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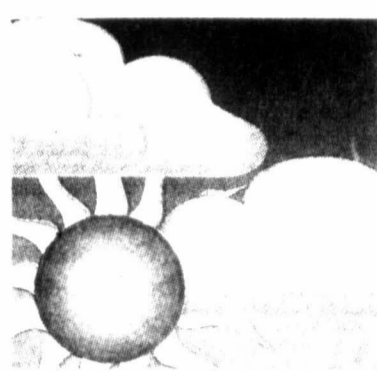
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Low tonight in low 30s, high tomorrow in mid 70s. See Page 2 for weather details.

**PAMPA** — A man was arrested in the 223rd District courtroom Tuesday after he failed to pay court-ordered child support.

Jesse Ray Musgrave, 37, 2200 Duncan, was arrested by Court Bailiff J.D. Barnard for contempt of court for violation of child support orders.

He is to be confined to Gray County jail for 10 days, court records say.

District Judge Lee Waters ordered Musgrave to jail for 10 days for each of three findings of contempt, with two of the 10-day commitments suspended.

He is to be placed on unsupervised probation for six months and pay child support of \$200 a month based on minimum wage beginning May 1996.

**BORGER** — Frank Phillips College will sponsor its 1996 Career Fair Wednesday, April 3, from 9 to 11:45 a.m.

Thirty local business and career representatives will be on hand in the Borger Community Activity Center to provide information about careers to students.

Experts in the fields of financial aid and part-time employment designed to supplement income and enhance experience will staff the Student Union building.

Caesar Andrews of the Texas State Occupational Information Coordinating Committee will also be available to speak to students about career opportunities in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Students from Sanford-Fritch, Champs Academy, Claude, West Texas High School, Panhandle, Border, Gruver, White Deer and Channing are expected to attend.

The Career Fair is open to the public. For more information, contact Traci Keisling, 274-5311.

**PERRYTON** — Panhandle Area Lupus Support Group will meet 7 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, April 1, in the Community Room, First Bank of the Southwest, 201 S. Main, Perryton.

Jade D. Gibbons, M.S. L.P.C., director of the Perryton center of the Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority, will speak on depression.

The public is invited.

**PAMPA** — A luncheon for those interested in the process of investigating child abuse is set for 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, March 28, at Coronado Hospital.

For more information, call Sandy Carr, local facilitator for The Bridge, at 665-1915.

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## City approves change in golf course budget

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS  
News Editor

A request by the chairman of the golf course advisory board to change the city's budget allocation for trees at Hidden Hills Public Golf Course to construction of concrete cart paths was met with some commission opposition, but finally resolved by compromise Tuesday night.

Chairman Doug Dubose asked the Pampa city commission to move the \$6,000 budgeted for purchase of trees into cart path construction, already budgeted for \$6,000.

He said the additional \$6,000 would allow concrete to be poured around tee boxes and greens and alleviate some mud problems on the course.

However, Commissioner Faustina Curry objected to zeroing out the tree allocation.

"To not plant any trees ... in a way, you're cutting your throat, you just continue the non vegetative look ... It would seem to me, you ought to put some big trees and less concrete," Curry said.

The concrete is available at less than half price, Dubose noted.

Twenty-seven trees measuring four to five inches diameter were planted in 1995, said Bob Banner, golf course superintendent.

They cost about \$250 each and three died, he said.

The course has 500 seedling trees, he continued.

City Manager Bob Eskridge noted department leaders may move funds, but the move from "trees to concrete" is a project reallocation.

Curry suggested adjusting the

budget to allow \$2,000 for trees and \$4,000 for concrete.

"We can live with that," Dubose said.

Freedom Museum USA representative Mike Porter asked the commission for permission to move an historic building onto city lots leased by the group.

"The reason I'm here today is we're in a position to lose the last building that was on Fort Elliott," Porter said.

The dilapidated structure, built in 1880 or 1881, will be restored by "four heart attacks and two cripples" to pristine condition using old methods of carpentry and authentic materials, he said.

Museum volunteers plan to set it on a concrete foundation south of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Without positive action by the museum, he said, "The bulldozer will fire up and the last of Fort Elliott will go."

The panel agreed to the move.

Following a two-hour executive session, commissioners voted unanimously to settle a workers' compensation lawsuit the city of Pampa filed against Brenda Moseley. They announced settling for \$10,000 with no medical expenses.

Commissioners took no action on an appointment to the Pampa Economic Development Corporation.

"We are searching for an acceptable appointment for that board," Mayor Bob Neslage said.

The commissioners also took no action on hiring a police chief and said they had completed Eskridge's performance evaluation.

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## Honoring the state champions



(Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzanskis)

City commissioners Tuesday honored the Pampa High School Harvester basketball team as state 4A champions. Proclaiming "Hustling Harvester Day 1996" is Mayor Bob Neslage. He is joined by team captains Coy Laury, Jason Weatherbee and Rayford Young. "You guys are a special team," said Commissioner Bob Dixon.

## Supreme Court ruling limits power of Congress in Indian gaming case

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court ruled today that Congress cannot expose states to federal lawsuits when negotiations break down over gambling on Indian reservations, a \$6 billion-a-year industry in 23 states.

The 5-4 decision, a huge victory for states and a setback for the tribes, struck down a primary provision of a 1988 federal law, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

The ruling is extraordinary. It ended for Congress almost 160 years of virtual free rein in making laws affecting American Indians.

It also breathed new life into the Constitution's 11th Amendment, which protects states from being sued in federal courts against their will.

The amendment long has been a rallying point for those, on and off the federal bench, who advocate states' rights.

In other action, the court:

— Ruled that state political parties must get federal approval before charging a fee to delegates at nominating conventions. The 5-4 decision also let

three Virginia residents pursue their claim that a fee charged at the 1994 state Republican convention amounted to a poll tax.

— Set aside one of two life sentences given a convicted Illinois cocaine trafficker, ruling he wrongly was punished twice for the same crime.

— Heard arguments that professional football players should be allowed to file antitrust lawsuits against the National Football League when it imposes work terms after a bargaining impasse.

Writing for the court in the Indian gaming case, Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist said the Constitution does not give Congress the power to authorize federal lawsuits to be filed by Indian tribes against unwilling states and state officials.

Rehnquist said the 11th Amendment restricts judicial power and that the constitutional powers given to Congress "cannot be used to circumvent the constitutional limitations placed upon federal jurisdiction."

The nation's highest court ruled in 1987 that states cannot ban gambling on Indian reservations within their borders if the same gambling is allowed elsewhere in those states.

Congress responded the next year by enacting the law that requires tribes to negotiate with the respective states before starting some types of on-reservation gambling, including casinos.

The law requires states to negotiate in good faith, and says a tribe may sue a state in federal court if it fails to do so.

The Seminole tribe sued Florida after Gov. Lawton Chiles refused to agree to the tribe's concept of what gambling to include on one of its five Florida reservations.

The controversy acted on today also involved the Poarch Creek tribes and their efforts to establish a gambling haven in Alabama.

Lawyers for the state had argued, successfully before the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, that the 1988 federal law violates the Constitution's 11th Amendment.

## Pampa eighth grade student to compete at state Geography Bee event on Friday

Pampa eighth grader Kerry Turner will compete Friday against almost 100 Texas students in the state Geography Bee competition at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth.

Turner was named winner of the school-level bee in December and has since taken a written exam to qualify for state, placing in the top 100 students from schools across Texas.

"I've just been looking over maps and globes [to prepare for the contest]," Turner said. "I have my parents ask me questions. There's a National Geographic game that I've been playing a lot."

State-level competitions will be held in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and five U.S. territories on Friday. Fourth- through eighth-graders will compete in the oral contest.

National Geographic World, the National Geographic Society's magazine for children, and Chrysler Corporation are sponsors of the National Geographic Bee, established in 1989.

"Each year I am amazed by the vast and complex knowledge these children have of geography," said Gilbert M. Grosvenor,



Kerry Turner

president and chairman of the National Geographic Society. "We are very proud to play a leading role in the resurgence of geography education."

The state bee is the second level of the National Geographic Bee, which began in December with competitions in thousands of schools across the country. Up to 100 students in each state will compete for a \$100 cash prize

and other prizes, along with an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington with a teacher escort for the May 28 and 29 finals.

The national competitors will vie for scholarship money and Chrysler Corporation's "Mini-van Dream Vacation," a 10-day all-expenses-paid road trip in the continental United States, to be awarded to two students.

Alex Trebek, host of the quiz show Jeopardy!, will moderate the national competition. National Geographic Television will produce the final round as a prime-time program to air on TBS Superstation May 29 at 7 p.m. CST. Local PBS stations will air the Bee final round at a later date. (Check local listings.)

The 1995 National Bee winner was eighth-grader Chris Galezka of Sterling Heights, Mich. He won by correctly answering the question: "Pashtu and Dari are the official languages of which mountainous, landlocked country in Central Asia?" The answer: Afghanistan.

Turner's trip to Fort Worth is sponsored by Pampa Independent School District. His parents and younger brother will accompany him.

## Body casting



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Students in Amy Brendle's art class at Pampa High School work on making a body cast of a model this morning, part of a three-series effort on the cast. Last week, they made a face mask, which will be glued onto the body cast when it is finished. The model, who uses a straw in her mouth to help her breathe during the work, is covered with Vaseline and then strips of burlap dipped in plaster are put over the sheet-covered model. Additional props are used to hold the mold up. It takes about 30 minutes for the plaster cast to dry, with salt sprinkled periodically over the plaster to help it dry faster. When the cast is ready, plaster is poured into the mold to form the sculpture.

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**BAILEY, James Allen** — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Friendship Cemetery, Spring, Texas.

## Obituaries

### JAMES ALLEN BAILEY

SPRING - James Allen Bailey, 78, a former Pampa resident, died Monday, March 25, 1996, at Tomball Regional Hospital at Tomball, Texas. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Friendship Cemetery with the Rev. Danny Wood, of West Sherman Baptist Church, officiating. Memorial services will be at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in the Woodlands Parkway Baptist Church at The Woodlands. Arrangements are under the direction of Dannel Funeral Home.

Mr. Bailey was born March 12, 1918, at Sherman to Levi and Frances Bailey. He was from a family of nine brothers and one sister. He attended Pampa schools. He married Mary Dale Reece on Jan. 5, 1939, at Durant, Okla. He had worked as a maintenance foreman for Cabot Corporation for several years and had owned and operated AAMCO Transmission in Houston. He was a member of the Woodlands Parkway Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mary, of Spring; three daughters, Virginia Davis of Houston, Jimmie Carlton of Spring and Kay McCormick of Amarillo; a son, Claude Bailey of Arlington; and 21 grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The family will be at the Dannel Funeral Home from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and requests memorials be to the American Heart Association, Grayson County Division, P.O. Box 1234, Sherman, TX 75091.

### RETHA F. BRUMMETT

Retha F. Brummett, 74, of Pampa, died Tuesday, March 26, 1996. Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. M.B. Smith, a retired Baptist minister, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Brummett was born Dec. 6, 1921, at Clarksville, Texas. She married Alva Glenn Brummett on Feb. 28, 1942, at Pampa. She had been a Pampa resident since 1948. She was a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by a brother, J.D. McFatrige, in 1979.

Survivors include her husband, Alva Glenn, of the home; a daughter, Glinda Faye Minter of Angleton; two sons and daughters-in-law, Glenn Ray and Jennifer Lynn Brummett and A.L. and April Renee Brummett, all of Pampa; three sisters and a brother-in-law, Anne Dilly and Inez and Jimmy Garvin, all of Brazoria, and Linda Nell Garner of Pampa; a brother, James McFatrige of Albuquerque, N.M.; 10 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

### EDITH E. GERBER

NORWALK, Calif. - Edith E. Gerber, 86, sister of a Pampa, Texas, resident, died Nov. 22, 1995, at Southland Lutheran Home at Norwalk.

Mrs. Gerber had been a resident of Chino, Calif., for 12 years before moving to Norwalk and had also lived in Paradise, Calif., with her husband Jasper Gerber; he died in 1978. She was a devoted member of the Christ Lutheran Church at Chino and was active in the Paradise Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include twin daughters, Lora Reed and Lola Roberts, both of Roseburg, Ore.; a son, Gordon Reed of Chino; two sisters, Thelma Finson of Pampa and Dorothea Cheek of Duncan, Okla.; a stepson, J.E. Gerber, and a stepdaughter, Margie Dillon, of Lubbock, Texas; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

### EVA MURPHY

GRADY, N.M. - Eva Murphy, 80, mother of a Pampa, Texas, resident, died Monday, March 25, 1996, at Lamesa, Texas. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Grady Baptist Church at Grady with the Rev. Paul Burwash officiating. Burial will be in Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens at Clovis, N.M., under the direction of Steed-Todd Funeral Home of Clovis.

Mrs. Murphy was born July 25, 1915, at Robstown, Texas. She had been a Borden County, Texas, resident until 1952, moving to Grady. She married Loyd Murphy on April 19, 1936, in Borden County; he preceded her in death. She was a member of the First Baptist Church at Grady and had long been active in the church and the community.

Survivors include two daughters, Nell Bailey of Pampa and Linda Beam of Lamesa; two sisters, Lola Bishop of Mountainair, N.M., and Louise McNutt of Montrose, Colo.; three brothers, Roy Barrier of Meadow, Texas, Chancey Barrier of Big Spring, Texas, and Elmo Barrier of Hemet, Calif.; three grandchildren, Rhonda Dittforth of Higgins, Texas, Jim Beam of Lamesa and Kasey O'Connor of Albuquerque, N.M.; four great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice or to a favorite charity.

### SCOTT ALAN PARSLEY

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo. - Scott Alan Parsley, 32, brother-in-law of a Lefors, Texas, resident, died Monday, March 18, 1996. Funeral services were Wednesday, March 20, in Glenwood Springs.

Mr. Parsley was born Nov. 20, 1963. He married Kristy Wyatt, formerly of Lefors, on June 14, 1986, at Chama, N.M. He had been a Glenwood Springs resident for 4 1/2 years and was employed with the City of Glenwood Springs. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Kristy; a son, Brandon, of the home; his parents, Chuck and Carolyn Parsley of Pueblo, Colo.; a father-in-law and mother-in-law, Jack and Nelle Wyatt of Chama; a sister-in-law, Aimee Wyatt of Chama; a sister and brother-in-law, Tonya and Clay Lock of Lefors; a niece, Jennifer Lock of Lefors; and a nephew, Len Lock of Lefors.

## Police report

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

### TUESDAY, March 26

Domestic violence-assault was reported by a 25-year-old woman in the 1900 block of North Faulkner at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday. She suffered cuts and abrasions to her mouth and under the left eye.

Forgery was reported at Agape Health Care, Coronado Shopping Center. It occurred March 21.

Burglary of a vacant house was reported in the 1900 block of North Dwight. Windows and a shower were broken.

Damage to the left rear, door and mirror of a 1987 GMC pickup was reported in the 600 block of East Craven at 11:30 p.m. Tuesday.

### WEDNESDAY, March 27

Domestic disturbance was reported by a 28-year-old woman in the 700 block of Naida at 11:55 p.m. Tuesday.

### Arrests

**TUESDAY, March 26**  
Mark Anthony Hernandez, 29, 1943 N. Faulkner, was arrested at 101 S. Sumner on a warrant alleging assault.

Christopher Dale Phillips, 18, 1829 N. Christy, was arrested at Cook and Frost on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

Peter Smith Nelson, 29, was arrested at Gray County jail on six warrants.

## Sheriff's Office

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

### TUESDAY, March 26

Information was reported at McLean Care Center.

Bank statements were reported stolen in the 700 block of West McCullough.

### Arrests

**TUESDAY, March 26**  
Sherman Kermit Phillips Jr., Amarillo, was arrested on a warrant alleging unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. His bond is \$2,500.

Greg Keith Lang, 321 Henry, was arrested on a charge of theft by check - Class B. His bond is \$2,000.

### 223rd Court Bailiff

Jesse Ray Musgrave, 37, 2200 Duncan, was arrested on a charge of contempt of court. His bond is denied.

### Lefors City Marshal

David Wayne Shook, 22, Lefors, was arrested on a charge of simple assault. His bond was released to appear before Justice of the Peace Bob Muns later.

## Fires

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

### TUESDAY, March 26

7:38 a.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to 1728 Grape on an alarm malfunction.

8:44 a.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to 1504 W. Kentucky on an alarm malfunction.

9:44 a.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to One Medical Plaza on an alarm malfunction.

11:27 a.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to 1504 W. Kentucky on an alarm malfunction.

## Ambulance

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

### TUESDAY, March 26

9:27 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of Starkweather on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

11:59 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 200 block of Miami on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

## Calendar of events

### IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health Immunization Clinic will be offering vaccines that give protection against polio, diphtheria, tetanus (lock jaw), pertussis (whooping cough), measles, rubella and mumps. The clinic is located in the Texas Department of Health office, 600 W. Kentucky, and will be open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, March 28. The fee is based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

### SKELLY-GETTY-TEXACO RETIREES

Skelly-Getty-Texaco Retirees Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 28, at Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.		Chevron		57 3/4	up 5/8
Wheat	5.08	Coca-Cola	85 1/8	up 1/4	
Milo	6.69	Columbia/HCA	54 5/8	up 3/8	
Corn	7.23	Diamond Sham	32 1/2	up 5/8	
		Enron	37 3/4	up 3/4	
		Halliburton	57 1/2	dn 1/4	
		Ingersoll Rand	41 1/2	dn 1/4	
		KNE	30 7/8	dn 1/4	
		Kerr McGee	64 5/8	up 5/8	
		Limited	18 1/2	dn 1/8	
		Mapco	54 3/4	NC	
		McDonald's	49 1/2	dn 1/4	
		Mobil	116 7/8	up 3/8	
		New Atmos	23	NC	
		Parker & Parsley	22 3/4	dn 1/8	
		Phillips	39 1/8	up 3/8	
		Penney's	49 7/8	up 1/2	
		Magellan	88.06	up 1/2	
		Puritan	17.73	up 1/4	
		SPS	33 1/4	up 1/4	
		Tenneco	55 5/8	dn 1/8	
		Texaco	88 3/8	NC	
		Wal-Mart	23 5/8	NC	
		Amoco	73 5/8	up 1/8	
		Arco	118 7/8	up 1/8	
		Cabot	30 1/8	up 1/8	
		Cabot O&G	14 5/8	NC	
		New York Gold	400.00		
		West Texas Crude	56.5	22.14	



Nine Pampa High School students have advanced to regional UIL competition following district-level contests Saturday. Advancing students include (front) Ann Carmichael, Jennifer Fischer, Edith Osborne, Amy Rainey and Patty Dinges; and (back) James Huddleston, Garrett Craddock, Candi Terry and Matt Bell.

## Nine PHS students advance to regional UIL meet

Nine Pampa High School students have advanced to next month's regional UIL competition in San Angelo after competing in Canyon last weekend.

Edith Osborne, Jennifer Fischer and Amy Rainey will compete as a team in science, with Garrett Craddock as alternate. Osborne placed first in biology and second overall. Fisher placed third overall, and Craddock placed second in chemistry.

Matt Bell will compete in computer applications after placing second at district level. Candi Terry will compete in poetry after placing third, and James Huddleston will compete in headline writing after placing second.

Alternates include Patty Dinges in accounting and Ann Carmichael in spelling and vocabulary. Others who placed in competition but did not advance to

regionals include Jonathan Jackson, fifth in informative speaking; Nicole Watson, sixth in persuasive speaking; Kristina Porter, fifth in persuasive speaking; Janet Dancel, fifth in literary criticism; and Keely Topper, sixth in editorial writing.

Also, Terry placed fifth in feature writing. Craddock placed fifth in mathematics and Carmichael placed fifth in ready writing.

## Explosion kills three at Indiana steel mill

PORTAGE, Ind. (AP) - An explosion ripped apart a section of a 5-year-old steel mill today, killing at least three people and injuring eight others.

"All of a sudden there was a huge explosion, like a time bomb. Everything went kaboom," said Lee Stika, a supervisor who was at the mill.

The explosion happened in the southwest corner of the Beta Steel mill, said Bill Fritchley, director of planning and development for the Indiana Port Commission.

The blast blew sheets of metal siding off the three-story building, leaving a gaping hole. It also partially collapsed part of the

roof of a Beta office complex about 50 feet away, Fritchley said from Indianapolis.

Stika said a tank in the basement had exploded. The tank held water or hydraulic fluid under high pressure, he said.

Stika, 43, said about 15 other people were on the plant floor or in a locker room at the time of the 7 a.m. blast.

"People were just running all over the place. They were scattering because they didn't know what was going to fall next," Stika said.

"It was dark and scary when the explosion happened. It was terrifying," said employee David Varney, who also was inside the

mill. He appeared uninjured.

Three people were killed and eight were injured, said city police Sgt. John Rogers. He said authorities believed everyone in the plant was accounted for.

State occupational safety inspectors and investigators from the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms were on the scene, Rogers said.

"We're looking at several different things. We just don't know right now," Rogers said when asked about possible causes.

Porter Memorial had treated four people and none appeared to have life-threatening injuries, said spokeswoman Sandra Parker.

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## City

In other action, commissioners:

- Awarded an estimated \$14,150 bid to Laidlaw Environmental for disposal of domestic chemicals after the household hazardous waste event. The Laidlaw bid was not the lowest, noted commissioner Jeff Andrews, but the most "respon-

ble," citing deficiencies in the bid proffered by Enco Inc.

- Approved on first reading an ordinance creating additional parking on Randy Matson Avenue in front of the Pampa High School athletic offices.

- Approved a resolution supporting an application for \$250,000 funding under the Texas Community Development Program through the Community

Development Fund. If the grant is won, it will be used for housing rehabilitation and demolition of dilapidated structures. The resolution commits the city to \$5,000 in-kind contribution.

- Set 6 p.m. April 9 for a public hearing on the city's park closing ordinance as required by law.

- Agreed to join the West Texas Environmental Alliance at a cost of \$1,000.

## Weather focus

### LOCAL FORECAST

Partly cloudy tonight with a low near 34. Thursday, sunny, windy and warmer with a high in the mid 70s. Southwest winds to 25 mph and gusty. Friday, a windy change to cooler weather with a high in the 50s. Tuesday's high was 46; the overnight low was 29.

### REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, partly cloudy with lows in the 30s. Thursday, partly sunny, breezy and warmer. Highs in upper 60s to mid 70s. South Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy low rolling plains, fair South Plains. Lows in mid 30s. Thursday, patchy early morning fog, otherwise partly

cloudy. Highs in the 70s.

North Texas - Tonight, rain and thunderstorms central and east, a chance of showers west. Lows 38 west to 47 east. Thursday, a chance of morning showers east, otherwise decreasing cloudiness area wide. Warmer with highs 62 northeast to near 70 west.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in mid 40s mid 30s. Hill Country: Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs near 70. Upper Coast: Tonight cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows in mid 50s coast to mid 40s inland. Thursday, mostly cloudy low rolling plains, fair to upper 60s inland. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows

near 50 coast to upper 40s inland. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs near 70 coast to low 70s inland.

### BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight, mostly fair skies statewide. Lows in the teens to near 30 mountains with upper 20s to near 40 elsewhere. Thursday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers northwest. Mostly fair skies elsewhere. Breezy statewide. Highs in the 50s to mid 60s mountains and northwest with mid 60s to near 80 at the lower elevations of the east and south.

Oklahoma - Tonight, rain likely, mainly central regions and the Red River valley. Lows in the 30s. Thursday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of morning showers southeast. Highs in the 60s.

## City briefs

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**THE HERITAGE Art Club** Show is scheduled from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Sunday at Lovett Memorial Library. Adv.

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

**MEALS ON WHEELS** Garage Sale Collections and Sale - Mondays only, 2-5 p.m. South end of Pampa Mall, next to Mr. Gatti's. 669-1007. Adv.

**CONCEALED HANDGUN** Class, Saturday. Donna Nunamaker, 665-9394. Adv.

**SOLD OUT** Harvester State Championship shirts, new shipment RSVP. T-Shirts & More, 665-3036. Adv.

**FOUND: BLUE healer.** 665-6725. Adv.

**CHANEY'S CAFE** - Wednesday 5-8 p.m. Meatloaf, fried chicken, spaghetti and meatballs, chicken fried steak. Plenty of parking in back and on both sides. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

**KNITTERS, CROCHETERS,** Handcrafters - Huge Yarn and Fiber Sale; hundreds of pounds. Thursday 1-5 p.m., Friday 1-5 p.m. 1930 Dogwood. Adv.

**SALE - CERAMIC Bisque.** 945 E. Malone. Thursday 1-4. Friday-Saturday 9-5. Adv.

## Utility files notice to allow customers to choose energy provider

DALLAS (AP) — The Public Utility Commission will consider a plan by Texas-New Mexico Power Co. that in five years would give some electricity customers a choice of power suppliers.

TNP, a wholly owned subsidiary of Fort Worth-based TNP Enterprises, filed a notice of intent on Tuesday with the 76 Texas cities it serves. The company has more than 213,000 customers in Texas and New Mexico.

During the five-year window, TNP would be allowed to make higher profits before offering Texas consumers the results of industry competition.

Rates would remain the same, but TNP would be allowed to keep any cost

savings. Currently, utilities' profits are set and any amount above that must be returned to customers through lower rates. TNP is proposing that the money pay off past investments.

"As the electric utility industry moves toward a competitive environment, Community Choice will allow TNP to embrace, rather than deny, competition," said Kevern Joyce, chairman and chief executive officer of the company.

"This program is a win-win for TNP's customers and for the company."

Consumer groups are not so certain that the deal TNP has proposed would be good for Texas customers.

"It is somewhat gentler than most, but

the end result is the same, they're trying to get consumers to pay for their excessively costly power plant," said Peter Altman, director of Sustainable Energy and Economic Development. "We don't want to see restructuring take place in a way where we see ratepayers bailing out utilities for poor decisions."

The utility made bad investments in an expensive power plant that does not produce power that can be sold at a competitive price, according to Public Citizen.

But Tom Smith of Public Citizen says the group likes the community choice feature of the plan.

The move to deregulate utility monop-

olies is expected to be hard-fought on all sides in the state Legislature and in Washington. Some are expected to push for letting big consumers pick their own power companies and to require the monopolies to transmit competitors' electricity.

The proposal by TNP, which has one of the weakest balance sheets of any utility, could hurt the credibility of the state's larger utilities as they prepare to argue against competition in the Texas Legislature in 1997, some say.

"No one can be misled any longer about what the (big utilities) are capable of doing," Austin political consultant Bill Miller told *The Dallas Morning News*.

Miller is advising a group of large industrial electricity users that favor competition.

The big utilities "are ready to do this, and can do this, but they want to drag their feet as long as possible," he told the paper.

Some experts say the companies are concerned that in a competitive environment they won't be able to recover the billions of dollars spent to build huge power plants in the '70s and '80s.

Curtis Seidlits, the utilities' top lobbyist in Austin, said TNP's move won't hurt because it has only one plant and depends on other utilities to transmit much of its power.

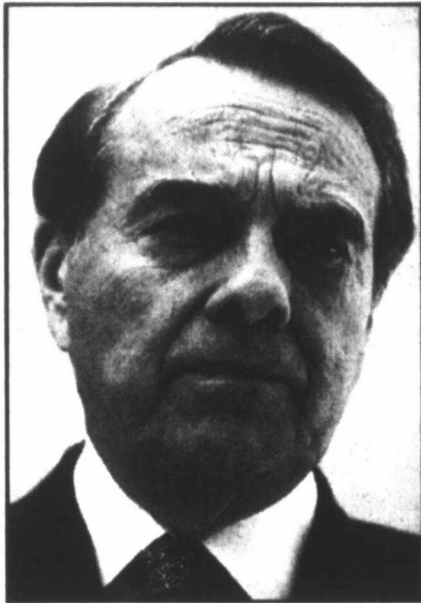
## Dole looking for break in campaign following new round of victories; hounded by Buchanan, Perot in the wings

By MIKE FEINSILBER  
Associated Press Writer

Bob Dole is looking toward a spring break in his campaign for the White House, but politics never stops and Dole is being vexed by Democrats in the Senate, Ross Perot on the road, and Pat Buchanan in the wings.

As the 72-year-old Kansas senator scored a new round of victories, commentator Buchanan sent up mixed signals about his intentions. And House Speaker Newt Gingrich renewed his plea that Buchanan stick with the GOP.

Perot's signals were less mixed — he launched a nationwide speaking tour bent on bringing about the defeats of both Dole and President Clinton. He called the GOP primary process "beyond sick."



Sen. Bob Dole

And Senate Democrats bedeviled Dole by insisting on a vote on Clinton's proposal to raise the minimum wage by 50 cents — an act the Democratic president says would show real fealty to "family values." Dole said the Democrats were showing fealty to the AFL-CIO.

"Our country has reached a defining moment," the candidate declared, now willing to acknowledge that his long goal of winning his party's presidential nomination had been achieved. Without waiting for results from Nevada, California and Washington state, he said it out loud: "I am the Republican nominee."

Dole locked up a majority of Republican delegates with a four-

state Midwest sweep a week earlier, but he pretended otherwise until Tuesday night to give the appearance that it was California that put him over the top.

Tuesday's were Dole's 23rd, 24th and 25th consecutive victories over Buchanan, who conceded that Dole had the presidential nomination locked up.

"There's no doubt about it," Buchanan told a rally to the boos and jeers of some supporters.

In Washington this morning, Newt Gingrich today urged Buchanan to continue working within the party.

"I hope he'll decide to stay on the team and work to help elect a president who will appoint conservative judges, balance the budget and lower taxes," Gingrich

told reporters. "These are all values Buchanan believes in."

Nevada's voters, balloting by mail cast Buchanan as a paper tiger. He finished third, behind Dole, but also trailed millionaire publisher Steve Forbes, who had folded his tents weeks before. In Nevada, Dole won 52 percent, Forbes 19 percent and Buchanan 15 percent.

In California and Washington, Dole piled up margins of around two-thirds, with Buchanan a weak second in each.

Polling of Californians after they voted showed that Dole crushed Buchanan even among those who said Dole doesn't have new ideas or worry that he's too old or don't think he can beat Clinton.

California, home to one American in eight, offers the richest number of electoral votes in November. George Bush conceded the state to Clinton in 1992, but Dole has promised to fight there "to the bitter end."

Clinton already has made 23 trips to the Golden State; his chances of re-election depend on winning California. Consumer activist Ralph Nader is on the ballot as the Green Party candidate, potentially siphoning off enough votes to worry Clinton.

Buchanan sent ambiguous signals about his intentions between now and August. He told supporters, "We are going to San Diego," where the Republicans convene to confirm Dole's nomination. But he also headed home to reassess his campaign — open-

ing the possibility of a halt to his blistering attacks on Dole.

Several top Buchanan supporters are urging him to run as an independent, and organizers of the conservative U.S. Taxpayers Party have said they would like Buchanan as their candidate.

Buchanan didn't foreclose such a move. He said he would rather remain a Republican in a party that pays heed to his positions. Billionaire Perot, the other iconoclast of presidential politics, rehearsed for the possibility of a second run at the presidency.

Talking to Texas A&M students, Perot attacked Democrats for ignoring efforts to balance the budget and Republicans for not following through with their "Contract With America." He launches a speaking tour to Philadelphia today, to Florida later this week and ultimately into nearly every state. He is trying to get his Reform Party on all 50 ballots, amid mounting evidence that he will be its candidate.

With half the country heard from in a nonstop, mind-numbing, six-week tour, Dole looked forward to a breather and some time at his beach condominium in Florida.

In six weeks, he has campaigned on an agonizingly close and unconvincing win in Iowa and an anguishing defeat to Buchanan in New Hampshire to a string of victories in every part of the country.

Now the schedule gives him a breather — no more primaries until Pennsylvania's in four weeks.

## Summit: Stricter education a must

PALISADES, N.Y. (AP) — Hundreds of applicants respond to "Help Wanted" ads, yet business managers say they can't find workers. Poor-performing schools are partly to blame, say business leaders who are calling for tougher academic standards at a national education summit.

"I don't think the education community can continue to ignore what business says. They are the ultimate customer," said Keith Poston, a spokesman for the National Alliance of Business.

Forty-nine business leaders from across America have joined 41 governors to talk about raising academic standards for America's schoolchildren and infusing technology into the classroom.

President Clinton is keynote speaker at the two-day summit, which ends today. Governors are pledging to set higher academic standards in their states, and business leaders vow to lend their support to school reform.

USA Today reported that Clinton will urge all 50 states to develop achievement tests that youngsters would have to pass to be promoted from elementary school to middle school, from middle school to high school and to graduate from high school. A number of states already have such requirements.

Raising standards in core subjects, such as math, science, English and history, is a bottom line issue for some businesses. One-third of corporate econo-

mists surveyed by the National Association of Business Economists in January said their companies were having trouble finding skilled labor, according to a discussion paper written for the summit by the business alliance.

A 1994 American Management Association survey on basic skills testing and training reveals that the number of U.S. businesses that provided remedial training jumped to 20 percent in 1994, up from 4 percent in 1989.

Lockheed Martin Energy Systems, a 14,000-employee company that operates Oakridge National Laboratory in Oakridge, Tenn., spends \$1 million a year to train workers in basic skills.

"The vocational training we don't mind doing. I think today, to have to go back and training people on the remedial skills is an investment we wish we didn't have to make," said Lockheed president Gordon Fee.

Ameritech Corp. does not do remedial education, but it gives prospective employees a basic skills test in reading, writing, basic math and simple logic, said chairman Richard C. Notebaert. For every 10 people interviewed to work in its local telephone business in five Midwestern states, Ameritech hires one.

"The ones we don't hire — we don't hire because they can't pass the test," he said. "The test is a basic skills test. It's not for being an electronic engineer or anything."

## Amarillo businessman charged with indecency

AMARILLO (AP) — A prominent Amarillo businessman has been indicted on three felony counts alleging indecency with a child through sexual conduct.

Stanley Marsh 3 was released after posting \$3,000 bond, said Debby Phillips, deputy corrections officer at the Potter County Detention Center.

She said the flamboyant millionaire "brought the cash with him."

Marsh, 58, is chairman of the board of Marsh Media Inc., owner of Amarillo television station KVII. He is best known outside the Amarillo area as the eccentric creator of Cadillac Ranch, where 10 vintage Cadillacs have been half-buried as pop art.

Marsh told a KVII reporter he was innocent and referred all other questions to his lawyer.

Marsh was accompanied to the jail by attorney David Weir, who said later the case was being handled by State Sen. John Montford. There was no answer Tuesday night at Montford's Lubbock home or law office.

The indictments containing the charges remained sealed, Ms. Phillips said. Bond was set by State District Judge Pat Pirtle.

In December, Marsh posted \$3,000 bond on felony counts alleging kidnapping and aggravated assault. Marsh, heir to an oil and gas fortune, is accused of threatening Ben Whittenburg, 18,

of Amarillo with a hammer and confining him in a chicken coop in 1994.

Marsh also has been sued by Whittenburg's prominent family. They accused him of assault and invasion of privacy by taking pictures of the caged teenager and taunting him for months afterward.

The suit also claims that Marsh roped teenagers into working for him by catching the boys stealing road signs. Whittenburg claims that Marsh pressured the youths into swimming nude at his Toad Hall ranch. George Whittenburg, father of Ben Whittenburg, has told authorities about one 15-year-old who says Marsh molested him.

## Man surrenders after 5 1/2 hour standoff with police

TEXARKANA, Ark. (AP) — A standoff between Texarkana police and a former prison guard accused of abducting and raping his former wife ended peacefully after 5 1/2 hours, when officers

persuaded the man to give up his pistol.

Police say Austin Smith, 30, of Azle, Texas, was charged Tuesday with aggravated kidnapping and rape after his arrest

about noon. He was being held Tuesday night in the Miller County jail. No bail had been set.

Officers said Smith shut himself up in a motel room when police came to question him about the reported kidnapping and rape of his former wife during the early morning hours. He threatened to kill himself several times before surrendering, police said.

The couple was divorced in December, and their two children lived with their mother at her house in New Boston, Texas, 23 miles west of Texarkana. She said she was taken from the house between 3 a.m. and 4 a.m., officers said, and was returned there about 5 a.m.

She flagged down a police car to tell the officer she had been abducted and taken to a room at the Holiday Inn on the Arkansas side of State Line Avenue, on Texarkana's north side.

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## Opinion

### Budget buffoonery rampant in Congress

You might have thought, with a history of buffoonery behind them and an election ahead of them, that congressional Republicans would have figured out a nice, quiet way to finess the related issues of a balanced budget and the federal debt limit. The issues are important enough, but all the posturing and government shutdowns have left those who insisted on a balanced budget as the centerpiece of the Republican Revolution looking more than a bit ridiculous.

The Republicans have come out of the budget imbroglio looking like the stubborn ideologues who want to throw innocent federal workers to the wolves in the bitter midwinter, when in fact it has been President Clinton who has been stubborn, unyielding, and unwilling (mainly for ideological reasons, though some are related to special-interest trough feeders) to see one precious penny of sacred federal spending cut. That disjunction between perception and reality is manifestly unfair, but who ever said politics was fair?

If you thought these congressional heavyweights would be able to finess an issue that - rightly or wrongly - has come to bore the public, you would only be half right. They have tried to finess it, to come to a quiet, face-saving resolution. But old habits of political posturing and gamesmanship die hard.

Earlier this month, President Clinton signed legislation to extend the federal government's "temporary" debt limit - the amount the feds can borrow legally - until March 29. And there's a proposal to grant a longer debt-ceiling authorization, which would be expected to handle the government's borrowing needs all the way to July 1997.

(This whole debt-ceiling nonsense is yet another one of Washington's charades. There's a "permanent" debt ceiling, much lower than what this government routinely borrows. But nobody wants to do the honest thing, which would be to authorize a higher debt ceiling. Instead, they keep the permanent ceiling low - as if that makes anybody believe that someday soon the entire government will develop an irresistible yen for fiscal responsibility - and go through these artificial crises every year or so, as authorization for the "temporary" debt ceiling increases expires.)

The simple thing would be to authorize the July 1997 ceiling increase, perhaps with a simple amendment that says the federal budget will be balanced by 2002. It wouldn't have to have details, and they could put it behind them and everybody could pretend they won.

But no-o-o-o-o. Instead, they want to add authorization for a presidential line-item veto, an increase in the amount Social Security recipients can earn without jeopardizing benefits, and a tiny tax credit for families with children.

These are relatively non-controversial items in the imperial capital, supposedly unlikely to attract a presidential veto. But the impulse to tinker and play make-a-deal remains, apparently irresistible even when the interest of legislators would be better served by leaving well enough alone. Leaving well enough alone is apparently a foreign concept in the marble halls.

It's almost enough to make you wonder. Is letting the politicians - of both parties - have much to do with it any way to run a country?

### Thought for today

"Beauty of style and harmony and grace and good rhythm depend on simplicity."

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### Berry's World



## Viewpoints

# Lou Reed's walk on the left side

Lou Reed is President Bill Clinton's kind of musician, enough so that the 54-year-old singer was invited to perform at one of the Clintons' inaugural balls in 1993. Not long ago, Reed told *The Boston Globe*, "I love lots of stupid stuff. There's a streak in me that's never progressed beyond age 11." Reed was talking about writing songs, but the statement applies to his politics as well.

How else does one explain "Sex With Your Parents (Motherf---) Part II"? Stripped of its adult veneer, this track (found on his new album, *Set the Twilight Reeling*) is a prolonged grade-school-level tantrum. But let's allow Reed to speak for himself:

"I was getting so sick of this right-wing Republican s---"

"These ugly old men scared of young t--- and d---

"Now these old f--- can steal all they want "And they can go and pass laws saying you can't say what you want 'And you can't look at this and you can't look at that ..."

"I got statistics, I got stats"

"These people have been to bed with their parents."

(Given the sordid subject matter and all those obscenities, you might be thinking this recording is a Time Warner product - and you'd be correct.)

There's a lot more invective, elaborating on Reed's "theme" that those in public life who advocate traditional morality are products of ... well, you get the idea, if that's what it is. For some reason, I don't think Reed was a candidate to replace Michael Kinsley in the liberal seat on "Crossfire."

Does Reed have any regrets about "Sex With ..."? Only that he didn't mention Pat Buchanan, who now has a much higher profile than he did



L. Brent Bozell

when the song was recorded last summer. "I can't believe I left him out," Reed said recently, hinting that on his current concert tour, the lyrics may be revised to include Buchanan.

For the first 20-odd years of his career - until 1970 with the Velvet Underground and since then as a solo artist - Reed almost completely eschewed political involvements, but he's been catching up since the mid-'80s. First came some typical liberal causes: the anti-apartheid "Sun City" project and Amnesty International benefit shows. In early 1989, though, he released the *New York LP*, a full-blown journal of opinion in audio form dealing with the social and economic devastation that took place during the awful Reagan era.

"This is no time for celebration / This is no time for shaking hands / This is no time for backslapping / This is no time for marching bands," wrote Reed in "There Is No Time," which sought to answer Reagan's morning-in-America message with standard the-sky-is-falling liberal rhetoric. "Good Evening Mr. Waldheim" quite rightly took Jesse Jackson to task for anti-Semitism, only to tar Pope John Paul II with the same brush.

Throughout *New York*, Reed's fixation on the underclass precluded mention of the fact that the vast major-

ity of Americans were (and are) content and far from destitute. The bitter "Dirty Blvd.," about a Hispanic child living in a welfare hotel, was especially insulting: "Give me your tired, your poor

"I'll piss on 'em  
"That's what the Statue of Bigotry says  
"Your poor huddled masses  
"Let's club 'em to death."

Later in 1989, the same toxic cynicism was evident when Reed remarked on MTV that AIDS was "a right-wing dream come true ... a disease that can't be cured that wipes out homosexuals and drug addicts."

A few days before the Clinton inaugural event, Reed spoke with *The New York Times* regarding, yep, those dreadful conservatives. He reiterated that Tipper Gore's campaign against graphic rock lyrics was misguided but added that "if (outgoing President) Bush had his way, there wouldn't be any records at all." Too bad Lee Greenwood wasn't there to provide a rebuttal.

Reed continued, "Some people think that in schools, if students are being made aware of homosexuality, more people will catch it ... These people are crazy! ... At a time when AIDS is killing people, you have a church that doesn't want you to have sex education, that doesn't want you to have condoms available in schools. It's just hilarious that this is what they're going on about in 1993." No more hilarious, I think, than the notion that anyone still bothers to listen to this man in 1996.

Using familiar terminology, Reed recently criticized cuts in federal arts funding: "There's incest going on in Congress. They don't believe that culture is the lifeblood and soul of people." Bill Clinton's triangulation strategy is working. He can denounce the moral corruption in the entertainment community while celebrities like Lou Reed bash conservatives.

### Today in history

#### By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, March 27, the 87th day of 1996. There are 279 days left in the year.

#### Today's Highlight in History:

On March 27, 1794, President Washington and Congress authorized creation of the U.S. Navy.

On this date:

In 1512, Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon sighted Florida.

In 1625, Charles I ascended the English throne upon the death of James I.

In 1836, the first Mormon temple was dedicated, at Kirtland, Ohio.

In 1884, the first long-distance telephone call was made, between Boston and New York.

In 1917, the Seattle Metropolitan became the first U.S. team to win the

Stanley Cup as they defeated the Montreal Canadiens.

In 1945, during World War II, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower told reporters in Paris that German defenses on the Western Front had been broken.

In 1958, Nikita Khrushchev became Soviet premier in addition to First Secretary of the Communist Party.

In 1964, Alaska was rocked by a powerful earthquake that killed 114 people.

In 1968, Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin, the first man to orbit the Earth, died in a plane crash.

In 1977, 582 people were killed when a KLM Boeing 747, attempting to take off, crashed into a Pan Am 747 on the Canary Island of Tenerife.

In 1979, the U.S. Supreme Court

ruled, 8-to-1, that police could not stop motorists at random to check licenses and registrations unless there was reason to believe a law had been broken.

Ten years ago: The ships and planes of the Sixth Fleet withdrew from the Gulf of Sidra off Libya as American officials declared the United States had accomplished its mission of defending freedom of the seas. The U.S. Senate revived President Reagan's plan to send \$100 million to aid Nicaraguan rebels.

Five years ago: In a surprising flap, President Bush publicly disagreed with Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, who claimed he had urged further fighting in the Persian Gulf War at the time Bush ordered a cease-fire. (Schwarzkopf

later apologized to Bush.)

One year ago: Former President Jimmy Carter announced he had brokered a two-month cease-fire between Sudan's Islamic government and rebels. "Forrest Gump" won six Academy Awards, including best picture and a second consecutive Best Actor Oscar for Tom Hanks; Jessica Lange won Best Actress for "Blue Sky."

Today's Birthdays: Lord Callaghan, former British prime minister, is 84. Former Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance is 79. Newspaper columnist Anthony Lewis is 69. Dance company director Arthur Mitchell is 62. Actor Michael York is 54. Movie director Quentin Tarantino is 33. Singer Mariah Carey is 26.

# Why not Kasich for vice president?

No sooner had the debate over who wrote *Primary Colors* died down than a new guessing game gripped Washington: Who will Bob Dole choose as his running mate? Never mind that we are talking about a job once deemed "not worth a pitcher of warm spit" by John Nance Garner, Franklin D. Roosevelt's vice president. To judge from the tenor of the current debate, the VP choice is of utmost importance to the republic. And given the dynamics of this year's presidential campaign, it may very well be.

Conventional wisdom holds that a nominee must balance the ticket along ideological, geographic or religious grounds. But the primary battleground in the Clinton-Dole contest will not be any particular state or over any one issue. The fight will be waged in the hearts and minds of the people over two competing visions for America. Whether Republicans like it or not, Clinton will make the November election a referendum on the GOP agenda. So instead of balancing the ticket by looking at a map, Dole would be better off balancing it by looking at himself.

This balancing act would require giving the campaign megaphone to a vice presidential candidate who can communicate the message of the Republican revolution with passion, conviction and a sense of urgency. There are only a handful of Republican leaders who fit this bill, and Rep. John Kasich of Ohio, chairman of the Budget Committee, is high among them.

Talking with him in his office recently, I was struck by his ability to articulate both the crisis facing the country and a positive vision for resolving it. "This is a crusade," he told me. "This is not about an inside-the-Beltway battle over budget numbers. This is about reclaiming neigh-

### Arianna Huffington

borhoods and turning lives around. In the middle of the most violent part of Brooklyn, there is a church doing just that. So, on one side of the street, you have little houses with flowers blooming, and on the other, it's all bombed out." In the Reagan tradition, Kasich never espouses principle without illustrating it with stories drawn from life.

A mailman's son from McKees Rocks, Pa., Kasich sees the country in a race against time: "We're at risk of losing a generation," he said. "We can't afford to lose another one." It is this sense of urgency that gives him his trademark intensity. "Sometimes, that makes me too bullish," he explains. "When Teddy Roosevelt went up San Juan Hill, he wasn't asking, 'Is everybody happy? Has everyone had lunch?'"

Kasich is a man with a calling, and his calling is not to get re-elected for the eighth consecutive term from the 12th district in Ohio, nor is it to consolidate his power base as chairman of the Budget Committee. It is, as he put it, "to take this broken-down, rotten, stinking system and transform it." He has no illusions about the magnitude of the task. And he has no doubt about the nature of the solutions: "We are a society founded on a Judeo-Christian ethic that says you are judged on the basis of what you do to the least of them ... But we have too much of a home-run mentality. It's as if we have to change things for thousands of people at once or it's not worth it. In fact, it's got to be one person at a time."

The Kasich paradox is that he is a political leader steeped in the legislative battle who nevertheless understands that we'll never be able to change America unless "we communicate clearly what is at stake and energize American citizens to get involved."

"We need to give our people a clear vision of where we are going," he says, "and then they would walk over red-hot coals to get there."

Thomas Carlyle considered the principal stuff of leadership "sincerity, a deep, great, genuine sincerity." This is what Kasich exudes, together with a deep conviction that would ring like a clear bell through the clanging chaos of presidential politics.

Hartford, Conn., is the likely site for the vice presidential debate this fall. We know that at one podium will stand Al Gore, in all his varnished splendor. Would it not help Dole's chances if at the other podium stood a youthful, vibrant Republican leader who could bring a whole new generation of Americans to the ticket and to the party?

Yes, some say, but Kasich is divorced and not yet seasoned enough. In fact, there is seasoning for two at the top of the ticket, and through all the tests ahead, Kasich could draw from a deep faith in God that became central to his life after his parents were tragically killed by a drunken driver eight years ago.

Standing next to Dole for the three crucial months leading to Nov. 5, Kasich could infuse the presidential debate with ideas, the GOP agenda with compassion, and the Republican ticket with vigor.

It beats choosing by "key swing states" and may have the best chance of beating Clinton come fall.

# Ross doesn't recognize the possibilities

Not the least reason to replace Bill Clinton with Bob Dole - though Ross Perot seems not to comprehend it - is judicial. The president appoints federal judges. Federal judges, whether they should or not, make national policy. The kind of policy you get depends on the kind of judges the president names - liberal or conservative, overbearing or restrained.

Re-elect Clinton, with or without Perot's help as a third-party candidate, and you give Clinton the time and tools to remodel the federal courts: to make them more liberal and more overbearing, as in pre-Reagan days.

You could have courts, for instance, that say the direct opposite of what the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals said the other day. A three-judge panel of the court ruled unconstitutional the University of Texas Law School's policy of favoring black and Hispanic applicants over better qualified whites.

The court said: "A broad program that sweeps in all minorities with a remedy that is in no way related to past harms cannot survive constitutional scrutiny."

Who made this decision? A court appointed during the Reagan-Bush era. Appointed for the high and specific purpose of making judges stop reading their ideology into the Constitution.

On racial questions, the 14th Amendment commands neutrality. The racial favoritism that became national policy in the '60s, as judges and bureaucrats sought to compensate for past segregation, doesn't wash with the Fifth Circuit.



William Murchison

Up to our highest tribunal, the U.S. Supreme Court, this case heads for resolution. But on that court, as on the Fifth Circuit, sit other Reagan-Bush judges. These (with the possible exception of the inscrutable David Souter) will listen with interest and respect to the Fifth-Circuit's argument that if you can't discriminate constitutionally in favor of one race, then you can't discriminate constitutionally in favor of other races. That will be something. Twenty years ago, the federal courts thought it just fine to allocate children to specific schools and classrooms not despite, but on account of, race. Some judges still think it's fine.

The University of Texas decision is a landmark on account of the federal court system's growing realism and sobriety regarding racial matters. That realism, that sobriety, were implanted through judicious judicial appointments. They could be undone by injudicious appointments - by the seating, that is, of judges who first decide what they want done and then find some excuse for doing it.

The whole notion of racial preferences, as practiced by the University of Texas, is absurd. Come on: This student gets in because of race and that one doesn't? It's the old days all over again: segregation triumphant, skin color paramount. Is that what the affirmative auctioneers want? Is that what they seek, never pausing to consider that the only principle they assert is that of power politics: When you've got power, break the other guy's arm.

And if, having enjoyed that power, you lose it - as the whites lost theirs, at least in the judicial sphere - what then? Doesn't somebody else just take charge? And doesn't the cycle start afresh? And isn't it time to establish other criteria for preference, such as individual worth and merit?

The affirmative auctioneers obviously don't think so. What do we do about them? Among other things, keep the judicial pressure on - which means, seat on the federal courts more commonsensical judges such as adorn the Fifth Circuit bench. Which is one reason all this third-party talk galls.

Perot isn't going to win the election. Nor is Pat Buchanan if he runs. What the two could do - Perot by himself might suffice - is throw the election to Clinton, enabling him, among many other things, to appoint more liberals to the courts and make affirmative action a national institution, like lines at the Washington Monument.

Run, Ross, run - for the border. Shoo. Go away. America needs a third-party ticket the way the Titanic needed more holes.

A fetching slogan comes to mind: Can't Get Enough Affirmative Action? Vote Ross for Boss.

# Nation briefs 'Birdcage' still perched on No. 1 spot

By DENNIS ANDERSON  
Associated Press Writer

## Drugmaker warns against misuse of Ritalin

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Responding to reports that schoolchildren are snorting and shooting up Ritalin to get high, the primary maker of the hyperactivity drug has begun a campaign to curb its abuse.

The company is sending pamphlets on the proper use of the drug to more than 110,000 doctors and 100,000 pharmacists this week, hoping they will pass them on to parents and school nurses.

While Ritalin has been used for more than 40 years, abuse has grown in recent years as more children are diagnosed with attention deficit disorder, typified by inattentive, impulsive and sometimes uncontrollable behavior.

A report by the United Nations last month said the drug is now so commonplace that 3 percent to 5 percent of all U.S. schoolchildren take it each day — between 1.5 million and 2.5 million children.

When used in low doses, the drug interacts with chemicals in the brain to help children concentrate. In greater doses, the drug can increase heart rate and blood flow and produce a sense of euphoria.

Some youngsters buy or steal the drug from classmates, crushing the tablets to snort the powder like cocaine, authorities say. Others cook and inject it like heroin.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — *The Birdcage*, a comedy starring Robin Williams and Gene Hackman, was the most popular film in the country for the third consecutive weekend, earning \$13.3 million.

The thriller *Executive Decision*, starring Kurt Russell and Steven Seagal, also did strong business in its second weekend with \$9.8 million for the No. 2 spot.

Top 20 films that won Oscars on Monday night included *Dead Man Walking*, for which Susan Sarandon won best actress, and *Leaving Las Vegas*, for which Nicolas Cage won best actor. *Dead Man Walking* earned \$1.3 million and tied for 11th place, while *Leaving Las Vegas* earned \$580,000 at No. 20.

*Sense and Sensibility*, which won best screenplay based on material previously produced or published, earned \$1.1 million and tied for 14th place and *The Postman (Il Postino)*, which won for original dramatic score, finished at No. 18 with \$805,000.

Nominated but passed over for an Oscar, *Mr. Holland's Opus* earned \$2 million for the No. 8 spot. Richard Dreyfuss was nominated for best actor.

Debuts making the top 10 included *Diabolique*, a suspense film starring Sharon Stone, which earned \$5.5 million for third place, and Spike Lee's *Girl 6*, which opened in seventh place with \$2.5 million.

The top 20 movies at U.S. and Canadian theaters Friday through Sunday, followed by studio, gross, number of theater locations, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled by Exhibitor Relations Co. on Monday:

1. *The Birdcage*, MGM, \$13.3 million, 2,236 locations, \$5,946

BOX OFFICE		
Top weekend movies		
Weekend of March 22-24, 1996		
All dollar figures in millions		
Gross to date, weeks in release, number of screens	Weekend gross	
1. <i>The Birdcage</i> \$60.6, three weeks, 2,236 screens	\$13.2	
2. <i>Executive Decision</i> \$26, two weeks, 2,289 screens	\$9.8	
3. <i>Diabolique</i> \$5.5, one week, 1,824 screens	\$5.5	
4. <i>Homeward Bound II: Lost in San Francisco</i> \$22.3, three weeks, 2,124 screens	\$4.18	
5. <i>Up Close and Personal</i> \$35.9, four weeks, 1,639 screens	\$4.17	
6. <i>Fargo</i> \$5.1, three weeks, 412 screens	\$2.8	
7. <i>Girl 6</i> \$2.5, one week, 1,077 screens	\$2.5	
8. <i>Mr. Holland's Opus</i> \$72.8, eight weeks, 1,491 screens	\$2	
9. <i>Down Periscope</i> \$21, four weeks, 1,568 screens	\$1.9	
10. <i>Broken Arrow</i> \$64.6, seven weeks, 1,463 screens	\$1.5	

Source: Exhibitor Relations Co., Inc. AP

per location, \$60.6 million, three weeks.

2. *Executive Decision*, Warner Bros., \$9.8 million, 2,289 locations, \$4,271 per location, \$26 million, two weeks.

3. *Diabolique*, Warner Bros., \$5.5 million, 1,824 locations, \$3,029 per location, \$5.5 million, one week.

4. *Homeward Bound II: Lost in San Francisco*, Disney, \$4.18 million, 2,124 locations, \$1,971 per location, \$22.3 million, three weeks.

5. *Up Close and Personal*, Disney, \$4.17 million, 1,639 locations, \$2,546 per location, \$35.9 million, four weeks.

6. *Fargo*, Gramercy, \$2.8 million, 412 locations, \$6,827 per location, \$5.1 million, three weeks.

7. *Girl 6*, 20th Century Fox, \$2.5 million, 1,077 locations, \$2,308 per location, \$2.5 million, one week.

8. *Mr. Holland's Opus*, Disney, \$2 million, 1,491 locations, \$1,324 per location, \$72.8 million, eight weeks.

9. *Down Periscope*, 20th Century Fox, \$1.9 million, 1,588 locations, \$1,212 per location, \$21 million, four weeks.

10. *Broken Arrow*, 20th Century Fox, \$1.5 million, 1,463 locations, \$1,011 per location, \$64.6 million, seven weeks.

11. (tied) *Happy Gilmore*, Universal, \$1.3 million, 1,287 locations, \$1,035 per location, \$33.7 million, six weeks.

12. (tied) *Dead Man Walking*, Gramercy, \$1.3 million, 770 locations, \$1,720 per location, \$30.2 million, 13 weeks.

13. (tied) *Race the Sun*, Sony, \$1.1 million, 1,218 locations, \$917 per location, \$1.1 million, one week.

14. (tied) *Rumble in the Bronx*, New Line, \$1.1 million, 1,044 locations, \$1,057 per location, \$29 million, five weeks.

15. (tied) *Sense and Sensibility*, Columbia, \$1.1 million, 1,000 locations, \$1,068 per location, \$39 million, 15 weeks.

16. *Ed*, Universal, \$1 million, 1,588 locations, \$663 per location, \$3.5 million, two weeks.

17. *Muppet Treasure Island*, Disney, \$807,000, 1,089 locations, \$742 per location, \$32 million, six weeks.

18. *The Postman*, Miramax, \$805,000, 430 locations, \$1,871 per location, \$16.3 million, 41 weeks.

19. *Hellraiser: Bloodline*, Miramax, \$601,000, 914 locations, \$657 per location, \$8.4 million, three weeks.

20. *Leaving Las Vegas*, MGM, \$584,000, 488 locations, \$1,196 per location, \$28 million, 22 weeks.

## After 200 years, doctors answer question of safety of heart medicine, results provide reassuring news

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — For two centuries, doctors have prescribed digitalis for failing hearts with little but faith to assure them they are doing more good than harm.

Now, at last, they have an answer: Digitalis doesn't save lives, but it doesn't kill people, either.

Digitalis is so old that it escaped the kind of scrutiny a new medicine would receive to make sure it is safe and effective. In recent times, some have wondered whether it triggers cardiac arrest and should be shelved in favor of newer medicines.

Still, about half of the country's 4.7 million victims of congestive heart failure receive digoxin, the modern derivative of digitalis. So the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute sponsored a large study of this old medicine's pros and cons.

"We wanted to answer the 200-year-old question of whether digoxin has an effect on mortality," said Dr. Rekha Garg of the heart institute.

The results of the study, which began in 1991 and ended last December, were released Tuesday at the annual scientific meeting of the American College of Cardiology.

The study found that while

people on digitalis were somewhat less likely to die of heart failure, they were slightly more apt to die from cardiac arrest and heart attacks. Overall, though, their death rate was no higher than the comparison group's.

However, the study also showed that digitalis indeed helps: Patients taking the drug are less likely to be hospitalized for treatment of heart failure.

Dr. Richard Gorlin of Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York, who presented the findings, said he would not hesitate to prescribe digitalis to anyone with clear-cut heart failure.

"I hope this provides reassurance to physicians that they can use the drug with a reasonable sense of its effectiveness and that given properly it is safe to use," said Gorlin.

In all, 7,788 men and women at 301 hospitals in the United States and Canada were randomly assigned to take either digoxin or dummy placebos. They continued to receive their other heart medicines, usually drugs called ACE inhibitors as well as diuretics.

A main difference was patients' admission to the hospital for treatment of their heart failure. During the study, 975 were admitted for the first time for this condition, compared with 1,250 of people in the comparison group.

Part of the uncertainty about digitalis is reflected in the way its use varies from country to country. For instance, it is seldom given in Great Britain, while German doctors prescribe it for nearly all their heart failure patients.

## Volunteers Needed

Tralee Crisis Center assists victims of family violence, sexual assault and victims of violent crimes. Tralee Crisis Center is looking for volunteers in the following counties: Carson, Collingsworth, Donley, Gray, Hemphill, Roberts and Wheeler. Training will be held in Pampa and Wheeler. Classes being April 1 and 2. If you are interested please contact Tralee Crisis Center at 669-1131.

## Controversial cancer doc's patients denounce FDA

WASHINGTON (AP) — Without government action, 120 patients of cancer doctor Stanislaw Burzynski will lose access to the experimental therapy they hope will save their lives, says a spokesman for the Houston physician.

And all patients might be cut off from their antineoplaston treatment unless the Food and Drug Administration intervenes quickly, Burzynski Research Institute official Dean Mouscher said Tuesday.

Mouscher said the clinic would be forced as of noon today to stop treating 120 patients not enrolled in FDA clinical trials. The clinic currently is treating 280 patients from all over the country.

The cutoff is due to a federal judge's February ruling that Burzynski could only treat those in the clinical trials. Implementation of that ruling was stayed until today.

Frustrated by the latest twists in Burzynski's complicated dealings with the federal government, a roomful of angry patients denounced the FDA and its chief, David Kessler, at a Capitol Hill news conference.

"Dr. Kessler is cutting me off of my only hope for long-term treatment," said 25-year-old Michael Spano of Westchester, N.Y., who three weeks ago began taking antineoplastons in hopes of halt-

ing the spread of his lung cancer.

"He's threatening to be one of the nails in my coffin, and I don't accept that," Spano said.

The FDA has emerged as a favorite target of congressional Republicans. They have used Burzynski's case as proof the FDA is too slow in approving new medicines and too rigid in dealing with unconventional therapies.

The news conference was timed to coincide with today's unveiling of a House GOP proposal to streamline FDA's functions.

Agency officials note they are charged by Congress with protecting citizens from drugs that are harmful or don't live up to their billing. But the patients contend that since the drug — by the FDA's own admission — is non-toxic, they should have the right to use it as they see fit.

"It is my constitutional right to be able to receive antineoplastons and I expect my government to help me," said Rita Kraft of New Bremen, Ohio, pounding the podium with her fist.

Burzynski has battled the FDA, state and federal courts, and the Texas Board of Medical Examiners since opening his clinic in 1983. Last November, a federal grand jury indicted him on 75 counts of fraud and illegally introducing the drug into interstate commerce.

## Court rules on parent relocation

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — New York's highest court has loosened restrictions on when divorced parents with custody of their children can move from the area where their ex-spouses are living.

Family Court judges previously had been guided mainly by whether a move would deprive noncustodial parents of "regular and meaningful access" to their children. But a unanimous Court of Appeals determined Tuesday that judges should consider the best interests of the child, and give greater weight to individual circumstances when ruling on a relocation request.

"Like Humpty Dumpty, a family, once broken by divorce, cannot be put back together in precisely the same way," Judge Vito Titone wrote in the court's ruling.

It may be better for some divorced parents to see their kids who have moved away for extended periods over the summer or around the holidays than for a few hours every weekend, Titone wrote.

A member of the state Father's Rights Association, which advocates the rights of men in divorce and custody proceedings, called the decision a "tragedy."

"Even 50 or 100 miles away makes it difficult to maintain contact for a father," said Paul McCauley of Niskayuna.

The ruling was prompted by two cases, one in which a woman wanted to take her two children from the Syracuse area to Schenectady and the other where a woman asked to move with her child from White Plains to Pittsfield, Mass.

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The City of McLean will hold a second public hearing at 5:30 p.m. on April 2, 1996 at City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development (TCDP) grant. Topics to be discussed will include the applications for sewer system improvements for the City in the approximate amount of \$239,300.00 and the estimated amount of funds proposed for activities that will benefit low and moderate income persons. The application will be available for review at the City Hall during regular business hours. Handicapped individuals wishing to attend the public hearing should contact the City for assistance.

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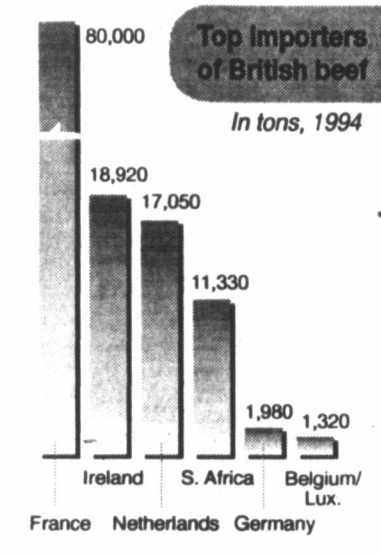
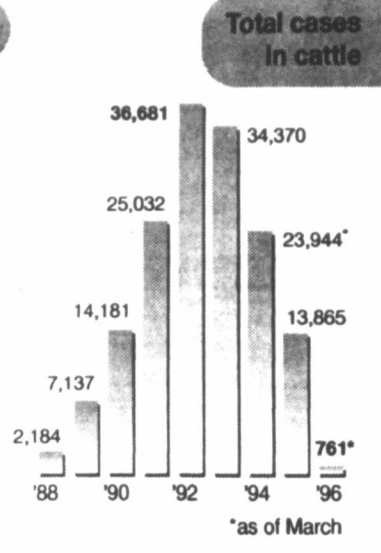
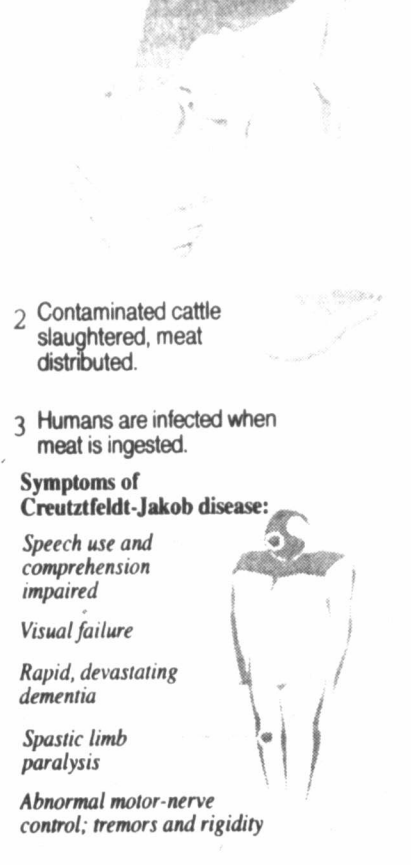
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### Mad cow disease

The mad cow scare threw Britain's \$6 billion beef industry into crisis when the government acknowledged that the cattle disease is the most likely source of a similar brain disease that has struck 10 young Britons.

#### Trail of the brain disease

- 1 Sheep entrails, contaminated with a brain-wasting disease, scrapie, is fed to cattle. The use of sheep entrails as feed was banned in 1989.
- 2 Contaminated cattle slaughtered, meat distributed.
- 3 Humans are infected when meat is ingested.



Source: Meat and Livestock Commission AP/Trace TSO

## Farmers propose killing older cattle to allay fears

LONDON (AP) — Farmers demanded Tuesday that Britain begin killing older cattle to calm public fears of the mad cow disease, but Prime Minister John Major refused and blamed the entire crisis on his political opponents.

The National Farmers Union suggested frightened customers could be reassured if Britain destroyed thousands of older cattle believed likely to have contracted the fatal disease from eating sheep offal.

Scientists say sheep offal — waste parts like entrails — caused the outbreak of the disease formally known as bovine spongiform encephalopathy but that such feeding was outlawed in 1989, meaning most of Britain's 11 million cattle are believed to be at no risk.

Britain's beef industry has been reeling since March 20, when Health Secretary Stephen Dorrell announced that scientists believed the mad cow disease was the "most likely" source of 10 cases of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, a similar illness in humans. Eight of the victims have died.

Britain suffered another blow Tuesday when specialists it dispatched to Belgium failed to persuade the European Union's veterinary experts to drop proposals for a worldwide ban on British beef exports.

The EU veterinary committee said there was no change in Monday's recommendation for an indefinite ban.

The ban will go into effect immediately if the 20-member EU executive commission backs the panel's recommendation in its weekly meeting Wednesday. Of the EU nations, only Denmark and Ireland now allow imports of British beef.

U.S. military officials in Germany, meanwhile, have ordered commissaries in the Mediterranean region and Scotland to pull British beef products from their shelves. The order affects U.S. commissaries in Italy, Spain, Turkey, Greece and Scotland, the only ones in the region selling British beef.

Major was quick to blame his political opponents for fomenting public fears at home and abroad about British beef.

During bad-tempered exchanges in the House of Commons, opposition lawmakers jeered Major, who insisted that the chances of contracting the brain-wasting disease from eating British beef were remote.

Paddy Ashdown of the small Liberal Democrat party asked Major: "What has he got to say to farmers, to abattoir (slaughterhouse) managers, to cattle market operators who all morning have been ringing to say: 'My doors are closed, my market is gone, and in two weeks my business will be in ruins?'"

Sir David Naish, president of the National Farmers Union, proposed culling older cows that are more likely to have eaten feed supplemented with sheep offal.

"It is vital to restore confidence in consumers not just in the United Kingdom but also throughout Europe and the world," Naish told BBC radio. The killings could involve as many as 15,000 animals per week, the farmers union said — and presumably millions of dollars in compensation from the government.

The Scottish branch of the farmers union made a slightly different proposal: that cattle older than 30 months — about 4.5 million British cattle — not be used for human food.

Major said there was no scientific reason to slaughter the older cattle, and the only conceivable justification would be as a gesture to bolster public confidence.

"I hope that sound judgment will prevail, but if it does not, those who have destroyed that confidence will be the people to blame ... and they sit there, there and there!" Major said, pointing at opposition parties.

Labor Party leader Tony Blair accused Major of "mind-boggling incompetence" in dealing with the issue and asked: "Does he not realize this country expects him as prime minister to take responsibility?"

## Politicians clash over raising minimum wage

WASHINGTON (AP) — Relishing their combat with Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, the GOP presidential nominee-in-waiting, Democrats say they'll try again and again to force a vote on raising the minimum wage.

"We will continue to bring this up until we are satisfied that the Senate is on record," Democratic Leader Tom Daschle said Tuesday, shortly after Dole successfully blunted attempts to force an immediate vote.

For Dole, the scrape over the minimum wage was a sign of campaign-year battles to come.

"I assume they are not going to make it easy for me. But if they are going to have that attitude then we are not going to make it easy for Clinton, either," Dole told The Associated Press. "In my view it is a little too early for all that."

Dole said Democrats were engaging in special interest politics, raising the issue on the Senate floor one day after organized labor voted to endorse President Clinton's re-election bid and announced plans for a \$35 million campaign fund to promote their campaign-year agenda.

"I assume with the AFL-CIO in town and their pledge of \$35 million, this would be a fairly appropriate time to consider this measure," he said in a sarcastic reference to the AFL-CIO's action.

But Democrats used the opportunity to attack Dole vigorously.

"On the day that Bob Dole locks up the Republican (presidential) nomination, he locks out working families who are looking for a very modest increase" in their paycheck, said Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass.

Kennedy said Democrats were unconcerned that they might mar Dole's celebration of the California presidential primary results. "We haven't lost sleep over it," he said.

Kennedy and Daschle said they would make another attempt to force a vote on Thursday. Regardless of how it turns out, Tuesday's events demonstrated the challenge confronting Dole as he runs for president and retains his job as majority leader simultaneously. Rather than have GOP Whip Trent Lott or another lawmaker handle the floor responsibilities, Dole himself made the key motions during the day that first denied the Democrats their vote, then finessed the issue until a later time.

By day's end, Dole had also sought to transform the minimum wage issue into a debate about welfare and Medicaid, subjects where Republicans feel on more solid ground politically.

He did so by trying to send the underlying

legislation, which related to federal parks, to the Finance Committee, to emerge April 21 with GOP Medicaid and welfare reform proposals attached.

Most Democrats favor an increase in the minimum wage, and the proposal outlined during the day would boost it from the current \$4.25 an hour to \$5.15 an hour in two equal 45-cent steps over the next two years.

The issue has been a reliable applause line for Clinton, who raises it in terms of family values, suggesting that everyone talks about family values but the minimum wage is one place where politicians can put their money where their mouth is.

"There are millions of people out there, my fellow Americans, who are trying to raise children on \$4.25 an hour," Clinton told Ohio Democrats over the weekend. "You can't do that. That's not a family value. We ought to raise it instead of letting it go to a 40-year low."

Dole conceded that sooner or later, Democrats will get their vote. But "not today and not tomorrow and hopefully not this week," he said as he kept the Senate marking time for much of the afternoon.

Kennedy aside, the two Democrats most active on the issue during the day were Sens. Paul Wellstone of Minnesota and John Kerry of Massachusetts, both of whom face difficult re-election campaigns this fall.

## Companies scan resumes into database, recall electronically

BOSTON (AP) — Anyone who has ever filled a job knows the feeling. A qualified candidate is out there somewhere, but where is that resume that was gathering dust in a drawer?

Multiply that resume by the thousands, and you get an idea of how a personnel manager at a large company must feel.

But companies that once lost track of job seekers amid piles of paper now are scanning resumes into databases that allow them to search for suitable candidates at the click of a mouse.

"You don't want to sit there and say, 'Who was that guy, you know, the one with the brown hair?'" said Barbara Whitcher, director of recruiting and staffing for John Hancock Financial Services. "Instead of going through a drawer of paper with maybe 500 resumes ... you can

enter in keywords and come up with 30."

Hancock has a software system that uses an electronic scanner to put every resume it receives into its computers. It now has 7,500 resumes at its fingertips.

Whitcher said the system saves money on paper, cuts back on classified ads and, most importantly, allows her to fit candidates to jobs — no matter when they submitted their resumes.

Such systems are becoming more popular as shifts in the marketplace result in companies filling jobs more frequently and increasing their use of temporary or contract workers.

An average software company loses 14 percent of its employees a year — and that "churn" rate is going up.

"Essentially, you're filling every job in the company every

five years. ... Those who can find the best workers for the least money will survive," said Lars Perkins, president and chief executive officer of Restrac, a Dedham-based company that makes resume database software.

Starting at \$110,000, Restrac's system is geared toward larger companies. Customers include American Express, Fidelity Investments and Dow Chemical.

It not only scans in resumes, but allows employers to search for a variety of skills, rank candidates based on those skills and even create response letters.

Teresa Toller, manager of recruitment and staffing for the Good Guys!, a chain of West Coast electronics stores, used the system to sift through more than 100 resumes the company received in response to a recent

newspaper ad for a supervisor's opening.

She typed in a query for someone who knew about human resource information systems, had worked as a supervisor and had retail experience.

"In less than five minutes, I found five who had the qualities we were looking for," Toller said.

On Tuesday, Restrac announced an agreement with a popular Internet job postings service, The Monster Board, that should make it easier and faster for job applicants to get their resumes seen by potential employers.

The Monster Board, which is owned by New York-based TMP Worldwide, has 53,000 jobs listed in searchable form on the World Wide Web, 60 percent of them in high-tech fields. The service is free for job seekers.

## Appraiser admits cleaning up books at Madison before regulators arrive

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — An appraiser who admitted he illegally cleaned up the books at Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan said he was told: "Don't worry about repercussions. This goes all the way to the top."

Prosecutors in the Whitewater trial dropped their line of questioning Tuesday after Robert Palmer began talking about political connections. Palmer said he did not ask and was not told who the official was at "the top."

Palmer said the statement was made by Traffic Judge Bill Watt, a former associate of David Hale, whose allegations about financial dealings among prominent Arkansans are a major element of the Whitewater investigation.

President Clinton was gover-

nor of Arkansas at the time, but there was no reference, direct or indirect, to him.

Prosecutors had tried before the trial began to block court references to political motivation, but the judge ruled that the defense has the right to question the political motivation of witnesses.

Clinton's former Whitewater land deal partners, James and Susan McDougal, along with the man who succeeded him as governor, Jim Guy Tucker, are on trial. They are accused of arranging nearly \$3 million in fraudulent loans through Hale's company and through Madison Guaranty, which the McDougals owned until it collapsed in 1989 at a cost to taxpayers of \$65 million.

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# Report: VitaPro official served time in Canada

AUSTIN (AP) — The company that sold a meat substitute to Texas prisons is headed by an ex-convict who was so trusted by state officials, he was issued a Texas prison employee ID badge, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported in a copy-right story.

VitaPro Foods Inc. head Yank Barry, a Montreal businessman, acknowledged that he served 10 months in a Canadian prison a decade ago for extortion and conspiracy, the newspaper reported. Texas prison officials say they are investigating the matter.

"It's another bizarre chapter in an already seedy story," said Allan Polunsky, Texas Board of Criminal Justice chairman. The prison system's spending practices have come under fire amid disclosures that proper state purchasing practices weren't followed when the agency agreed to buy up to \$33.6 million worth of VitaPro, a soy-based meat substitute fed to inmates.

Federal and state authorities are investigating the contract and former prison chief James A. "Andy" Collins, who prison officials now say not only pressured the system to buy it but also to serve it once a day.

Collins went to work as a \$1,000-a-day consultant for VitaPro while he technically was still on the state payroll. He has since quit the consulting job, while maintaining Texas benefited from its arrangement with VitaPro.

Barry, who says he was born Gerald Barry Falovitch, contends he was candid about his past with top prison officials. He says he even joked with convicts about it during visits to Texas prisons to promote VitaPro.

"It was a running gag in the department ... that the food had been so bad when I was in prison that I developed VitaPro to take its place," Barry told the *American-Statesman* in Tuesday's story.

He said of his run-in with the law, "It was the first time I was ever in trouble. And it was the last."

Barry said Collins and Polunsky were among those who knew about his past. Polunsky denied that, the newspaper reported.

The events leading to Barry's conviction began in 1972, when he was about 24, and involved extorting money from a business associate in a scheme involving a call girl, the *American-Statesman* reported.

Barry, now 48, says the target was John Royden McConnell, the scion of a publishing family. McConnell alleged that Barry and another man extorted \$82,000 from him.

Montreal newspaper accounts at the time of Barry's arrest and conviction reported the scheme involved a prostitute hired to solicit McConnell in Jamaica. The prostitute then claimed to be the wife of an Italian underworld figure and demanded money not to tell her "husband."

# Morales expects Supreme Court to hear admissions case

By PEGGY FIKAC  
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas will take the fight over affirmative action in university admissions to the U.S. Supreme Court, state Attorney General Dan Morales said Tuesday.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals last week struck down the University of Texas Law School's admissions policy, saying UT failed to justify favoring some racial groups. The decision came in a lawsuit filed by four white law school applicants.

Morales said he expects the Supreme Court to agree to consider Texas' case. If it doesn't, he said, it could be years before a similar case is presented. Nearly two decades have elapsed since the court last issued a formal opinion on affirmative action, he said.

"It has the opportunity in this litigation to speak to, I think, one of the more important issues facing us as a society," Morales said, predicting arguments in the case would be scheduled for the fall.

Morales said he will ask for a stay of the 5th Court's ruling while the case is under appeal. A stay would allow universities to use whatever admissions system



Atty. Gen. Dan Morales

they see fit until the case is finally decided, he said.

UT institutions, which had suspended admissions after the 5th Court's ruling, got the go-ahead Tuesday from UT System Chancellor William Cunningham to resume admitting students for summer and fall.

But Cunningham said the institutions must operate under the appellate ruling's guidelines, meaning race or ethnicity can't be taken into account.

UT System spokesman Monty Jones said if a stay is granted, the university likely would return to its previous affirmative action policy.

"We want to obey the law," Jones said.

The state's case will be aided by Harvard Law School professor Laurence Tribe, a noted constitutional scholar, Morales said. Tribe will help in submitting the case to the Supreme Court and will handle arguments if the court agrees to hear the case, he said.

"I believe that we will be successful in helping the court come up with a constitutionally permissible, allowable manner by which we can continue to promote the very worthy goals of diversity and inclusiveness in higher education and in our society in general," said Morales, whose decision to appeal followed demonstrations by hundreds of university students in support of affirmative action.

"We need doctors, lawyers, engineers, business people, educators, journalists, government officials coming from all socioeconomic groups, coming from all races, representing all ethnicities — particularly in a state like ours which is comprised of close to 40 percent minorities," Morales said.

He added that Texas wants to help find a mechanism for promoting diversity that's not only constitutional but has broad public support.

"I am of the opinion that the vast majority of Texans are not racists. The vast majority of Americans are not racists. I think that as a rule, the majority of citizens in our country support the goals of inclusiveness, the goals of diversity," he said.

Morales had said Monday that some civil rights advocates didn't believe the UT case was one of the stronger ones that could be presented to the Supreme Court on affirmative action in higher education.

But he said Tuesday, "We have found ourselves in a situation where I think the harmful consequences of this ruling, if allowed to stand, upon our state and upon higher education compel the action that we have decided upon."

"If I were going to take a case up to the U.S. Supreme Court on this issue, would I put together this particular policy and this particular fact situation and individual circumstances and details? The answer would be no," he said. "However... sometimes you just have to play the hand you're dealt."

# Spacewalking astronauts venture outside orbiting outpost

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Two NASA astronauts dangled from a 15-foot tunnel linking shuttle Atlantis and the Russian space station Mir today in an unprecedented spacewalk outside the orbiting outpost.

Astronauts Linda Godwin and Michael "Rich" Clifford floated out of the shuttle as the massive Atlantis-Mir complex soared some 250 miles over the South Pacific.

Wearing jet packs as a safety precaution, they scaled opposite sides of Mir's orange docking tunnel to begin the risky spacewalk.

Nearly six hours later, they climbed back inside the safety of Atlantis having accomplished all their objectives.

It was the first spacewalk by Americans outside Mir and the first U.S. spacewalk at a space station since astronauts journeyed outside Skylab in 1974.

The spacewalkers' first task was to attach several clamps, or experiment holders, on the tunnel. Later, they secured four suitcase-shaped experiment boxes there.

The installation process was slow and looked awkward. As Godwin installed one box near another, Mission Control warned her against banging them together and damaging the contamination-sensitive experiments inside.

"I am watching these two," she replied. "I know they look close."

The 55- to 60-pound boxes, to be retrieved by spacewalkers late next year, contain paint samples, fibers, metals and other materials that might be used for external surfaces on the planned international space station.

There also were cosmic dust catchers so engineers can find out what kind of particles smash into orbiting spaceships.

Before attaching the boxes, Godwin and Clifford cut an electrical cable and removed a television camera from the tunnel. Shuttle astronauts used the camera while installing the docking port last November.

Throughout their excursion, the two also

tried out new tethers and a foot platform that can accommodate differences in the space suits worn by Americans and Russians.

The spacewalk was an example of the work astronauts will be expected to do while constructing and maintaining the international station in a few years.

As they labored outside the 522,847-pound complex, Godwin and Clifford had audiences on both sides. Astronaut Shannon Lucid watched with two Russian cosmonauts from her new home aboard the Mir; three astronauts peered out from Atlantis.

This spacewalk was considered especially risky because Atlantis, while docked to Mir, could not immediately chase down the astronauts if their tethers were to break or come loose.

Both astronauts wore jet packs — though the devices were not used — so they could propel themselves back to the orbiting complex in that unlikely event. They test-fired the tiny nitrogen thrusters on their jet packs before leaving Atlantis to make sure everything worked.

## State briefs

### Small-town police officer arrested for murder

EDCOUCH (AP) — A police officer in this small South Texas town has been arrested in connection with the murder of an 18-year-old high school student whose body was found floating in a canal, her throat slit.

Officer Gilberto Chavero Jr., 28, was being held at the Hidalgo County Jail today on suspicion of murder, said Hidalgo County sheriff's spokeswoman Mary Ann Martinez. He was scheduled to be arraigned later this morning.

Chavero is accused of murdering Iris Yvette Hidalgo of McAllen, who disappeared Friday after telling her parents she was going to the beach.

The teenager, a student at McAllen High School, was found early Sunday. Her throat had been slit with a single-edged knife and her body dumped in a canal near the Edcouch Water Treatment Plant, Ms. Martinez said.

Chavero was the first officer to the murder scene, she said. He told authorities he had found a note in his patrol car Sunday advising him to go to the sewage plant.

### Talk of border walls a world away for two Laredos

LAREDO (AP) — While some border towns talk of building walls to keep out illegal immigrants, this city and its sister across the Mexican border want to construct a 10-lane bridge to make it easier to cross the Rio Grande.

Americans' hostility toward illegal immigrants — reflected in presidential campaign rhetoric — seems distant from Laredo, Texas, and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. Indeed, for more than two centuries, the two Laredos

have considered themselves something of a nation apart.

One reason the two cities want to work even more closely together is their shared role as the busiest trade crossing on the U.S.-Mexican frontier. An estimated \$107 billion worth of goods passed through the two cities in 1995.

Laredo, 125 miles inland from the Gulf of Mexico, is at the northern end of the highway to Mexico City and the southern end of Interstate 35, which runs through America's heartland to Canada. More than 4,000 trucks cross from Mexico each day, and the cities' two highway bridges and one rail crossing are the main port of entry for U.S. exports headed south.

### Navy ships may have found fuselage of T-44A trainer

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Navy mine warfare ships may have found the fuselage of a Beechcraft T-44A military trainer that crashed Monday in the Gulf of Mexico with three crew members aboard.

The Navy on Tuesday reported "a sonar contact which may be the fuselage of the aircraft."

Stormy weather, however, kept the ships from using remote controlled underwater equipment to search the crash site, and the ships returned to Naval Station Ingleside after sundown Tuesday. Swells in the Gulf were estimated at 6 to 8 feet.

None of the crew members, all of whom were assigned to Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, has been found.

The Navy identified them Tuesday as Marine Corps Capt. John C. Krafft, an instructor pilot; and two student aviators, Marine Corps 1st Lt. Ronald S. Pahl and Lt. jg. Robert P. Roch.

# Freeze branding project set

Gray County horse project is sponsoring a freeze branding for horses from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 13, at Clyde Carruth Pavilion.

The cost of branding is \$16 per horse with proceeds going to the Gray County horse project. Equine identification and a photo of each horse will be taken. Owners will retain all information.

A concession stand will be

open during the day. Horse project members encourage the public to have their animals branded as a deterrent to theft and as an aid to returning a lost or stolen animal.

Cliff Elliott of Amarillo with do the branding.

For more information call Doug Pritchett at 665-1142 or Sharon Price, project chairman, at 665-2455.

# Teacher charged in bomb threat

BEAUMONT (AP) — A recently suspended marine science teacher has been charged with threatening to blow up Central Senior High School.

The school was evacuated and the campus searched following the telephone threat.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms charged David L. Fourmerat Jr., 39, with using a telephone to make a bomb threat. The charge was unsealed

Monday by a federal magistrate-judge, the *Beaumont Enterprise* reported in Tuesday's editions.

Federal agents arrested the teacher at his Beaumont home Friday night.

A man called the Central High switchboard about 11:30 a.m. Friday and threatened to blow up the school, according to a probable cause affidavit. The woman who answered said she believed it was Fourmerat.

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## Baseball park's mascot killed by school players

EAST BERNARD, Texas (AP) — Four members of East Bernard's two-time defending Class 2A championship baseball team face animal cruelty charges in the death of Tiger, an unofficial mascot at the baseball park where they play.

Authorities say the players admitted beating the gray, striped tabby with bats and running over her with a truck.

On Tuesday afternoon, bouquets of flowers were strewn under the concession stand that had been considered home for the cat, also called the Koym Road Kid.

Four East Bernard High School baseball players, who admitted to beating the gray striped tabby with bats and running her over with a truck, face animal cruelty charges.

"I was just shocked," said Julie Kubers, who helps run the concession stand where Tiger lived. "I've been looking after her for three years."

The East Bernard Brahmas, who won Class 2A state championships in 1994 and 1995, have been a source of pride in the school district of 827 students and the surrounding farming community of 3,500.

Wharton County Sheriff's investigator Sgt. Carlton Hudgins said seven team members gave statements about the March 16 attack on the community cat.

The baseball diamond at Koym Field is used by the high school team but operated by the local Little League, and Tiger was well-known there.

Charlie Michulka, a Richmond lawyer and longtime East Bernard resident, said concession stand operators and others provided Tiger with food, water and medical care. The cat returned the favor by keeping the area rodent-free.

"She was the resident mouser and pet fur ball for the little kids hanging around there who were too little to play ball," Michulka said.

Three of the seven players who came forward told investigators they put Tiger in a bag and beat her with baseball bats. A fourth said he ran over the cat with a pickup truck.

Hudgins said the carcass was first dumped in a dry creek bed, but other teammates, fearful the others would be found out, threw the crushed carcass into the San Bernard River.

Hudgins said Class A misdemeanor cruelty-to-animal charges would be filed against the four who participated in the killing.

The three other teens, who were present but were not participants, face no criminal charges, he said. Authorities withheld the players' names pending the filing of formal charges.

## Report: Consumer confidence holds steady

NEW YORK (AP) — Consumer confidence in the economy held nearly steady in March despite uneasiness about the job market, the Conference Board reported Tuesday.

The board's index dipped to 97.7 from 98 in February, when the measure surged from January's plunge to 88.4. While little changed from February, the March reading was down 2.5 points from the 100.2 of March 1995.

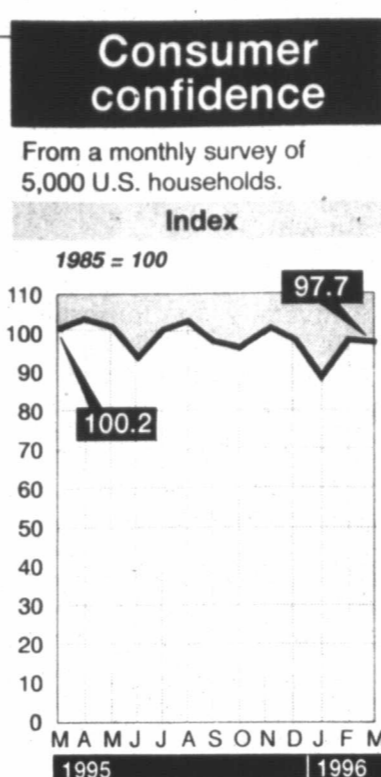
The index is considered an important barometer of consumers' willingness to borrow and spend, which accounts for the bulk of U.S. economic activity.

The report from the business-financed research group said 23.5 percent rated conditions "good," up from 22.3 percent in February. But the percentage of survey participants who said jobs are difficult to get increased to 26.5 percent from 23.4 percent last month.

The Labor Department recently reported a stunning 705,000 jobs created in February, the most for any month since September 1983.

The consumer confidence survey found that the job creation "has not been translated into a less apprehensive outlook about jobs," said Edgar R. Fiedler, economic counselor at the Conference Board.

"Although consumer attitudes, on balance, are pretty much in neutral territory, the uneasiness about the job market coupled



with concerns about future levels of income do not suggest that consumers are ready to spend more freely," Fiedler said.

The monthly survey is based on a representative sample of 5,000 U.S. households. The index has a 1985 base of 100.

In other economic news, sales of previously owned homes rose in February for the first time in five months as the winter weather moderated and consumer fears of higher mortgage rates mounted.

Sales shot up 6.5 percent to a

seasonally adjusted annual rate of 3.96 million homes, the National Association of Realtors said. It was the first gain since a 1 percent advance last September.

"The increase resulted from a combination of a bounce back from weather-induced weakness in January, relatively low mortgage interest rates and fear that mortgage interest rates were going to increase," said Elliott Platt, an economist with Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp. in New York.

The East Coast blizzard and severe weather in other areas helped drive existing home sales down 3.9 percent in January, to a 3.72 million rate, lowest since a 3.62 million rate last May.

Before that, sales had been curbed by slow job and income growth and heavy consumer debt that offset the attractiveness of falling mortgage rates, analysts had said.

But after dropping to an average of 7.03 percent in January, rates edged up to 7.17 percent in February and reached 7.83 percent earlier this month, according to surveys by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.

Still, the February average was well below the 8.77 percent average a year earlier and represented a considerable saving for home buyers.

The monthly payment on a \$100,000 mortgage with a 7 percent interest rate is \$665, while the payment on the same loan with a 9 percent rate is \$805 — a

difference of \$140. Regionally, sales surged 11 percent in the West, to a 910,000 annual rate. The median price there was \$146,500.

Sales jumped 9.4 percent, to 1.51 million, in the South, where the median price was \$98,300. They were up 3.6 percent, to 580,000, in the Northeast, where the median was \$138,600.

In the Midwest, sales rose 1.1 percent, to a 960,000 rate. The median price was \$96,100.

Stocks were mostly higher and the Dow Jones industrial average closed in on a record Tuesday as the Federal Reserve left interest rates unchanged and its chairman said the economy seems "to be running at a reasonably good clip."

After a morning slump, the Dow Jones industrial average recovered to end up 26.74 at 5,670.60, but below its best levels of the day. It was the second-highest finish ever for the blue-chip indicator, which set a record close of 5,683.60 on March 18.

Oil stocks were prominent gainers among the Dow issues. Chevron rose 1 1/4 to 57 1/8 after the company said it had made a new oil discovery in Colombia. Exxon rose 2 1/4 to 85 7/8, and Texaco added 1 to 88 3/8.

Advancing issues led decliners by 10 to 9 on the New York Stock Exchange. Big-Board volume was moderate at 397.75 million shares as of 4 p.m., up from Monday's slow pace.

## CBS' 'Murder, She Wrote' to air last episode in May

NEW YORK (AP) — After 12 seasons before an estimated 10 billion viewers, Angela Lansbury's "Murder, She Wrote," will shut down and air its last four original episodes in May.

"At 70 years old, Angela would just like the chance to pursue other ventures," said her stepson, David Shaw, an executive producer of the series, which, at 264 episodes, joins 12-season cohorts "Dragnet" and "Hawaii Five-O" as TV's longest-running detective series.

"Murder, She Wrote" stars Lansbury as mystery novelist-turned-amateur sleuth Jessica Fletcher. It debuted Sept. 30,

1984, and was TV's highest-rated drama series for a record nine consecutive seasons, from 1985 to 1994.

Shaw acknowledged that CBS' moving the show to Thursday from its Sunday time slot influenced the decision to fold the show. "We felt we'd been slightly disconnected with our audience," he said. "That had something to do with it."

Lansbury, a four-time Tony Award winner on Broadway for "Mame," "Dear World," "Gypsy" and "Sweeney Todd," declined to comment, according to her Hollywood agent, Jerry Katzman of the William Morris Agency.



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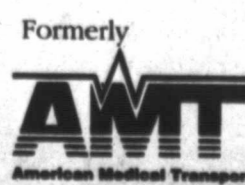
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# Former senator, secretary of state Edmund Muskie dies of heart failure

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Edmund Muskie operated at the highest reaches of American politics but he was remembered on the day he died for his intellect and honesty, not for the jobs he held. "His brand of tireless public service is vanishing," said a former Senate colleague.

Muskie will also be recalled as the man who may have lost a presidential nomination by choking up in public.

The former secretary of state died of heart failure early

Tuesday, two days shy of his 82nd birthday. He underwent surgery last week in Georgetown University Hospital for a blocked artery in his leg, then suffered a heart attack a few days later.

His was a life of public office. Three-term state legislator in his native Maine, twice governor of the state, U.S. senator for 22 years, Democratic nominee for vice president in 1968, candidate for president in 1972.

He left his beloved Senate, where he had championed clean air and clean water legislation, to become secretary of state in the Carter administration. As such,

he helped oversee the successful efforts to free 52 Americans held hostage by Iran.

"I have never known any American leader who was more highly qualified to be president of the United States," Carter said in tribute. "His coolness under pressure and his sound judgment helped him play a crucial role in bringing all the American hostages home from Iran to safety and freedom, and he was always careful to give credit to others for this achievement."

President Clinton called Muskie "a leader in the best sense."

"He spoke from his heart and

acted with conviction," Clinton said.

"Ed Muskie was a patriot," said Republican leader Bob Dole. "The state of Maine and America are better because of Ed Muskie's life and career."

To Sen. Fritz Hollings, D-S.C., Muskie was "perhaps, the most cogent persuader on the floor of the United States Senate. ... Time and again, he gave of himself. His brand of tireless public service is vanishing."

And Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., called him "a senator's senator. I liked to think of him as being the foremost authority on

the environment." Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., said, "Senator Muskie's place in history is assured."

Muskie leaves Jane, his wife of 47 years, two sons, three daughters and seven grandchildren.

Burial will be in Arlington National Cemetery on Saturday after a funeral Mass in the Little Flower Church in Bethesda, Md.

A crucial incident, devastating to his campaign for the 1972 Democratic presidential nomination, occurred in New Hampshire while Muskie was speaking outside the *Manchester Union Leader* newspaper,

denouncing a story critical of his wife.

He broke down in angry emotion; it was not clear whether he was crying or his face was wet with snow.

No matter. The episode "changed people's minds about me, of what kind of guy I was," he later told author Theodore H. White. "They were looking for a strong, steady man, and here I was weak."

The man who won the nomination, George McGovern, said Tuesday, "I never believed that ... diminished him in the least. Indeed, it was an indication of his humanity and his essential decency."

## Railroad Commission opposes proposed rail merger

AUSTIN (AP) — A proposed merger between Union Pacific Corp. and Southern Pacific Rail Corp. is not in the best interest of Texas and should not be allowed to go forward, the Texas Railroad Commission said Tuesday.

In a unanimous move, the three-member commission voted to oppose the merger unless a number of changes were made.

"This merger, as it is proposed, is not beneficial for the state of Texas," said Railroad Commissioner Carole Keeton Rylander.

Added Commissioner Barry Williamson, "The proposed Union Pacific-Southern Pacific merger would be detrimental to the economic health of the state."

Texas and other states are presenting their positions on the proposed merger to the federal Surface Transportation Board, an arm of the U.S. Transportation Department, which will decide the issue later this year.

The changes asked for by the Texas commission include:

- Divestiture of certain lines by Southern Pacific.
- An agreement that switching terminals in metropolitan areas be run as neutral terminals. Switching terminals are junctions where trains move in and out of common areas, like rail yards. They are controlled by rail companies or by private industries.
- An agreement that any lines abandoned by either rail company be linked from junction to junction or industry to junction, so that any competitor that wanted to acquire an abandoned line could access both ends of it.

Southern Pacific officials called the demands implausible.

"The Texas scheme would butcher the merger, depriving both railroads and the shipping public of the benefits and costing rail jobs," said San Francisco-based Southern Pacific vice chairman Robert Starzel.

Starzel accused the state board of trying to grab control of switching terminals by putting those "neutral" terminals in the hands of public entities.

### Conditions for merger

AUSTIN (AP) — Here's a glance at conditions set Tuesday by the Texas Railroad Commission under which it would support a proposed merger between Union Pacific Corp. and Southern Pacific Rail Corp. The commission voted 3-0 Tuesday to oppose the merger unless the following conditions were met:

#### DIVESTITURES

Southern Pacific would have to divest itself of lines running between:

- Houston and St. Louis.
- Lewisville, Ark. to Corsicana.
- Dallas-Fort Worth to Houston.
- Houston to New Orleans.
- Houston to Eagle Pass.
- Hearne to Placedo.

The rail company also would have to divest itself of ancillary lines, connecting tracks and support facilities along those routes.

#### NEUTRAL TERMINAL RAILWAYS

Union Pacific would have to agree to create neutral switching terminals, meant by the commission to promote competition, around:

- Dallas-Fort Worth.
- Houston, including the Port of Houston and potentially the Port of Galveston.
- Beaumont-Port Arthur-Orange.
- Brownsville-Corpus Christi.
- El Paso.
- Amarillo-Plainview-Lubbock.

#### ABANDONMENTS

Any lines abandoned in the merger would have to be junction to junction or industry to industry to ensure that any carrier that acquired the line could access from end to end.

Commissioners said the neutral terminals would ensure fair competition in metropolitan areas and could be run by private or public groups.

"If this merger is allowed to go through as proposed, Texas will not have the competition it requires," said Commissioner Charles Matthews, who proposed the changes.

Deterioration of competition among freight lines, particularly in South Texas, along the Mexican border and on the petrochemical-intensive shoreline were great concerns to the panel.

Tuesday's decision was consistent with an independent report the panel commissioned to help study the issue. That report criticized the planned sharing of some lines between the proposed Union Pacific-Southern Pacific conglomeration and the Burlington Northern-Santa Fe railroad, currently the nation's largest.

The study said UPSP should divest itself of several major lines if the deal is allowed to go through.

An attorney for Nebraska-based Union Pacific said divestitures would "punch holes" in the merger.

Dick Davidson, chairman of Union Pacific, said the commission ignored the best interest of Texas.

"The commission's parochial decision was driven by a misguided and flawed study that erroneously claimed that rail competition within the state would be reduced by the merger," Davidson said.

## Firm unveils Alzheimer's diagnosis test

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A biotech company has unveiled what it calls the first effective test for diagnosing Alzheimer's disease, saying it gives conclusive results in 60 percent of older patients with dementia.

The test involves drawing blood and performing a spinal tap. It examines the patient's blood for a genetic tendency toward Alzheimer's, and analyzes spinal fluid for plaque and tangles in the brain. High levels of plaque and tangles cause dementia.

The Alzheimer's Association and other outside experts welcomed the announcement but urged caution, saying neurologists have yet to determine the test's effectiveness.

Doctors currently diagnose Alzheimer's by giving patients a battery of tests that often have to be repeated over months or years to monitor changes. These include blood, spinal fluid and memory tests. Autopsies have been the only way doctors can diagnose the disease with certainty.

Athena Neurosciences Inc. of South San Francisco was to introduce the test at today's meeting of the American Academy of Neurology in San Francisco.

The test is part of an outpouring of research that over the last three years has brought doctors much closer to understanding Alzheimer's disease.

The New England Journal of Medicine on March 21 published a study in which doctors used brain images, or PET scans, to capture signs of approaching Alzheimer's in people whose thinking and memory were still vigorous.

The Athena test differs because it is a diagnostic tool, said Alzheimer's Association spokesman Niles Frantz. The PET scans, which look for areas of low metabolic activity in the brain, are used only for research, he said.

Alzheimer's is the fourth leading cause of death in the United States. An estimated 4 million Americans have Alzheimer's, and 100,000 die of its effects every year.

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## Woman Proud To Be Old Doesn't Long For Youth

DEAR ABBY: I am now joining the ranks of those who have read your column for years, but have never written until now.

As a 65-year-old woman, I was appalled with the piece you printed on the glories of youth. According to you, everything that is positive is equated with being young; vigor, self-confidence, hope, courage and beauty. But everything negative is equated with being old, such as fear, pessimism, cynicism and hopelessness.

Abby, have you any idea how ageist this is? It makes being old abhorrent and depressing. When I proudly tell people that I am 65, they say, "Oh, you don't look that old," as though they were paying me a compliment. In reality, it is an insult. What is a 65-year-old woman supposed to look like?

I am no longer young and have no desire to pass as "young." At my age, I am more creative, have more self-confidence, hope and spirituality than at any other time in my life.

Abby, we have learned a lot about racism and sexism; let us now open our minds to ageism. We need to proclaim "old" as something positive.

In closing, let me share a quote I saw on a button where there were many senior citizens.

"Youth is a gift of nature; age is a work of art."

JOAN CATLOVER,  
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admirable and well worth remembering. Thank you for writing; I'm saving your letter for encouragement in my old age.

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DEAR ABBY: My live-in boyfriend of eight years has recently begun a pen pal correspondence (via computer and actual mail) with three young females in various parts of the country. He says this shouldn't upset me because he just wants to be "friends" with these women, but I notice he writes only to women and tries to make his letters as charming and witty as possible. (He has never mentioned me.) There is also the possibility that he could secretly meet with one of these women who happens to live fairly close.

I call it "selling" himself, but he denies it. Nevertheless, these sound very much like the letters he used to send me during our courtship. I am angry because I think this

is inappropriate for someone who has a commitment to someone else. It is starting to hurt our relationship. What do you think?

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DEAR CONFUSED: If, after eight years of living together, your boyfriend is seeking female pen pals to charm, I would question his degree of commitment, as well as his level of honesty. Trust your instincts. I suspect they are correct.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 62-year-old mother of seven. I have not spoken to my oldest daughter in 20 years. There has been no communication in any form between us. We live 2,000 miles from each other.

I would like to come to peace with her. How can I do this? Her siblings tell me she is happy with things the way they are.

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DEAR GRIEVING MOTHER: Since you want to make peace with her, extend the olive branch by writing her a letter, expressing your feelings. You have nothing to lose.

If she rebukes your offer to bury the hatchet, you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you tried.

c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Minor infractions could be difficult to shrug off today if you take yourself or the day's events too seriously. You can win if you lighten up.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Your financial projections might not be as stable as you'd like them to be at present. Don't weaken your financial situation by spending money you don't have.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Associates might place extreme demands on you today. In fact, they may try to make you the scapegoat for their mistakes.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** If you cannot distinguish between optimism and wishful thinking today, you may impede your own progress. The former will work, but the latter will not.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Good relationships depend on mutual respect. Do not impose your ideas on your friends today. Fend for yourself and make do with what you have.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Leadership requires considerable skill, so try to be

tactful when issuing commands today. Do not talk to subordinates in an arrogant manner.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Not everyone will agree with you today, so try to tolerate people who don't support your positions wholeheartedly. Try to respect their opinions.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** You must try to act professionally in commercial affairs today. Sloppy behavior might cause numerous errors.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Someone you dislike might offer some constructive suggestions today. However, because you don't respect this person, you may reject his or her advice.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** A disagreeable assignment you've tried to avoid could catch up with you today. You may have trouble finding someone to help you.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Instead of envying others today, count your blessings and be grateful for what you have. Your tally might surprise you.

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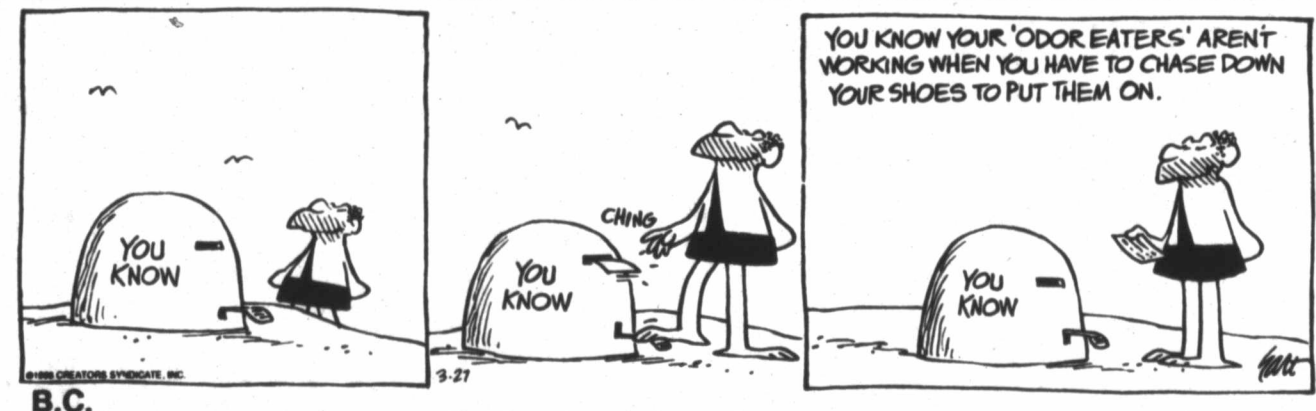
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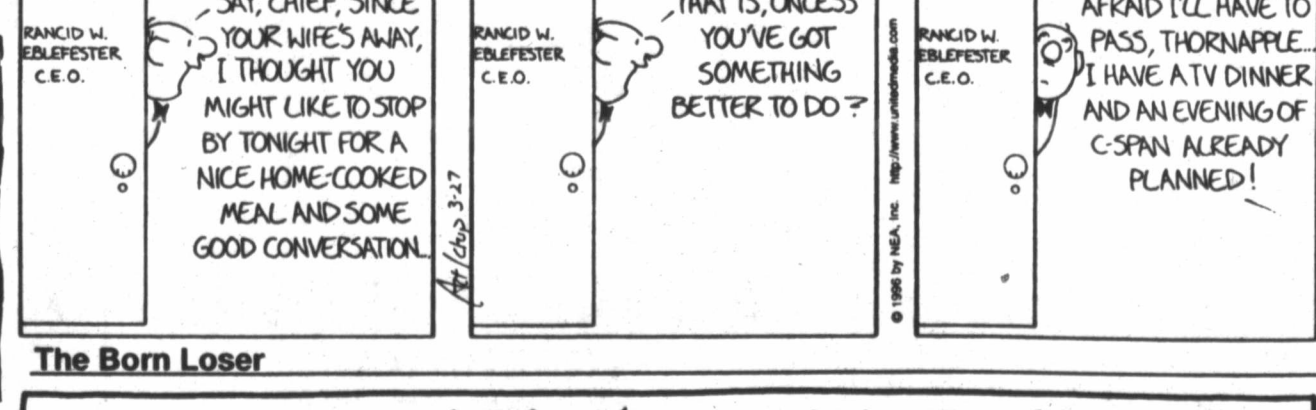
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## Horoscope



Your Birthday

Thursday, March 28, 1996

Speculative endeavors could be very appealing for you in the year ahead. If you stay in your area of expertise, you might do rather well in these ventures.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Do not let persons with whom you're involved rush you into making an impulsive decision today. You're doing the right thing by first studying the matter thoroughly. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker.



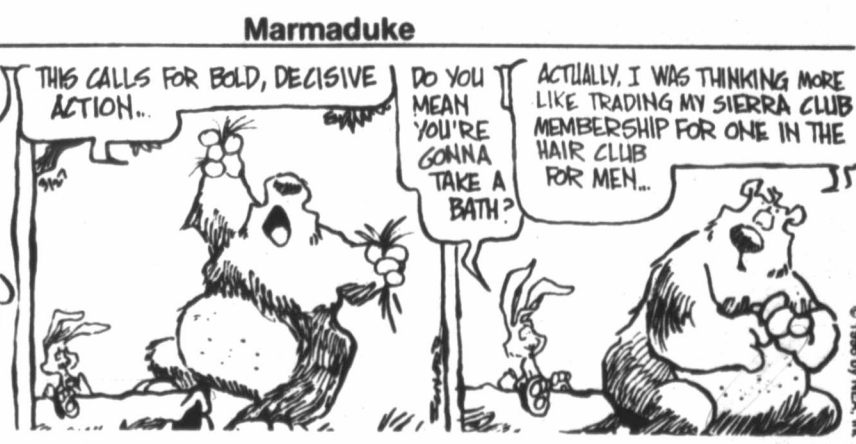
"Poor PJ. His little heart's broken." "Can we get him a new one?"



"Please, Marmaduke. Let someone else say grace!"



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## Sports

## UMass star confident against Kentucky

By HOWARD ULMAN  
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON (AP) — When Marcus Camby goes to bed Friday night before the biggest game of his life, he doesn't expect a nightmare with hordes of blue-and-white Kentucky uniforms charging at him.

That probably will happen Saturday night, when Camby faces those Wildcats for real in the NCAA Final Four. No big deal, says the star of top-ranked Massachusetts.

"I'm going to go to sleep fine. I'm not going to worry about any other teams," he said. "I'm just going to go out there and be myself and try to score and try to play aggressive defense."

There will be aggressive defense all over the court in the second game of the semifinals, following the Syracuse-Mississippi State matchup.

UMass frustrates opponents with the quick hands of Edgar Padilla, who holds the school career and single-season steals record, and with the long wingspan of

Camby, the 6-foot-11 shot blocker.

Second-ranked Kentucky doesn't have that intimidating inside presence. It simply intimidates from end to end with a suffocating press and by double-teaming the opposing center.

The Wildcats did that to Wake Forest's Tim Duncan in the quarterfinals, holding him to no field goals in the first 28 minutes.

Camby doesn't sound concerned that Kentucky will do that to him.

"I'm not Tim Duncan," he said. "He's mainly a back-to-the-basket player. I'm mostly out on the floor and slashing and cutting to the basket and doing other things."

Camby is a good dribbler and passer with an excellent turnaround shot from the baseline. He averaged 3.4 blocks per game and is UMass' leading scorer and rebounder.

"He can dominate a game on either end," coach John Calipari said. "What I don't want to do is have Marcus think he has to be anybody other than Marcus in

this game" and try to do too much.

"Just be Marcus Camby. If that's not good enough, we're 35-2. That's not bad."

Kentucky is 32-2 with a defense that, if it plays the way it's been playing, has an excellent chance to be 34-2 and the national champions for the sixth time in school history.

The Wildcats' press is more effective because their exceptional depth gives them fresh legs. They have the quickness to double team big men like Camby and still recover to guard their own men.

"They do a fabulous job of picking up quickly to make it hard on you to catch" the ball, Calipari said. "They're great anticipators."

"They really do a great job of cheating up the floor and trying to steal balls. They take a lot of chances," he added. "You have to make them pay for taking chances."

UMass needs to counter that aggressiveness by spacing the floor on offense and coming toward passes, two tactics it has used effectively all season.

The Minutemen also have shown a cool-

ness under pressure with two seniors and four juniors getting the most minutes. They've won all four of their overtime games and made last-minute steals to preserve slim leads.

They've held opponents to 61.8 points and 38 percent shooting per game, are averaging 6.2 blocks and don't seem to tire despite their weak bench.

Padilla is averaging 36.4 minutes per game and Carmelo Travieso 36.1 as the starting guards. Now they must get the ball safely through Kentucky's energetic press.

"Right now, we've settled in on (using) seven or eight guys," Calipari said. "In the NCAA tournament, you can do that because the TV timeouts are 18 minutes long. I'm at a loss for words in the TV timeouts."

Maybe he can keep reminding his players how well Kentucky plays defense.

"We're not going to change now," he said. "We play the same way we've always played. We play with emotion and passion."

## Notebook

## BASKETBALL

WACO — Lefors senior Tommy Green has been named to the Boys' All-Region 1 Class A third team by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches.

First-team picks were Corey Alford, Senior, Claude; Tanner Etheredge, senior, Klondike; Roby Schumacher, senior, Nazareth and Gaylor Schilling, Senior, Nazareth.

Second-team picks were Willie Angton, senior, Shamrock; Preston Wilson, senior, Shamrock; Chase Clahan, senior, Plains; Steven Croft, senior; Ackerly Sands and Jerimi Bourland, senior, Sudan.

Joining Green on the third team were Lance Yocom, senior, Loop; Josh Minkley, senior, Claude; Casey Rowland, senior, Meadow and Cody Jackson, senior, Spade.

The 6-1 Green was the leading scorer for the Pirates.

## FOOTBALL

SEATTLE (AP) — As the Seattle Seahawks and King County prepared to go to the state Supreme Court, officials adamantly denied a local billionaire had made an offer to buy the team.

"This is categorically and completely false. There have been no meetings, no negotiations, no offer made," said Susan Pierson, spokeswoman for Microsoft Corp. co-founder Paul Allen. "We're no closer today than we were yesterday or this time last week even. I don't know where these reports are coming from, but they are not true."

"We've never made an offer, and we haven't discussed if Paul is going to make an offer," agreed Bob Whitsitt, general manager of Allen's NBA Portland Trail Blazers. "Paul said back in October that's something he would look at. But looking at something and buying something are two different things."

Their comments came on the heels of a report by KOMO-TV, which quoted unidentified county government sources as saying Allen made an offer of more than \$200 million Tuesday.

## BASKETBALL

CHICAGO (AP) — Retired Illinois coach Lou Henson sees great things ahead for Illinois-Chicago under former Illini assistant Jimmy Collins.

"Coaches love him. He is going to get the talent," Henson said Tuesday after Collins was hired to replace Bob Hallberg at Illinois-Chicago.

"He relates real well with players. He is the best at talking to parents and players in the living room."

Collins, 48, passed over when Illinois hired Florida's Lon Kruger as Henson's successor, began talks with Flames athletic director Jim Schmidt last weekend. Schmidt said Sunday he had promised Collins that he would get more of a commitment from school officials than Hallberg had received.

Collins' contract is for five years and \$500,000, the Chicago Sun-Times reported today. Hallberg made \$90,000 a year.

"I'm glad we were able to finally get it done," Collins told the newspaper. "Like I said before, I have some big shoes to fill with Hallberg."

Henson said Illini assistant Dick Nagy would be joining Collaps at Illinois-Chicago and that Collins was still negotiating with another Illinois assistant, Mark Coomes.

Collins has been an Illinois assistant coach since 1983. When Henson retired, he recommended that Collins replace him, but Illini athletic director Ron Guenther selected Kruger. Guenther tried unsuccessfully to keep Collins as an assistant.

## Knicks get by Rockets

HOUSTON (AP) — The New York Knicks won the game, but most of their praise was for the Houston Rockets.

John Starks scored 21 points and the Knicks withstood a dramatic third-quarter comeback for a hard-earned 83-74 victory on Tuesday night. The Knicks were thankful they escaped the Rockets' upset bid.

"I don't care if they had 10 CBA players," Knicks center Patrick Ewing said. "We still had to go out on the court and beat them. Houston has a lot of pride and they never quit."

The Knicks led by 22 at half-time but the makeshift Rockets pulled within three points with 8:25 left in the game and the Knicks had to muscle their way to victory.

"We're happy we pulled out a victory, especially on the road," Anthony Mason said. "There is always a tendency when a team is down by 20, that they are going to make a run, especially on their home court."

Houston starters Hakeem Olajuwon and Robert Horry missed the game with knee tendinitis. Mario Elie, Sam Cassell and Clyde Drexler already were out because of injuries.

"I keep saying how much I hear this team has," Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. "They just kept coming back, hustling. We just didn't have enough gas to finish it off."

The Knicks were getting some of their players back and the Rockets were losing more. Guard Eldridge Recasner suffered a bruised hip in the fourth quarter. His status was listed as day-to-day.

Houston finished the game with eight players, none of them averaging in double figures.

Charles Oakley returned to

the Knicks lineup after missing 19 games with a thumb injury and Anthony Mason showed no ill-effects after suffering mild head trauma in Sunday's game at Dallas in a collision with David Wood.

Tomjanovich is wondering what will happen next.

"That guy who said 'It can't get worse than this,' wasn't even close," Tomjanovich said.

But the Rockets at least made it entertaining.

After falling behind 52-30 at the half, Houston went on a 24-6 tear to start the third quarter, cutting New York's lead to 58-54 with 3:39 left in the period. Sam Mack, scoreless in the first half, led the rally with 11 points and Houston trailed 65-59 to start the final quarter.

Kenny Smith hit a 3-point basket with 8:25 to play to cut the deficit to 69-66, but that was as close as the determined Rockets could get.

Derek Harper hit 18 points for the Knicks, Patrick Ewing had 17 and Anthony Mason had 13 points and 17 rebounds. Oakley, who missed 19 games with a broken thumb, played 21 minutes and scored two points.

Chuck Brown and Kenny Smith scored 16 points apiece for the Rockets.

Houston's ailing lineup saved it's best for the second half. The Knicks took charge from the opening tip and started pulling away to their half-time lead, led by Harper's 13 first-quarter points.

The Rockets were especially sluggish in the second quarter, hitting only four of 25 shots (16 percent).

"Houston had a big run and they played with a lot of confidence but I'm glad we got the win," Ewing said. "I really wasn't worried but I was concerned."

## Some fans wavering in light of Cowboys' drug problems

DALLAS (AP) — Run-ins with the law, the latest involving All-Pro wide receiver Michael Irvin, are tarnishing the image of the Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys, some fans say.

A grand jury panel broke Tuesday night without taking action in a case involving Irvin and three others who were in a motel room where police found cocaine, marijuana and drug paraphernalia. The panel is scheduled to reconvene Thursday.

Janna Hogan, who was at the Frank Crowley Criminal Courts Building on Tuesday, said she was a Cowboys fan until Irvin failed to appear before the grand jury last week.

"I kind of wished he'd shown up the first time they asked him to," she said. "I was kind of disappointed about that. If he didn't have anything to hide, he would have immediately come forward and told us the story."

Irvin, former Cowboys tight end Alfredo Roberts, Angela Beck and Jasmine Nabwangu were present when police, in response to the manager's 911 call, knocked on a motel room door earlier this month, leading to Ms. Beck's arrest on drug charges.

Police said the two women are topless dancers.

All appeared Tuesday before the grand jury. However, they were tight-lipped about the closed-door proceedings. State District Judge John Creuzot has issued a gag order.

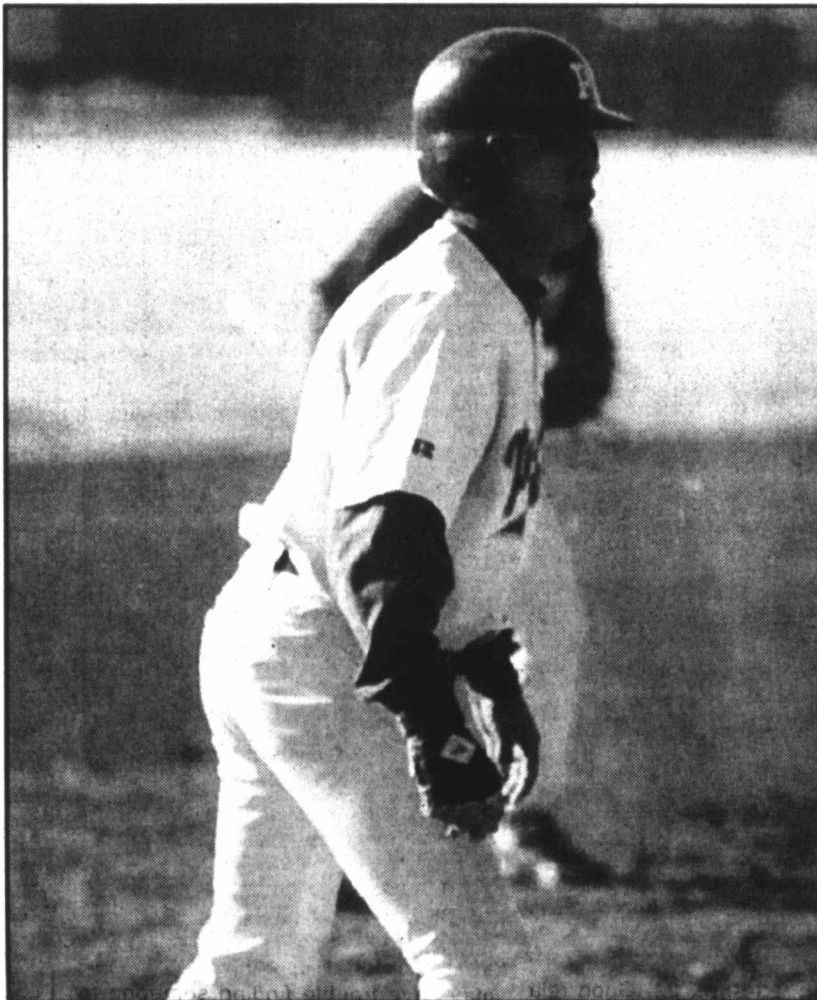
Irvin — wearing dark glasses, a dark blue suit and a black fur coat — signed an autograph for one courthouse visitor, but refused to discuss the day's events.

"We can't comment on anything that occurred today," Irvin's attorney, Kevin Clancy, said.

Ms. Hogan and Dawn Cano were at the courthouse for monitoring of drunken driving cases. Ms. Cano also expressed disappointment in the Super Bowl champions.

"I think it changes the whole team's status because they've been viewed as America's Team and they're not America's Team anymore," Ms. Cano said. "We've seen this with Erik Williams ... and now with Michael Irvin."

In December 1994, Williams was sentenced to two years' probation on a misdemeanor drunken driving charge in connection with an accident that injured his knee and sidelined him for the rest of the season.



(Pampa News photo)

Pampa's Rene Armendariz leads off third against Frenship on Tuesday at Harvester Field. Armendariz had reached base on a walk.

## Polonia gets released; Hernandez sent down as teams clear rosters

By The Associated Press

## SPRING TRAINING

Livan Hernandez is looking to get back to the majors, and Luis Polonia is looking for a job.

On a busy day — the last for teams to release players on their roster without having to pay their full 1996 salaries — St. Louis pitcher Gregg Olson, San Francisco pitcher Scott Service, Florida pitcher Ryan Bowen and Pittsburgh infielder Kevin Young were told they were being released.

Hernandez, the Cuban pitcher who signed a \$4.5 million, four-year contract last winter, was optioned to Triple-A Charlotte by the Florida Marlins.

"We expect him to pitch in the major leagues. We're still looking for him to get his arm strength back," Marlins manager Rene Lachemann said of the 21-year-old defector.

"The first two outings were outstanding, but the next two were not as good," Lachemann said. "The best thing for him and the best thing for the organization is for him to go to Triple-A."

Since he was courted by the Marlins during the winter, there was speculation Hernandez would bring the same kind of fan frenzy to South Florida that Los Angeles felt in 1981 from the Mexican community embracing Fernando Valenzuela.

"It should take me two or three starts to get (velocity) back," Hernandez said through a translator. "The decision was made by the directors of the team. Whatever they think is best, I understand. Being at spring training has been a heck of an experience."

Polonia, with the Mariners this spring as a non-roster player, was beaten out for Seattle's left field job by Darren Bragg and got his release Tuesday.

"I think I did a pretty good job, but this is a business," said Polonia, a 31-year-old outfielder who won a World Series ring

with Atlanta last year. "If they really wanted to win, I think I would still be here. I think they are looking to save money."

Mariners manager Lou Piniella said Bragg, Rich Amaral or Alex Diaz will play left. Amaral will play against left-handers and Bragg or Diaz will play against right-handers.

"Loyalty is a two-way street," Piniella said. "Unless there's a big discrepancy, then you go with the guys who helped us last year."

## Reds 2, Blue Jays 1

Mark Portugal allowed one hit over seven innings at Plant City, Fla., and Jeff Branson had a pair of hits as the Reds stopped a five-game losing streak.

## Dodgers 9, Orioles 8

Tom Prince drew a bases-loaded walk off Jesse Orosco in the 10th as Los Angeles overcame four errors at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

## Astros 4, Cardinals 2

An error by catcher Pat Borders allowed Houston to score three unearned runs at St. Petersburg, Fla.

## Mets 5, Royals 1

At Haines City, Fla., Butch Huskey tied a Mets spring training record with his eighth home run, a mark reached by Dave Kingman in 1975 and 1977.

## Expos 4, Braves 2

Moises Alou doubled in a run and Sherman Obando singled home another in the first inning at West Palm Beach, Fla.

## Marlins 4, Indians 3

Jeff Conine hit a go-ahead double in a three-run sixth inning and Terry Pendleton saved a run with a great defensive play in the

## Frenship takes win over Pampa

By MATT HUTCHISON  
Pampa News Sports Writer

PAMPA — The Pampa Harvester baseball squad took on the Frenship Tigers Tuesday and suffered a two-run loss, 4-2.

Pampa senior Todd Finney, last year's all-district pitcher, shut down Frenship's offense in the early innings, but gave Frenship a chance to pull ahead after giving up a double and then a home run to put Frenship up, 2-1.

Ryan Schumacher took over pitching duties later in the game and he gave up a two-run home run shot to the Tigers, allowing them to take the lead and finally end the game at 4-2.

Frenship had seven hits. Pampa had six hits, but it wasn't enough to pull them out of a two-run hole late in the game. Pampa's runs came in the first and fifth innings. Frenship scored two runs in the fourth and two more in the sixth.

The non-district loss put the Harvesters at 11-6 overall. Pampa's district record is 1-1.

Pampa's next opponent is Hereford. The district contest will be played at 1 p.m. Saturday in Hereford.

The next home game is Tuesday at 4:30 when the Harvesters take on Borger.

In 1-4A games Tuesday, Dumas downed Hereford, 8-0, and Randall blanked Caprock, 7-0.

White Sox 4, Red Sox 3

Norberto Martin singled in the winning run with one out in the 10th at Sarasota, Fla.

## Twins 4, Rangers 0

Rich Robertson solidified his spot in Minnesota's starting rotation, allowing two hits in six shutout innings with seven strikeouts and no walks at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

## Yankees 12, Tigers 4

Scott Kamieniecki, rumored to be available in a trade, held Detroit to three hits over five innings at Lakeland, Fla.

## Phillies 2, Pirates 1

Pinch-hitter Jim Eisenreich connected for a two-run homer with two outs in the eighth at Clearwater, Fla.

## Padres 10, Rockies 1

Bob Tewksbury allowed one run over six innings at Tucson, Ariz., in his best outing of the spring. It was just the third loss in 15 home games for Colorado, which got another home run from Andres Galarraga and three hits from Larry Walker.

## Cubs 3, Angels 2

Brian McRae had three hits, and Rey Sanchez had two hits and drove in the go-ahead run at Tempe, Ariz.

## Brewers 5, Giants 3

Dave Nilsson and John Jaha hit two-run homers at Chandler, Ariz.

## Mariners 12, Athletics 4

In his final tuneup for his opening night assignment, Randy Johnson struck out 13 in six innings at Peoria, Ariz.

# Scoreboard

## RODEO

### Tri-State High School Results at Hereford

**Barebacks:** 1. Shad Chaloupek, Canadian, 69 points; 2. Matthew Burrow, Boys Ranch, 64; 3. Casey Drake, Wheeler, 63.

**Saddle broncs:** 1. Clint McAdams, Stratford, 58 points; 2. Clint Talcott, Stratford, 57.

**Calf roping:** 1. T.J. Good, Randall, 11:39.9 seconds; 2. Casey Crow, Tex-Mex, 11:44.1; 3. H.G. Adams, Canadian, 12:59.0.

**Steer wrestling:** Matt Reeves, Canadian, 11:31.6 seconds; 2. Tanner Winkler, Pampa, 16:40.2; 3. Rusty Slavin, Canadian, 17:54.3.

**Team roping:** 1. Jay Burns, Childress, Brad Blount, Childress, 8:27.9 seconds; 2. Jason Estep, Dumas, Daryl Elliott, Dumas, 8:29.4; 3. Justin Koch, Canadian, Travis Hill, Canadian, 9:17.5.

**Bull riding:** 1. Curtis Atwood, Pampa, 78 points; 2. Cal Ferguson, Pampa, 73; 3. Chris Knight, Boys Ranch, 74.

**Ribbon roping:** 1. Dru Knight, Wheeler, 8:18.1 seconds; 2. Monty Lewis, Hereford, 8:36.5; 3. Matt Carlson, Wheeler, 8:39.0.

**Barrels:** 1. Shasta Brooks, Hereford, 15:95.4 seconds; 2. Lori Hudman, South Plains, 16:40.7; 3. Brandi Brown, Dumas, 16:46.3.

**Poles:** Shasta Brooks, Hereford, 20:52.5 seconds; 2. Leann Keathley, Wheeler, 20:87.8; 3. Sequin Downey, Randall, 20:94.

**Goat tying:** 1. Shovonne Farrow, Dumas, 10:02.1 seconds; 2. Wendy Waggoner, South Plains, 10:02.3; Julie Richardson, Wheeler, 10:20.0.

**Breakaway roping:** 1. Manchie Light, Randall, 3:57 seconds; 2. Julie White, Dumas, 3:70; 3. Sequin Downey, Randall, 4:19.

**All-around cowboy:** T.J. Good, Randall, 12 points.

**All-around cowgirl:** Sequin Downey, Randall, 19 points.

## BASKETBALL

### 1996 Recreation Department Men's Basketball Final Standings

Team	Won	Lost
DA Squad	8	0 (1st place)
Computer Sales	5	2 (2nd place)
Air Jordan	4	4 (3rd place)
Hochst-Celanese	1	7
Ingersol-Rand	1	7

### 1996 League Bests

**Top scores**  
 1. Da Squad 110 points; 2. Da Squad 96; 3. Da Squad 93; 4. Computer Sales & Technology 87; 5. Da Squad 84.

**Leading scorers - average**  
 (minimum 8 games)  
 1. Dustin Miller, C.S.T., 21 points per game; 2. Chris Roden, Celanese, 15.8 ppg; 3. Chris Archibald, I.R.I., 15.3 ppg; 4. Vibert Ryan, Da Squad, 14.3 ppg; 5. Ivan Gutierrez, ONYX, 14.3 ppg.

**Leading scorers - game**  
 1. Chris Archibald, I.R.I., 30 points; 2. Randy Nichols, Halliburton, 30; 3. Jeremy Bolton, ONYX, 29; 4. Dustin Miller, C.S.T., 28; 5. Billy Thomas, Pampa Machine, 28.

### National Invitation Tournament At A Glance

**By The Associated Press**  
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**First Round**  
**Wednesday, March 13**  
 Rhode Island 82, Marist 77  
 College of Charleston 55, Tennessee 49  
 South Carolina 100, Davidson 73  
 Michigan St. 64, Washington 50  
 Minnesota 68, Saint Louis 52  
 Missouri 89, Murray St. 85  
 Illinois St. 73, Mount St. Mary's, Md. 49  
 Wisconsin 55, Manhattan 42  
 Tulane 87, Auburn 73, OT  
 Vanderbilt 86, Arkansas-Little Rock 80  
 Alabama 72, Illinois 69  
**Thursday, March 14**  
 Fresno St. 58, Miami, Ohio 57  
**Thursday, March 14**  
 St. Joseph's 82, Iowa 78  
 Nebraska 91, Colorado St. 83  
 Washington St. 92, Gonzaga 73  
**Friday, March 15**  
**At New Haven Coliseum**  
**New Haven, Conn.**  
 Providence 91, Fairfield 79  
**Second Round**

## HOCKEY

### National Hockey League At A Glance

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**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

**Atlantic Division**

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
N.Y. Rangers	37	21	14	88	249	209
Philadelphia	37	22	13	87	244	186
Florida	38	25	9	85	237	208
New Jersey	34	28	11	79	193	175
Washington	34	29	10	78	208	188
Tampa Bay	33	29	11	77	217	229
N.Y. Islanders	20	45	8	48	205	286

**Northwest Division**

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
Pittsburgh	44	25	4	92	334	254
Montreal	37	28	8	82	241	221
Boston	34	29	9	77	246	239
Hartford	30	33	9	69	211	228
Buffalo	28	37	7	63	212	226
Ottawa	15	53	4	34	167	258

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

**Central Division**

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
St. Louis	56	12	5	117	287	161
Chicago	37	24	12	86	247	194
St. Louis	31	30	13	75	200	218
Toronto	29	34	12	70	219	232
Winnipeg	31	37	5	87	248	267
Dallas	23	37	13	59	204	249

**Pacific Division**

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
y-COlorado	42	22	10	94	291	216
Vancouver	29	31	15	73	258	256
Calgary	30	32	11	71	217	214
Anaheim	29	37	7	65	206	225
Edmonton	28	38	7	63	214	274
Los Angeles	21	38	16	58	231	279
San Jose	18	49	7	43	230	317

**x-clinched division title**  
**x-clinched playoff spot**

**Monday's Games**  
 Montreal 4, N.Y. Islanders 1  
 Philadelphia 3, Hartford 0  
 Detroit 5, Anaheim 1  
 Toronto 4, Calgary 2  
 Vancouver 4, Los Angeles 1

**Tuesday's Games**  
 Pittsburgh 8, St. Louis 4  
 Washington 7, N.Y. Islanders 1  
 New Jersey 6, Tampa Bay 4  
 Winnipeg 8, Dallas 2

**Wednesday's Games**  
 Boston at Hartford, 7:30 p.m.  
 Philadelphia at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.  
 Florida at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.  
 Buffalo at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.  
 Winnipeg at Colorado, 9 p.m.  
 Chicago at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.  
 Los Angeles at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.  
 Toronto at Vancouver, 10:30 p.m.

**Thursday's Games**  
 Montreal at Boston, 7:30 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh at Florida, 7:30 p.m.  
 New Jersey at St. Louis, 8:30 p.m.  
 Anaheim at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.  
 Colorado at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

### National Basketball Association At A Glance

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**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

**Atlantic Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Orlando	52	18	.743	—
New York	40	27	.597	10 1/2
Miami	35	33	.515	16
Washington	32	37	.464	19 1/2
New Jersey	28	41	.406	23 1/2
Boston	26	43	.377	25 1/2
Philadelphia	13	56	.188	38 1/2

**Central Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
y-Chicago	60	8	.882	—
Indiana	42	27	.609	18 1/2
Atlanta	39	29	.574	21
Cleveland	39	30	.565	21 1/2
Detroit	39	30	.565	21 1/2
Charlotte	35	33	.515	25
Milwaukee	21	47	.309	39
Toronto	18	50	.265	42

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

**Midwest Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-San Antonio	50	18	.735	—
x-Utah	48	20	.706	2
Houston	42	27	.609	8 1/2
Denver	38	41	.406	22 1/2
Minnesota	23	45	.338	27
Dallas	21	48	.304	29 1/2
Vancouver	11	56	.164	38 1/2

**Pacific Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Seattle	54	15	.783	—
L.A. Lakers	42	25	.627	11
Phoenix	35	34	.507	19
Portland	33	35	.485	20 1/2
Golden State	31	39	.443	23 1/2
Sacramento	30	38	.441	23 1/2
L.A. Clippers	26	43	.377	28

**x-clinched playoff spot**  
**x-clinched division title**

**Monday's Games**  
 San Antonio 95, New Jersey 88  
 Utah 103, Dallas 86  
 Portland 94, Philadelphia 71

**Tuesday's Games**  
 Atlanta 114, Toronto 111  
 Washington 96, Cleveland 89  
 Detroit 86, Vancouver 75  
 Indiana 103, Boston 96  
 L.A. Lakers 113, Orlando 91  
 New York 83, Houston 74  
 Charlotte 119, Denver 112, 2OT  
 Phoenix 102, Sacramento 98  
 L.A. Clippers 103, Milwaukee 97  
 Seattle 114, Golden State 102

**Wednesday's Games**  
 Toronto at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.  
 Indiana at Washington, 7:30 p.m.  
 L.A. Lakers at Miami, 7:30 p.m.  
 New York at San Antonio, 8 p.m.  
 Boston at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
 Houston at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.  
 Milwaukee at Utah, 9 p.m.  
 Charlotte at Seattle, 10 p.m.

**Thursday's Games**  
 Atlanta at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.  
 Golden State at Portland, 10 p.m.  
 Denver at Vancouver, 10 p.m.  
 Cleveland at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

### TRANSACTIONS

**Tuesday's Sports Transactions**  
**By The Associated Press**

**BASEBALL**

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

**BALTIMORE ORIOLES**—Released Mark Lee, pitcher.  
**CHICAGO WHITE SOX**—Optioned Luis Andujar, James Baldwin, Scott Ruffcorn and Mike Sirota, pitchers, and Olmedo Saenz, third baseman, to Nashville of the American Association. Assigned Rich Sauvour, pitcher, and Chris Tremie, catcher, to their minor-league camp.  
**MINNESOTA TWINS**—Assigned Scott Klingensbeck and Mike Trombley, pitchers, to their minor-league camp.  
**NEW YORK YANKEES**—Placed Tony Fernandez, infielder, on the 60-day disabled list.  
**SEATTLE MARINERS**—Placed Chris Bosio, pitcher, on the 15-day disabled list. Purchased the contract of John Marzano, catcher, from Tacoma of the Pacific Coast League. Designated Sal Urso, pitcher, for assignment. Optioned Tim Davis and Salomon Torres, pitchers, to Tacoma. Assigned Mike Butcher, pitcher, and Todd Pratt, catcher, to their minor-league camp. Released Luis Polonia, outfielder.

**Texas Rangers**—Placed Benji Gil, shortstop, and Chris Nix, pitcher, on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to March 22.

# St. Joseph's to meet Nebraska for NIT crown

NEW YORK (AP) — There was a lot of pressure on St. Joseph's, and it wasn't just because it was the semifinals of the NIT.

The Hawks were facing favored Alabama on the court Tuesday night, and then had to look in the stands at Madison Square Garden and see the coach and players from top-ranked Massachusetts who had come to root on their fellow Atlantic 10 school.

The Hawks didn't let anyone down — themselves, the Minutemen or their wild band of fans — beating the Crimson Tide 74-69 in overtime to advance to Thursday night's championship game.

Nebraska will be the opponent there as the Cornhuskers beat Tulane 90-78 in the other semifinal.

"I can tell you two things about Nebraska," St. Joseph's coach Phil Martelli said. "One, it is located somewhere in the middle of the U.S., and two, Tommie Frazier is a hell of a quarterback and he should have won the Heisman Trophy."

Martelli could chase laughs because his Hawks (19-12) survived their sixth overtime of the season to advance to the matchup of schools where both are looking for their first national basketball title of any kind.

Two of the three overtime losses St. Joseph's has sustained this season were to Massachusetts, which will be playing in the Final Four this weekend just across the Hudson River.

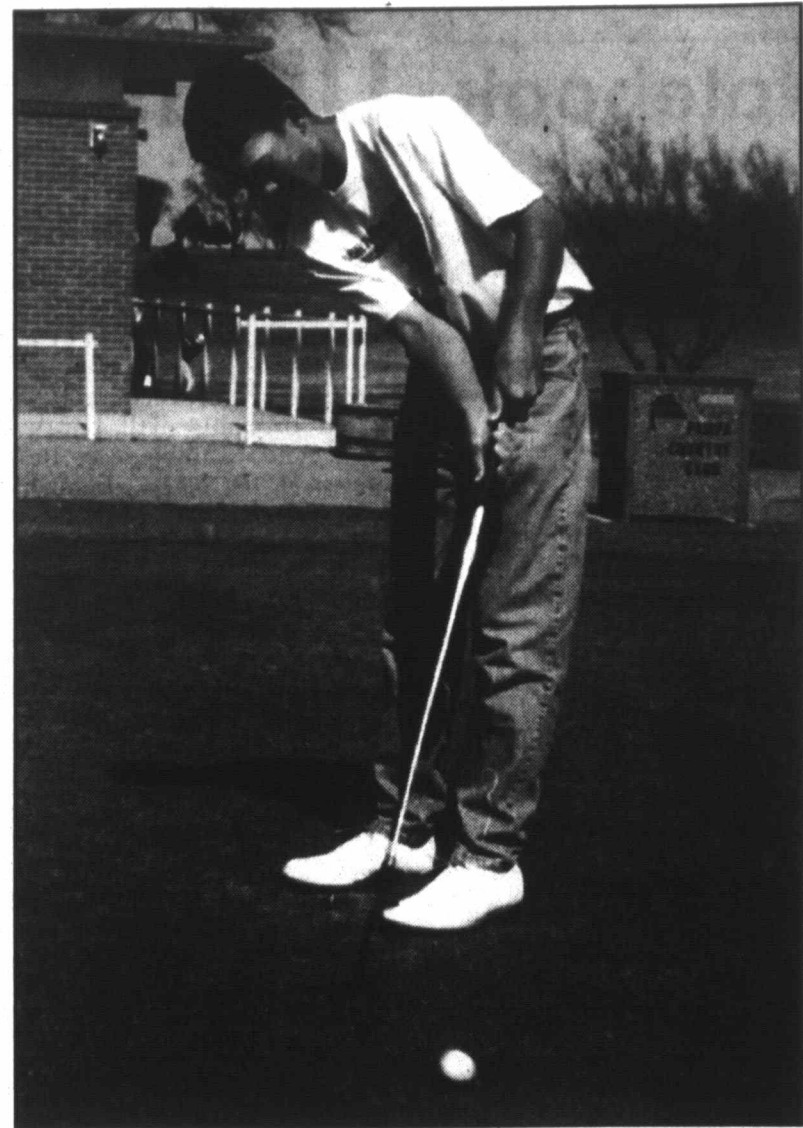
"The UMass program showed a great deal of class by coming to our game tonight," Martelli said. "We offered to come and support them at their game Saturday, but John Calipari said he didn't think he could get us the necessary seats."

Will Johnson gave the Hawks the lead for good with a three-point play 38 seconds into overtime, an extra session Alabama (19-12) forced when Eric Washington's 3-pointer with seven seconds to play finally wiped out a 17-point halftime deficit.

The Crimson Tide, who shot 26 percent in the first half, had a chance to tie the game again in overtime, but freshman Brian Williams missed a 3-pointer with 13 seconds left. Three seconds later, Reggie Townsend made two free throws for St. Joe's.

"We got what we wanted in the overtime, an open look for our best 3-point shooter, but just came up short," Alabama coach David Hobbs said.

# Medalist leader



(Special photo)

Pampa senior Phil Everson is the District 1-4A medalist leader at the halfway mark in the high school golf season. Everson leads Berger's Shane Westbrooks by two strokes in the medalist race. The Harvesters take a break from district action this weekend to compete in the Amarillo Relays.

# Jets shoot past Stars, 8-2

DALLAS (AP) — Keith Tkachuk is doing his part to end the Winnipeg Jets run in Manitoba with their first playoff appearance since 1993.

The star right wing had his first career-three goal game Tuesday night as the Phoenix-bound Jets routed the Dallas Stars 8-2 to take sole possession of the eighth and final Western Conference playoff spot.

"I definitely want 50 goals," said Tkachuk, who has 47 in 67 games. "But right now what I don't want is three years in a row missing the playoffs. It's all about getting into the playoffs."

Tkachuk scored 26 seconds into the game and connected three times in the third period for the Jets, who were 1-6-1 in their previous eight games. Igor Korolev added his 18th and 19th goals in a 12-second span early in the second period and Dallas

Drake also had two goals. Dallas, 11th in the conference, fell eight points behind Winnipeg with eight games remaining. The Jets have 67 points, Anaheim is ninth with 65 and Edmonton 10th with 63.

"We looked at this as a four-point game," Tkachuk said. "We're fighting for a playoff spot against a team that's chasing us. This is a huge win for us. Obviously getting two goals right off the bat got us going."

Winnipeg's Nikolai Khabibulin lost his shutout with 15:24 to play when Stars defenseman Craig Ludwig scored his first goal of the season off a face-off, breaking a streak of 61 games without a goal. Dallas' Brent Fedyk added his 18th goal with 8:16 to go.

The Jets took a 2-0 lead 3:20 into the game, scoring on their first two shots.

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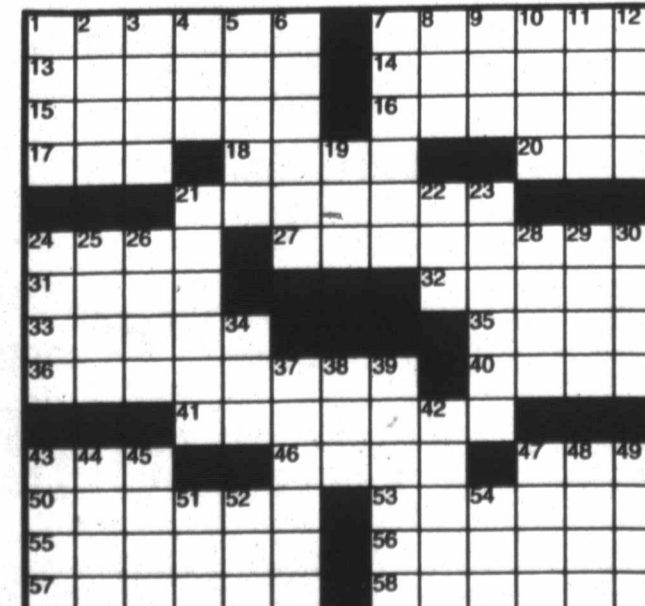
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**NEA Crossword Puzzle**

**ACROSS**  
1 Dicing  
7 Nestle  
13 Less  
14 Pronunciation  
15 Floodgate  
16 Ruled  
17 Fruit pastry  
18 Maintained  
20 Take to court  
21 Tiny opening  
24 Surfeit  
27 Kinship  
31 Direction  
32 Military exercise  
33 Let's Make  
35 Wild sheep  
36 Drott heep team (2 wds.)  
40 Microbe  
41 Stupid  
43 How gross!  
46 Adorable  
47 Actor  
50 Set of two  
53 Team of three

**DOWN**  
56 Cleverly avoids  
57 Creative one  
58 Dwell  
1 Crescent point  
2 Citrus fruit  
3 — jeans  
4 Roman  
5 Head supports  
6 Halo  
7 Tradition  
8 Ref's kin  
9 Unclaimed mail dept.  
10 Speaker's spot  
11 Comics' gal, Little  
12 Feminine suffix  
19 Ingrid Bergman's daughter  
21 Capital of Canada  
22 Guilded  
23 Make late  
24 Machine

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**  
OWL NUNS UMBO  
ORO ALOP NARK  
ZEN VAPORIZER  
ENEMY ENE ETA  
OBI GPO  
BRUNETTE NUBS  
OOP ASE GENOA  
CATRIN ADE CON  
ANNE BRONZING  
VUL ODA  
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**World briefs**

**Fake CD-ROMs worth \$1.75 million seized in Singapore**

SINGAPORE (AP) — In a series of raids on stores and delivery vans, police seized 6,477 fake CD-ROM discs worth at least \$1.75 million in what industry groups today called the biggest crackdown on computer software piracy in Singapore.

The raids followed several months of investigation by the U.S.-based Software Publishers Association and the Hong Kong-based Alliance Against CD-ROM Theft.

Police said they raided two delivery vans Tuesday and seized 5,800 pirated CD-ROM discs worth "well over" \$715,000.

They then raided the van's owners — two retail outlets in Sim Lim Square, a gigantic electronics and computers supermarket in central Singapore — and another store suspected of receiving the contraband. Two people were arrested.

The raids netted the single largest seizure of suspected counterfeit CD-ROM discs ever in Singapore, the two industry groups said.

**'Braveheart' leads tourists to historic Highlands**

STIRLING, Scotland (AP) — On a clear day from the William Wallace monument, a panorama of mountain, castle and water unfolds before the viewer — but these days, it seems, you can see all the way to Hollywood.

Scottish tourism had one of its best years ever in 1995, thanks partly to international curiosity on the heels of *Braveheart* and *Rob Roy*, the 1994 epic starring Liam Neeson about the 18th-century Highlands clan leader Rob Roy MacGregor.

The Wallace Monument, a 220-foot tower atop a rock north of the ancient fortress town of Stirling, offers a breathtaking view.

Stirling Castle on another, bigger outcropping watches over the town opposite; the River Forth winds through marsh and banks of heather; seven historic battlefields stretch below the Ochil Hills and the Trossachs, the southern Highlands approach from where Rob Roy MacGregor assailed the English.

After *Braveheart* had its European premiere in Stirling last September, admissions to the monument tripled, and for the first time it's been kept open during the winter.

**Defector: North Korea selling opium for cash**

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Desperate for hard currency, North Korea is encouraging its trade officials to sell opium in foreign countries, a defector said today.

Choe Se Ung, 34, who worked for the North Korean government as a currency trader in Europe until his defection in December, said the isolated state is widely involved in drug trafficking.

South Korean officials have said that North Korean authorities are encouraging farmers in mountainous regions to grow opium. Previous defectors said many villagers have become addicted to the drug they harvest.

**Bush touts lifting ban on Mideast**

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — George Bush says he hopes the United States will soon lift a ban on travel to Lebanon.

The ban was imposed in 1987 by the Reagan administration, when Bush was vice-president, following a wave of hostage-taking and aircraft hijackings.

"I look forward to the day when there is no U.S. ban against travel to Lebanon," the former president said Tuesday night at a banquet hosted by Lebanese President Elias Hrawi. "I hope this day will come very soon."

Bush left for the United States today after a nine-nation tour of the Middle East. The State Department advised Bush against visiting Lebanon, but eventually granted him a one-time entry permit.

Bush spent the night at the newly built guest wing of Hrawi's palace, thus inaugurating the two-story annex that is considered a landmark in the country's reconstruction following the 1975-1990 civil war.

He left the presidential palace today in a heavily guarded motorcade of armor-plated limousines to neighboring Syria to board a private jet which he had left at Damascus airport.

**Rabin assassin convicted of murder by Israeli court, sentenced to life in prison**

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — An Israeli court sentenced Yitzhak Rabin's assassin to life in prison today, saying he meticulously planned the crime and calmly pulled the trigger.

Yigal Amir showed no remorse, saying he had to kill the prime minister to save Israel from further bloodshed.

"Everything I did, I did for God, for the Torah of Israel, the people of Israel and the land of Israel," Amir said, standing in court, one hand resting confidently on his hip.

The deeply religious Amir dismissed the

three-month court proceedings as a "show trial."

A three-judge panel earlier today convicted Amir of murdering Rabin and seriously injuring the prime minister's bodyguard, Yoram Rubin.

The court handed down the mandatory life sentence for the murder conviction and a six-year term for injuring the bodyguard. The court ordered the sentences to be served consecutively.

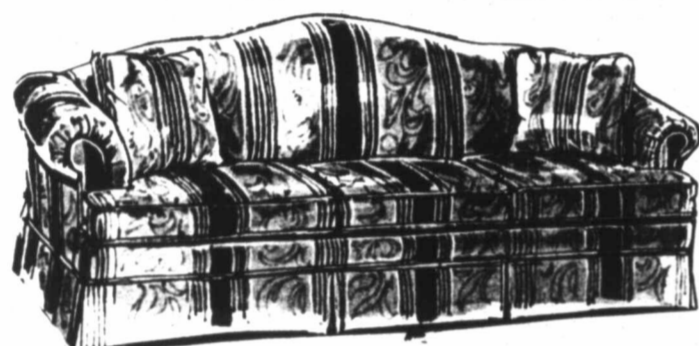
In Israel, a life prison term usually means a convict will serve between 16 and 25 years, with the sentence tra-

ditionally shortened by the president and time off for good behavior. However, a pardon by the president is not automatic.

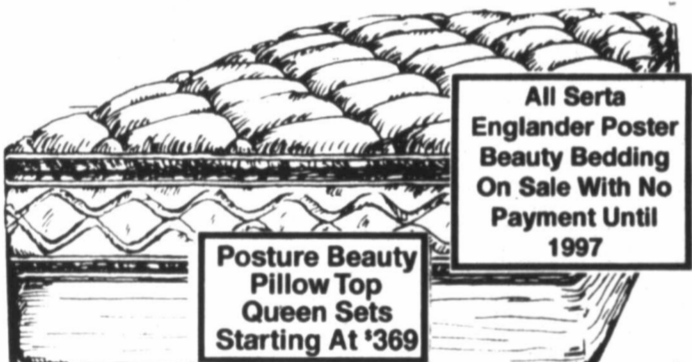
The death penalty is reserved for Nazi war criminals. Defense attorney Shmuel Flishman said he would appeal.

Amir, a former law student, showed little emotion throughout today's court appearance. Dressed in a gray sweatshirt and flanked by police officers, he yawned, looked at the audience in the packed courtroom or smiled.

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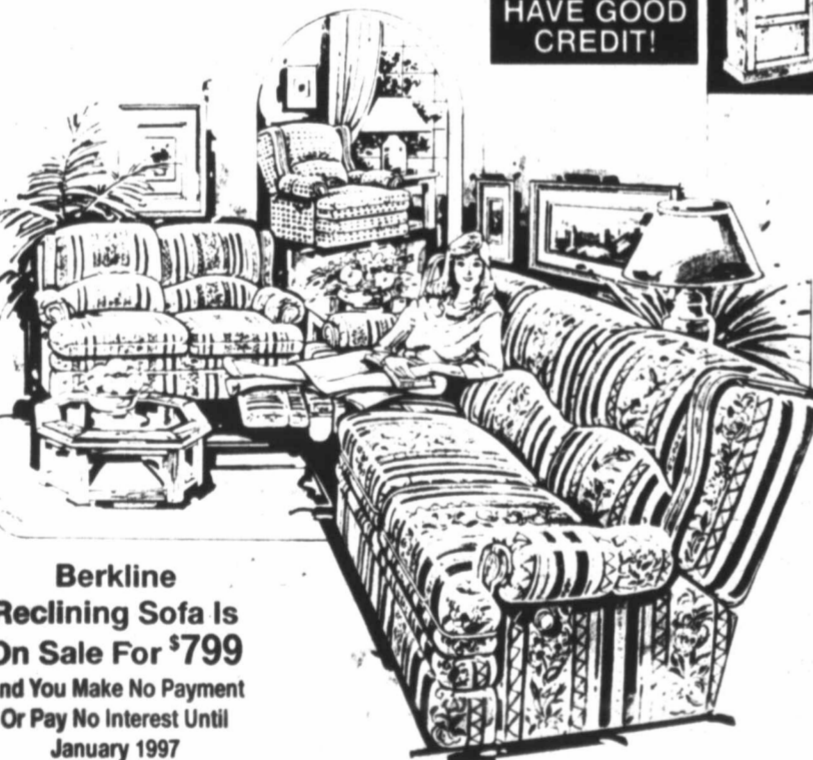
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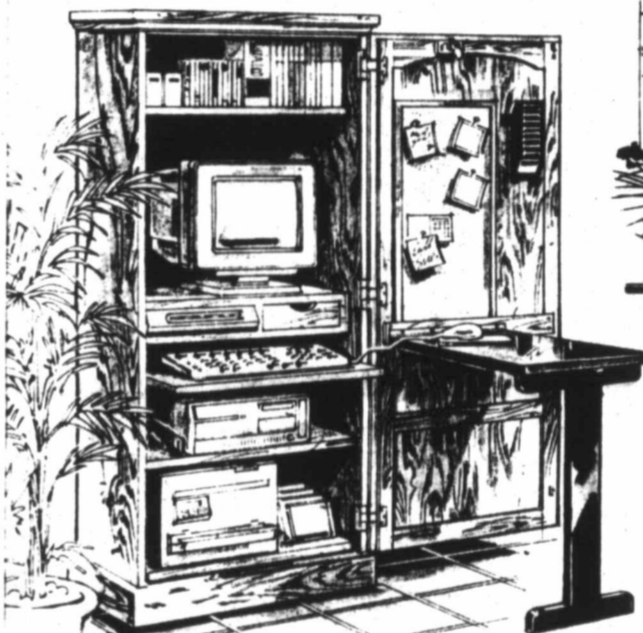
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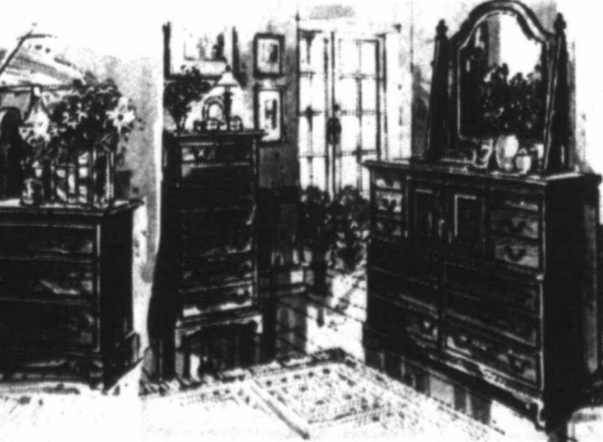
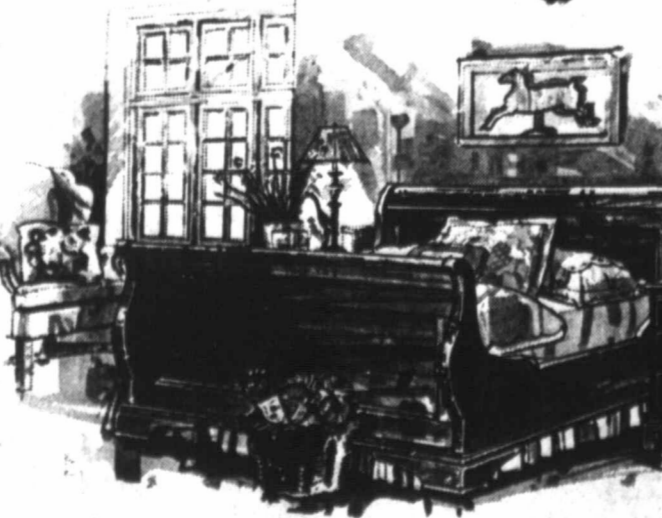
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