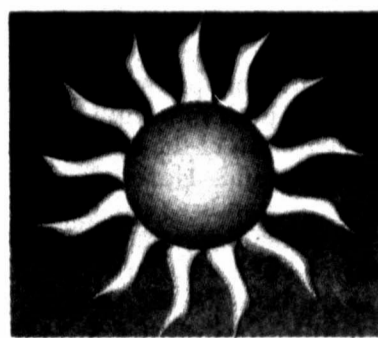


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PAMPA — Sue Hershey, candidate for Senate District 31 committeewoman, State Executive Committee, Republican Party of Texas, will be the guest speaker for the May meeting of the Top O' Texas Republican Women's Club.

The meeting will be at 11:45 a.m. Wednesday, May 22, at Furr's Cafeteria.

Hershey was formerly Dallam County Republican chairman for 16 years and has been active in many successful political campaigns while serving as the county chairman, including Reagan-Bush for president 1980 and 1984, Beau Boulter for Congress 1984, Clayton Williams for governor 1990 and Rick Perry for agriculture commissioner 1990.

She has been a delegate to state conventions since 1976. She and her husband, Joe, farmed in the Texline-Dalhart area for 19 years. For the past three years they have resided in Amarillo, where she has remained active in the Republican Party.

Guests are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Marilyn Lewis at 669-7290.

PAMPA — A single car rollover west of Price Road on Monday afternoon sent four to the hospital, where they were treated and released.

A 1984 Chrysler driven by Shanda Lynne Davis, 21, 400 Roberta, was eastbound on Gray Road E when the right front tire left the roadway, according to a Department of Public Safety spokeswoman.

When Davis corrected, the car crossed the road into a borrow ditch, traveled up the embankment and overturned, landing on its top, she said.

Transported to Columbia Medical Center by Rural/Metro were Davis, Shonda Davis, 20, Matthew Davis, 4, and Marcus Davis, 1.

A citation alleging unsafe speed is pending.

PAMPA — A registration block party will be held Saturday for Pampa Community Youth Services' second year of summer activities.

Registration will begin after a community awareness meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Door prizes are promised during the registration process between 7 and 8 p.m. A block party will start at 9 p.m. featuring "V-Man Production."

Hot dogs and soft drinks will be served.

Registration will be held at the old Snappy Shopper building, 708 Prairie Center.

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FBI searching explosion site at Laredo office

By KELLEY SHANNON
Associated Press Writer

LAREDO (AP) — Federal agents resumed today a meticulous search of an explosion site in their quest to track down those responsible for setting off a blast outside a building housing the FBI.

Investigators also are pursuing leads from phone calls, including one from a man who claimed responsibility for the explosion and said he belonged to a group called "Organization 544."

The blast early Monday blew out windows on three floors of the five-story Walker Plaza building, prompting the government to tighten security at federal installations in Texas and four surrounding states.

No major injuries were reported.

"It was window damage, breaks of glass and some structural damage. But at this time it doesn't look like it's that extensive (in) structural damage," said Don Tisaby, FBI assistant special agent in charge in San Antonio, which oversees the Laredo office.

An FBI bomb assessment team from Washington arrived Monday evening and began combing the building and its premises. Wearing rubber gloves and stooping on their hands and knees, investigators examined debris and even picked through blades of grass for clues.

Large portable lights were set up outside so the investigation could continue after dark. Dogs were brought in to sniff the explosion site.

A caller to ABC affiliate KGNS-TV in Laredo said "this would be happening at other federal buildings also," Tisaby said in a news briefing.

"He basically said that he was with an organization, 'Organization 544,' and that's all we know at this time," Tisaby said, adding that he had no information about the group or its motives. "At this time we don't know if it's a prank or if it's a serious thing."

The Morris Dees Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery, Ala., which monitors hate group and Klan activity, said it had no record of such an organization.

"We researched our database yesterday afternoon, after we heard about it, and we have nothing like that. We're trying to come up with a match, but so far we don't have anything," said Joe Roy, director of the organization's Klan Watch.

A federal official in Washington said there had been several calls to broadcasters claiming responsibility for the explosion but they were being viewed skeptically because they came in after the 6:50 a.m. blast had been made public.

The KGNS call came in at 8:35 a.m. Monday.

"He said they wanted to take responsibility for the bombing," said reporter Jennapher Linn, who spoke with the caller.

"At this point we never knew it was a bombing. We thought it was an electrical outage or maybe a natural gas explosion," she said. "He used the word 'bombing' and 'federal building.'"

The FBI is located on the second floor of Walker Plaza on the opposite side of the building from the explosion. It is the only federal agency in Walker Plaza.

Twelve agents, one other staff person and two National Guard members are stationed at the Laredo FBI office.



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Lesley Koetting, left, was named winner of the Bad Hair Day contest Saturday morning during the Relay for Life event, while Sandee Stokes was runner-up. They spent all night at the Harvester Stadium for the fund-raising event for the American Cancer Society.

Weekend Relay for Life event raises \$8,700 to benefit cancer programs

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

A weekend fund raiser to benefit the Gray-Roberts Unit of the American Cancer Society, garnered more than \$8,700 in donations.

Relay for Life brought out 11 teams with 143 walkers and runners raising money for cancer support and research. Twenty-six cancer survivors, ranging in age from 13 to 84, completed the opening survivors' lap. They represent more than 116 years of survivorship, organizers say.

Teams covered more than 460 miles in 1,852 laps around Harvester Stadium beginning Friday afternoon and ending Saturday afternoon.

"That is the same distance between Pampa and Cheyenne, Wyoming," said income development representative Terry Cox.

"Everyone is affected by cancer in this day and time," said

Gray County commissioner Joe Wheeley during a candle lighting ceremony Friday.

"... Until you start putting names in a list, it is hard to actually know just how often cancer touches our lives," he said.

"Some of the worst news, and then some of the best news is given all at once, (when waiting for a prognosis) but we experience all the fears and go through all the emotions during that short period of not knowing for sure," he said.

The local unit provides services and materials to those in need in Gray and Roberts counties. It offers loan of wheel chairs, hospital beds, shower chairs or portable potty-chairs, said volunteer Kathy Gist. When a patient must travel to another location for treatment, funds and or travel arrangements are provided for the patient or family.

Transportation is provided if the patient does not have someone

to drive him to his destination, she explained.

Services are free to the cancer patients, Gist said.

Funds raised are remitted to national headquarters where disbursements are made to local units, she said.

Locally, volunteers are trained in the Reach to Recovery program. Two hundred and fifty-one people have received Reach to Recovery assistance from September 1994 through August 1995, according Gist.

"The one thing that is the key to a patient's survival, is early discovery of the cancer condition," Gist said.

Volunteers learn "a new patient should feel empowered to communicate with the doctors, and to always seek a second, or even a third opinion" when learning of a possible cancer threat, she said.

For more information, call Gist at 665-4742.

Praying for rain



(Pampa News photo by Tiffanie Franks)

Don Emmons, chaplain of the Veterans of Foreign Wars post, left, and the Rev. Mike Sublett chat following the 9 a.m. today prayer session attended by eight people. Prayers for rain are scheduled at each hour through 8 p.m. tonight at the post located at 105 S. Cuyler. Pampa area residents are invited to drop by the post building to participate in the Day of Prayer for Rain. VFW members noted the post is home to people of a variety of local churches, which makes it an ideal location for a day of prayer asking for rain.

Three arrested for burglary of local pawn shop

Three men suspected in a weekend pawn shop burglary surrendered themselves Monday afternoon to Gray County officers.

Roy L. Gonzales, 18, of Amarillo, and brothers John Andrew Rosalez, 18, and Juan Antonio Rosalez, 21, both of 216 E. Tuke, remain in jail on charges of burglary of a habitation pending a bond hearing, according to Lt. Jess Wallace of the Gray County Sheriff's Office.

Searches in Pampa and Amarillo Monday turned up all but 26 of the more than 70 weapons stolen from Pampa Pawn, 208 E. Brown, sometime between closing Friday and 4:47 a.m. Saturday.

Wallace said he, representatives of the district attorney's office and Pampa Police Department executed a search warrant at 1027 S. Clark, the residence of Roger Rosalez, and confiscated three pistols and one rifle.

During a second search in Amarillo, Sheriff Randy Stubblefield and Pampa police Lt. Shawn Fullagar recovered another batch of weapons.

"The bottom line is we recovered all but 26 guns and we're still working on it," Police Chief Charlie Morris said.

The burglary was discovered when Pampa police officers responding to an alarm call found the firearms missing. The bulk of the guns taken were pistols.

Three rifles were recovered before Monday.

Fullagar said Monday he planned to file charges of burglary of a habitation against the suspects because the business was also being used as a home to its owners.



Kyle Payne
... Shamrock valedictorian



Melissa Gilbert
... Shamrock salutatorian

Payne, Gilbert top grads for Shamrock Class of '96

SHAMROCK — Kyle Payne and Melissa Adell Marshall Gilbert will graduate at the top of their 38-member class Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Payne, son of Kent and Becky Payne, has been a member of the football team for four years, winning a nod for the Amarillo Globe-News Superteam. He was also named to All-District football for three years.

He competed in track for three years and golf for one year. He performed in the all-school play for two years and was in the UIL one-act play cast his junior and senior years.

Payne was a member of Future Farmers of America, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and National Honor Society.

He participated in UIL number sense and science contests, was named to Who's Who

Among American High School Students for two years and won the Algebra I award.

He will graduate with a 96.1429 grade point average.

Gilbert participated in FFA and Future Homemakers of America, as well as National Honor Society.

She competed in state solo and ensemble contest, All-Region band and was the band's drum major for two years.

She worked on the yearbook staff and was co-editor her junior and senior years. She was named to Who's Who two times, and was voted Freshman Class president and Senior Class representative.

She was Lions Club Sweetheart her freshman year and a Homecoming Queen candidate her senior year.

She plans to attend a two-year college. Her grade point average is 96.

Chess tournament



(Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzanek)

James Shook, Pampa, left, and Frank Arizde, Amarillo, engage in a battle of the minds Sunday during the Pampa Spring Open chess tournament held at Grand Coronado Inn. Amarilloan Alexandre Edrenkin, formerly of Belorussia, was the top scorer in the tournament. Tied for second through fourth places were Peter, Niels and Andrew Berzanskis, Pampa. James Farren, Amarillo, and Shook tied for fifth and sixth places; Arizde ranked seventh and Roger Stevens finished eighth. They are both from Amarillo.

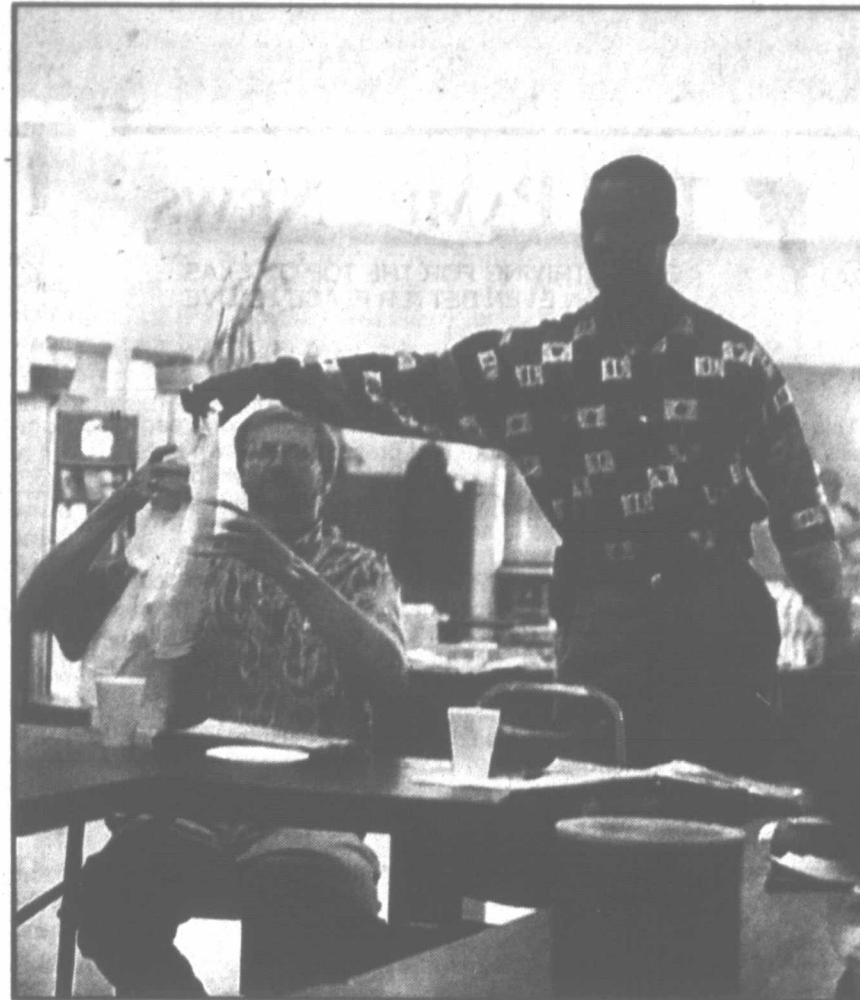
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Morales no longer seeks Gracida's removal
CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — It appears the Most Rev. Bishop Rene Gracida will remain a member of the charitable foundation from which he is accused of improperly allocating millions of dollars.

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales recently amended his civil lawsuit against Gracida, which sought to remove the bishop of the Diocese of Corpus Christi and all members, officers and directors from the John G. and Marie Stella Kenedy Memorial Foundation.

Morales now says he doesn't want Gracida removed as a member, only as an officer or director, according to court records. Morales' amended petition asks that all board members, except Gracida, be removed from the foundation.

The latest move in the ongoing legal battle comes after Gracida countersued Morales, accusing the attorney general of violating legal agreements that ensure Gracida a position with the foundation.



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Zan Walker, left, and Kenneth Reagens discuss plans for the upcoming Top O' Texas Jubilee in June at a meeting at the Southside Senior Citizens Center.

Top O' Texas Jubilee to raise funds for Southside Center

An activity scheduled next month will help raise funds toward a building project for the Southside Senior Citizens Center.

A planning meeting was held Thursday evening, May 16, to organize committees and formulate plans for the annual Top O' Texas Jubilee and Reunion, set at the Recreation Park & Rodeo Grounds June 15-16.

Floye Christensen, coordinator of the meeting, said the senior citizens group has been working on this project for several years, using it as an annual fund raiser for a building project.

Approximately \$26,000 has been raised through the hard work and projects sponsored by the seniors citizens for the purpose of building a new community center on a 3.5 acres of land near the current South Side Seniors Citizens building at 438 W. Crawford.

Christensen said the building will provide needed space for the senior citizens' use. The floor plans include a gymnasium and a kitchen.

Kenneth Reagens, assistant warden of the Rufe Jordan Unit, is this year's chairman of the Community Unity Board, consisting of nine members.

"This year's event will be centered around Fathers' Day and children," Christensen said, "and several activities during the jubilee event will provide entertainment throughout the weekend."

The jubilee celebration will begin Saturday at 9 a.m. and continue until 11 p.m. It will continue Sunday, from 7 a.m. through 7 p.m.

"It's a fun time for all, regard-

less of ages," Christensen said. "Prizes will be given for the children who compete in the kid's challenges, and there will be lots of other fun things to do."

On Sunday, church services will be held in the park, and that afternoon local citizens and guests may enjoy community singing of gospel songs.

The Rev. Ed Cooley of the First Presbyterian Church will present a sermon at the 7 a.m. church service, and Zan Walker, minister of music at Central Baptist Church, will coordinate the choir.

Reagens stressed that the Sunday morning worship will last only an hour so that it will not interfere with regular church services.

Sponsored activities include a fishing derby for children, conducted by officials of the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife.

A "greased pig" race will be held for children, who will attempt to catch and hold on to a slickened, greased piglet. The winners will challenge the adults in the same competition.

Other activities will include: "three-on-three" basketball competition; "tug-of-war" competition; hay scramble; antique car show; chili cook-off; fashion and talent show; and community singing to conclude the jubilee on Sunday afternoon.

A volleyball tournament is also being discussed for the jubilee activities.

Booth rental space for local area artisans and hand craftsmen will be available, also. Interested persons should contact Christensen, booth chairman, at 665-3618, to reserve a place.

Department of Agriculture evaluates new crop insurance plan from private company

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — A new crop insurance program meant to replace lost income — not just recover planting costs — is being evaluated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

There was no timetable for when a decision would be made on the private company's proposal, a USDA spokesman said Monday.

Advocates said the program would have made a big difference for Kansas wheat farmers this year. The crop has been estimated at 150 million to 183 million bushels, far less than the 400 million bushels Kansas usually produces.

"This really brings the dollars when the big disaster happens," said Art Barnaby, a risk management specialist at Kansas State University who did much of the research to develop the policy, called Crop Revenue Coverage, or CRC.

The new policy is being proposed by American Agrisure Inc., an Iowa company that sold CRC insurance to corn and soybean farmers in Nebraska and Iowa last year on a pilot basis.

The company said the policy proved more popular with farmers than anticipated.

"The coverage was finally something that protected them from the loss of revenue when they did raise a crop and the price went down, and protected them from loss of revenue if they had a short crop and the price went up," said Steve Hamilton, assistant manager of the specified perils division for American Agrisure.

The policy needs the approval of the USDA because it will be offered as a replacement for federally subsidized multiperil crop insurance. Barnaby and American Agrisure said the federal government's costs would be roughly the same, but farmers would pay more for CRC policies because of the greater level of protection.

USDA's Office of Risk Management, formerly the Federal Crop Insurance Corp., is reviewing the proposal. If the plan is approved, any other company that writes crop insurance

would be entitled to offer it.

Under the current program, farmers pick levels of coverage ranging from 50 percent to 75 percent of their expected yield, and also pick a price coverage based on what USDA officials projected at the time the policies were sold. This year, however, prices have risen far beyond the level of coverage available at planting time.

The CRC policy locks in a base price based on planting-time market conditions, but that price could rise as much as \$2 a bushel for wheat if market prices rise that much by harvest time. Also, the potential insurance payment is based on a farmer's potential revenues — a combination of yield and price.

For the current wheat crop, a farmer with a yield history of 40 bushels an acre could have bought multiperil crop insurance at 75 percent yield coverage. That would have paid about \$111 an acre if the crop was a total failure, Barnaby said. That payment is based on a market price of \$3.69 a bushel that was set last fall.

State officials upset by fleet site at Bergstrom

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas officials say the city wants to treat them like second-class tenants at the new airport.

State agency executives and elected officials traveling on state-owned planes would be told to use the back entrance at the airport when it moves to the former Bergstrom Air Force Base. The front entrance has been reserved for passengers and cargo, according to the *Austin American-Statesman*.

"Location is a problem and so is cost. We are anxiously waiting to see what the city is going to offer," said Billy Clayton, chairman of the State Aircraft Pooling Board, which operates the state's fleet of airplanes.

As early as this week, officials from the city and state are

expected to discuss the state fleet's future home.

If the issue can't be resolved, the state has threatened to stay at the current Robert Mueller Municipal Airport location — even though the city told voters when they approved the airport move that it would end flights at Mueller, which is surrounded by homes.

"The city and the state have gotten crosswise in the past, but it doesn't have to happen again. Something can be worked out. We're going to try to get this resolved," said Bob Binder, a former Austin City Council member and vice chairman of the Airport Advisory Board.

Besides the location of the state's aircraft, cost is an issue.

The state owns the land, hangars and building it uses at Mueller. The only money it pays the city is an 8 cents per gallon surcharge on the fuel it uses.

At Bergstrom, the state would have to build new facilities, pay the city about \$65,000 a year to lease land and pay 10 cents per gallon of fuel used. It wants the city to buy its buildings at Mueller.

The city wants to settle the issue before the Legislature meets in regular session in January. The Pooling Board will have to ask the Legislature for money for the move; the city doesn't want that request to become controversial.

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Christian Coalition director criticizes GOP

By LAURA MECKLER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — When Ralph Reed suggested the Republican Party rewrite its platform on abortion, he set off a firestorm in GOP circles. Within days, the director of the Christian Coalition had backed off.

But Reed hasn't retreated from chastising evangelical Christian leaders for their harsh attacks on homosexuals and on President Clinton's character.

"Every word we say should reflect God's grace," Reed writes in "Active Faith," excerpted in *Newsweek* this month. "This is easy when dealing with allies, but the Bible tells us to love our enemies."

His comments have set off a debate within the evangelical community as to where to draw the line between faith and politics.

On Clinton, Reed writes: "Some of the opposition has been deeply personal, attacking his character rather than his policies, and in so doing, risks permanent damage to the office he occupies. ... If Bill Clinton is a sinner, he is no worse than you or me."

On gay bashing: "Calling gays 'perverts' or announcing that AIDS is 'God's judgment' on the gay community is not consistent with our Christian call to mercy."

The reception from some has been chilly, if not outright hostile.

"Some seem to be thinking Reed is taking a position compromising principle," said

Bill Merrell, a vice president with the Southern Baptist Convention's executive committee. "Others don't seem to see it that way at all."

Jerry Falwell, whose Liberty Alliance is singled out in Reed's book as over the line, predicted that as Reed "gets older he'll be more careful about questioning the persons in his own movement who may have been at it longer than he."

Reed suggests these issues are as important as the more-volatile abortion question, calling on Christians to stick to the issues and shun hateful language.

"I think our movement is a movement of love and compassion and concern for human compassion," he said in an interview. "We've seen a coarsening of our political discourse that needs to be softened and made humane, and I think Christians can be an important part of that softening process."

Many Christian leaders said they agree with Reed on his philosophical point — that Christians must separate the sin from the sinner. But they do not agree on its application to politics.

"I do believe the president of the United States is open game regarding his conduct," said Falwell, chancellor of Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va.

Character is fair game, agreed Richard Land, president of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, based in Nashville, Tenn. "Any man that would

cheat on his wife would cheat you," he said.

Merrell said Christians must use "great care and caution" when choosing their language, but they cannot compromise their beliefs.

"We do not have the permission as Christians to be less than forthright," he said. "We have an obligation to say what we believe God has stated," adding that the Southern Baptist Convention teaches that "homosexuality is a practice disapproved by God."

At the same time, Reed didn't score any points with gay-rights advocates either.

"This move to attempt to stop the really cruel gay bashing is completely disingenuous," said Elizabeth Birch, executive director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, a national gay and lesbian rights organization.

"The truth is his members won't let him do this anyway," she added. "Every time Ralph Reed tries to strategically move to the center, he is yanked back by his members."

Some in the Christian community agree.

"I think Ralph Reed is being very true to his faith when he calls for civility, and I think a call from him, particularly when he is known by many for his harshness, is welcome," said the Rev. William H. Willimon of the Duke Divinity School.

"It sounds like he is attempting to give a real leadership to this," he added. "With some of his followers, he may pay a price."

Two titans of toon retailing duke it out on Fifth Avenue

NEW YORK (AP) — In the old days, the big retail rivalry in Manhattan was Macy's vs. Gimbels. In 1996, Mickey Mouse is taking on Bugs Bunny.

Disney and Warner Bros., the titans of toon retailing, will be competing one block apart on Fifth Avenue as of Wednesday, when Disney opens its first Manhattan store.

Disney is moving in on what has been Looney Tunes turf for three years. Since it opened at the corner of Fifth Avenue and 57th Street, the Warner Bros. Studio Store has become one of Manhattan's biggest tourist sites.

"They're having a battle of flagship stores," said Harold Vogel, an entertainment industry analyst with the investment firm Cowen & Co.

A store in this part of Manhattan is extremely expensive, with rents running as high as \$400 a square foot per month. But it's the place to be. Debbie Bohnett, a spokeswoman for Disney Stores, estimated that half the pedestrian traffic along this stretch of Fifth Avenue comes from tourists.

The out-of-towners most certainly will turn the Disney Store, between 55th and 56th streets, into another big tourist spot.

The new store, at 40,000 square feet, is about eight times as big as Disney's average mall store. It is bigger than the Warner store, but not for long: Warner's shop is so successful it is expanding to the full nine floors of the building it's in, from the current three stories. Its

square footage will more than double, to 75,000.

At Warner, the glass-walled elevator is boosted by a larger-than-life-sized Superman. People dressed as Sylvester, Tweety and other Looney Tunes characters roam the premises and pose for pictures with shoppers.

The Disney store has a Magic Kingdom feel, with settings straight out of "Snow White" and sculptures and murals of Disney characters.

The New York stores sell merchandise tourists want — T-shirts, mugs, figurines and more that combine New York motifs with Disney and Warner characters.

Warner offers miniature Statues of Liberty that are really likenesses of Bugs Bunny dressed up in green, and there are mugs that show the Looney Tunes characters on the subway. Disney has dressed up Minnie Mouse as the statue, and outfitted Mickey as a cabbie.

There are staples of any Disney or Warner store: T-shirts, shorts, sweats, mugs, plush toys, stationery, key rings and dinnerware, all based on each company's famed cartoon characters. There are some bizarre twists, like the Tasmanian Devil car floor mats at the Warner store.

The new Disney store marks another evolutionary step for the company, which until two years ago aimed its merchandise toward children, and then found itself trailing Warner in reaching teenage and adult shoppers.

Charges dropped against former secretary in bribery case

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Charges have been dismissed against a Cameron County district attorney's former secretary for accepting bribes to help fix drunken-driving cases, while a car salesman has pleaded guilty to the same charges.

Herschel Zinn, the Harlingen car salesman, pleaded guilty Monday to one count of bribery for accepting about \$1,400 to use his influence on the district attorney's office to have driving-while-intoxicated

cases reduced or dismissed.

Zinn, who is scheduled to be sentenced next month, faces two to 20 years in prison and a possible fine of up to \$10,000.

Two other bribery charges against Zinn were dismissed, as were all three bribery charges against Norma Warner, the long-time secretary of Cameron County District Attorney Luis Saenz.

Ms. Warner's case was dismissed due to a lack of evidence, attorneys said.

"They didn't have a case against her," said her attorney, Kyle Welch. "She didn't take any money from anybody."

Nueces County Assistant District Attorney Roy Hudspeth, who was appointed a special prosecutor in the case, agreed the state did not have enough evidence to pursue Ms. Warner's case.

"We didn't have that good of a case against her, and if he (Zinn) was willing to take the full responsibility both on the part of

Ms. Warner and anybody else in the DA's office, I felt that justice was being served," Hudspeth said. "Everybody else that was being investigated paid a heavy penalty for what went on there."

Zinn and Ms. Warner were indicted in December after months of investigation into Saenz's office.

Saenz was not indicted, but grand jurors issued a scathing report criticizing his administration of the office. The report came just one month before the March primaries, in which Saenz lost his re-election bid.

Initially, the grand jury was investigating a sexual harassment complaint against Saenz by a former receptionist.

Saenz, who did not return calls, has denied any wrongdoing.

Willacy County District Attorney Gustavo Garza, who also acted as a special prosecutor, said Zinn conducted the bribery scheme by collecting money from DWI defendants on the promise that he would "take care" of their cases.

He then would call Ms. Warner, with whom he was friends, and ask her to pull certain files, Garza said. Some cases eventually were prosecuted, others were not.

As far as Ms. Warner's involvement, Garza said: "Her position has been that she did not know that Herschel was taking money from the different DWI defendants. We could never show that she did anything with the same intent he did."

Zinn's attorney, Hector Villarreal, said his client's position is that neither Ms. Warner nor Saenz were involved in any criminal activity.

"He's accepting responsibility for what he did, and he didn't feel that Norma Warner nor Luis Saenz should be penalized for something they had nothing to do with," Villarreal said.

Cookies for the firefighters



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holman)

Representatives of Coronado Healthcare Center took cookies to Pampa emergency service workers Friday in observance of National Nursing Home Week and to show appreciation for the response to all their calls and for being "so kind and patient." Coronado Healthcare Center residents Gloria Terry, in wheelchair, and Pauline Young present cookies to Paul Jenkins of the Pampa Fire Department. Helping the residents deliver the cookies are Kathie Horst, left, activity director, and Mitzi McClelland, service director. Also receiving the cookies were the Pampa Police Department and Rural/Metro ambulance service.

Iraqi oil could drop gas prices

NEW YORK (AP) — By Independence Day, gasoline prices in the United States could drop a nickel or more a gallon because of the flow of Iraqi oil onto world markets for the first time since the Gulf War.

The federal government predicts that a gallon of gas will eventually drop from 2 cents to 6 cents at the retail level once Iraq begins exporting oil in about 30 days, said Mark Rodekohr of the federal Energy Information Administration, a division of the Energy Department.

"Gasoline prices will probably stay up for another four to six weeks, then, after the July Fourth weekend, you may see a slight decline," said Thomas H.L. Curtis, an energy analyst for the Computer Petroleum Corp.

Some analysts think the dealers may be slow to pass the savings on at the pump.

"It took a long time for the prices to go up, the (profit) margins were squeezed," Curtis said. "They'll try to maintain the margins that they have now, you can bet on it."

Iraq's deal with the United Nations will allow Saddam Hussein to sell \$1 billion worth of oil every 90 days so he can buy food and medicine for his people.

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First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton laments 'unforgiving glare' of public life

By LAURA MECKLER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - In an hour-long television interview, Hillary Rodham Clinton lamented the "unforgiving glare" on public officials as she mourned the second top official to take his life since she moved into the White House.

And she talked about how she has held up when that same piercing glare has pointed her way. "It's painful sometimes. It does upset me."

Speaking on CNN's *Larry King Live* Monday night, Mrs. Clinton discussed how Adm. Jeremy "Mike" Boorda, the Navy's top officer, could not live with suspicions that he wore military decorations he may not have earned.

"He seemed to believe that no one would accept his explanation that it was

an honest mistake, if indeed it was," she said, noting that some military experts have said Boorda was entitled to two disputed valor pins.

"In today's atmosphere, which is so highly charged, a lie is halfway around the world before the truth can get out of someone's mouth," she said.

Mrs. Clinton recalled the 1993 suicide of Vincent Foster, a close friend who served as deputy White House counsel.

"I don't know that any of us who are left will ever know the reasons why," she said.

But she said these deaths point to the stress of living with today's "extraordinary scrutiny ... and the relentless and unforgiving glare that people who live in public life are subjected to."

She called Boorda's suicide last Thursday "just unbelievably sad."

"What a great guy - the kind of person

who would just light up a room (and) make you feel so at ease," she remembered. "The times he was at the White House ... he would be sure to say hello and thank you to all the people who worked there."

Mrs. Clinton, often under fire in relation to the still brewing Whitewater and Travel Office controversies, said she tries not to let sometimes intense personal criticism get to her.

"I don't think you can get used to it," she said. "It's painful sometimes. It does upset me."

She said she follows advice from one of her heroines, Eleanor Roosevelt. "You just grow as thick a skin as you possibly can, and you try to take criticism seriously but not personally," she said.

"I think that what prepared me most for Washington was playing lots of sports with boys in my neighborhood

growing up," she added. "I'm so used to them razzing each other and razzing me ... That's why I urge girls to play competitive sports with boys at an early age."

In the interview, Mrs. Clinton touched on a number of subjects:

- On Elizabeth Dole, the wife of presumptive Republican presidential nominee, Sen. Bob Dole: "I don't know her well, but I admire her work."

- On the first lady's suspected liberal influence on President Clinton: "There is no left wing of the Clinton White House. You know, I listen to that and I don't know where those folks have been because they certainly haven't followed my husband in the last four years."

- On Whitewater and Arkansas trial of the Clintons' former partners in the land deal: "I'm just hoping that once and for all these allegations against Bill are

discredited and will be pushed off the screen."

- On the White House travel office firings: She said she only expressed general concern about misuse of funds but did not direct the firing of seven travel office employees. She acknowledged, however, that her comments may have been misinterpreted. She noted that while in France once, she casually mentioned that the president had allergies and her French hosts took that to mean there could be no flowers on their dinner table.

Mrs. Clinton said it has taken a while for her and Clinton to realize that casual musings are taken very seriously. "My husband is saying, 'Gee I want a banana,' and next thing you know there's bananas everywhere," she said. "So we have learned to be a little more careful about that."

Ronald Maul Scholarship



(Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzanskis)

James Race, second from left, congratulates Matt Reeves of Pampa, left, and John Dickey of McLean, at right, as recipients of \$500 and \$250, respectively, Ronald Maul Scholarships. The agriculture scholarships are sponsored by the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association and the Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau. Reeves plans to attend Texas A&M University. Dickey plans to attend Clarendon College. Clinton Stribling, not picture, was named alternate for one of the two scholarships. Race is agency manager of the Gray-Roberts Farm Bureau.

Federal Reserve meeting will see no change in interest rates, experts say

WASHINGTON (AP) - Faced with conflicting economic signs, Federal Reserve policy-makers are unlikely to push interest rates one way or the other anytime soon, many analysts believe.

"The Fed's instinct is to wait and see," said David Jones, an economist with Aubrey B. Lanston & Co., a New York government securities firm. "There is no sense of urgency to make any policy shift."

The central bank's Federal Open Market Committee was meeting privately today to review economic developments. The panel is composed of the Fed governors in Washington and five of the 12 regional bank presidents.

After cutting the federal funds rate last July and again in December and January to stimulate economic growth, the committee decided in March to hold rates steady at 5.25 percent as signs of a moderately rebounding economy emerged.

The funds rate is what banks charge each other for overnight loans.

In a survey of regional conditions last month, the Fed concluded the economy continued to grow moderately with few signs of inflation.

Since then, signals have been mixed. For instance, there have been spotty signs of weakness, including continued sluggishness in the manufacturing sector. But at the same time, housing activity remains at a high level despite rising mortgage rates.

Still, some prices have been rising recently, notably

for energy and some food products. There also have been reports of wage pressures where tight labor markets exist. The unemployment rate in April was just 5.4 percent, lowest in more than a year.

Many analysts believe, however, that most price increases will be short-lived, due to one-time factors such as a severe winter that fed demand for heating products.

Economists at Laurence H. Meyer & Associates, a St. Louis forecasting service, said in their monthly newsletter that the Fed probably would delay any action "until it sees several more months of data untainted by the unusual events of the first quarter."

The Fed might move to raise rates if "recent evidence of accelerating wages develops into a trend," the economists said. "The chances of more restrictive policy have increased in the last several weeks," the economists noted, "but, thus far, we feel conditions do not warrant a tightening."

Jones of Aubrey Lanston agreed, saying the FOMC probably would not change rates until the August or September meetings at the soonest and possibly not until after the Nov. 5 presidential election.

"I think the Fed is very comfortable with where things are right now," Jones said. "They are watching the spurt in energy prices closely but so far those increases haven't spread to other sectors of the economy."

Official alleges mismanagement of aid program in Africa

WASHINGTON (AP) - The U.S. assistance program in South Africa is riddled with waste, mistreatment of staff and politically motivated decision-making, a foreign aid official testified today on the eve of his forced departure from government service.

Paul Neifert, a self-described "whistleblower," said his dissent cost him his job in South Africa two years ago. He will formally end his employment at the Agency for International Development on Wednesday.

In his prepared testimony to the House International Relations Committee, Neifert, 38, said he was reduced to a "paper-pushing job" in Washington and was forced to face "trumped-up charges" because of his dissent.

In an interview on Monday, Neifert said there was a conscious effort at the AID mission in South Africa to steer contracts in disproportionate numbers toward black contractors in South Africa and the United States in violation of U.S. law.

But in his prepared testimony, Neifert made only glancing references to the reverse discrimi-

nation issue and focused on allegations about AID mismanagement in South Africa instead.

Neifert conceded in a telephone interview Monday night that he soft-pedaled the race issue in his testimony, noting that the subject easily lends itself to demagoguery.

"I'd hate to see the whole thing degenerate into a debate over whether somebody is a racist or not," he said, adding that

Republican and Democratic staff had urged him to use caution in discussing racial questions.

Jay Byrne, a spokesman for AID, said a thorough investigation substantiated none of Neifert's claims except a "few isolated examples." He also complained that the committee's Republican leaders invited no witnesses from AID to challenge Neifert's comments at today's hearing.

Auto industry plans to spend \$10 million for prevention of child air bag deaths

WASHINGTON (AP) - A week after a deploying air bag killed a 7-year-old boy, automakers, insurers and safety equipment manufacturers are teaming up to spend nearly \$10 million to prevent deaths of children caused by air bags.

The coalition will lobby for stronger state seat belt laws and educate motorists about the dangers of children riding without seat belts in the 15 million vehicles with passenger-side air bags, according to insurance industry and auto industry sources.

Coalition members, including the government and auto safety groups, were outlining their coordinated plan at a press conference today with Transportation Secretary Federico Pena.

Last week, a piece of an air bag system sliced into the throat of a 7-year-old boy in New York during a low-speed crash. His death

brought to 19 the number of children and infants killed by air bags since they were introduced about nine years ago, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration officials said.

Five of the 19 were infants in rear-facing child seats that were slammed into the car's seat when the air bag deployed. The government has warned against putting rear-facing infant seats in the front seat of a car with air bags.

Most of the children killed were not wearing seat belts or were not using them properly, according to NHTSA officials.

Companies using or making air bags are under pressure because it is children who are at risk and the number of vehicles with air bags is growing rapidly - the government is requiring all new cars to have front-seat air bags by model year 1998, and light trucks by 1999.

"What we want is to bump up seat belt usage," said Phil Hutchinson, president and chief executive officer of the Association of International Automobile Manufacturers.

Eleven states allow officers to pull over and ticket motorists solely because a passenger is not wearing a seat belt. Auto safety advocates believe education coupled with strong laws that are enforced in other states would increase seat belt usage among passengers.

General Motors Corp. has given a total of \$4 million for the coalition's joint fund, sources said. About \$3 million will come from the insurance industry, about \$1 million from air bag and seat belt manufacturers, and about \$2 million from the other American automakers and foreign automakers in proportion to their U.S. market share, insurance and auto industry sources said.

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Middle School scholarship



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Suzie Jameson presents senior Janet Dancel with the \$1,000 Pampa Middle School Scholarship. Applicants for the scholarship had to have graduated from PMS as well as meet a number of general scholarship requirements. Dancel, an honor graduate, will attend Texas Tech University and major in Latin and the classics.

Nation briefs

Perry hopes to recommend Boorda successor soon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary William J. Perry plans to move swiftly to recommend a successor to Adm. Jeremy M. "Mike" Boorda to head the Navy but is still considering a wide range of possible candidates, a senior Perry aide said.

Kenneth Bacon, Perry's chief spokesman, said Monday the defense secretary would make the recommendation to President Clinton after consulting with advisers, including Navy Secretary John Dalton and Joint Chiefs Chairman Gen. John Shalikashvili.

"The secretary hopes to make a recommendation to the president as soon as possible," Bacon said. "We're talking about days rather than weeks." Clinton and Perry were attending a memorial service for Boorda today at Washington National Cathedral. Boorda shot himself to death Thursday in Washington, apparently out of worry that questions being raised about the legitimacy of two bronze combat pins he had worn would escalate into a scandal.

Poison sandwiches kill gulls on Cape Cod

BOSTON (AP) — At least 400 gulls have died after ingesting poisoned margarine-and-white-bread sandwiches placed in their nests by federal workers out to protect a threatened shorebird.

About 100 dead gulls were found on the mainland of Cape Cod and another 300 on the northern tip of South Monomoy Island, where the nests were poisoned as part of an avian management plan for the Monomoy National Wildlife Refuge.

Federal authorities poisoned more than 2,800 nests on the off-

shore island to protect the piping plover, an endangered species.

Many of the carcasses were found in or near freshwater because the poison induces kidney failure, making the birds thirsty. Federal officials said the carcasses presented no dangers to humans or other animals.

Elderly vet shoots VA official in dispute over benefits

PITTSBURGH (AP) — An 86-year-old World War II veteran who got into an argument over benefits in a Veterans Affairs office pulled a handmade gun out of his pants and shot an official in the face, authorities said.

Leonard Peters apparently bypassed metal detectors at a downtown federal building Monday because he was brought in through an underground parking garage in a VA van, agency spokesman Harry Feather said.

The official, Edward Baldauf, 50, was listed in serious condition today with wounds to his face and shoulder. He was expected to recover.

The two men were across a desk from one another in a fourth-floor office and Peters was trying to persuade Baldauf to waive a requirement that he repay several hundred dollars in overpayments of VA benefits, Feather said.

Peters "got irritated, stood up and fired a handmade weapon at him," Feather said. He was subdued by workers until police arrived.

Peters was jailed on aggravated assault, reckless endangerment and weapons charges. He saw a court-appointed psychiatrist Monday night.

The gun was fashioned from a metal tube, a 12-gauge shotgun shell and a firing mechanism.

Pellets from the gun fractured the orbit of Baldauf's left eye but did not penetrate his eyeball.

Red-legged frog listed as endangered

WASHINGTON (AP) — Written into American folklore by Mark Twain for its leaping prowess, the California red-legged frog is now officially protected by Uncle Sam.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service ended a yearlong drought of action to protect species by listing as "threatened" the frogs that Twain said "could get over more ground at one straddle than any animal of his breed."

The Monday decision under the Endangered Species Act brought guarded praise from environmentalists and criticism from some

farm groups. It also prompted assurances from the Clinton administration — wary of the potential fallout in a politically important state — that it would take all steps possible to minimize the economic impact.

Action to safeguard the frog and its habitat primarily along coastal areas of central California had been held up for more than a year as Congress imposed a moratorium in early 1995 against any further endangered species listings. The listing ban was lifted last month.

Iraq accepts oil-for-food deal; hopes sanctions will lift

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Iraq hopes its acceptance of an oil-for-food deal will encourage the U.N. Security Council to lift crippling economic sanctions imposed after Baghdad invaded Kuwait in 1990.

But U.S. officials insist that won't happen until Iraq complies with council resolutions banning Iraqi weapons of mass destruction and cooperates fully with U.N. demands for full disclosure of its weapons programs.

On Monday, after months of negotiations, Iraq finally accepted a U.N. offer to allow President Saddam Hussein to sell \$1 billion worth of oil every 90 days for an initial 180-day period to buy food and medicine for his suffering people.

Iraqi oil is expected to begin flowing into international markets within one or two months, and the agreement is expected to lower gasoline prices worldwide.

The council committee that monitors Iraqi sanctions meets today to begin drawing up detailed plans to ensure that Iraq does not try to use the oil sales proceeds to buy weapons and other proscribed materials.

Under the agreement, the United Nations will distribute humanitarian supplies to Iraqi Kurds, who have been fighting the Baghdad government for decades. Iraq must submit a plan for distributing supplies throughout the rest of the country before it can start exporting oil.

U.N. monitors will supervise both the exports and the distribution of humanitarian supplies.

A U.S. diplomat, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the United States would hold Iraq's "feet to the fire" to make it fully comply with U.N. conditions in the oil-for-food deal.

Oil had been Iraq's chief export. Before the U.N. ban, it produced 3.4 million barrels a day. That fell to 400,000 barrels a day under the sanctions, mainly for domestic consumption. Monday's deal could lead to Iraq producing and exporting an extra 650,000 barrels a day.

Iraq appeared to be hoping that the oil-for-food deal will generate enough goodwill among U.N. member states to lift the sanctions.

"It opens a door for Iraq, in this case, to try to reach out for the total lifting of the embargo," Iraq's U.N. Ambassador Nizar Hamdoun said.

But sanctions cannot be lifted without the approval of the 15-member Security Council. As one of the five permanent members, the United States could veto any move to lift the sanctions without Washington's approval.

Judge instructs Whitewater jurors to use indictment as a guide

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — A judge told Whitewater jurors to use the indictment as their guide after they said they were having trouble matching the voluminous evidence to the charges and needed an index.

The jury has deliberated for 19 hours since getting the case Thursday.

Gov. Jim Guy Tucker and James and Susan McDougal are accused of fraudulently obtaining \$3 million in loans from

two federally backed lenders. Deliberations were to resume today.

After deliberating two hours Monday, the jury sent out a note asking for an index of the more than 700 exhibits.

While the court was considering whether to give jurors an index, the jury sent another note, saying it was having trouble matching specific transactions to the charges.

Howard then reversed a decision he made last week and gave

jurors a copy of the indictment. He also ordered lawyers to draft an index in neutral language.

The jury's notes seem to rule out a quick verdict.

"They've got a lot of material to go over," said Bobby McDaniel, Mrs. McDougal's lawyer. "It's a complicated indictment."

President Clinton, Hillary Rodham Clinton and the

McDougal's owned Whitewater Development Corp. between 1978 and 1992.

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Divorce Leaves Fewer Scars Than Barrage Of Verbal Abuse

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Wants Out in Westminster, Calif." She's the nurse with three children whose husband is self-centered and verbally abusive toward her and their children, and she is afraid that a messy divorce will scar her kids emotionally.

Abby, I, too, came from a house in which there was constant verbal abuse. Although my father physically abused my mother, his verbal abuse toward all of us did the most damage. I grew up in constant fear that I would be insulted, degraded or embarrassed. The unspoken family rule was: Don't get Dad mad — which was virtually impossible because what would upset him changed on a daily basis.

Mom believed that a bad father was better than no father. She was wrong. I longed to be part of a "normal" loving family, and vividly remember fantasizing about what life would be like without Dad.

I grew up not trusting or liking myself, nor did I trust anyone else because those who were supposed to care for and love me let me down.

It took much time and effort in the Adult Children of Alcoholics 12-step recovery group for me to feel whole again. Abby, that program was a miracle for me.

My advice to "Wants Out" is to get out now! You are letting your children down by not providing them with a nurturing, peaceful happy home. By not leaving, you may be causing more emotional



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DEAR NEEDS: If you two

have fun together just talking for three or four hours, you are a couple. Count your blessings, not your years, and enjoy your relationship. God bless and good luck.

DEAR ABBY: My sister, Laurie, and her husband, Ralph, have a little ritual they go through with their kids when one of their pet goldfish dies.

The whole family gathers in the bathroom and around the commode. Little Anthony, the 3-year-old, holds the "deceased" while his sister says a little prayer. Then Anthony drops the fish in the bowl and Lexy, the 5-year-old, flushes it to heaven.

One day, during one of these rituals, Lexy asked her dad if "Wito," her Grandpa who passed away a few years ago, was also in heaven. When Ralph said, "Yes," the 3-year-old asked, "Who flushed him?" No one could keep a straight face after that.

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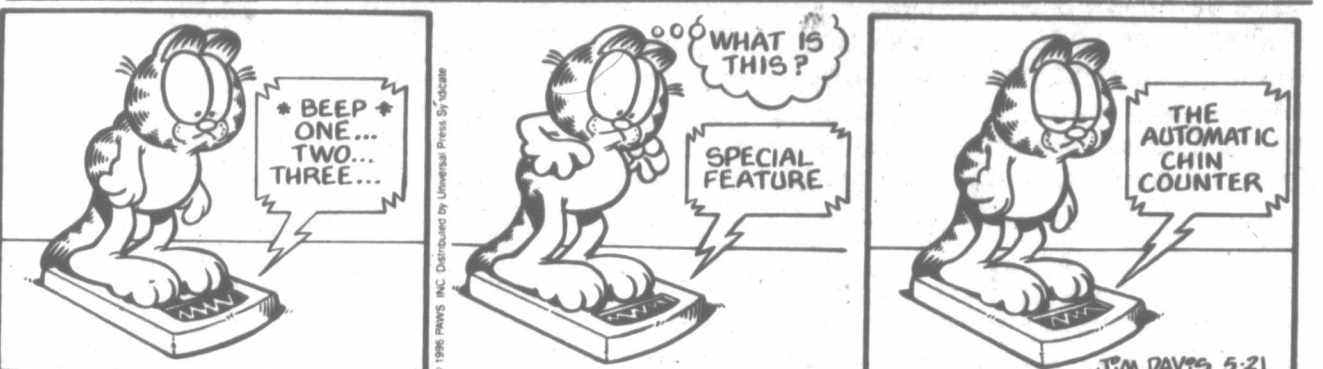
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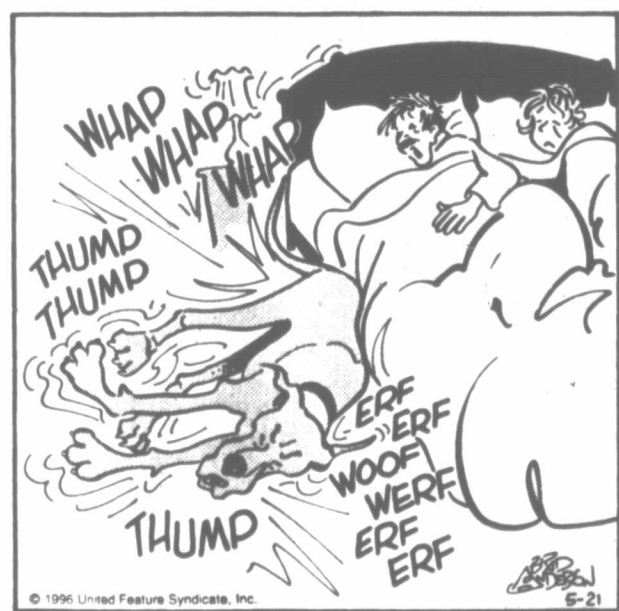
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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) When making a decision today, consider all of the negative aspects, but also look at the optimistic and positive side before deciding.
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A potentially profitable development you haven't taken seriously will be worth pursuing. Re-examine it more carefully today.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) Today, you will discover that someone you know socially has more in common with you than you realize. Try to investigate.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The situation will change and instead of always being the giver, you could be on the receiving end during this cycle. Give thanks for all positive developments.
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"Why is Mommy gettin' a new hairdo? I've spent my whole life gettin' used to the OLD one."



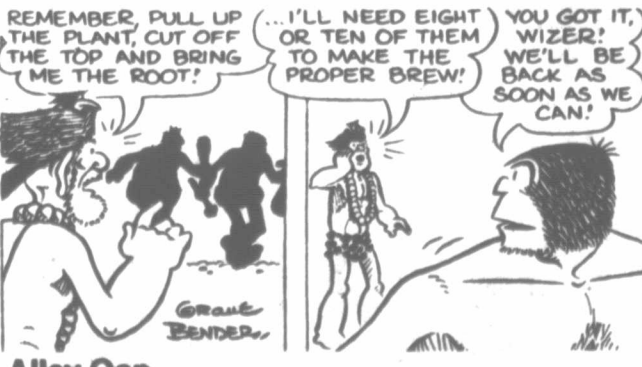
"I know one thing... His nightmares are our nightmares."

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OPTIMIST SPORTS

PAMPA — Managers or scorekeepers in the Optimist Club baseball and softball leagues can pick up score-sheets at The Pampa News sports department.

Game results can be turned in after 5 p.m. by dropping the score-sheets in a mail slot located in front of The Pampa News office.

If more information is needed, call 669-2527.

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — The 1995-1996 Pampa state championship basketball team has been called upon to play one more game.

An all-star contest, billed as the "Game of the Decade," is being sponsored by the Macedonia Baptist Church Usherboard of Pampa. The game is set to be played at 7 p.m. Saturday at McNeely Fieldhouse.

Pampa's state champions, consisting of Rayford Young, Coy Laury, Devin Lemons, Jason Weatherbee, Gabe Wilbon, Tyson Alexander, Chris Miller, J.J. Mathis, August Larson, Matt Harp, Jared Knipp and Lynn Brown, are scheduled to play a group of made of Pampa's district championship teams of 1989-1990, 1990-1991 and 1991-1992. Those team members include Cederick Wilbon, David Johnson, Dwight Nickelberry, Cornelius Landers, Jason Williams, Quincy Williams, Randy Nichols, Lamont Nickelberry, Paul Brown, Brent Skaggs, Sammy Laury, Mark Wood, Ryan Teague, Daniel Trejo and Jeff Young. The 1991 and 1992 teams both advanced to the state tournament semifinals.

Donations for the game will be accepted at the door.

GENERAL

PAMPA — More than 240 sixth and eighth grade boys and girls were given athletic physical examinations last weekend at Columbia Medical Center, according to PHS trainer Stuart Smith.

Smith said the Pampa Athletic Department wanted to thank Dr. Mark Cook, Dr. Meganne Walsh, Dr. Craig Shaffer, Jerry Wilson P.A., Carin Cance R.N.P., and Columbia Medical Center for taking their morning off to give the physicals.

"We sincerely appreciate your time and effort in providing these free exams for the young athletes of our community," Smith said. "We would also like to thank Betty Scarbrough, Cathy Land, R.N., and the nursing staff for organizing and running the exams so efficiently. Their dedication to the athletic department, and the community help make Pampa athletics among the strongest in Texas."

FOOTBALL

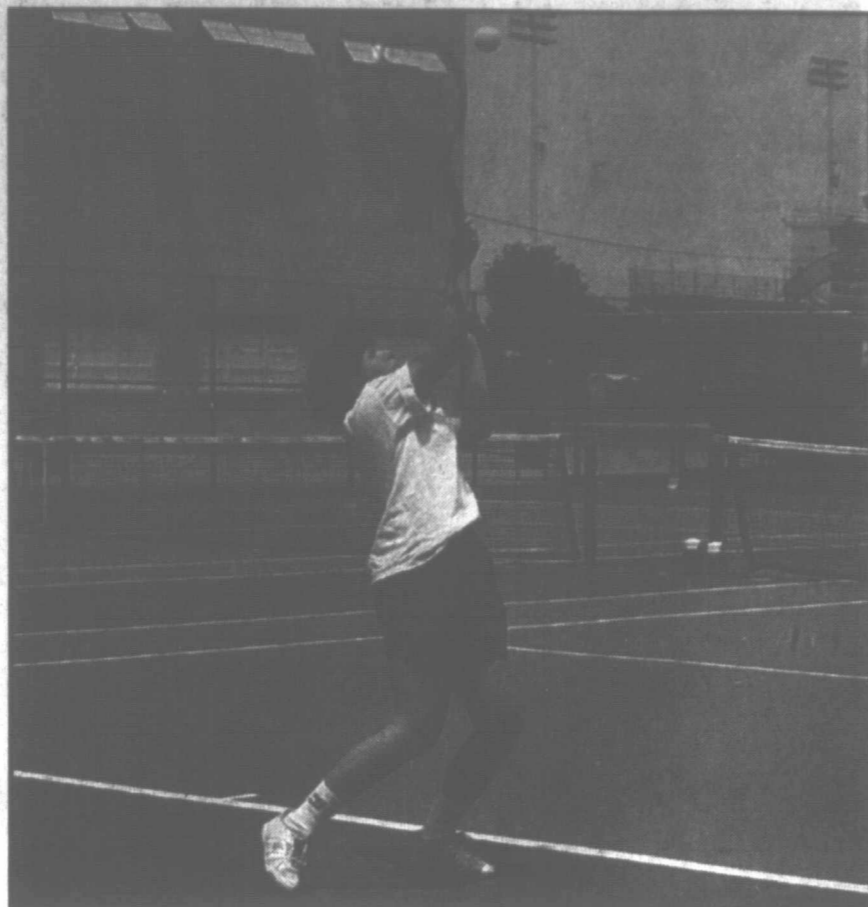
FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — At least four Texas Christian football players are suspected in an assault that left another student with a fractured skull and involved beating, kicking and stomping the victim, police said.

The unnamed players are suspects in the May 11 attack on Brian Douglas Boyd, 21, outside a downtown bar, police said.

TCU football coach Pat Sullivan said in a prepared statement that he was aware of the incident.

"Information we currently have indicates football players may have been involved in an altercation with other TCU students. Our student athletes have been placed on restrictions pending the outcome of a full investigation," the statement says.

Boyd's father, Doug Boyd, said his son suffered a skull fracture and other injuries and spent 24 hours in intensive care before being released from the hospital last week.



(Pampa News photo)

Helen Orr serves up a shot during the Pampa Open Tennis Tournament held at the PHS courts.

NCAA announces 48-team field leading to College World Series

By CRAIG HORST
AP Sports Writer

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (AP) — Enlarging the NCAA baseball tournament field from 48 to 64 teams would sure make life easier on the selection committee.

Picking the eight top seeds for the tournament leading to the 50th College World Series was not that hard, said Ron Maestri, chairman of the NCAA Baseball Committee.

It was seeding Nos. 2-5 in the regionals that was difficult, because of the parity in college baseball.

The quality of competition against non-conference opponents was the determining factor in most choices for the 48-team field, Maestri said.

Regional play begins Thursday, with the eight-team College World Series scheduled to begin

May 31. The regionals and the World Series are double-elimination tournaments.

Maestri said he advocated expansion of the tournament, but doubted the NCAA Executive Committee would approve it, at least not in the next few years.

Defending champion Cal State-Fullerton, which lost 10 of its last 15 games, was made a second seed in the Midwest Regional behind Wichita State, which won 50 of 59 games this year, the most victories of any team in the tournament. Fullerton finished the season 43-14 and remained No. 1 in the latest Baseball America poll, while Wichita State was ranked sixth.

The committee in large part bases the selections on RPI rankings, which rates the quality of opponents, and, therefore, the quality of victories. The ratings will not be released until after the

Pampa hosts tennis tourney

PAMPA — The Pampa Open Tennis Tournament was held last weekend at the high school courts. Tournament results are as follows:

Boys 12 Singles
Semifinals: Kent Heatwole, Canadian, def. Chris Shaffer, Pampa, 7-5, 6-3; Andrew Curtis, Pampa, def. Cade Culver, Canadian, 6-2, 6-2.

Finals: Heatwole def. Curtis, 6-0, 6-0.
Consolation: Clarke Hale, Pampa, def. Tyler Dubose, Pampa, 6-3, 6-1.

Boys 12 Doubles
Round robin: Andrew Curtis-Jonathan Jones, Pampa, first place; Kent Heatwole-Cade Culver, Canadian, second place.

Boys 14 Singles
Semifinals: Luke Dill, Borger, def. James Roach, Miami, 6-4, 6-1; Kurt Smith, Amarillo, def. David Phillips, Pampa, by default.

Finals: Smith def. Dill, 6-2, 6-2.
Consolation: Calvin Nite def. Ryan Mills, 6-2, 6-3.

Boys 14 Doubles
Finals: James Roach-Andy DeVoss, Miami, def. Capp Culver-Colby Heatwole, Canadian, 6-1, 6-2.

Boys 17 Singles
Semifinals: Pete Vargas, Hereford, def. Blake Hurst, Miami, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3; Zach Helton, Wellington, def. Luke Dill, Borger, 6-1, 6-1.

Finals: Vargas def. Helton, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4.
Consolation: Jason Vickery, Pampa, def. Russ Dubose, Pampa, 8-3.

Boys 17 Doubles
Semifinals: Pete Vargas-Zach Helton, def. Kurt Smith-Tanner Smith, Amarillo, 6-0, 6-1; Payne-Browning def. Hurst-Neighbors, 6-3, 6-2.

Finals: Vargas-Helton def. Hurst-Neighbors, 6-1, 6-1.
Consolation: Dubose-Vickery def. Fields-Laycock, 8-0.

Girls 14 Singles

Semifinals: Helen Orr, Pampa, def. Lee Carmichael, Pampa, 6-2, 6-3; Erin Lemons, Wellington, def. Lynsee Cree, Pampa, 6-4, 6-4.

Finals: Orr def. Lemons, 2-6, 6-3, 7-5.
Consolation: Tera Sealoch, Wellington, def. Celeste Stowers, Pampa, 6-4, 7-5.

Girls 14 Doubles

Finals: Lynsee Hancock-Celeste Stowers def. Helen Orr-Allison Baxter, 6-3, 6-4; Consolation: Rebekah Warner-Ashley Stucki def. Nikki Sims-Kendra Alread, 6-4, 6-3.

Girls 17 Singles

Semifinals: Emily Curtis, Pampa def. Katie McComas, 6-1, 6-0; Tiffany Williams, Wellington, def. Amber DeVoss, Wellington, 2-6, 6-1, 6-1.

Finals: Williams def. Curtis, 6-1, 7-5.
Consolation: Wells def. McComas, 6-2, 6-4.

College World Series in Omaha, Neb.

The Southeastern Conference put the most teams in the tournament with six, while the Atlantic Coast Conference got five.

Other top seeds were Clemson (45-15) in the Atlantic Regional at Clemson; Miami (43-12) in one Central Regional at Austin, Texas; Southern California (41-14) in the other Central Regional at Lubbock, Texas; Florida (44-16) in the East at Gainesville; Alabama (45-17) in one Southern Regional at Tuscaloosa; Louisiana State (44-15) in the other Southern Regional at Baton Rouge; and Florida State (47-15) in the West Regional at Stanford.

Maestri said the two Texas regionals, with No. 1 seeds Miami in Austin and Southern Cal in Lubbock, could be the most difficult.

"Last night we spent a lot of time making sure there was a lot of parity in all the regions," Maestri said. "I'm sure the regionals at Lubbock and at (Austin) Texas are going to be tough."

Wichita State, top-seeded and at home, is a favorite to come out of the Midwest. Cal-State Fullerton's slump at the end of the year probably cost the defending champions a top seed.

"Quite obviously, they've had a great year," Maestri said of Wichita State. "They have quality wins outside the conference. Their strength is there. They deserve to be there. Fullerton started 38-4, but struggled at the end quite obviously. But they are tournament tested."

College baseball was led by pitchers this year, particularly Kris Benson of Clemson, which meets Charleston, S.C., in the

first round. He led the nation with a 1.48 earned run average and was 13-0.

Louisiana State, which plays Austin Peay in the first round, set an SEC record with 116 homers and had SEC player of the year Eddy Furriss, who batted .384 while hitting 25 homers and driving in 96 runs.

Florida State, which finished 19-5 in the ACC after a 15-0 start, was sent West to Stanford, because the committee did not have room geographically to keep it at home, Maestri said. J.D. Drew leads Florida State at .398 with 18 homers.

Eighteen teams earned automatic berths by winning conference championships, and 12 other conferences held play-in competition to fill six remaining spots. The NCAA Baseball Committee filled out the field by selecting at-large teams.

Indy 500 has green lineup

By STEVE HERMAN
AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The Indianapolis 500 on Sunday offers the greenest, least-tested and maybe most vulnerable field in decades.

Coming from racing backgrounds ranging from midget cars to Formula One, 17 rookies will make their Indy debuts. It's the first time since 1919 that first-year drivers will outnumber veterans in the world's biggest auto race.

Just how inexperienced is the field?

Well, former drivers A.J. Foyt, Mario Andretti and Al Unser Sr., totaled 16 more starts than all 33 of this year's drivers combined.

The pole starter, Tony Stewart, is a rookie who just celebrated his 25th birthday on Monday. Four more newcomers will be crowding Arie Luyendyk, the fastest qualifier in history, in the middle of the pack. Two other rookies will start on the last row next to Danny Ongais, the oldest driver in the race and a substitute for Scott Brayton, who was killed in practice on Friday.

Only four drivers have started more than six previous Indy races, and two of those, the 54-year-old Ongais and 51-year-old Johnny Parsons, haven't driven here in 10 years.

"It's going to be tough the first couple of years, but I think the exposure's going to be good," four-time winner Foyt said of Indy Racing League's split with Championship Auto Racing Teams, which produced the lineup openings for so many rookies. "I think you're going to see a lot of young boys get breaks that couldn't get a break."

Some of the "boys" include Stewart; IRL points leader Buzz Calkins, whose 25th birthday was on May 2; Richie Hearn, who turned 25 in January; and Michel Jourdain Jr., the baby of the bunch at 19.

"People are talking about how many rookies there are. Each year, there's a good half-a-dozen to a dozen rookies here anyway," veteran Mike Groff said. "Mario started as a rook-

ie, A.J. started as a rookie, we all did. You have to start somewhere."

"One thing I would say is there's a lot of good racers here in their own right, and I think that's very important," Groff said. "No, some of the guys don't have a whole lot of experience in an Indy car, but it's all relative."

Stewart last year became the first driver to win U.S. Auto Club championships in sprint, midget and dirt cars in the same season. Calkins won the inaugural IRL race at Orlando in January and was sixth at Phoenix in March; Hearn won the Toyota Atlantic championship in 1995 with three wins and six seconds. Jourdain was third last year in Mexico's Formula Two series with a team headed by 1981 Indy 500 rookie of the year Josele Garza.

"It's an incredible group of guys," Parsons said. "I've raced two races with most of them, and they're pretty savvy. They're champions in other classes and they've logged a lot of test miles in Indy cars. So they're really heady."

He said safety in this year's race shouldn't be of more concern than usual.

"I've been on the track with these guys and know their backgrounds. So I don't think that's a problem at all this year, and believe me if I thought it was, I'd be talking to somebody about it," he said.

Luyendyk, the only former winner in this year's race, will be making his 12th Indy start after qualifying at a record 236.986 mph. But he'll start from the seventh row, because his qualification was on the second day of time trials.

"I'll definitely consider the inexperience of these guys. I'm not going to rush things," Luyendyk said. "Anytime you start in the sixth, seventh, eighth row, you're in the middle of the pack with a lot of turbulence. The car does a lot of crazy things and you have to be on your toes."

Lyn St. James, the 1992 rookie of the year and at age 49 the third-oldest behind Ongais and Parsons this year, will start from the sixth row.

SuperSonics go up 2-0 against Jazz

SEATTLE (AP) — A maturing Shawn Kemp was able to put the game's first 46 minutes and 49 seconds — and five fouls — out of his mind.

In the final 71 seconds, Kemp had two baskets and a key steal to give the Seattle SuperSonics a 91-87 victory over Utah on Monday night for a 2-0 lead in the Western Conference finals.

"We had to figure out a way eventually," Kemp said. "I was patient and it worked out fine."

After having only seven points and three rebounds while picking up five fouls in the first three quarters, Kemp was the Sonics' hero in the fourth quarter, when he scored eight of 15 points.

He got two baskets over Karl Malone and stole John Stockton's pass in the last 1:11 as the Sonics overcame a 32-point performance by Malone for their eighth straight playoff victory.

Games 3 and 4 will Friday night and Sunday in Salt Lake City, where the Jazz are 6-0 in the playoffs.

Kemp sat on the bench for all but 27 seconds of the third quarter and watched Malone score 18 points in the period for a 73-65 Utah lead. All he could do was grit his teeth and think about his foul-problems.

"You sit over there on the sideline and you're frustrated," Kemp said. "But you have to push your frustration to the side and say, 'Hey, when I get back out there, I'm going to do something.' I had to make a difference out there."

He did.

When Kemp came back into the game with 10:50 to go, the Sonics trailed 73-67 and appeared on the way of losing their homecourt advantage in the best-of-7 series.

With 9:13 left, Malone lost the

ball, Gary Payton picked it up and Kemp had a fastbreak slam, dunk to cut Utah's lead to 73-71. Kemp later sank two free throws after being fouled by Antoine Carr for a 77-76 Sonics lead.

Payton's free throw gave Seattle an 85-83 lead with 2:44 on the clock before Malone tied the score with a 17-footer.

Then Kemp really went to work to make up for his lost first three quarters.

Kemp's 4-foot jumper put Seattle ahead 87-85 before Carr's layup tied the score. With 38.8 seconds to go, Kemp made his biggest shot of the night, a running 5-footer.

Then Kemp intercepted Stockton's pass at the Utah foul line and Detlef Schrempf hit two free throws with 1.6 seconds left.

Utah coach Jerry Sloan said he wanted to get Malone help in defending Kemp on Kemp's final two shots.

Sharp grounder



(Pampa News photo)

A sharply-hit grounder gets past Nichole Cagle of Team Two in Lady Harvester Softball League action Monday night at Hobart Street Park. At the plate, Cagle had a single in Team Two's 18-hit attack during a 17-12 win over Team One. Team Two and Team Five both finished the season with 9-1 records to share the league championship.

World briefs

Tabloid: Diana wants Jackie O's New York apartment

LONDON (AP) — A British tabloid reported today that Princess Diana plans to buy the late Jackie Kennedy Onassis' New York apartment for \$7.5 million. An aide to the princess dismissed the report as "total rubbish."

The *Star* newspaper said Diana's spokeswoman, Jane Atkinson, looked over the 15th-floor apartment at 1040 Fifth Avenue near 85th Street. An aide to Atkinson told The Associated Press that the report was totally untrue.

The newspaper quoted an unidentified friend of Diana's as saying she "feels she is not properly appreciated in Britain" and wants to spend more time in America.

Diana, involved in acrimonious divorce negotiations with Prince Charles, said in a TV interview last year that she would like a new role as an ambassador for good causes.

Robbers executed in China's crackdown on crime

BEIJING (AP) — Twenty-three more criminals have been executed, state-run media reported today in prominent dispatches meant to focus attention on the government's month-old crackdown on crime.

Eleven convicted robbers were executed Monday in provinces around the country, the media reported. One was also found guilty of two murders.

Twelve others were executed the same day for robbery, prostitution or gang-related crimes in the southern city of Shenzhen, the Shenzhen Special Zone Daily newspaper reported.

The Communist Party launched its "Strike Hard" campaign last month to fight increasing violent crime and robbery. In an indication of the government's desire to publicize the crackdown, the party newspaper, People's Daily, reported the executions on its front page.

Executions in China are usually carried out with a single bullet to the back of the head.

Rogue broadcasters interfere with airport

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Pirate radio stations resumed broadcasting today, a day after their transmissions forced a shutdown of Ben Gurion International Airport.

Flight controllers closed the airport for more than three hours Monday after the unlicensed radio broadcasts kept interfering with tower communications and a French passenger plane had to switch to an emergency channel to land.

A station calling itself "Radio Center" broadcast Monday evening, and there were more illegal transmissions this morning, flight controllers and airport officials said.

Airport spokeswoman Sara Erez said there was little air traffic overnight and the disturbances were not serious enough to close the airport.

Alon Tal, head of the control tower, said Monday's shutdown was intended as a message to police that they must get tougher with the pirate radio stations.

Falling spring flows spur water conservation

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Edwards Underground Water District has shifted into Stage 3 of its drought management plan, calling for major water users and suppliers in Bexar, Comal and Hays counties to cut consumption by 20 percent from a year ago.

And the end is nowhere in sight, Edwards General Manager Rick Illgner told reporters at a news conference on Monday.

"The spring flow at Comal Springs is declining rapidly. Since a week ago, on May 13, it has dropped 17 cubic feet per second, and the prospects for rain are slim," he said.

San Antonio enacted Stage 3 of its drought plan Friday, ordering residents to cut consumption by 40 percent from so-called normal usage.

The city's plan is separate from, and generally less stringent than, the district's. The city's plan is triggered by declining levels in the San Antonio index well, while the district's plan is triggered by declining flows at Comal Springs in New Braunfels.

Water district officials said that if hot, parching weather continues, the springs could go dry in spite of efforts to conserve.

But if the springs stop flowing, that does not mean the aquifer is out of water, nor does it mean conservation efforts are in vain or unwarranted, Illgner emphasized.

Testimony slated to begin today in 'murder-for-hire' trial involving Andrews man

SAN ANGELO (AP) — Testimony was scheduled to begin today in the capital murder trial of a 20-year-old Andrews man accused in what prosecutors call a "murder-for-hire" scheme initiated by the victim's granddaughter.

Joshua John Humphries sat quietly in a sport coat and tie Monday as a

seven-women, five-man jury was seated in Tom Green County.

District Judge Jay Gibson moved the trial to San Angelo on a change of venue from Odessa, where Rachel Juanita Green, 60, was fatally shot in October 1994.

Humphries and five other youth are charged with robbing and killing Mrs. Green in a scheme prosecutors say was

initiated by Melanie Green, then 15.

Now 17, Miss Green has been certified to stand trial as an adult and is being held in the Ector County Jail awaiting trial.

Humphries is the second of the six defendants to stand trial.

Last October, 19-year-old Lincoln Allen Keith was convicted of capital murder and sentenced to life in prison. Ector County

District Attorney John W. Smith said Keith was the "triggerman, while Humphries "aided and abetted" the slaying.

"Our allegation is that there was an offer of money to kill Mrs. Green," Smith said. Humphries "is a party to that crime."

Others charged in the case are Jason Trent, 19; Brandi Jo Middaugh, 19; and Dale Lee Streckfuss, 18.

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