly and visited her grave once a month.

"With no one else around, George just talks to Gracie, telling her what has happened to him and his career in the past month," Fein once said. "George says, 'I don't know if Gracie can hear me, but it certainly does me a lot of good.'"

In addition to his son, survivors include a daughter, Sandra Luckman of San Diego; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

A private funeral was scheduled for Tuesday, Fein said.

Nation briefs

Stunt rider killed trying to set airborne record

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Wind may have played a factor in the death of a veteran motorcycle stunt rider who narrowly missed a landing ramp while trying to break a record jump over a bridge.

Butch Laswell, 37, easily soared over the 38-foot tall Skywalk Bridge Sunday, but when he came down he was off to the left of the ramp by several feet and slammed into the concrete before thousands of stunned spectators.

"Everything was set for the jump and he had a window of opportunity to jump, but there was wind, and he was aware of that," said Mesquite Police Chief Michael Murphy. "It was his decision."

Winds were gusting from Laswell's right to his left.

The daredevil was to remain airborne for 120 feet before landing on a 27-foot-tall ramp. If successful, it would have made the Guinness Book of Records for longest ramp-to-ramp high jump.

Trolleys collide underground, minor injuries reported

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Up to 20 people were slightly injured this morning when two transit

trolley cars collided underground.

The two subway-surface cars from the Green Line collided just before 8 a.m. in an area in west Philadelphia where several tracks converge, said Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority spokesman Ron Patton.

It was not immediately clear whether the trolley cars were on separate tracks, he said.

Rescue workers reported no serious injuries, Patton said.

Ruth Graham in critical condition following surgery

ASHEVILLE, N.C. (AP) — Ruth Bell Graham, wife of evangelist Billy Graham, was recuperating from surgery for spinal meningitis.

Doctors at Memorial Mission Hospital removed a buildup of fluid on Graham's spine on Saturday. Graham, 75, has suffered back pain for years.

She was listed in critical but stable condition today.

Billy Graham, 77, said he was encouraged by test results and his wife's request on Sunday for milk, water and Haagen-Dazs ice cream.

"She had a big smile," Graham said. "She looked wonderful to me. I believe the Lord is with her and he's going to touch her and she's going to be all right in a few weeks."

Gas prices jump two cents a gallon

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Motorists nationwide saw the average price of a gallon of gas jump 2 cents in the last two weeks.

The average pump price, including all grades and taxes, was 121.09 cents Friday, according to the Lundberg Survey of 10,000 gas stations across the country. That was up 1.96 cents from the Feb. 23 survey.

Prices have been rising since November, except for a small drop in late January and early

February, analyst Trilby Lundberg said Sunday.

At self-serve pumps, where more than 95 percent of all gas is sold, the average per-gallon price was 114.49 cents for regular unleaded, 124.57 cents for mid-grade unleaded and 133.10 cents for premium unleaded.

At full-service pumps, the average per-gallon price was 149.85 cents for regular unleaded, 158.54 cents for mid-grade unleaded and 165.52 for premium unleaded.

Native Amarilloan, Korean war vet invited to return to Korea

REDDING, Calif. (AP) — Jack Tolbert's memories of Korea are not good ones.

A veteran of the Korean War, the 72-year-old Redding man lost both legs when he fell on a hand grenade to protect his soldiers. That was in 1953 — one month before his tour of duty was to end.

"I never thought I would ever go back," said Tolbert, a native of Amarillo, Texas.

But a request from a retired Korean university professor has changed all that.

After watching the dedication of the Korean War Memorial in

Washington, D.C. on television, the professor told the United States he wanted to honor an American veteran who had helped his country.

The U.S. State Department chose Tolbert, who will travel with his wife Gladys, 71, to South Korea on March 22. They will be the guests of retired Seoul National University College of Pharmacy professor Won-Keun Chung.

The memories of war haunted Tolbert for years, but he says he has made his peace and says that his misfortune was simply a part of life.

He even says he would do it all over again.

For Chung, who sent a letter Aug. 28 to U.S. Ambassador James T. Laney, the invitation to Tolbert is a matter of gratitude.

While watching the memorial dedication, he wrote, "I was touched by the scene (of) American veterans explaining why they were brave enough to risk their lives: To defend (the) Democracy and Freedom of Korea."

"There used to be a dark age and poverty in Korean society for a long time even after the Korean War ceased," Chung

wrote. "But now, Korea gains prosperity along with democracy. We began to think how important it was to Koreans: The American military help during the Korean War."

The Tolberts are scheduled to visit the presidential residence in Seoul and an observation point at the demilitarized zone separating South Korea and North Korea.

But Tolbert said he is not interested in going back to Kumhwa, South Korea, where he lost his legs.

"I just want to see how the country has progressed," he said.

Attorney forms conspiracy theory

DENVER (AP) — A lawyer with a North Carolina legal defense foundation says Timothy McVeigh called him the day before the Oklahoma City bombing and said the people responsible for the disastrous raid at the Branch Davidians' Waco, Texas, compound needed to be "sent a message," according to a published report.

Attorney Dave Holloway said McVeigh's attorneys are trying to use the call to draw him and other people with connections to conservative activist groups into a broad conspiracy that the defense team contends is behind the Oklahoma City bombing, *The Denver Post* reported Monday.

On April 18, 1995, one day before the blast that killed 169 people at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, McVeigh called Holloway — a member of the legal team sued the government

on behalf of survivors of the Waco raid, Holloway said.

McVeigh is charged, along with Terry Nichols of setting off the explosion. Their trial has been moved to Denver.

The bomb exploded on the second anniversary of the Waco fire. The government claims the Waco siege and loss of life infuriated McVeigh and was the motive behind the bombing.

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Public Notice

The McLean exchange has petitioned for Expanded Toll-Free Local Calling to the Pampa, Shamrock and Wheeler exchanges. Expanded Toll-Free Local Calling will allow customers in the McLean exchange to call and be called (no toll charges) by customers in the requested exchange(s).

On or before March 29, 1996, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company will mail ballots to all customers in the McLean exchange. After marking the ballot, customers should sign their name and return the ballot to the Public Utility Commission of Texas. A stamped self addressed envelope will be provided with the ballot.

If approved, all subscribers in the McLean exchange will be charged an additional monthly per line charge up to \$3.50 for residence and \$7.00 for business, for five or fewer exchanges (not \$3.50 or \$7.00 for each of the first five exchanges). In addition, a monthly fee of \$1.50 for each exchange beyond five exchanges applies. This charge is in addition to your local exchange service rates, and will apply until Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's next general rate case, at which time all service rates are subject to change. Note: Exchanges that already have 5 or more added exchanges from previous ELC petition(s) will pay \$1.50 per month for each new exchange approved.

Expanded Toll-Free Local Calling will be granted to each exchange with a "Yes" vote from 70% of the people who actually return their ballots. Exchanges that fail to receive a 70% "Yes" vote will not be added to the local calling scope. If all exchanges fail to meet the requirements of the ballot, service will not change and customers will not be billed an additional monthly fee.

The ballot will indicate which, if any, exchanges are in a different Local Access and Transport Area (LATA). These exchanges will require a federal waiver, which may or may not be granted.

The Public Utility Commission has assigned this matter Project Number 15255. Interested persons should direct any comments that they may have about the petition to the Public Utility Commission, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757, or they may call the Public Utility Commission Information Office at 512-458-0256 or 512-458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf.

Aviso Público

La central telefónica de McLean ha solicitado el servicio de Expansión de Llamadas Locales a las centrales de Pampa, Shamrock y Wheeler. La Expansión de Llamadas Locales permitirá a los clientes de McLean hacer y recibir llamadas de los clientes de las centrales pedidas como si fueran llamadas locales (sin cargos de larga distancia).

La compañía Southwestern Bell Telephone enviará boletas de votación a todos los clientes de la central de McLean antes del 29 de marzo. Después de llenar la boleta, los clientes deben firmarla y regresarla a la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas). Con la boleta se incluirá un sobre con estampilla y dirección de retorno.

Si la petición es aprobada, a todos los suscriptores de la central de McLean se les hará un cargo mensual adicional de \$3.50 por línea residencial y \$7.00 por línea comercial, por cinco centrales o menos (no \$3.50 ó \$7.00 por cada una de las primeras cinco centrales). Se aplicará una cuota mensual adicional de \$1.50 por cada central después de las primeras cinco. Este cargo es adicional a los cargos por su servicio telefónico básico, y será aplicado hasta el siguiente cambio general de tarifa de la compañía Southwestern Bell Telephone. En tal fecha, todas las tarifas de servicio están sujetas a cambio. Nota: Centrales que ya cuentan con 5 centrales o más, debido a peticiones anteriores pagarán \$1.50 mensual por cada nueva central aprobada.

El Servicio de Expansión de Llamadas Locales será otorgado si el voto "Si" de cada área es más del 70% de las personas que envíen su voto. Las centrales telefónicas que fallen el voto no serán agregadas a su área de llamadas locales. Si ninguna de las centrales cumple con los requisitos de la votación, el servicio no cambiará y los clientes no recibirán cobros mensuales adicionales.

La boleta indicará cuales centrales, si existen, están en un Acceso Local y Área de Transporte (LATA) diferente. Estos cambios requieren suspensión federal, la cual puede o no ser otorgada.

La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas ha asignado a este asunto el número de proyecto 15255. Las personas interesadas deben dirigir sus comentarios sobre la petición a: Public Utility Commission, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757, o pueden llamar a la Oficina de Información de la Comisión de Servicios Públicos al 512-458-0256 ó 512-458-0221, teletipo para personas con impedimentos auditivos. March 11, 1996

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Opinion

Farrakhan, Chavis trade on prestige

Louis Farrakhan and Benjamin Chavis keep saying they want to lead African Americans out of despair and poverty and hopelessness. But what they mostly seem to do, through financial shenanigans and betrayals of faith, is lead all Americans deeper into cynicism and mistrust.

The latest case in point: Early last month, Chavis sent a letter to Chicago organizers of last October's Million Man March asking them to raise \$150,000 to cover unpaid bills from the Farrakhan-inspired event.

This despite the fact that the March's national office, which Chavis directs, has yet to publish a promised audit of expenses. This even though, according to Chavis, some \$1.4 million of expenses - \$1.4 million! - have already been paid. Thus despite those grandiose promises of an economic development fund and other self-help initiatives.

Small wonder that Chavis' request has been greeted with more than a little skepticism. Said one member of the Chicago organizing committee: "We are not interested in donating a penny to anything until we have the full accounting - period."

This episode is taking place against the backdrop of Farrakhan's own grand tour of Africa and the Islamic world - a tour in which he has cut a deal to become a U.S. lobbyist for the murderous Moammar Gadhafi of Libya; shrugged off admonitions to tolerance by South Africa's President Nelson Mandela; given aid and comfort to the brutal Nigerian tyrant Gen. Sani Abacha, and pronounced a benediction over the virulently anti-American mullah-crazy in Iran.

If Farrakhan were doing all this solely in his own name, or even as the leader of his small Nation of Islam sect, it would be annoying, but not really serious. But the fact is that he is trading on the prestige he earned as convener of the Million Man March, as a "leader" of and among African Americans.

We dare say that few of those who attended the Million Man March supposed they were chartering Farrakhan as their spokesman - and certainly not as one to make common cause, in their name, with nations inimical to the United States.

Maybe the wisest thing to be said about Farrakhan and Chavis was said 2,000 years ago by an itinerant Jewish preacher: "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles?"

-Chicago Tribune

Myth of economic security



Mona Charen

Most of the political and journalist world seems to think that "Buchananomics" would be disastrous for this country. But, strangely, everyone seems to agree that Buchanan is right to focus on economic insecurity.

You've heard the litany a thousand times. People are worried about losing their jobs. Incomes for the middle class are stagnating. People believe that they stand no chance of doing as well economically as their parents did.

When Bill Clinton talked about this in 1992, there was at least some debate. But this year, the economic gloom analysis has become conventional wisdom. Is it true?

Not according to *American Enterprise* editor Karl Zinsmeister. He makes a most persuasive case in the September/October 1995 issue that through a combination of factors, including misleading inflation statistics and unreasonable expectations, we have been encouraged to believe that we are losing ground when in reality we are enjoying record levels of prosperity.

First, the bad news. Between 1973 and 1982, what Zinsmeister calls "an economic black hole," double-digit inflation and two recessions, did take a whack out of U.S. living standards. And, more bad news, though family incomes rebounded nicely in the 1980s and since, the income of white males dropped by 4 percent.

Aha! say Buchanans. Big multinational corporations, with no loyalty to country, have been shipping our jobs overseas!

Not so fast. In the first place, family income has risen steadily during this period, in part because women have joined the labor force in record num-

bers. Moreover, it now appears that all of the statistics about incomes have been badly skewed for the past 30 years because the Department of Labor was using inaccurate inflation figures. "People unaware of the statistical history," writes Zinsmeister, "like most journalists, grab for the commoner old numbers. And they show 9 percent points less growth in family income over the 16 years 1967-1983 than what actually took place." Using the corrected figures, surveys show that today's baby boomers are about two-thirds better off than their parents were at the same age.

Moreover, because taxes are so high now compared with 30 years ago, employers have been offering non-cash compensation to employees that doesn't get counted in income data. Health insurance, pensions, life insurance, child care, all of these are non-taxable, non-cash benefits, and they now account for 30 percent of total compensation, twice the level of the 1970s.

Consumption figures are also revealing, showing that between 1970 and 1993, spendable income per American rose by 45 percent. The evi-

dence is intuitive as well. There are more cars than licensed drivers in America today. Eighty-five percent of homes have VCRs. Everyone, including the poor, owns several television sets including at least one color set. (I was 15 when our family first acquired a color TV, and it was a huge event.) Seventy-five percent of new houses today have central air conditioning versus just 34 percent in 1970. Two-thirds have at least one fireplace, compared with 35 percent in 1970. And home ownership among couples under the age of 35 is up by one-third in the past generation. Does that suggest that the American dream is beyond reach?

People who whine that they are not keeping up with their own parents seem to forget how long it took their parents to achieve what they did. Today, couples in the 20s and 30s simply expect to be able to afford houses stocked with VCRs, computers, microwaves, garage-door openers, cellular phones, cable wiring, skylights, dishwashers and washers and dryers (our family used a laundromat until I was nine.)

The average American family now consumes twice the goods and services it did in 1950. And the poorest quintile consumes more than a typical family did in 1955.

Were our parents better off than we? Yes, but not economically. They could rely on safe, good neighborhood schools. They didn't contend with a pervasive fear of crime. They could depend on stable neighborhoods and civic associations. Social life was healthier and more secure. Those are serious problems. But they have nothing to do with the inherent strength of our economy, and they certainly won't be cured by protectionism or cutting off immigration.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, March 11, the 71st day of 1996. There are 295 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 11, 1942, as Japanese forces continued to advance in the Pacific during World War II, Gen. Douglas MacArthur left the Philippines for Australia, vowing: "I shall return."

On this date: In 1810, Emperor Napoleon of France was married by proxy to Archduchess Marie Louise of Austria.

In 1861, the Confederate convention in Montgomery, Ala., adopted a constitution.

In 1888, the famous "Blizzard of '88" struck the northeastern United States, resulting in some 400 deaths.

In 1941, President Roosevelt signed into law the Lend-Lease Bill, providing war supplies to countries fighting the Axis.

In 1954, the U.S. Army charged Wisconsin Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy and his subcommittee's chief counsel, Roy Cohn, had exerted pressure to obtain favored treatment for Pvt. G. David Schine, a former consultant to the subcommittee.



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FDA: The federal smoke patrol

Is the government supposed to protect us from everything that could possibly harm us? Or are there some areas where we should be responsible for taking care of ourselves?

Take teenagers and smoking. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and its Commissioner Avid Kessler are getting ready to pounce on America with a litany of new regulations aimed at stopping teens from smoking.

The FDA's proposed restrictions include:

- Banning cigarette vending machines and self-service displays in stores;

- Requiring tobacco companies to launch a \$150 million-per-year nationwide TV ad campaign to discourage underage smoking;

- Banning the use of tobacco brand names on T-shirts, hats, keychains and lighters; and

- Banning brand-name sponsorship of sporting events, such as the Virginia Slims tennis tournament.

Of course, we all agree underage teenagers shouldn't smoke; that's not the issue. The issue is whether the FDA should launch yet another extravagant regulatory crusade whose nuisance value will likely outweigh any benefits.

Remember: this is the FDA that conducted the 1991 raid that captured 24,000 half-gallons of Citrus Hill "fresh choice" orange juice, all because the agency didn't like the way the o.j. was labeled! Are the food and drug police now going to swoop



Edwin Feulner

down on every mom and pop grocery store to make sure teen employees aren't smoking in the boy's room?

Apparently so. Since 1990, the FDA's staff has grown from 7,600 to 8,700, and its budget has ballooned from \$598 million to \$760 million. They've got to do something with all that extra manpower and money.

So, now they're going to send out an army of regulators whose job will be to make sure mom and pop conceal cigarettes from view - as if this ever stopped a teenager from doing something he or she was determined to do. Store workers will have to take time out to deal with every tobacco transaction, since cigarettes will only be sold from behind the counter and not from self-service displays. The watchdogs will probably even send in teenagers paid to test the system. If something

slips through the cracks, out come the handcuffs!

Come on, American University student and former Heritage Foundation intern Jennifer Murray may have said it best in a recent essay when she accused President Clinton of forgetting what it's like to be a teenager. "Formula-One racing cars painted with tobacco company logos, billboards at sports events, advertisements in magazines (particularly of those men on horseback) - none of these had anything to do with my [former] tendency to light up," Jennifer confessed. "The main contributor was something President Clinton's 'solutions' would only encourage: rebellion." The new federal regulations, far from preventing teens from smoking, "by focusing additional attention on the forbidden, could actually entice them," Jennifer warns.

Isn't there someone more qualified than the FDA orange juice police to address this issue? Such as parents?

Let's get real. As Jennifer pointed, "Banning cigarette ads and vending machines will do more for President Clinton's wavering image than it will for teens." Does anyone really believe the president is lying awake at night worrying about teen smoking? I kinda doubt it. But he is worried about being popular in an election year.

Smoking sure isn't as popular as it used to be. And everybody cares about kids.

You do the math.

Episcopal church's uncertain future

In the Christian tradition, which is based on and informed by Scripture, heterosexual marriage is the moral norm, the enduring standard for Christians. But, aw, well, you know, anything that old starts, in due course, to sport whiskers and moss.

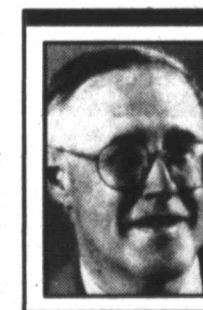
A Christian bishop who, by the lantern glow of conscience, finds the tradition stodgy and shallow may decide to do things his own way. If he's Walter Righter, bishop of the Episcopal Church, that way involves ordaining as deacon a practicing homosexual with a live-in male lover. Righter, as assistant bishop of New Jersey, did so in 1990, figuratively thumbing his nose at Christians less enlightened than himself.

Such "prophetic" behavior usually earns liberal clergy like Righter nothing but approving nods in the media. It earned Righter, to his shock and dismay, a church trial for violation of doctrine. The first stage of the trial wound up at St. John's Cathedral in Wilmington, Delaware, with the outcome in doubt but the issue clarified amazingly.

Here is the issue: Can a bishop believe and say and do pretty much anything he wants, whether it squares with Scripture or not?

Righter, on the evidence of what he believes and says and does, would reply yes. The bishops who pressed the charges against him say no. They argue that the church is God's - that its convictions and teachings don't change with the polls and sociological currents.

Righter himself, in a press conference after the initial hearings concluded, virtually made the



William Murchison

point his critics had been trying to make - though, of course, he didn't intend to do any such thing.

He was asked by a reporter: How come, if the church hasn't validated homosexual practice during all these centuries, it's time to do so now?

"The culture has changed," replied Righter. "The idea of homosexual and gay-lesbian spirituality has entered the mainstream of the culture. The church has to stay alert and alive to what's happening in the culture ... We're talking about the full social contract being reshaped."

But isn't homosexuality condemned in Scripture? "We do not worship the Bible," replied Righter. "We use it for interpretation - we don't take it literally."

Well, no: not when it says what you don't want to say. In such a case, you "interpret" it to your liking. You make it read any way you like.

Some basis for religion and for religious truth! Still, the day of free-form religion may be ending.

The Righter trial may prove the Episcopal Church's great divide: a ditch too wide for Episcopalians of divergent convictions to stretch arms across.

On one side are the Righterites, the make-it-up-as-you-go bunch. Does Christianity say one thing and the culture something else? Well, obviously the culture is right! Let's get with it! On the other side of the divide are the Episcopal Church's orthodox bishops, who have more in common with Bible-believing Billy Graham than with ad hoc prelates like Walter Righter. The bishops who pressed the false-doctrine charge against Righter, their point man being the valiant James M. Stanton of Dallas, aren't putting up with Righter's ad hoc Christianity.

Their conviction that the church should to something about Righter isn't likely to bear fruit. The Righterites are more numerous than the Stantons, which is one reason the Episcopal Church, for all its historical distinction and social cachet, has lost a third of its membership since 1965.

A division of the house seems inevitable at this point - a formal parting of the ways. The two churches that exist already within the Episcopal Church - one scriptural in conviction, the other free-form and experimental - seem certain in due course to assume separate identities.

The immediate question is this: Has the Episcopal Church any doctrine, any conviction, concerning homosexuality? That's the Episcopal Church's whole trouble - that pastors and teachers have to spend more than a New York minute answering such a question.

Berry's World

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State briefs

Poll: Texans rank crime, education as their top concerns

By ANNA M. TINSLEY
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Snow monkeys get big name support

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The besieged Japanese snow monkeys living near Dilley are getting a little help from their friends.

Leading the way is singer Wayne Newton.

The Las Vegas crooner, an avid animal lover, is performing a benefit concert Monday night to raise money for the monkeys.

"It's an enormous boost to us," said Lou Griffin, director of the Texas Snow Monkey Sanctuary. "It's an amazing thing that we've gotten this much help from people that we never expected it from."

Newton heard about the monkeys' plight and offered his help.

Woman screens vanity plate requests

DALLAS (AP) — Who keeps the streets clean in Texas?

Debby Waits, in a sense. It's her job to keep Texans' vanity license plates this side of propriety and civility.

Waits, a customer service clerk with the Texas Department of Transportation, screens out requests for special license plates she deems inappropriate or offensive.

Some people's ideas of literary license are downright vulgar, she says.

"I'm just a little old country girl," said Ms. Waits, 40, who grew up on a dairy farm in Blanco. "I'm coming out of it, though."

Fourth suspect arrested in driveway robberies

FORT WORTH (AP) — Eddie Johnson, 18, the fourth person arrested in a string of driveway robberies that terrified Fort Worth and its suburbs, is believed to be the triggerman who last week turned the crime spree deadly, police said Sunday.

Jeff Doolittle, 42, was killed in one of two driveway attacks that struck Fort Worth about 15 minutes apart Wednesday. Three others occurred the previous week within a half-hour span in far south Fort Worth.

Johnson, of Fort Worth, was being held in the Tarrant County Jail on Sunday with bail set at \$500,000, a jail spokesman said. His grandfather talked him into turning himself in Saturday night after a capital murder warrant had been issued for him, police said.

Also behind bars were Willie Reco Jones and Anthony D. Williams, both 18, who were being held on suspicion of capital murder. Jones also faces aggravated robbery charges in the Feb. 4 theft of a cellular phone that helped lead police to the suspects.

State sets deadline for new Grimes County jail

ANDERSON (AP) — The state, impatient over Grimes County's efforts to build a jail that is up to standards, has given authorities five weeks to complete plans for a new facility.

If Grimes County fails to act before an April 15 meeting of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, the state board could act to close a 40-bed temporary jail now in operation.

The commission says the county's old jail is outdated and below standards, lacking proper space per inmate and the proper separation of men and women.

Commissioners told the county in 1992 to replace the old Anderson jail, setting a three-year deadline for completion.

Texans consider crime to be their most important problem, but education is their fastest growing concern, according to the Harte-Hanks Texas Poll.

Education ranks second on a list of the most important problems facing Texans, tied with the economy/deficit. Last fall, education ranked eleventh among Texans' concerns and economy/deficit ranked first.

Crime tops the list because more Texans — 21 percent — rank it as their most major concern. Ten percent rank education and the economy/deficit most important. Last fall, 15 percent ranked crime number one.

Unemployment is the third most important problem, with eight percent ranking it, number one.

"Texans are usually concerned

about whatever is in the headlines," said Allan Saxe, associate political science professor at the University of Texas at Arlington. "And crime is always in the headlines — drive-by shootings, kidnappings."

"But people have nagging concerns about education," he said. "People worry if little Johnny can read and write. Is Johnny safe at school? Are his teachers safe? This is a big concern of Texans."

But crime, which last fall ranked second on the list, will always be a worry for Texans, experts say. Especially during the political season.

"Crime is always a legitimate concern and it always will be," said Victor Larrogoite, a criminal justice sociologist at Texas Christian University. "Plus, this is an election year. Have you ever seen a politician run on a 'let's get soft with crime' position?"

"Some of the responsibility goes to the media," he said. "The

first five minutes of the (TV) news is sensational crime. People are inundated with it. They see it's real, and they think they could be next."

But statistics show that violent crime in Texas is actually decreasing.

In 1993, there were 96,964 violent crimes — murders, rapes and aggravated assaults. In 1994, the most recent statistics available, there were 92,203 of those crimes, according to the Department of Public Safety.

Problems in society, such as violent crime, are mirrored into the classroom and that may be why education is Texans' fastest growing concern, said Marilyn Kameen, associate dean of education at the University of Texas at Austin.

"Education is such a concern because so many of society's problems are mirrored in the schools," she said. "Kids are able to get drugs and they bring weapons to school. There's vio-

lence and racism in the halls, not to mention declining test scores."

"Schools often get a bum rap because they are criticized when, actually, they are stuck with all the problems society has thrown at them," Kameen said.

Education in Texas, which has undergone a series of reforms since the early 1980s, continues to evolve, Kameen added.

Among recent changes was last year's massive rewrite of the Texas Education Code by state lawmakers.

The overhaul returned much of the control of public schools back to the local level, allowed districts to be lenient in the no-pass-no-play rule and gave teachers the power to keep unruly students out of their classrooms.

"Yet the public out there isn't really seeing the results of changes," Kameen said. "They are seeing kids who can't read and scores that are declining. And they are wondering if there's any answer."

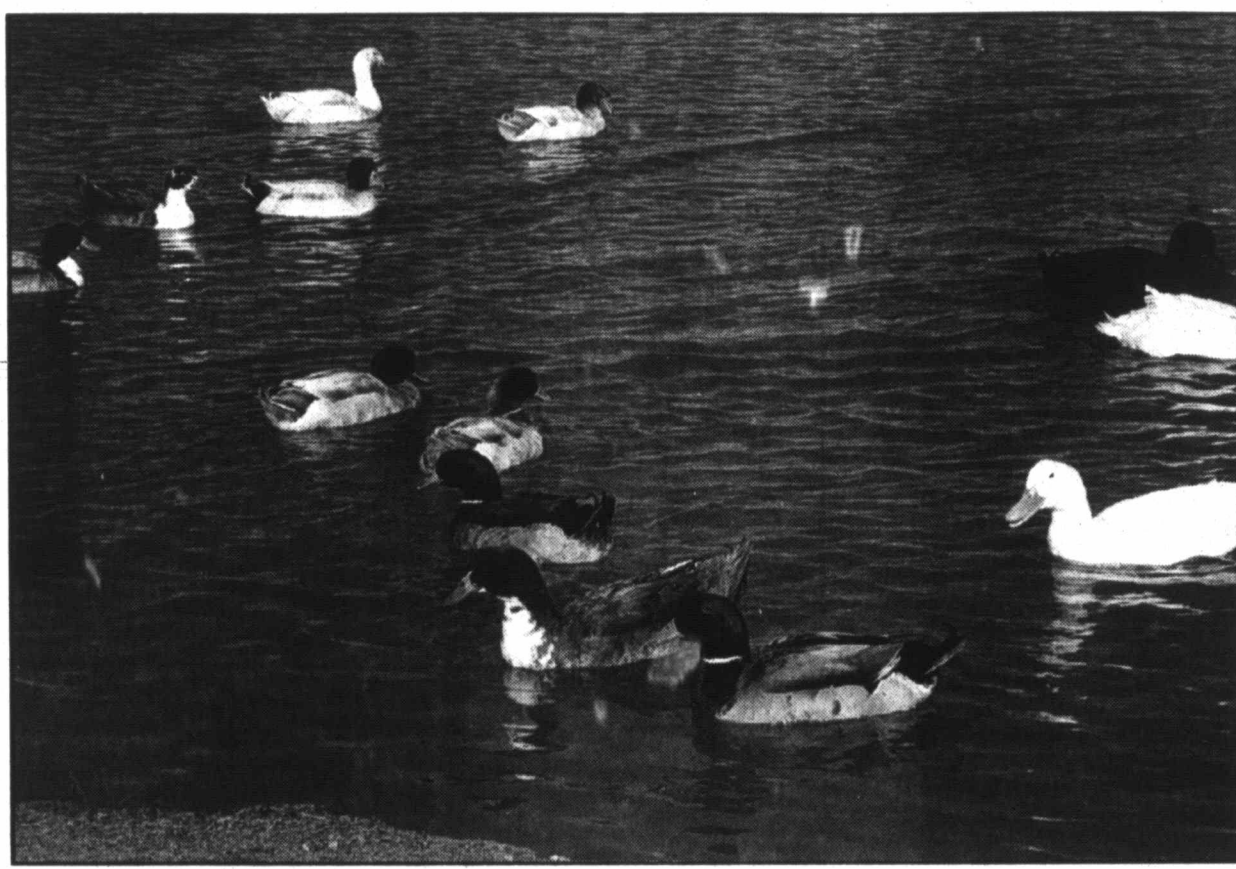
Texans mentioned other problems in the poll, including: refugees/immigration, 8 percent; drugs, 5 percent; taxes, 5 percent; healthcare, 3 percent; morality/family breakdown, 3 percent.

Lower on the list of 21 concerns were: politics, juvenile delinquents, welfare, environment, homelessness, racism, jobs, NAFTA, drought, war, the president and overpopulation.

Last fall, concern about racism hit an all-time high after the O.J. Simpson verdict and the Million Man March in Washington. At the time, 11 percent of Texans cited the issue as the top concern. Only one percent said racism was the top problem in this poll.

The poll, conducted Feb. 21-March 1, has a margin of error of plus or minus three percentage points. The Office of Survey Research of the University of Texas surveyed 1,001 adult Texans for Harte-Hanks Communications Inc.

Ducks at ease



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Though last week's weather brought an arctic cold front, these ducks at City Lake at Recreation Park were still around to swim on the chilly waters of the lake on Friday. This week should provide better weather for the feathered friends, with highs in the 70s for the first part of the week as winter nears its end and spring's arrival just over a week away.

People's Choice Awards: Hanks man of the hour

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. (AP) — For the second year in a row, the people chose Tom Hanks.

Hanks and the space epic *Apollo 13* won four People's Choice Awards Sunday night in another pre-Oscar sweep.

Apollo 13 was voted favorite motion picture and favorite movie drama at the 22nd annual awards. Hanks was the favorite motion picture actor and favorite actor in a movie drama.

Hanks also won favorite actor in a movie drama last year for *Forrest Gump*.

In recent weeks *Apollo 13* director Ron Howard and supporting actor Ed Harris have picked up four Directors Guild, Producer Guild and Screen Actors Guild awards. The film has nine Academy Award nominations, including best picture.

Actress Brett Butler was host at the Universal Studios ceremony, which was broadcast by CBS.

Michael Douglas received a special tribute for his film and television career as an actor, producer and film executive.

The People's Choice Awards are determined by a poll of the public by the Gallup Organization.

The winners were:
Movie: *Apollo 13*.
Movie comedy: *Grumpier Old Men*.

Movie drama: *Apollo 13*.

Actor in a motion picture: Tom Hanks.

Actress in a motion picture: Sandra Bullock.

Actor in a movie comedy: Jim Carrey.

Actress in a movie comedy: Whoopi Goldberg.

Actor in a movie drama: Tom Hanks.

Actress in a movie drama: Demi Moore.

TV comedy series: *Seinfeld*, NBC.

TV drama series: *ER*, NBC.

New TV comedy series: *Caroline in the City*, NBC.

New TV dramatic series: *Murder One*, ABC.

TV actor: Tim Allen of ABC's *Home Improvement*.

TV actress: Candice Bergen of CBS' *Murphy Brown*.

Actor in a new TV series: (tie) Drew Carey of ABC's *The Drew Carey Show* and Jeff Foxworthy of ABC's *The Jeff Foxworthy Show*.

Actress in a new TV series: Lea Thompson of *Caroline in the City*.

Male musical performer: Garth Brooks.

Female musical performer: Reba McEntire.

Rock performer or group: Hootie & The Blowfish.

Teen's partiality for rebel flag sets off controversy

ANDERSON, S.C. (AP) — It was a few days into the winter of '96 when Jamie Kinley took his stand, pulled the Confederate battle flag tight over his back and seceded from Lakeside Middle School.

His jacket — a rebel flag with sleeves, the same kind his favorite uncle, Larry, wore when he was alive — broke the rules.

Suspended, the 14-year-old eighth-grader now studies at home. And his family and a loose coalition of lawyers whose cause is Southern heritage are talking about suing to win Jamie's right to wear his flag.

"(The principal) has got a Purple Heart in his office from when he fought in the war. That's what he believes in. I believe in my flag. He wouldn't like it if I took his American flag," Jamie says, his voice a shy drawl, his blue eyes obscured by shaggy brown bangs.

Across the South, educators trying to keep the explosive symbol out of their schools are meeting resistance from those who say they are erasing Southern identity.

For youths like Jamie, the Confederate flag is more than a symbol. It is how they tell the world who they are: Southern and unapologetic about a past they never knew.

The striking emblem — a bold blue X with white stars on a red background — rankles blacks and others who see it as a symbol of slavery and a modern-day call to bigotry. But Jamie doesn't connect slavery to the flag or, for that matter, to the Civil War. For his family, the War Between the States was fought against Northern domination and for states' rights. They believe that criticism of the

Confederate flag attacks the heritage of the war and the very traditions of the South.

Jamie is blurry on the details of that long-ago war, but he knows what the flag means to him: "I like it because I'm from the South."

The emblem has a prominent place on Jamie's skateboard and on his bedroom wall, where his pencil and crayon drawings, bumper stickers and oversized banners surround a photograph of Uncle Larry, a Confederate buff who died of a heart attack last year at age 34.

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF PAMPA
TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Pampa will hold a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 14, 1996 in the City Commission Chambers of City Hall, 200 W. Foster, in regard to the submission of the application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Robert Eskridge, City Manager at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact Bill Hildebrandt at City Hall at 669-5750 to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two (2) days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. City Hall is wheelchair accessible with entry on the West side of the building.

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Military's Mission Today Is Usually One Of Mercy

DEAR ABBY: I have read your column for many years and enjoy it. The services you offer to the military, such as Operation Dear Abby, are great. However, I'm writing you now because of a disturbing letter I read in your column from Kent D. Myrick of Phoenix, regarding Peace Corps benefits.

I sympathize with Mr. Myrick and all Peace Corps volunteers regarding their lack of recognition for a valuable contribution to all peoples. My problem is with his characterization of military members as "my peers who are trained to go to other nations and subjugate or kill their inhabitants."

I'm a sergeant first class in the U.S. Army and have served my country proudly for 18 years. I had thought that this kind of prejudice against the military was dead. I would like Mr. Myrick to take a moment of his time to research some of the missions that our country's military forces have been involved in during recent years — operations such as those that have taken place in Somalia, Rwanda, and those currently taking place in the former Yugoslavia. All were operations designed to help countries get back on their feet and, in many cases, to allow the inhabitants to enjoy the freedom that we Americans enjoy.

This is 1996, and some of the utmost concerns of today's military are peacekeeping and peace enforcement missions. We are currently deployed around the globe



Abigail Van Buren

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providing support to people in need through many different programs. Do we love the people of other lands? See the tears streaming down the face of a 21-year-old specialist as he holds a child in Ethiopia who has just died of malnutrition. You will find his tears are not for himself, but they are the pain of knowing that this tragedy never should have happened.

It's unfair to judge the military and Peace Corps workers as peers. It is through the hard work and diligence of our country's armed forces that we are able to have an organization such as the Peace Corps.

I assure you that while members of the military are trained to fight in the defense of our country, we have many other valuable skills as well.

Thank you for allowing me to voice my opinion.

SFC CURTIS D. ARCHULETA,
HOHENFELS, GERMANY

DEAR SFC ARCHULETA:

Thank you for voicing your opinion so politely and without rancor. I received many angry letters about that item. Although I agree with Mr. Myrick that there should be greater rewards for Peace Corps volunteers, I wish to apologize for publishing a letter so filled with outdated political rhetoric.

DEAR ABBY: In a recent column, a reader complained about automated telephone answering menus — or whatever they are called. Well, any time I am plagued with one of those "by the numbers" routines, I get a letter off to the perpetrator with the suggestion that he/she switch to my menu. Here it is:

To make an appointment, dial 2-C. For after-hours shopping, dial 7-11.

To hammer nails, push the "pound" key.

To make a wish, push the "star" key.

To be fitted for a dance costume, dial 2-2.

When you return from lunch, dial 1-8.

To play tic-tac-toe, push the number key.

And finally, to reach top management, dial zero!

ARTHUR H. LASSER,
LARGO, FLA.

Horoscope



Your Birthday

Tuesday, March 12, 1996

You may find the kind of relationship you've yearned for in the year ahead. Generally speaking, you could be quite fortunate when dealing with others on a one-to-one basis.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You already know what you want, and you will know how to achieve this objective today. However, you might not make the required effort. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Play it safe

today and don't agree too hastily to something you haven't analyzed from every angle. A few pitfalls may lurk in the shadows.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you are formulating a good idea, you should not discuss it with outsiders. An associate's negativity might cause you to make an unwise alteration.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Currently, an associate may be taking his role in a collective endeavor more seriously than you are taking yours. You should both try to get on the same page.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Only your best efforts will be acknowledged and rewarded today. If you consciously perform below your standards, don't expect accolades or bonuses.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Avoid pressing your luck in a foolish fashion today. Do not take financial risks or encourage others to do so. You will not have good luck in either instance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It will not be wise to try to resolve problems between you and your mate in the presence of

outsiders today. You both may say or do things you'll regret.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Others may think you are all talk and no action today. Finish your initial tasks first and yak about them only if time permits.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You may feel pangs of guilt later today if you purchase something that costs more than you know you should spend. Keep an eye on your budget.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Demands imposed by others may restrict your independence today. However, instead of making a big deal about it, do the best you can with the tools at hand.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Think realistically today and try to see things as they are, not as you wish them to be. You can overcome adverse conditions by addressing them directly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Regardless of what you buy today, check each item carefully and make sure you're getting what you pay for. Someone may try to swindle you.

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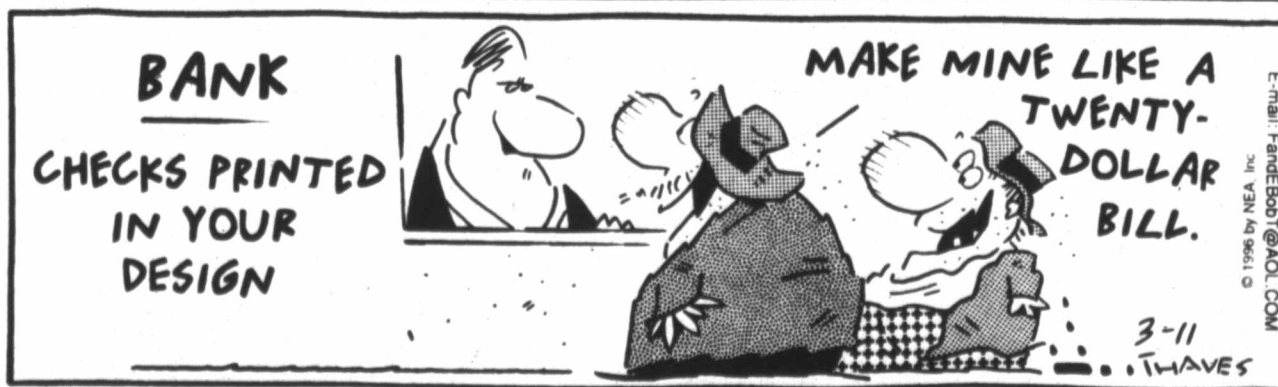
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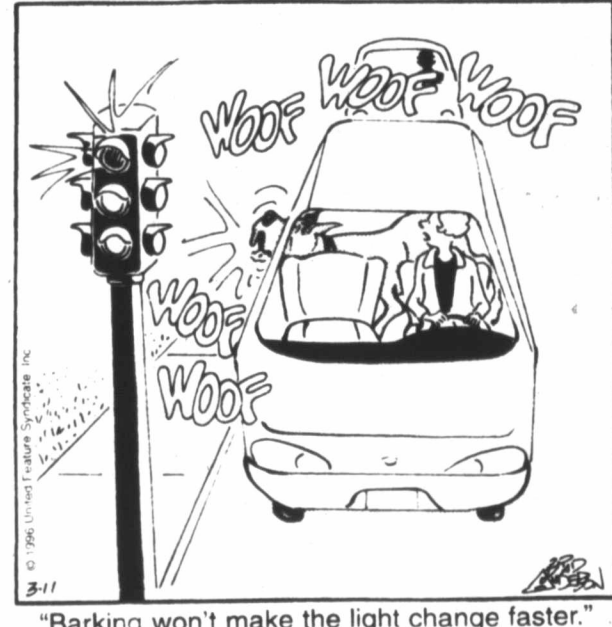
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"Mommy, make that face you made for your driver's license picture."



"Barking won't make the light change faster."

The Family Circus



Grizzwells

Marmaduke



Alley Oop



Peanuts

Sports

Notebook

FOOTBALL

PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — There may be little movement on all those NFL moves by the time the league's annual meeting concludes Thursday.

Houston Oilers owner Bud Adams addressed the finance committee and the stadium committee Sunday, giving each an update on his planned move to Nashville, Tenn.

League officials also met with Tampa officials about their plans to keep the Buccaneers in Florida. That pretty much summed up the activity as coaches and owners spent the day avoiding raindrops and checking into the posh Breakers Hotel.

The action was supposed to pick up today, though. Houston's move, as well as the Seattle-to-Los Angeles move, are to be addressed. The league is also expected to look over Cleveland's proposed new lease.

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have signed free-agent linebacker Fred Strickland, formerly of the Green Bay Packers, to a two-year, \$1.15 million contract.

Having lost four defensive starters and a nickel back in the opening month of free agency, the Cowboys hope the signing will help replace the loss of middle linebacker Robert Jones, who defected to the St. Louis Rams.

The Cowboys ranked 16th in defense with Jones in the middle. Jones got a five-year, \$10 million deal from the Rams, including a \$2.8 million signing bonus.

Strickland received a \$350,000 signing bonus from the Cowboys, plus base salaries of \$200,000 in the first year and \$600,000 in the second.

Strickland was the middle linebacker for Green Bay, a team that reached the NFC Championship game against the Cowboys. He made 51 tackles for the NFL's seventh-ranked run defense last season.

"Our coaches feel Fred will play the run better than Robert," Cowboys vice president Stephen Jones said. "He's more aggressive. He's a great run stopper."

The Cowboys still have holes to fill at defensive tackle, outside linebacker, cornerback and nickel back because of the departures of Russell Maryland (Oakland Raiders), Dixon Edwards (Minnesota Vikings), Larry Brown (Oakland) and Robert Bailey (Miami Dolphins).

AUTO RACING

HAMPTON, Ga. (AP) — Dale Earnhardt was taking a sip of water when he felt the right side of his car plow to the ground. A few seconds later, the Intimidator had clinched another victory at Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Earnhardt still had to drive 37 more laps in the Purolator 500, but that was a moot point. No one was going to catch the seven-time Winston Cup champion after his final trip down pit road.

"We had a great pit stop there at the end," Earnhardt said, savoring his record-setting victory Sunday over Terry Labonte. "I knew when I came down the front straightaway and Terry was just rolling off pit road that we had a great stop. All I had to do was run the car hard."

Labonte was leading by about one second when Earnhardt made his final green-flag stop at the end of lap 291. It took only 19.72 seconds for Earnhardt's crew to change four tires and pour two cans of gas into the Chevrolet Monte Carlo.

Labonte, also driving a Chevy, came in the next time around and took 21.81 seconds for his stop, a respectable time but not nearly as good as Earnhardt.

By the time both cars were back on the track and up to racing speed, Earnhardt was well ahead. He wound up winning the 328-lap event by 4.17 seconds.

Harvesters were focused in on state title

PAMPA — After 37 years, it was Pampa's time once again.

"I wanted to get myself focused, then get the team focused," said Pampa point guard Rayford Young after the Pampa Harvesters came from behind in the fourth quarter to beat Round Rock McNeil, 63-59, Thursday in the Class 4A semifinals in Austin's Erwin Center.

There was no doubt Young and the Harvesters were completely focused in rolling past Dallas Madison, 82-68, Saturday afternoon to capture the state championship.

It's the fifth title for the Harvesters, who were making their 12th tournament appearance since winning state championships in 1953 and 1954, 1958 and 1959.

It's a dream come true. It's a great thrill to be blessed the way we've been blessed," said PHS head coach Robert Hale, who brought the Harvesters to the final four in 1992 and 1991.

Young, who had 34 points in the semifinals, added 33 points on 11 of 14 shooting against Madison and was named the Class 4A tournament's most valuable player.

However, it was the team play that shot the Harvesters to the top.

Junior pivot Devin Lemons at 6-3 played like he was five inches taller against Madison's frontline of 6-7 Tyrone Palmer, 6-4 Latronio Sheffield and 6-3 Archie Benson. Lemons tossed in 22 points and collared 8 rebounds. Lemons scored most of his points on jump shots in the paint.

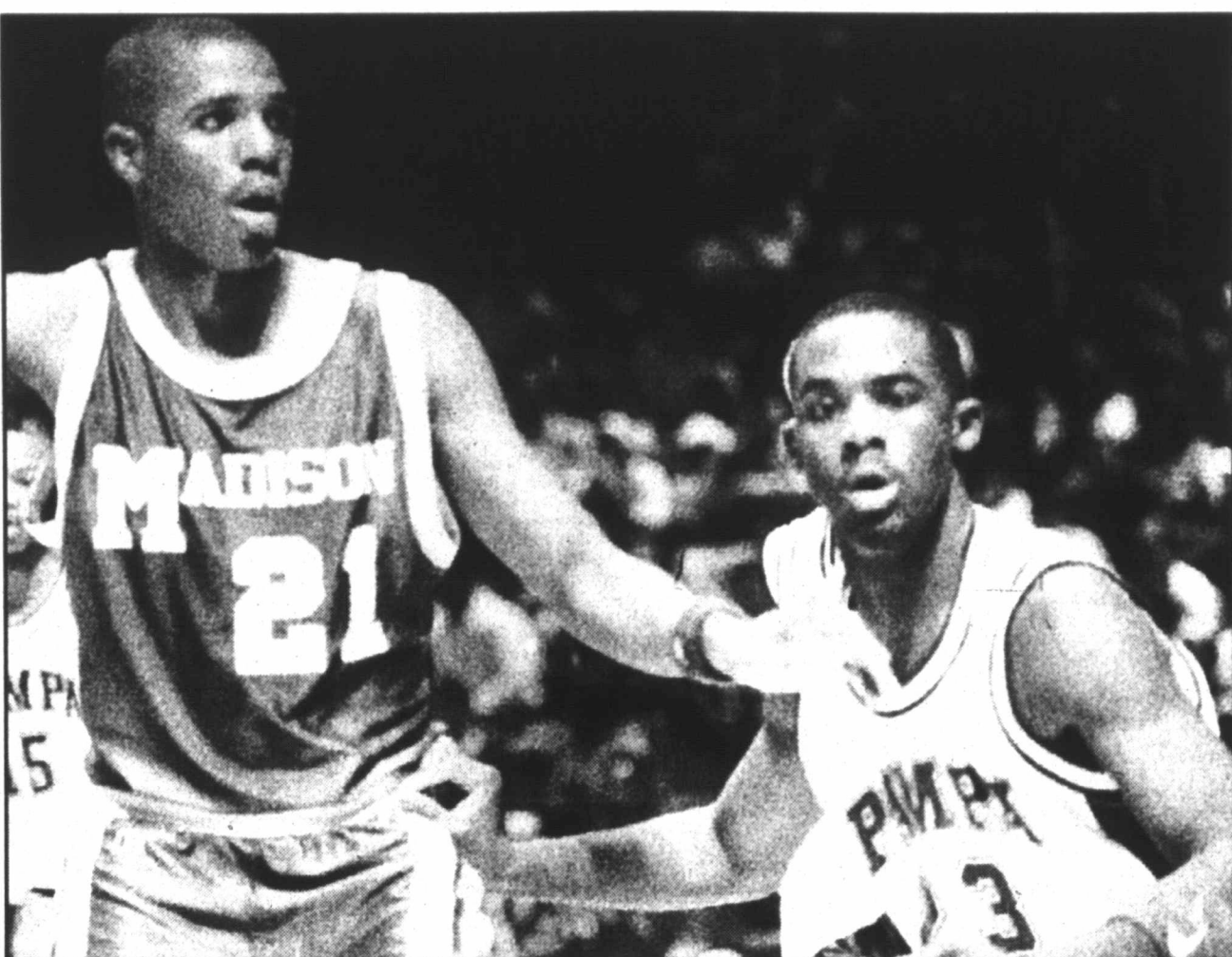
"That little shot in the middle was designed. The coaches said after watching Madison play two nights ago the middle was going to be wide open," Lemons said. "That middle shot out front has been my shot all year. That's where I get most of my points anyway, so I felt right at home."

Lemons joined Young on the UIL All-Tournament Team.

Senior forward Coy Laury had just four points, but he had a team-high 9 rebounds. Jason Weatherbee, Pampa's other starting senior, had just two points, but passed out 5 assists. Young also had 5 assists.

Junior forward August Larson had 9 points and the game's only 3-point goal.

Junior guard J.J. Mathis had 6 points and 3 rebounds while dishing out a game-high 7



(Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa pivotman Devin Lemons (right) guards Dallas Madison's 6-7 Tyrone Palmer.

assists. Senior reserve Chris Miller, the team's tallest player at 6-6, added 4 points and 2 rebounds.

Two sophomore players, Gabe Wilbon and Lynn Brown, also saw action. Wilbon, whose inside bucket in the waning seconds was the game's final goal, flashed the No. 1 sign as he ran back up the floor.

Yes, the Harvesters left no doubt they were No. 1 after taking Madison apart in the second half.

Leading by 10 (42-32) at half-time, the Harvesters went on an 8-0 run to pull ahead by 16 points in the third quarter. Miller's putback at the end of the third quarter gave Pampa a comfortable 60-44 advantage; then Lemons put together back-to-back baskets to start the fourth quarter that had Pampa's bench jumping for joy. The Harvesters hit a sizzling 60 percent of their shots in the second half.

Of the 15,721 people attending the finals, an estimated 2,000 of them were Harvester fans. They got to see Governor George W. Bush present the individual medals to the Pampa and Madison players.

Bush had a press row seat for the tournament's final three games. He moved around Erwin Center, talking and shaking hands with numerous fans.

University Scholastic League officials announced that Bush may be the first governor to attend the state tournament. Bush said he couldn't believe it because it was such a great sporting event.

"This is exciting for me to be here," Bush told a reporter. "These kids have worked hard all year long, and they're giving a lot of effort out there."

The Harvester basketball bus arrived in Pampa Sunday night and the players were greeted by a huge contingent of fans.

"I feel drained, but I'm still happy. I'm in awe of all the people who showed up (in Austin) and this parade we had," Rayford Young said. "I want to go play in college. Everybody's been talking to me tonight and saying, 'Go to Tech. Go to Tech.' I wish I could stay here a couple of more years."

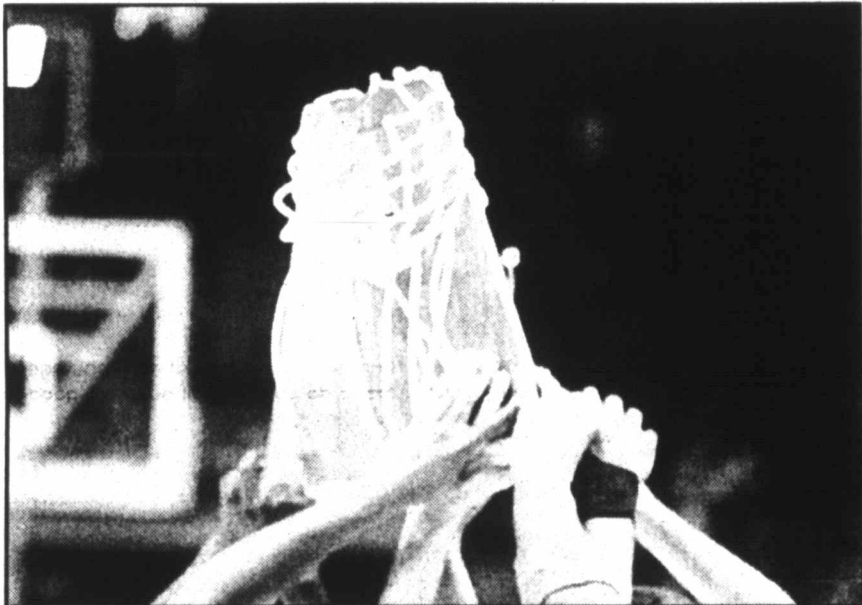
Young said he expected Sunday night to get a little talk from his dad, Rayford Young Sr.

What will he say?

"Don't be satisfied and keep practicing."

Young Sr. had to be hospitalized Monday after suffering an allergic reaction which caused him breathing difficulties. He listened on the rodeo as his son scored 77 points in two games, just one point shy of a 22-year-old Class 4A record.

"I called him (Thursday) and



The championship trophy, with one of the Erwin Center nets draped around it, is held aloft by Harvester players at the end of the 4A finals.

Saying no is no fun for NCAA selection officials

By DOUG TUCKER
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Even in a year almost free of controversy, the NCAA tournament selection committee couldn't really enjoy its job.

The 64-team field was announced Sunday, and not long after chairman Bob Frederick expressed the feelings experienced by him and the other eight men who decided who would be in and where they would be seeded.

"The seeding was really hard. But the hardest part for us personally is the selection (of at-large teams)," said Frederick, the athletic director at Kansas.

An aggrieved look came over his face when he told of watching on live television the jubilation of George Washington's team at news of being selected.

"The young men were so happy. That's what weighs most heavily on all the committee," Frederick said. "We realize that for every (George Washington), there's another team out there that's really disappointed. That's the most mentally taxing part of it, and the most emotionally difficult."

"It's hard for me to even talk

about it."

At a time when there are usually national outcries over the exclusion of one team or another, the complaints seemed at an all-time low.

UCLA coach Jim Harrick was mad about getting shipped out of the West Regional. But even Fresno State Jerry Tarkanian accepted the fate of his 20-10 team.

"I think our kids deserved it, but I could make a great case for some other teams that didn't make it," said the former UNLV coach, whose suit against the NCAA is set to begin in state court in Las Vegas in May.

"Anytime a committee has to choose between so many teams, they're going to leave some out that feel they ought to be in," Tarkanian said.

There seems no glaring omissions, although the power conferences hogged 56 percent of the bids, led by the Atlantic Coast Conference's six. And there seems no undeserving winners, even though the committee was required to take two sub-500 teams for the first time in 41 years.

Central Florida (11-18) and San Jose State (13-16) slipped in through the back door via con-

ference tournament upsets and were seeded No. 64 and 63, respectively. All set to whack them back to reality, unless a truly monumental upset should be ordained, are the teams obviously rated the best of the four No. 1 seeds.

Massachusetts (31-1), the Atlantic 10 champion, will take on Central Florida in the first round of the East Regional in Providence, R.I., on Thursday. Southeastern Conference champion Kentucky (28-2), the No. 1 seed in the Midwest, awaits San Jose State in the first round in Dallas on Thursday.

The other two No. 1 seeds are Big East champion Connecticut (30-2) and Big Ten champion Purdue (25-5), which lost its regular-season finale but got a top-seed reprieve when Kansas was beaten by Iowa State on Sunday in the final of the Big Eight tournament.

Losses in conference tournament finales Sunday by Kansas and Kentucky, which got ambushed by Mississippi State, threw the committee into an unexpected quandary.

"We had a smooth process going. We were thinking we were in pretty good shape," Frederick said. "Then suddenly,

we were re-thinking a lot of things in terms of the bracket."

Kansas had already been penciled in as a No. 1 seed. But Frederick, since he's athletic director at Kansas, had to leave the room while the other committee members pondered changes in the bracket.

Frederick waited more than 45 minutes before being summoned back to the conference area. The last No. 1 seed came down to Purdue, Kansas and Cincinnati, and the Boilermakers got the nod because their record against the other tournament teams was better than the others'.

Mississippi State still ended up as the fifth seed in the Southeast even though Kentucky had a 27-game winning streak and was ranked No. 1 in The Associated Press poll.

"We tried to adjust Mississippi State," Frederick said. "But to be quite frank, the lateness of the hour ... made it very difficult on us. We couldn't make an adjustment without unraveling the bracket and starting over."

"We've asked people to play sooner (in the selection process). It would have helped in this case."

Kansas wound up the No. 2

seed in the West.

"I said before that I didn't have a great deal of concern about the No. 1 or No. 2 seed," Jayhawks coach Roy Williams said. "We're going to try to get a victory Friday and advance. I was probably a little surprised. I thought by Purdue losing and us getting to the (Big Eight) finals, there was a good chance to be a No. 1 seed."

One unhappy coach was Harrick, whose defending champion Bruins drew the fourth seed in the Southeast and will meet Princeton on Thursday in Indianapolis.

As Pac-10 champions, Harrick figured UCLA ought to stay home in the West Regional. Arizona, which finished behind UCLA in the regular season, is seeded No. 3 in the West and gets to play in-state at Tempe.

"The first thing that pops out when you look at the brackets is that I guess the regular season wasn't all that important," Harrick said. "I've always been told (by the selection committee) that you play your way into the tournament and you play your way out. And if winning your league by three games isn't playing your way in, I don't know what is."

SEC, Big Ten dominate women's basketball field

By CHUCK SCHOFFNER
AP Sports Writer

Every year, two women's basketball teams from the Southeastern Conference meet two from the Big Ten in an event called the SEC-Big Ten Challenge.

This year's NCAA tournament looks like an expanded version of that idea.

Seven teams from the SEC are

in the NCAA field and six made it from the Big Ten. With 13 schools total, the two leagues make up 20 percent of the 64-team field that was announced Sunday.

No other conference has more than four teams.

"This is great for the Big Ten," said Iowa coach Angie Lee, whose team won the regular-season conference champi-

onship. "I thought we might only get five teams in."

Four SEC teams are among the top 16 seeds, which are the host schools for the four-team subregionals that start NCAA women's play next weekend. Tennessee is seeded No. 1 in the East, Georgia is seeded second in the Midwest, Vanderbilt is the No. 3 seed in the Midwest and Alabama is seeded fourth in the West.

From the Big Ten, Iowa is seeded second in the Midwest and tournament champion Penn State is the No. 2 seed in the West.

The other No. 1 seeds are Connecticut in the Midwest, Louisiana Tech in the Midwest and Stanford in the West.

Also in from the SEC are Auburn, Florida and Mississippi. The other Big Ten teams are Purdue, Wisconsin,

Michigan State and Ohio State.

And it wouldn't have been a stretch to get even more teams from those leagues into the tournament. A case could have been made for LSU and Arkansas from the SEC and Northwestern from the Big Ten.

"I'm proud the SEC has seven teams in, but I think LSU should have been in it," Tennessee coach Pat Summitt said.

Scoreboard

BASKETBALL		MISCELLANEOUS	
AUSTIN (API) - The UIL boys' state basketball tournament team as selected by the media.			
Class A - Veno Sasset F Jr. Dallas			
Kimbark Brandon Burney G Jr. Dallas			
Kimbark Landry Kosmaika F Sr. Euless			
Tully Dylan Osean G Sr. Euless Trinity			
Class 2A - Rayford Young G Sr. Pampa			
Devin Lemons C Jr. Pampa			
Beason F Jr. Dallas Madison Doner			
Rivers G Sr. Dallas Madison Noel			
Page F Sr. Round Rock McNeil and Josh			
Blair G Jr. Santa Fe			
Class 3A - Michael Adams G Sr. Sinton			
Wheeler Max C Sr. Sinton Ryan Dollie F			
Graham Kolm Weaver C Jr. Graham			
Reynolds G Sr. Commerce			
Class 2A - Chris Arledge C So. Krum			
Peter Peterson C Sr. Krum Tyrone White			
East Chambers Pat Guillory G Jr.			
East Chambers Casey Burgess C Jr.			
Hawes and Cody Cooley G Sr. Haskell			
Class 4A - Jeff Foy F Jr. Anderson Shiro			
Hawkins F Sr. Avinger Treston Shiro			
Avinger Nathan Hoetting F Jr.			
Avinger Deirdre Calhoun G Sr. Anderson			

The Top Twenty Five
By The Associated Press

Top 25 teams in the Associated Press college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through March 10. Polls based on 25 points for a first-place vote through 1 point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking.

Rank	Record	Pts	Prv
1	(31)	1587	2
2	(28)	1513	1
3	(30)	1499	3
4	(27)	1259	6
5	(26)	1259	5
6	(25)	1259	4
7	(25)	1248	8
8	(28)	1231	7
9	(23)	1118	12
10	(25)	995	9
11	(26)	857	11
12	(25)	793	10
13	(22)	1193	18
14	(23)	688	17
15	(24)	675	13
16	(22)	527	14
17	(23)	516	23
18	(21)	497	16
19	(22)	496	25
20	(22)	492	21
21	(22)	445	19
22	(22)	324	15
23	(21)	211	—
24	(20)	1157	22
25	(20)	1015	20

Rockets-Grizzlies, Box
HOUSTON (95)

Horry 1-5 3-4 6. Brown 3-4 1-1 7. Olajuwon 16-26 11-42. Mack 3-8 0-0 7. Recasner 3-10 3-4 12. Bryant 3-9 0-0 6. Jackson 0-0 0-0 0. Smith 6-8 2-3 17. Chilcutt 0-0 0-0 0. Breau 0-0 1-4. Totals 35-73 20-27 95

VANCOUVER (89)

Wilkins 3-9 2-2 8. Amaya 0-1 2-2 2. Reeves 3-11 2-2 8. B. Edwards 5-13 1-1 11. Murdoch 5-16 2-4 12. Manning 1-2 0-0 2. Scott 5-7 3-4 14. Avent 0-1 2-2 2. King 6-8 1-1 17. Moten 6-12 0-0 13. Totals 34-90 15-18 89

Houston 28 22 18 27 - 95
Vancouver 20 17 17 35 - 89

3-Point goals—Houston 5-13 (Smith 3-5, Horry 1-5, Mack 1-5, Jackson 0-2, Olajuwon 0-1, Recasner 0-1). Vancouver 6-15 (King 4-6, Scott 1-2, Moten 1-3, Wilkins 0-1, Edwards 0-1, Murdoch 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Houston 40 (Olajuwon 18), Vancouver 42 (Reeves 12). Assists—Houston 21 (Horry 9, Vancouver 22). Total fouls—Houston 19, Vancouver 19. Technical—Reeves A—19, 193 (19, 193).

National Basketball Association At a Glance
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	47	15	.758	—
New York	35	26	.571	1/2
Miami	30	32	.484	1/2
Washington	28	34	.452	19
New Jersey	25	35	.417	21
Boston	23	39	.371	24
Philadelphia	12	48	.200	34

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	54	7	.885	—
Indiana	39	23	.629	15 1/2
Atlanta	34	27	.557	20
Cleveland	34	27	.557	20
Detroit	33	27	.550	20 1/2
Charlotte	29	31	.483	24 1/2
Milwaukee	21	39	.350	32 1/2
Toronto	16	44	.267	37 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	43	17	.717	—
San Antonio	42	18	.700	1
Houston	41	22	.651	1 1/2
Denver	26	35	.426	17 1/2
Dallas	21	40	.344	22 1/2

SPORTS BRIEFS

BASKETBALL
BETHLEHEM, Pa. (AP)—Princeton coach Pete Carril announced this will be his final season, moments after the Tigers beat Penn 63-56 in overtime in a one-game playoff Saturday for his 11th Ivy League title.

His announcement came in Bethlehem, where he was born and where he coached at Lehigh for the 1966-67 season, going 11-12 before he was hired at Princeton. He has a 524-272 career record.

GOLF
RABAT, Morocco (AP)—Sweden's Peter Hedblom won his first PGA European Tour title Sunday, shooting an even-par 72 for a one-stroke victory over Argentina's Eduardo Romero in the Moroccan Open. Hedblom, who earned \$58,320, had a 7-under 281 total on the Royal Golf Links.

Romero closed with a 69 and South Africa's Wayne Westner (68) and Spain's Santiago Luna (69) tied for third at 283.

AUTO RACING
HAMPTON, Ga. (AP)—A last pit stop separated Dale Earnhardt from Terry Labonte in a record-setting victory Sunday in the Purlator 500. Earnhardt, who set a track record of 163.633 mph with the same car in

PHS tennis team claims first at Dumas tourney

DUMAS — The Pampa High varsity tennis team took home the first place overall trophy this past Friday and Saturday at the Dumas Tournament. The boys' team won all of their 27 matches in taking the boys' first place trophy. Brooks Gentry, Cory Griggs, Kyle Easley, Matt Rheams, Ale' Nunes and Russell DuBose each won their respective singles division while the duos of Gentry-Griggs, Rheams-Nunes and DuBose-Jason Vickery each claimed titles in their respective doubles division.

The girls' team won 22 of 27 matches, narrowly missing out on the girls' first place trophy. Cami Stone at #2 singles and April Lopez at #6 singles each claimed division titles, while Lopez-Valerie Lee at #2 doubles and Stone-Kellen Waters at #3 doubles took home doubles' titles.

Players of the week are Nunes and Lopez. The team next plays at the Hereford Tournament March 22-23.

RESULTS FROM THE DUMAS TOURNAMENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Team Results (Boys points/Girls points/total):
1.) Pampa 72-52-124; 2.) Dumas 18-56-74; 3.) Wichita Falls Hirschi 26-10-36; 4.) Perryton 10-8-18.

Boys Singles:
1.) Brooks Gentry - 1st Rd. def. Bernt Polling-Vocke (PE) 3-0 default; 2nd Rd. def. James Holland (D) 6-2, 6-1; Finals def. Paul Schueller (H) 6-2, 6-3.

2.) Cory Griggs - 1st Rd. def. Son Le (H) 6-0, 6-0; 2nd Rd. def. Shae Cunningham (PE) 6-0, 6-4; Finals def. Ross Jones (D) 6-2, 7-5.
3.) Kyle Easley - 1st Rd. def. Jonathon Bailey (PE) 6-1, 6-0; 2nd Rd. def. Thuan Vu (H) 6-2, 6-4; Finals def. Bo Ames (D) 6-2, 6-1.
4.) Matt Rheams - 1st Rd. def. Chad Daves (PE) 6-2, 6-2; 2nd Rd. def. Kevin Edwards (D) 6-2, 6-0; Finals def. Clifford Alexander (H) 6-1, 6-1.
5.) Ale' Nunes - 1st Rd. def. Jason McDonald (D) 6-1, 6-0; 2nd Rd. def. Son Le (H) 6-0, 6-0; Finals def. Austin Lamb (PE) 6-1, 6-0.
6.) Russell DuBose - 1st Rd. def. Blake Johnston (D) 6-0, 6-0; 2nd Rd. def. Brad Foster (PE) 6-0, 6-1; Finals def. Phu Man (H) 7-6 (7-3), 6-2.

Boys Doubles:
1.) Gentry-Griggs - 1st Rd. def. Alexander-Sheluff (H) 6-0, 6-0; 2nd Rd. def. Cunningham-Bailey (PE) 6-1, 6-0; Finals def. Holland-Jones (D) 6-7 (4-7), 6-4, 6-3.
2.) Rheams-Nunes - 1st Rd. def. Lamb-Foster (PE) 6-3, 6-1; 2nd Rd. def. Ames-Edwards (D) 6-0, 6-4; Finals def. Schueller-Le (H) 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.
3.) DuBose-Vickery - 1st Rd. def. McDonald-Johnston (D) 6-0, 6-0; 2nd Rd. def. Noe-White (PE) 6-1, 6-1; Finals def. Vu-Man (H) 7-5, 6-3.
Girls Singles:
1.) McKinley Quarles - 1st Rd. def. Lori Sammons (PE) 4-6, 6-3, 6-0; 2nd Rd. def. Ann Nguyen (H) 6-1, 6-2; Finals lost to Rachel Pendergrass (D) 6-1, 6-0
2.) Cami Stone - 1st Rd. def. Whitney Brillhart (PE) 6-2, 6-2; 2nd Rd. def. Amanda Smith (H) 6-2, 6-3; Finals def. Angie Martindale (D) 6-3, 7-5.
3.) Valerie Lee - 1st Rd. def. Susan Burger (PE) 6-4, 6-3; 2nd Rd. def. Brenda Harkins (H) 6-1, 6-0; Finals lost to Casey Johnson (D) 6-0, 6-2.
4.) Kellen Waters - 1st Rd. def. Deonne Felix (PE) 6-2, 6-1; 2nd Rd. def. Angela Garcia (H) 6-3, 6-6-1; Finals lost to Kristin Smith (D) 6-4, 6-4.
5.) Halley Bell - 1st Rd. def. Phuong Man (H) 6-1, 6-2; 2nd Rd. def. Tiffany Tregellas (PE) 6-1, 6-3; Finals lost to Adrienne Pendergrass (D) 6-1, 6-7 (4-7), 6-4.
6.) April Lopez - 1st Rd. def. Lily Florea (H) 6-0, 6-0; 2nd Rd. def. Alyssa Symons (PE) 6-1, 6-2; Finals def. Stephanie Lechner (D) 6-1, 6-1.

Herron may not be unknown much longer

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. (AP) — Since most of the golfing public probably has no idea who Tim Herron is, here's an introduction from someone who just met him this weekend at the Honda Classic. "He's a young man who didn't back down," said Mark McCumber, who watched helplessly Sunday as Herron became the first rookie to win wire-to-wire on the PGA Tour since Nick Price captured the World Series of Golf in 1983. "He seems to be a real mild, quiet young man who hits it eight miles," McCumber said. Therein lies some of the charm and mystique of Herron, a 26-year-old from Minneapolis, Minn., whose nickname is Lumpy because of his 5-foot-10, 210-pound frame. He led the Honda Classic in driving distance, hit an average of 10 out of 14 fairways a day and finished tied for ninth in putting — an almost certain combination for victory. McCumber recalled Saturday's third round when he and Price were walking the 16th fairway and saw Herron's drive on the adjacent 15th hole. "He hit it 50 yards past us," McCumber said. Herron's four-stroke victory over McCumber on TPC at Eagle Trace was similar in some respects to the way John Daly came out of nowhere to win the PGA Championship at Crooked Stick in 1991. He doesn't waste a lot of time over shots, and belts it long enough to avoid bunkers and other hazards that snagged others in the field. He also has a deft touch around the greens. Most importantly, the rookie played with nerves of steel, from the time he took his first lead by tying the course record with a 10-under 62 in the opening round to the rain-drenched final round. "I was rolling the pill awesome this week," said Herron, who got his card by finishing 12th in the PGA qualifying tournament. He played the Nike Tour last year, where he finished 25th on the money list with \$69,534. He won \$234,000 for his win at Honda, where he closed with a 3-under-par 69 to finish at 17-under 281. The victory also gives him a two-year exemption on the tour and an invitation to the Masters. "As a kid in Minnesota, we're not even playing golf that time of the year, so you sit around the TV and watch the Masters," he said.

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- 11 International org.
- 13 Group of words
- 14 Cracked
- 15 Bakes
- 16 Sault
- 17 Marie
- 18 Stew
- 19 Tee
- 20 Like a great artist
- 22 Length measures
- 23 Entertainer
- 24 Floats upward
- 26 Airline info
- 28 UK time
- 29 Go bad
- 30 Up to now
- 31 Heron
- 33 High in pitch
- 35 Wax
- 37 Poet (honor for)

DOWN

- 1 Sausage
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- 3 Baker
- 4 Opportune
- 5 Author
- 6 Umberto
- 7 Echo
- 8 Chamber
- 9 What person?
- 10 Genus
- 11 Run
- 12 Studio
- 13 Business

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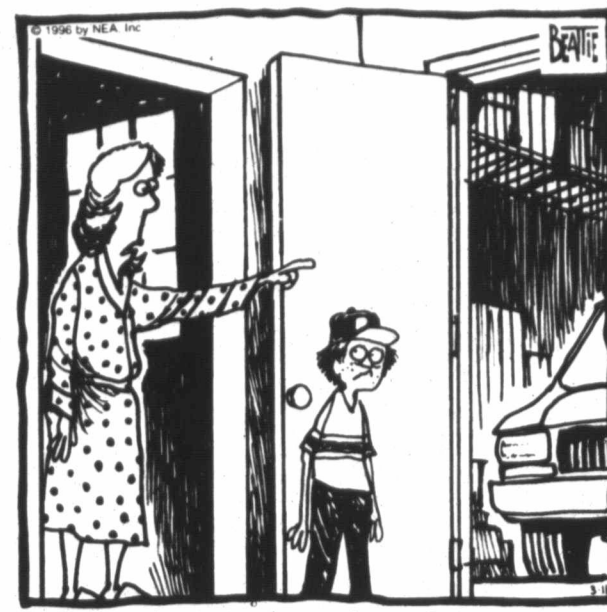
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World briefs

Scandinavian police struggle with biker war

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Police stepped up patrols at airports across Scandinavia today, after two Hells Angels' attacks on rival gang members who were returning from a biker gathering in Finland.

One person died and four others were wounded when Hells Angels members opened fire on Bandidos gang members outside Copenhagen's Kastrup airport and Oslo's Fornebo airport, police said.

Sunday's simultaneous attacks were the latest battles in a two-year feud that has killed bikers in Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Finland. The gangs are Scandinavian offshoots of the Oakland, Calif.-based Hells Angels and the Houston-based Bandidos.

Following the shootings, police in Sweden, Norway and Finland increased patrols at ferry ports and airports. At Copenhagen, police briefly closed bridges leading to the airport, while officers with submachine guns and bullet-proof jackets checked all vehicles.

New prime minister swears avowed monarchist

CANBERRA, Australia (AP) — Conservative John Howard took the oath as Australia's new prime minister today, swearing allegiance to the British queen he would like to keep as the country's titular head.

Howard's inauguration ceremony was held at the government

house, the official residence of Queen Elizabeth II's representative in Australia.

He pledged "true allegiance to her majesty," as part of the formal oath of office.

Howard staged a March 2 rout of one-term Prime Minister Paul Keating, who had hoped to preside over Australia's transformation into a republic with his own president as head of state.

English city attempts to rectify medieval mistake

NORWICH, England (AP) — In 1144, the body of a 12-year-old tanner's apprentice named William was found tortured, raped and murdered in a wood outside this market town.

Townfolk angrily accused their few Jewish neighbors of ritual sacrifice, and the king's representative, the Sheriff of Norwich, had to rescue them. The incident was one of the first in a spreading anti-Semitic hysteria that brought massacres of Jews across England and finally their expulsion in 1290.

But there was never any evidence linking Jews to William's murder, and now Norwich is trying to make amends.

The city's new Playhouse theater commissioned a play by Arnold Wesker, *Blood Libel*, that emphasizes the lack of evidence that Jews were involved in the slaying.

And as part of its 900th anniversary celebrations, Norwich Cathedral is establishing a chapel dedicated to innocent victims of religious fanaticism.

Lovett Memorial Library staff picks

Lovett Memorial Library staff picks for March are:

Absolute Power by David Baldacci
A riveting debut novel of murder, honor, loyalty and betrayal that reaches all the way to the Oval Office. A vicious murder involving the president and his mistress results in a cover-up orchestrated by the zealously loyal chief of security and Secret Service. But, unbeknownst to the president and his lackeys, one unlikely witness saw everything.

The Middle Heart by Bette Bao Lord
In 1932, the year of the Japanese conquest of Manchuria, three young people form a passionate alliance. The trio, consisting of a brash Young Master from a once-great clan, his bookmate and a prankster gravekeeper's daughter who disguises herself as a boy, forms a blood pack that they will die together, defending their country. But in the years of war and revolution that follow, they are separated and reunited multiple times while their increasingly different paths force them further apart. As adults, the three, now a political leader, writer and actress, question their respective loyalties to political ideals, country, family, lovers, themselves and one another.

The Judge by Steve Martini
In another fast-paced, suspenseful thriller from the author of *Undue Influence*, defense lawyer Paul Madriani is required to come for-

ward and defend an unpopular judge involved in a sting operation with a prostitution ring. When a young female police recruit — the prime suspect and only person with evidence against the judge — is found murdered, Paul is suddenly dealing with a whole new situation. His client is now a murder suspect, and he has taken on the toughest case of his career.

The Poet by Michael Connelly
When his homicide-detective brother inexplicably kills himself, Jack McEvoy, a crime-beat journalist for the *Denver Post* who specializes in violent death, copes by beginning an investigative report on police suicides. His research, however, uncovers a sinister pattern in detective "suicides" that strikingly resemble his brother's. Suspecting that a serial murder that may be at work, McEvoy discovers poetic clues that point to a devious cop killer and promise him the news story of a lifetime, except that "The Poet" has already discovered that he is being trailed and has no intention of getting caught.

Trying to Get to Heaven by Dixie Carter
The star of *Designing Women* offers a joyous ode to life, revealing her secrets for outer and inner beauty while explaining how to find wonder and fulfillment every day. Sharing such personal philosophies as doing the best we can do while on Earth, the actress and fitness counselor describes her own life challenges and how she has learned to use these

events as sources of inner strength. Included among her topics of discussion are making a house into a home, divorce, parental death, parenthood and letting go of grown children.

Iron Rose, a Biography of Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy by Cindy Adams

A true sage of steel tempered with love, Iron Rose follows Rose Kennedy through 104 years of life from cradle to casket — including a moment-by-moment report of her final days. Includes exclusive never-before-seen photos. To be published on July 22, on what would have been Rose's 105th birthday.

Other new non-fiction books:
Schlessinger — *How Could You Do That?*
Gonzalez — *The Dog Who Rescues Cats*
Martinez — *Border People*

Other new fiction books:
Updike — *In the Beauty of the Lilies*
Hoag — *Guilt as Sin*
Clarke — *Richter 10*
Anonymous — *Primary Colors*
Spencer — *That Camden Summer*
Preston — *Mount Dragon*
Patterson — *Hide and Seek*
Robbins — *The Stallion*
Koontz — *Intensity*
Braun — *The Cat Who Said Cheese*
Kellerman — *The Web*
Gilman — *Mrs. Pollifax and the Lion*

Research indicates coffee may improve moods, lessen suicide risk

CHICAGO (AP) — Instant or espresso, coffee seems to ward off dark thoughts of suicide in women, researcher say.

Female nurses who drank two to three cups of caffeinated coffee a day were found to commit suicide 66 percent less frequently than those who didn't drink any,

according to a study in today's edition of the *American Medical Association's Archives of Internal Medicine*.

And those who drank more than four cups per day were 58 percent less likely to commit suicide than colleagues who drank less per day.

The study found 11 cases of suicide among nurses who drank two to three cups of coffee per day, compared to 21 cases among colleagues who said they almost never drank coffee.

The study looked at 86,626 female nurses from 1980 to 1990. The study's author, Dr. Ichiro

Kawachi, cautioned the results might be skewed because doctors might tell depressed patients not to drink coffee, which could skew the results.

The study also did not examine the effect of caffeine on people who attempt suicide. Kawachi said more study was needed.




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