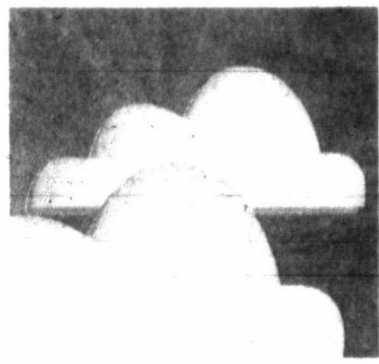


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PAMPA — Two warrants have been issued for the arrest of a 56-year-old Pampa woman expected to be charged with arson in May and June fires.

The woman, who had not been arrested at press time, is accused of starting fires at 803 E. Craven on May 28 and 305 S. Henry on June 15, according to Fire Marshal Tom Adams.

Neither fire caused a great deal of damage, said Adams, and a motive has not been given.

WOLVERHAMPTON, England (AP) — A man armed with a machete or an ax attacked 4-year-old children and adults at a school today, injuring at least seven people before fleeing, police said.

Chris Capewell of West Midlands Ambulance Service said three adults and four children "with varying degrees of stab wounds" were taken to a hospital after the attack at St. Luke's Church of England school.

"As I understand it, one child received severe lacerations to the right arm, and the others were stab wounds to the face and neck," she told Sky TV news.

Paul Shields, chief executive of New Cross Hospital in Wolverhampton, said one teacher and one child were seriously injured.

Details were sketchy but police said the man apparently went inside the school in Wolverhampton, 60 miles northwest of London, about 3:15 p.m.

The attack occurred in the infants' section of the school, which has 165 pupils aged 3 to 7, six full-time teachers and several part-time assistants, according to Wolverhampton Education Authority.

RABAT, Morocco (AP) — Cracking down on non-traditional names, Morocco's parliament has passed a law allowing only Arabic or Moroccan names on birth certificates.

Lawmakers say the law is aimed in part at preventing parents of limited education from naming their children after movie or TV characters.

The legislation, which is not retroactive, also prohibits the use of the names of tribes, regions, or honorific surnames such as "Sidi" (master) and "Lalla" (madam).

Ethnic names, including those of the Berber minority, remain legal. But the law prohibits regional names like "Sahara" or some patriotic names like "Massira" — the wave of Moroccan civilians who marched into Western Sahara in 1975 to claim the region from Spain.

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Beef summit set to help industry reverse losses

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Cattle prices are down. Cattlemen blame the few meatpackers who control most of the business. The packers blame oversupply. And the people who put dinner on the table buy chicken.

Why? Industry analyst and cattle feeder Andy Gottschalk of Colorado said consumers probably still prefer the taste of beef — but not at prices that are much higher than chicken, pork or turkey.

"They are voting with their dollars, and we are losing ground," said Gottschalk, of Linco Futures Group of Englewood, Colo. Beef sells well when it's on sale, he said.

Representatives of ranchers, meatpackers, the government and trade groups from the top beef-producing states will meet here Tuesday for a "beef summit" to discuss the distasteful reality facing their industry.

— Beef lost about 15 percent of its U.S. market share in 10 years — the equivalent of losing as customers the entire populations of California, Idaho and Washington.

— If the trend continues, beef will be no more than 25 percent of total U.S. meat production in 10 years — down from 52 percent a decade ago.

Outside an Omaha supermarket, 51-year-old David Fischer had no beef in the grocery bags he was loading into his pickup

truck. "I always buy what's on sale," said Fischer who doesn't even like the taste of most beef nowadays. He remembers the days of fat, juicy corn fed cuts. "That stuff would melt on your fork."

Today's beef is leaner partly because of health concerns raised years ago about its fat content. Ann Grandjean, executive director of the Center for Human Nutrition, said today's beef is perfectly healthy when eaten in moderation as part of a balanced diet.

She said some people avoid red meat based on what is trendy, not on good information.

No one knows if the beef industry can turn around those trends. Gov. Ben Nelson called the summit in hopes of finding ways to ease the pinch on cattlemen who are getting low prices for beef and paying much higher prices for feed grains.

Discussions will focus on domestic cattle supplies and meatpacker concentration, international trade agreements and their impact on the U.S. cattle industry, and marketing strategies.

Investigations have concluded that the biggest meatpackers have not been rigging cattle prices to keep them low. But Nebraska Cattlemen President Jeff Pribbeno said the sheer size and power of huge packers like IBP Inc. and Excel keep a lid on prices.

Authorities investigating shooting death of horse

Local law enforcement authorities are looking for the shooter of a five-year-old sorrel mare discovered dead Friday on the outskirts of town.

The mare, owned by Robert Douglas, was shot once in the neck and once in the shoulder on McCullough east of Barnes.

"It was just a senseless act," said Brand Inspector Kelly Rushing, who with Gray County Sheriff's Office is investigating the death of the quarter horse.

She was not mutilated and the type of gun is unknown, Rushing said.

"From the position of the animal it looked like she was standing by the fence at the edge of

the road. It looked like somebody shot the animal and drove on," he said.

Shooting the \$8,000 mare is a fourth degree felony charge, Rushing said.

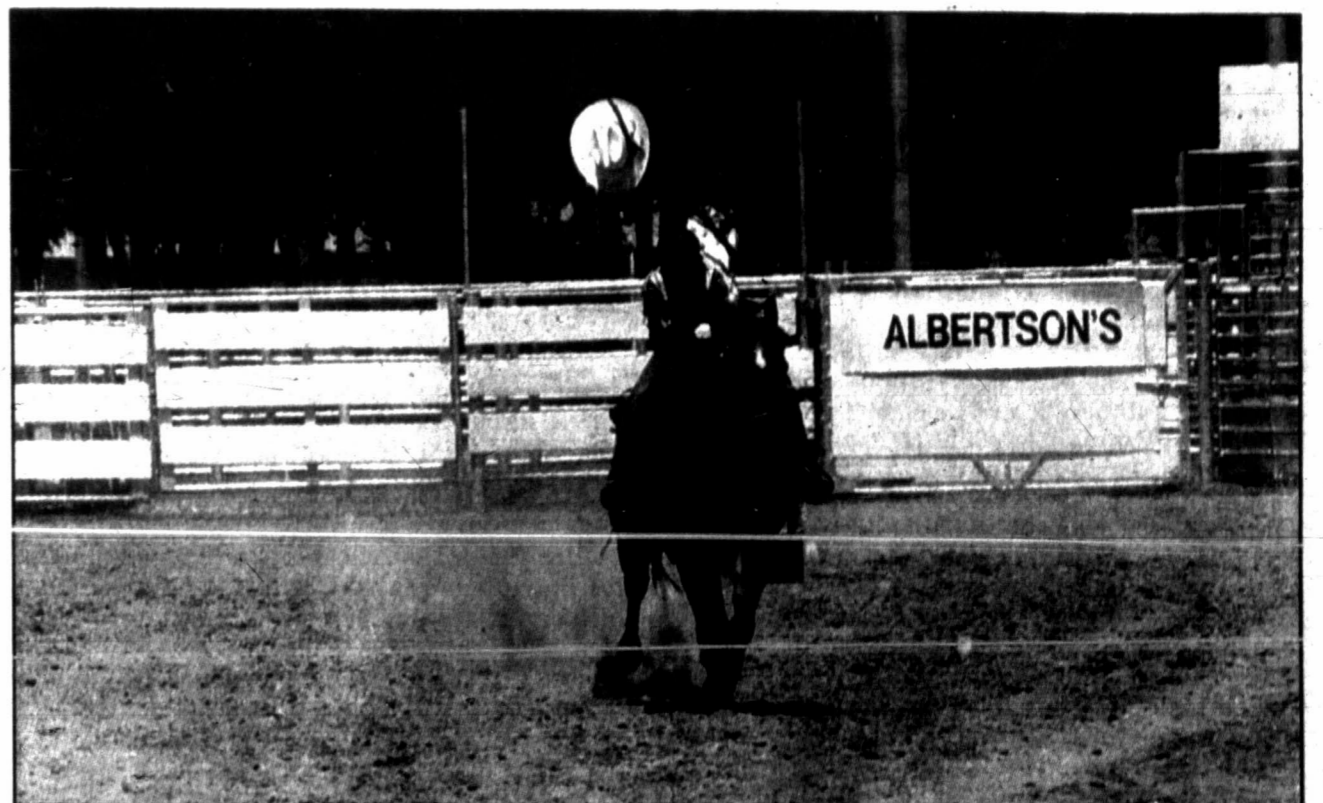
"I think the opportunity was there. Whoever did it was looking for something to shoot, a random act of unkindness," Rushing said.

Some one with information on the mare's death may call the Crime Stoppers line (1-800-456-8447) sponsored by the Panhandle Livestock Association or the local Crime Stoppers line (669-2222). Callers are anonymous and may be eligible for up to a \$1,000 reward.

Golden Horseshoe



The Golden Horseshoe Treasure Hunt, with a prize of a box seat for all three performances of the 50th Anniversary Top O' Texas Rodeo July 11-13, is under way. Today's clue can be found at a farm supply store. Sunday's clue can be found at Northgate Inn. Saturday's clue can be found at Wayne's Western Wear. Friday's clue can be found at Circle C Boot & Saddle. Thursday's clue can be found at Alco's. Wednesday's clue can be found at National Bank of Commerce. The finder of the horseshoe should bring it to the rodeo office in the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard, to claim the prize.



Getting in some practice for his Kid Pony Show competition is Michael Pergeson, who is coming in fast from finishing the barrel race at the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena. Michael will be competing in the 8-9 year old age group.

Rodeo week action begins tonight

Action gets under way tonight in the Kid Pony Show as activities begin for the 50th Anniversary Top O' Texas Rodeo.

Competing tonight will be age group I (5 and under) and age group II (6 and 7).

Events on the agenda tonight for the young cowboys and cowgirls include Gold Rush, calf riding, stick horse race, goat ribbon race, flag race, golfette, barrel race, and walk and lead barrel race.

Kid Pony Show performances begin at 7 p.m. today, Tuesday and Wednesday in the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena.

The 50th Anniversary Top O' Texas Rodeo performances will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the arena.

Following is a schedule of events for rodeo week in Pampa:

Top O' Texas Kid Pony Show

July 8-10

Monday through Wednesday — 7 p.m. nightly

Top O' Texas Rodeo

(All performances, 8 p.m. nightly)

Thursday, July 11

• Free barbecue for Thursday ticket holders, 5:30 p.m. Sponsored by Mundy Companies, Albertson's, Danco Oil Tools and National Bank of Commerce.

• Celebrity Pickup Race, 6 p.m. Sponsored by LOL Cattle Co.

• Calf Scramble for the Kids. Sponsored by Bowers Ranch.

• Dance to Young Country, 9 p.m., Clyde Carruth Pavilion.

Friday, July 12

• Family Night (Free child ticket — 12 and under — with each adult ticket purchased. Free senior citizens ticket — 60 and over — with each senior ticket purchased.)

• Calf Scramble for the Kids.

• Dance to Young Country, 9 p.m., Clyde Carruth Pavilion.

Saturday, July 13

• Rodeo Parade, 10 a.m.

• Steer Roping, 1 p.m., Rodeo Grounds. Sponsored by Frank Johnson.

• Pony Express Races, 3 p.m. Finals, 7:15 p.m., Rodeo Grounds.

• Calf Scramble for the Kids.

• Dance to Red Steagall, 9 p.m., Clyde Carruth Pavilion. Sponsored by First American Bank.

Special Features Each Night

• Wrangler Bull Fight. Sponsored by Bowers Ranch and Wayne's Western Wear.

• Coors Chute Out. Sponsored by North Country Coors.

• Dodge Ram Tough Rodeo. Sponsored by Robert Knowles Dodge.

• Cowboy Cafe. Sponsored by Sirloin Stockade.

Hurricane Bertha batters Caribbean

CHARLOTTE AMALIE, U.S. Virgin Islands (AP) — Hurricane Bertha battered the Caribbean today with torrential rains and 80 mph winds, uprooting trees, blowing off roofs and sending people in the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico scrambling for shelter.

The first hurricane of the Atlantic season prompted hurricane warnings for Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic and all of the Caribbean's northeastern islands.

Bertha grew overnight to a 400-mile-wide menace and was 35 miles east of St. Thomas at noon EDT, advancing west-northwest at 17 mph.

Hurricane experts said the storm was expected to strengthen and might produce tornadoes. It was packing wind gusts of more than 103 mph.

An empty school building in St. Thomas collapsed late this morning. The junior high school was weakened in September by Hurricane Marilyn, which dam-

aged or destroyed 80 percent of homes on the U.S. Virgin Island.

On St. Croix, high winds felled trees and overturned garbage cans, blocking roads and whirling trash into the streets. Sheets of rain flooded streets and homes in the low-lying Water Gut neighborhood.

More than 200 people were in shelters in Fredericksted, said administrator Lawrence Bastian. He said some people refused to leave their trailers, which were brought in as temporary housing for victims of Hurricane Hugo in 1989.

Trees were down and power was out in the British island of Virgin Gorda, and the roofs were ripped off several houses and a clinic on Tortola, the main British Virgin Island.

The eye of the storm was expected to pass over St. Thomas by early afternoon, and Puerto Rico's northeast corner several hours later.

To do that, its path would first

take it over St. Kitts and Nevis, Anguilla and the U.S. Virgin Islands of St. John and St. Croix.

Hurricane warnings also were broadcast in Saba, St. Eustatius, Guadeloupe and St. Barthelemy. Most of those islands were hard-hit last year, when Hurricanes Marilyn and Luis struck within days of each other, destroying thousands of homes in the worst Atlantic hurricane season in 60 years.

Forecasters said there is about a 10 percent chance the storm would strike Florida, the nearest point on the U.S. mainland.

First among the islands to report damage from Bertha was Antigua, which was buffeted late Sunday by 59 mph winds that cut off electrical power. Electricity was cut off in the U.S. Virgin Islands to prevent fires or injuries from downed power lines.

Puerto Rico opened some 200 emergency shelters and closed airports this morning.

Federal program to track gun sales to youths

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton is setting up a new federal program to allow local police to track gun sales to young people, the White House said today.

The president was to announce the program today in a White House ceremony with police chiefs and prosecutors from 17 cities. They will pledge to provide information on every gun they confiscate from a juvenile during a crime.

That information will be entered into the federal computer system run by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, said White House spokesman

Mike McCurry. Each gun will be traced to its original seller through documents and serial numbers, and the gun traffickers will then be prosecuted.

"This will greatly increase the ability of local law enforcement officials to access information to help trace the seller of the gun," McCurry said. "This goes beyond the individual defendant's use of the gun and goes to the question of who's selling the guns in the first place."

The eventual goal is to have all cities in the nation join the program.

In Boston, a pilot version of the program and increased police

efforts against guns have been so successful that no juveniles have been killed by guns this year, the city's police commissioner, Paul Evans, told *The New York Times*.

It is already illegal under federal law and the laws of most states to sell handguns to juveniles, a factor that makes the president's program easier to implement because it does not require the passage of new legislation that could lead to a debate on gun control.

The 17 cities involved in the program were selected in part to have participation from cities of various sizes and from various regions.

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Services tomorrow

AVENDANIO, Alma E. "Amy" - Memorial services, 4 p.m., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Pampa.
CHANEY, Helen - Graveside services, 3 p.m., Llano Cemetery, Amarillo.
PARKER, Jerald (JD) - 2 p.m., Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home, Odessa.
WEBB, Homer C. - 10 a.m., North Amarillo Church of Christ, Amarillo. Graveside services, 2:30 p.m., Miami Roberts County Cemetery, Miami.

Obituaries

ALMA E. 'AMY' AVENDANIO
 Alma E. "Amy" Avendanio, 58, of Pampa, died Tuesday, July 2, 1996, in a Houston hospital. A funeral Mass was held Saturday in St. Martha Catholic Church in Kingwood. Memorial services will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday in St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Pampa.
 Mrs. Avendanio was born Oct. 19, 1937, in the Philippines. She had taught school at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School and was a substitute teacher at Pampa High School. She was a member of the Pampa Fine Arts Association and was active in other civic organizations. She was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.
 Survivors include her husband, Prudencio Avendanio of Pampa; a daughter and son-in-law, May Elizabeth and Michael James Schafer of Kingswood; two sons, Bernard Anthony Avendanio of Dallas and Troy Constant Avendanio of Houston; two sisters, Norma Roxas and Amelia Buena Ventura, both of the Philippines; a brother, Artemio Encarnacion of the Philippines; two aunts, Patrocino Quijano and Deusedad Encarnacion; and two nieces, Amor Miranda Dumas and Lyn Hester of Lubbock.

HELEN CHANEY
AMARILLO - Helen Chaney, 85, died Sunday, July 7, 1996, at Canadian. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Llano Cemetery with the Rev. Rick Mathis, pastor of West Amarillo Christian Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.
 Mrs. Chaney was born July 12, 1910, at Bartlesville, Okla., to Jack and Mildred Mitchem Overlees. She graduated from Pawhuska High School in Pawhuska, Okla., and attended Oklahoma A&M College at Stillwater, Okla. She was an Amarillo resident from 1933 until moving to Canadian in 1987. She was a former Sunday School teacher and a member of West Amarillo Christian Church.

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Britt Reid, on April 23, 1988.
 Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Carol and J.B. Reid of Canadian; two granddaughters, Candy Furgason of Canadian and Lisa Betts of Vega; and five great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to the Edward Abraham Memorial Home, 803 Birch, Canadian, TX 79014.

LILLIAN 'BILLIE' (JOLLEY) DEGER
SHAMROCK - Lillian "Billie" (Jolley) Deger, 89, died Sunday, July 7, 1996. Graveside services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Fairview South Cemetery at Wellington with the Rev. Ken Cole, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Shamrock, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.
 Mrs. Deger had been a longtime Wheeler County resident. She married George Deger in Wheeler County in 1925; he died in 1974. The couple owned and operated restaurants in Shamrock for many years. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include a daughter, Jeynell Whitford of Oklahoma City, Okla.; three sisters, Duff Yarbrough of Dallas, Cathryn Crossland of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Faye Mitchell of Lubbock; two brothers, Grant Jolley Jr. and J.L. Jolley, both of California; two grandchildren, Raphael Craven of Amarillo and Taronda Coble of Okemah, Okla.; and a great-grandchild.

JERALD DEAN (JD) PARKER
ODESSA - Jerald Dean (JD) Parker, 65, a former Pampa resident, died Sunday, July 7, 1996, at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home with Pastor Berry officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home of Odessa.
 Mr. Parker was born Feb. 1, 1931, at Foss, Okla. He was a Pampa High School graduate. He retired as chemical plant operator at the Celanese Chemical Company in Pampa. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, serving in the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife, Florence, of Odessa; four sons, Hal Parker of Houston, Jerry Coleman of Tell City, Ind., Dickie Coleman of Comanche and Dennis Kendrick of San Antonio; his mother, Odessa Parker of Pampa, a sister, Joan Nash of Amarillo; four brothers, Jim Parker of Sun Rise Beach, Bob Parker and Don Parker, both of Borger, and Bud Parker of Pampa; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

STOCKS
 The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa:

Wheat	4.92	
Milo	7.80	
Corn	8.70	

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

Novaco	25 3/4	NC
Occidental	24 7/8	dn 1/4

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

Magnolia	73.40	
Puritan	17.47	

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

American	46 1/2	NC
Avon	12 1/8	up 1/2
Chico	25 1/4	NC
Yellow Freight	17 7/8	dn 1/8

Obituaries

HOMER C. WEBB
AMARILLO - Homer C. Webb, 74, father of a Pampa resident, died Saturday, July 6, 1996. Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the North Amarillo Church of Christ with Glen Walton of Bell Avenue Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be at 2:30 p.m. in the Miami Roberts County Cemetery at Miami under the direction of N.S. Griggs and Sons Funeral Directors of Amarillo.
 Mr. Webb was born at Miami. He married Charlotte Puckett on March 21, 1942, at Abilene. He retired from Donrey Advertising after 30 years of service. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving in the 3rd Army European Theater of Operation in World War II with the 65th Field Artillery Division, a part of the 65th Uniform Division, Third Army. He was a member of the North Amarillo Church of Christ.
 Survivors include his wife, Charlotte, of Amarillo; a son, Clark H. Webb of Pampa; a brother, Verner C. Webb of Amarillo; two sisters, Marie Gill and Joyce Moore, both of Miami; his mother, Alice I. Webb of Miami; two grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to the High Plains Children's Home.

Police report

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

SATURDAY, July 6
 Gemstone Gallery, 904 S. Nelson, reported theft of a \$12 necklace at 2 p.m. Saturday.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 400 block of North Zimmers at between 2:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday.

A runaway was reported in the 2100 block of Coffee.

SUNDAY, July 7
 A 24-year-old Lefors woman reported assault at the Landmark Club which occurred at 12:55 a.m. Sunday.

Aggravated robbery was reported at 3:40 a.m. Sunday at Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilk. According to the report, a white man entered the store and produced a small nickel plated semi-automatic pistol and demanded cash from the clerk. The clerk ran him off without loss of cash.

Domestic violence - assault was reported in the 300 block of North Wells by a 35-year-old man.

A 25-year-old woman reported assault in the 1100 block of East Francis.

A 14-year-old girl reported assault with injury in the 600 block of Roberta which occurred at 11 p.m. Sunday.

Gas drive off was reported at Taylor Mart, 600 E. Frederic, which occurred at 9:45 p.m. Sunday.

MONDAY, July 8

Theft of a clerk's purse was reported at Taylor Mart, 600 E. Frederic, which occurred at 1:12 a.m. Monday.

Arrests
SUNDAY, July 7
 Don Ray Howard, 23, 2222 Mary Ellen, was arrested in the 1400 block of West 23rd on two charges of issuance of worthless checks. He was transferred to Gray County jail, where he paid fines and was released.

Aguirre Victor Melendez, 20, 600 Roberta, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Sumner on four capias pro fine warrants totaling \$349 and two instanter charges.

Sheriff's Office

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

SATURDAY, July 6
 A disoriented person wandered into the Justice of the Peace office in McLean. He was taken to a hospital.

SUNDAY, July 7
 A horse was reported injured on the nose at Holt Stables.

Gas Man, 1505 Ripley, reported theft under \$20. Failure to identify was reported by GCSO at 345 Eshom.

Theft was reported at Allsup's, Price and Texas 152.

Arrests
SUNDAY, July 7
 Ricky Allen Basden Jr., 204 S. Nelson, was arrested on charges of failure to identify and giving false report to a police officer. His bond has not been set.

Calendar of events

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

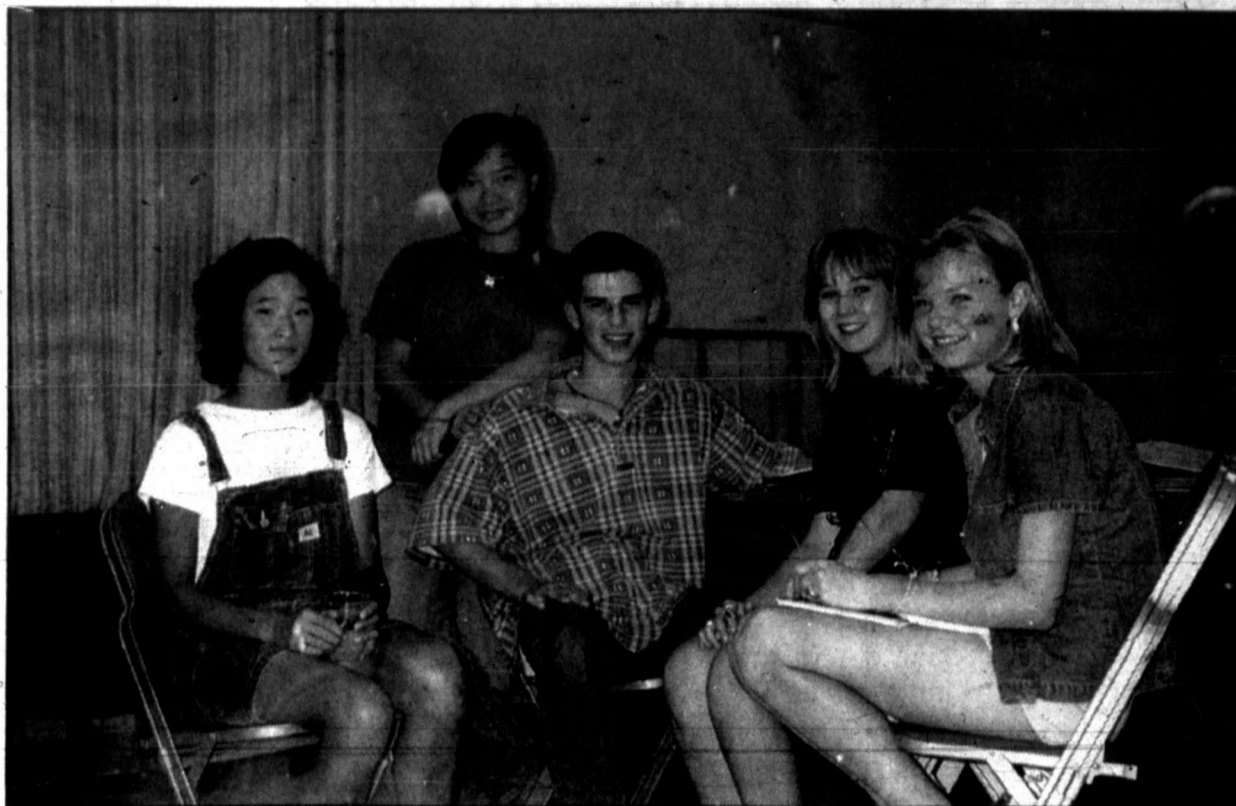
CLEAN AIR AL-ANON
 Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-3988.

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS
 Celebration of Lights needs help painting, welding, sawing and tracing patterns for decorations every first, second and fourth Monday of the month. Volunteers should go to the old Bourland-Leverich building on South Barnes between 6 and 10 p.m.

Fires
 Pampa Fire Department reported the following call in the 40-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, July 6
 9:04 p.m. - One unit and four firefighters responded to an automobile accident in the 600 block of West Street.

Saying goodbye



(Pampa News photo by Sherry Cromartie)

Pampa's American Field Service exchange students were honored with a Going Away Signature party and reception Sunday afternoon at Lovett Memorial Library. Visiting at the gathering are, from left, Valeri Lee, sophomore; Holly Liu, standing, AFS student from Hong Kong; Ale Nunes, AFS student from Brazil; and Kellen Waters, sophomore. Liu and Nunes, who attended Pampa High School this past year, left this morning for a long bus trip to Chicago, Ill., with other area AFS students to prepare for their plane trips back to their respective homes.

Ambulance

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

SATURDAY, July 6
 12:39 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of South Clark on a trauma call. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

12:40 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of North Sumner on a medical assistance call. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

3:21 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Gray Road 5 north of Kentucky on an aid call. No patient was transported.

4:36 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1400 block of North Hobart on an injury report. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

9:06 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 600 block of North West on a motor vehicle accident. Two patients were transported to Columbia Medical Center.

11:41 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 400 block of East Foster on a medical assistance call. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

SUNDAY, July 7
 12:23 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of East Kingsmill on an obstetrics call. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

10:59 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2300 block of Alcock on a medical assistance call. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

2:19 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home on a medical assistance call. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

MONDAY, July 8
 3:07 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2500 block of Charles on a medical assistance call. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents in the 72 hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, July 6
 9:03 p.m. - A 1988 Ford pickup driven by Dustin S. Stoddard, 22, 627 N. West, was in collision with a curb in the 600 block of North West. Stoddard was partially ejected from the vehicle. He and a passenger, Jolynn Cox Reeves, 22, 627 N. West, were taken to Columbia Medical Center by Rural/Metro. Stoddard was treated and released. Reeves was treated. Stoddard was cited for failure to control speed and expired Texas driver's license.

SUNDAY, July 7
 Unknown - A 1988 Ford pickup driven by Dustin S. Stoddard, 22, 627 N. West, was in collision with a privacy fence in the east alley of the 500 block of North Christy. Stoddard was cited for failure to control speed and direction, and failure to leave required information. The report was taken at 9:38 a.m. Sunday.

2:33 a.m. - A 1981 Volkswagen driven by Odath Ray Reed, 39, 926 S. Faulkner, was in collision with a 1995 Dodge van driven by Kenneth Ray Raulston, 56, 926 Love, at the intersection of North Hobart and West Harvester.

City briefs

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

AKC REGISTERED Blue Weimaraner puppies. Ready mid July. Deposit required. Call 665-4242. \$200. Adv.

BRICK REPAIR, Harley Knutson. 665-4237. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - 716 W. Foster. Closed Monday nights. Adv.

CHICKEN EXPRESS - Tuesday only, Customer Appreciation Day 15% Off. 2201 Perryton Parkway. Adv.

TAX SEMINAR - July 10th, 6:30 p.m. 1301 N. Hobart, H&R Block, 806-665-2161. Adv.

1976 DEL Ray 26 ft. 5th wheel. \$4000. 320 N. Christy or 665-5568. Adv.

RED BARN Sale, Tuesday 9 a.m. Whirlpool washer, baby bed, chest, console tv, clothes, kitchenware. 1414 S. Barnes, on 273. Adv.

HAIR BOW Class - Tuesday 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Must pre-register. The Hobby Shop. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Mostly cloudy tonight with a low near 70. East to northeast winds 5-15 mph and a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Tuesday, mostly cloudy and cooler, with a high in the mid 80s. Northeast to east winds 15-20 mph and gusty with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Sunday's high was 103; the overnight low was 77, a record-breaking minimum for this date.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the 60s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy and cooler with a chance of thunderstorms. Highs from 75 to 80 northwest to mid 80s southeast. South Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms northern portions, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms southern portions. Lows 65-75. Tuesday, partly to mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in upper 80s to low 90s.

North Texas - Heat advisory tonight across all but southeastern portions of North Texas. Partly cloudy southeast with a slight chance of evening showers and thunderstorms. A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms late north central and northeast, otherwise partly cloudy. Mostly clear elsewhere. Lows 74 southeast to 82 north central. Tuesday, partly cloudy and hot southwest. Partly cloudy and not as hot elsewhere with a chance of thunderstorms, most numerous northeast. Highs 94 northeast to 106 southwest.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, isolated early evening showers or thunderstorms east, otherwise partly cloudy. Lows in the 70s. Tuesday, partly cloudy and hot with widely scattered afternoon and early evening showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the 90s to near 100 west. Southeast Texas and Upper Coast: Tonight, partly cloudy with widely scattered early evening showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the 70s inland to near 80 coast. Tuesday, partly cloudy and hot with wide-

No Lotto winner

AUSTIN (AP) - No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth an estimated \$4 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were 2, 17, 24, 28, 31 and 45.

There were 121 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth \$1,196. There were 5,581 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning \$93.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be \$8 million.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight through Tuesday, partly cloudy with scattered mainly early nighttime and afternoon thunderstorms north and west, a few thunderstorms southeast. Not as warm most sections Tuesday. Lows mid 40s to low 60s mountains, 60s to low 70s elsewhere. Highs in low 70s to near 90 mountains and north, mostly 90s lower elevations south.

Oklahoma - Tonight, partly to mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Lows in mid 60s to mid 70s. Tuesday, partly to mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Not as hot. Highs in mid 80s to mid 90s.

Attend the 50th Anniversary Top O' Texas Rodeo

Original Coors remains a big supporter of professional rodeo events

GOLDEN, Colo. — The Coors Brewing Company has had a nearly 17-year relationship as a major sponsor of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA).

Through the Original Coors brand, Coors has an all-encompassing multimillion-dollar investment with the PRCA and the popular sport it represents. The current contract will take the Original Coors sponsorship to the dawning of the next century.

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Showcase for the Original Coors stake in pro rodeo is the \$1 million-plus Original Coors Chute Out Rodeo Series, a key feature at 60 PRCA rodeos each year, including the Top O' Texas Rodeo in Pampa, Texas, sponsored locally through North Country Coors Distributing out of Borger, Texas.

The Chute Out series serves as the qualifying system for the spectacular Original Coors Rodeo Showdown, held every October in the America West Arena in Phoenix, Ariz. The Showdown features the top 10 point-winners in each of the seven competition events from the designated Original Coors Chute Out rodeos battling head-to-head in this nationally televised championship.

"In four years, the Original Coors Rodeo Showdown has become one of the top special events of the year, not only for Coors distributors, but for the contestants, the Chute Out committees and the contract personnel," commented Kevin Kotecki, director of the Original Coors brand.

The Chute Out series and Showdown carry a total purse of more than \$1 million, making the program one of the richest sponsorship programs in the PRCA. Showdown champions are honored during Original Coors Night each year at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas, Nev.

"Our key objective with the Original Coors brand

is to assist the growth potential of professional rodeo as well as market awareness for Original Coors," Kotecki said. "Original Coors has a solid commitment to the grass roots of rodeo, which enhances sales of Original Coors for Coors distributors. Rodeo has never been more popular than it is today, and Original Coors is dedicated to helping the sport maintain and increase its preeminent position."

Another element of the program is the Original Coors Man in the Can barrelman program, which recognizes the most successful PRCA barrelman of that year. Each of the top five barrelmen receive cash bonuses, and the leader additionally receives a custom-made solid gold belt buckle and is automatically invited to work the Original Coors Rodeo Showdown.

In another aspect of Coors' participation in pro rodeo, this year will mark the 15th consecutive time that Original Coors will present \$5,000 to the Original Coors Fans' Favorite Cowboy, selected by tabulating ballots that appear throughout the year

in the *ProRodeo Sports News* magazine, published by the PRCA.

In the name of each year's winner, Original Coors also makes a substantial contribution to the ProRodeo Hall of Fame in Colorado Springs and to the Justin Cowboy Crisis Fund.

Three other high-profile elements of the Original Coors Rodeo program annually are the "Official Beer" designation with the Wrangler Bull Riders Only Series and the Steer Roping Finals in Guthrie, Okla., and the title position of the Original Coors Women's Finals Rodeo in Fort Worth. Original Coors also is a supporter of the professional athletes of the Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA).

Original Coors has made a sustaining commitment to the sport of rodeo and the PRCA during its 16-plus years of sponsorship support. Original Coors strives to provide quality competition for the contestants, support for all those who help make rodeo thrive and give wholesome entertainment for millions of fans, Kotecki added.

Congress faces slim agenda; members itch to hit campaign trail

WASHINGTON (AP) — The stage is set for a partisan Senate battle over raising the minimum wage, but members of both parties want to finish the year's legislative business quickly so they can campaign for re-election.

Although summer is just starting, most lawmakers' minds already are focused on this autumn's electoral battle for control of the White House and Congress. Many feel that last year's exhausting budget fight left Republicans and Democrats with clearly contrasting philosophies that they are itching to take to the voters, and the leadership is trying to hold the agenda to a minimum to speed legislators' departure for the campaign trail.

While such target dates are frequently missed, leaders would like Congress to adjourn for the year by early October. Thanks to the August recess, that would leave just nine weeks of legislative work for 1996 — which would mostly be spent completing the 13 annual spending bills that keep government agencies running and that were so controversial a year ago.

"We don't have a whole lot of time left," Senate Majority Whip Don Nickles, R-Okla., said last week.

Leading off will be the long-running fight over the minimum wage, which Democrats and President Clinton want to boost by 90 cents from the current \$4.25 an hour. Coming amid voter unease over personal economic security, Democrats think the bill helps them politically whether it becomes law or not, because of opposition by most Republicans.

The House voted 281-144 in May to increase the minimum to

\$4.75 this July 1 and to \$5.15 on July 1, 1997. To ease the impact on employers, the measure includes some business tax breaks.

But the proposal became ensnared in the Senate, where pro-business conservatives have wanted to kill or weaken it and Democrats have been insistent on forcing a vote. Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., finally agreed to hold a vote Tuesday while limiting both sides' amendments.

But that's not to say the wage will be increased. Led by Sen. Christopher Bond of Missouri, Republicans hope to dilute the plan's impact by exempting employees of companies with less than \$500,000 in gross receipts, delaying its implementation and expanding the use of a sub-minimum training wage for newly hired workers.

Congressional approval of that change would guarantee that Clinton would kill the legislation, Labor Secretary Robert Reich said last week. "The president will veto any bill with this cynical amendment," he said.

Congress' major remaining task will be to enact the 13 appropriations bills for fiscal 1997, which begins Oct. 1. So far, the House has passed seven and the Senate just one. The House plans to consider two next week: one covering the departments of Health and Human Services, Labor and Education, the other financing Congress itself.

Last year, it was the failure to enact several domestic-agency spending bills that produced two partial federal shutdowns, which polls showed produced political nightmares for Republicans.

Rodeo Tourists of the Day



Pampa's second Tourists of the Day couple, at center, were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bentley of Phoenix, Ariz., who were on their way to Neon, Ky., when they were stopped and invited to attend the Top O' Texas Rodeo in 1958. Enjoying a Texas style supper at Johnson's cafe in Pampa are, from left, Mr. and Mrs. O.G. Trimble, official hosts for the occasion; Owen Johnson, cafe owner; the Bentleys; and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Keel, co-hosts. Continuing the tradition, three families will find themselves being treated as guests for the 50th Anniversary Top O' Texas Rodeo this week.

Streets and stores constitute most dangerous work areas for Americans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Think of workplace violence. Does a postal employee wielding a semi-automatic pistol jump to mind?

Perhaps, but the reality is much different. The most likely on-the-job victim is driving a taxicab or working at a convenience store.

A government study released today offers a comprehensive look at workplace violence. Each week, it said, an average of 20 American workers are slain and 18,000 are assaulted.

"Usually the phrase 'workplace violence' creates a vision of a worker going off the deep end and assaulting or killing his or her co-workers or supervisor. That is not the most typical cause," said Fred Blosser, spokesman for the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, which produced the study.

Despite a rash of widely publicized incidents involving postal

workers, they don't even show up on a list of high-risk employees.

Statistically, driving a cab is the most risky job, with 140 taxi drivers and chauffeurs killed in 1990-92, according to the study. Coming in second is sheriff or bailiff, followed by police officer or detective.

The findings didn't surprise many Washington cabbies.

"It's a very, very dangerous job sometimes," said Mukhtar Ahmad, who has been driving for three years and has been robbed twice — once at gunpoint, once at knifepoint. "There are some crazy people we pick up."

A friend quit driving after being shot four times in a robbery, Ahmad said. "Only by the grace of God are we working," he said.

Other drivers say the scariest thing is they never know who is climbing into their car: They could be drunk, hostile,

violent — and they know the cab driver has cash. Many drivers say they've been in fights.

Resinder Singh, a cabbie for four years, said he will not drive to high-crime sections of Washington, even though it is against the law to refuse to take someone to a particular area.

"I would prefer to have a \$200 ticket than go in that area. I don't care," he said.

The authors of the study hope their effort will get people thinking about violence in the workplace and will encourage employers to protect their workers.

That might mean improving lighting, changing cash-handling procedures, increasing late-night staff, escorting workers to cars or giving them better training, said co-author Lynn Jenkins.

For cab drivers, it might mean a protective shield between the front and back seats, she said.

Public observatory to be installed at Hill Country park

AUSTIN (AP) — The public will be able to gaze deep into the heavens from a new observatory to be installed at a Hill Country state park.

A refurbished, 16-inch reflecting telescope has been donated and is scheduled to be installed by October in the new Central Texas Observatory at the Pedernales Falls State Park, about 30 miles west of Austin.

Larry Forrest is refurbishing the old Ealing Educator telescope at an Austin optics shop. He said the Ealing Educator can bring into view thousands of celestial objects, from the spherical-shaped collections of old stars called globular clusters to star nurseries,

billowing clouds of dust and gas called nebulae. "Telescopes never die," said Kelley Knight, the 27-year-old president of the observatory's builder, the Austin Astronomical Society. "They just come to Larry."

Founded a few weeks after astronauts first landed on the moon in 1969, the society is a group of more than 100 amateur astronomers.

The Ealing telescope was donated to the Austin society by a San Antonio amateur astronomer, who Knight said prefers anonymity. The donor's only condition was that the instrument — valued at around \$70,000 — be used for public education.

Woman's record long nails prove costly

DALLAS (AP) — Lauretta Adams says her quest for a place in the *Guinness Book of World Records* may be keeping her from getting a job, but she's reluctant to stop.

Adams, 43, isn't trying to bake the world's largest cake or make the largest taco or burrito. She's trying to grow the world's longest fingernails.

Although her fingernails range from 10 to 28 inches long, she's nowhere near the mark set by a man from India whose nails were a total of 195 inches. Adams now has 135 inches of

nails in all, 5 feet short of the record mark.

The nails make it look as if she has a double handful of long red ribbons.

But she's been jobless for three years, shunned in restaurants stared at and humiliated in public places. So she's considering cutting them.

"I hate for society to have the final say-so about this," she said.

Adams had worked as an accounting assistant for an oil and gas firm for 15 years, but lost her job three years ago to downsizing.

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Opinion

Upholding right of free speech

In its unanimous decision striking down a Rhode Island ban on listing or referring to prices in liquor ads, the Supreme Court seemed to edge ever closer to the common sense principle that "commercial" speech should receive the same First Amendment protections as any other kind of speech. Of course, the high court wasn't completely clear on the issue - justices often act as if they believe that inscrutability adds an aura of legitimacy to court deliberations. Still, the decision is encouraging.

The most encouraging aspect of the case is that the court explicitly repudiated its own opinion in the *Posadas* case of 1986, in which Chief Justice Rehnquist argued that if a state or territory (Puerto Rico in *Posadas*) has the power to prohibit any activity (gambling), it has the "lesser" power to regulate speech (advertising) about that activity, even if it hasn't decided to prohibit it outright.

In the new ruling, the court announced, in effect, that it will be extremely skeptical about government regulations that prohibit the dissemination, through advertising, of information that is truthful and not misleading, even if that information might encourage people to indulge in something labeled a "vice."

The Rhode Island law sought to discourage people from drinking "too much" alcohol. Unfortunately, the court didn't deal with the question of whether government at any level has any business deciding how much alcohol consumption is "too much." But it did say that prohibiting a form of speech - ads that contain price information - to further this goal simply goes too far and trespasses on free speech rights.

The liquor decision could have implications for other policy initiatives. The Clinton administration says it doesn't want to prohibit cigarette smoking or possession, but it would like to regulate cigarette advertising further than the present ban on radio and TV ads. It might prohibit cigarette advertising at sports events, on T-shirts and within 1,000 feet of a school. If this Supreme Court decision means what it seems to mean, such proposals could die aborning.

In addition, a group of mineral supplement manufacturers are suing the Food and Drug Administration over the FDA's policy of forbidding certain health claims, even in the form of direct, in-context quotes from scientific studies, in advertising and on labels. That case is now working its way up the federal court system, and this decision should give the plaintiffs some encouragement.

In this case, the Supreme Court did the right thing - and mostly for the right reasons.

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White House sinks to new depths

The Clinton campaign claims to be copying the Reagan re-election strategy of 1984. Surely, these whippersnappers need someone to humble them with a little dose of Lloyd Bentsen: "I knew Ronald Reagan. He was a friend of mine. You're no Ronald Reagan."

Bob Woodward's latest book, *The Choice*, brings into focus two of Reagan's qualities that are foreign to the Clintons: his lack of self-importance and his equanimity in the face of great hostility from his many adversaries, in the Congress, in the media and in the world.

The Clintons react to criticism and defeat by drowning in their own self-importance and self-pity. Look no further than Woodward's embarrassing portrait of the first lady sitting in the White House solarium with Jean Houston, a New Age psychic who claims to talk to the Greek goddess Athena daily. (Woodward insists on putting Houston on "the fringe," an interesting observation given his own channeling conversation, the Bill Casey Deathbed Interview of 1987.)

Why would Hillary bond with this spiritual adviser? Woodward says the friendship clicked when "Houston said Hillary was carrying the burden of 5,000 years of history when women were subservient... She was reversing thousands of years of expectation, and was there up front, probably more than virtually any woman in human history - apart from Joan of Arc."

Trapped under the crushing burden of this world historical ego (even liberal Mary McGroarty thinks she has "delusions of grandeur"), Hillary has often taken umbrage at those who are unwilling to bow before her greatness or question her actions, even when her targets are well meaning friends in the liberal media. Mrs. Clinton lashed out most recently on CNN's *Larry King Live* for the "relentless scrutiny and glare of Washington," blaming them for the suicides of Adm. Jeremy



L. Brent Bozell

Boorda (true) and Vince Foster (not true). By "relentless scrutiny," she must not have meant the King show, which, according to *The American Spectator*, mostly cooperated with a long list of demands and preferred questions prearranged by the first lady's press office. Some reporters just pass on her statements without scrutiny, as NBC's Jim Miklaszewski did in airing her bizarre claim that "there is no left wing in the Clinton White House."

What does Mrs. Clinton have to complain about? Reporters still compete to defend her. Her interviews are still overwhelmingly prearranged, rehearsed and softened. Let's face it: What other public policy figure gets the kind of tough questions *Time* magazine tossed in the June 3 edition: "How do you help Chelsea cope with being in the political spotlight?"

Even Hillary's psychic friends network drew a defense from reporters. *Newsweek* Washington Bureau Chief Evan Thomas won the suck-up derby hands down in the July 1 issue: "A long-time searcher for spiritual meaning, Mrs. Clinton had conjured conversations with Eleanor Roosevelt long before she met Dr. Houston. Mrs. Clinton is not even the first first lady to dabble in psychics or mediums: the wives of Presidents Abraham Lincoln, Ulysses S. Grant, John Tyler, Woodrow Wilson, and Warren G. Harding all

tried, in one way or another, to communicate beyond the grave. Unlike Nancy Reagan, Hillary never tried to use psychic powers to influence her husband."

Thomas ended by insisting "to many women, Hillary Clinton is not a cold-eyed conspirator, but a martyr." He described a Boston fund raiser for the Clinton campaign and quoted a woman saying Hillary's "being bashed by the press" because "a lot of people don't like a strong woman." Thomas concluded that to these voters, "Hillary looks just the way she does to philosopher friend, Dr. Houston - as a Joan of Arc figure, persecuted for her righteous crusade."

CNN reporter Kathleen Koch tried a silvery spin on June 23: "Though somewhat of an embarrassment, some believe this psychic cloud may have a silver lining. It could soften Hillary Rodham Clinton's image as a behind-the-scenes power player by revealing a vulnerability few ever see." This sounds stolen from *Newsweek's* Eleanor Clift, who wrote of Mrs. Clinton's cattle killing in 1994 "shows a glimmering of a more credible, if more flawed human being."

ABC's Jim Wooten followed suit the next evening: "Such role-playing conversations are traditional counseling techniques, and Ms. Houston describes Mrs. Clinton as beleaguered, in pain and seeking help... The unwritten subtext here, of course, is that even here at the end of the 20th century there is a political price to be paid for those in public life who seek help for their private problems."

What must Nancy Reagan be thinking about all this? She spent eight years being attacked as an "Ice Queen," a label which disappeared when she gave the media the ammunition - the astrology story - to laugh at her. No, neither President Reagan nor his first lady liked it, but they didn't whine, either. Instead, they reacted with dignity and grace - two more qualities lacking in the Clintons.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, July 8, the 190th day of 1996. There are 176 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 8, 1776, Col. John Nixon gave the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence to a crowd gathered at Independence Square in Philadelphia.

On this date:

In 1663, King Charles II of England granted a charter to Rhode Island.

In 1839, American oilman John D. Rockefeller was born in Richford, N.Y.

In 1853, an expedition led by Commodore Matthew Perry arrived in Yedo Bay, Japan, on a mission to seek diplomatic and trade relations with the Japanese.

In 1889, *The Wall Street Journal* was first published.

In 1891, Warren G. Harding married Florence K. DeWolfe in Marion, Ohio.

In 1907, Florenz Ziegfeld staged his first "Follies," on the roof of the New York Theater.

In 1919, President Wilson received a tumultuous welcome in New York City after his return from the Versailles Peace Conference in France.

In 1947, demolition work began in New York City to make way for the new permanent headquarters of the United Nations.

In 1950, Gen. Douglas MacArthur was named commander-in-chief of United Nations forces in Korea.

In 1975, President Ford announced

he would seek the Republican nomination for the presidency in 1976.

In 1994, Kim Il Sung, North Korea's communist leader since 1948, died at age 82.

Ten years ago: Kurt Waldheim was inaugurated as president of Austria despite controversy over his alleged ties to Nazi war crimes. Admiral Hyman G. Rickover, widely regarded as "father of the nuclear navy," died in Arlington, Va., at age 86.

Five years ago: Reversing earlier denials, Iraq disclosed for the first time that it was carrying out a nuclear weapons program, including the production of enriched uranium.

One year ago: Chinese-American human rights activist Harry Wu was arrested in China and charged with

obtaining state secrets (he was later convicted of espionage and deported last August). A deadly heat wave began in the nation's midsection; it claimed more than 800 lives, more than half of them in Illinois. Steffi Graf won the women's singles title at Wimbledon, defeating Arantxa Sanchez Vicario 4-6, 6-1, 7-5.

Today's Birthdays: Critic Walter Kerr is 83. ABC News President Roone Arledge is 65. Singer Jerry Vale is 64. Singer Steve Lawrence is 61. Ballerina Cynthia Gregory is 50. Actress Kim Darby is 48. Children's performer Raffi is 48. Actress Anjelica Huston is 45. Actor Kevin Bacon is 38. Rock musician Andy Fletcher of Depeche Mode is 35. Rock singer Joan Osborne is 34.

The state confers 'the right to marry'

The Hawaii Supreme Court could, if it rules in favor of same-sex marriages, plunge the United States into a constitutional pickle.

The full faith and credit clause of the Constitution reads as follows: "Full Faith and Credit shall be given in each State to the public Acts, Records, and judicial Proceedings of every other State." At first glance, that would seem to seal the case. If gay marriages become valid in Hawaii, then gay couples from around the nation could fly there, be married and return home as husband and husband, or wife and wife, and the other 49 states would be obliged to recognize those marriages as valid.

But the Constitution goes on to say, "And the Congress may by general Laws prescribe the Manner in which such Acts, Records and Proceedings shall be proved, and the Effect thereof." A good many constitutional scholars think the second sentence opens the door to national legislation that could limit the legitimacy of same-sex marriages to Hawaii. The Defense of Marriage Act, which would do just that, is currently wending its way through Congress.

The arguments on behalf of same-sex marriage have been cast - as so many debates in America are - as a matter of "rights" and "discrimination." The Equal Marriage-Rights Home Page on the World Wide Web, for example, proposes the following resolution: "Because marriage is a basic human right and an individual personal choice, RESOLVED, the State should not interfere with same-gender couples who choose to marry and share fully and equally in the rights, responsibilities and commitment of civil marriage."



Mona Charen

Where to begin? Marriage is not a basic human right. Though it conduces to the happiness of men and women, it is not primarily designed for them. It is designed for children. To say that the state ought not to "interfere" with same-sex couples who choose to marry is meaningless. Marriage is something the state confers because it wants to reward certain kinds of behavior. Marriage between men and women, tested over centuries, has been judged to promote a healthy society. Within families created by traditional marriage, children are raised to be good citizens of the larger society.

The state does not currently "interfere" in homosexual relationships (nor should it). But to demand the "right" to marry is to ask more than that the state refrain from interference; it is to ask the state to confer a benefit.

But what good will the state be achieving for itself if it confers the benefit of marriage on homosexuals? Homosexual unions do not advance the interests of the larger society. They do not result in the birth of children.

What about adoption? If the state permits homosexuals to marry, it can hardly discriminate against them when it comes to adoption. Would it be desirable to have significant numbers of children raised by homosexual couples?

The pop answer is that love solves everything. As long as a child gets love, what does it matter whether it comes from two mommies or two daddies?

It matters a lot. We are learning from the epidemic of divorce and illegitimacy just how important it is to grow up with one parent of each sex. Girls without fathers are far more likely than those who grow up with both parents to get pregnant, bear illegitimate children, have trouble in school and have difficulty forming lasting relationships. Boys who grow up with a mother alone are more likely to have trouble in school, break the law, experiment with drugs and commit suicide than those who grow up with both parents.

In a million ways, some subtle, some obvious, men and women contribute different things as parents. Mothers tend to be more protective and nurturing; fathers more playful and challenging. Mothers say, "Be careful on that jungle gym." Fathers say, "How high can you go?" Fathers give daughters a sense of attractiveness and self-confidence. Mothers show their sons how to treat a lady. Mothers teach girls how to become women. Fathers show boys what it means to be a man.

Relationships between those of the same sex cannot be marriages. A marriage is the foundation of a family. They are instead friendships. Let's leave it at that.

Immigration loopholes cost taxpayers

An acquaintance of mine brought her elderly mother and father to San Diego earlier this year from their native home in Lebanon. As a condition of her parents' legal immigration to this country, she signed an affidavit promising that her noncitizen relations would not go on the welfare rolls for at least five years.

But in a matter of months - not years - her father violated this agreement. He applied for, and was granted, taxpayer subsidized health coverage through the Medi-Cal program, which is California's version of Medicaid. To her credit, my acquaintance pleaded with her father not to go on the public dole. She even took it upon herself to sign him up for private health insurance.

But her father turned down the private insurance policy. He told her that old friends of his, members of San Diego's Lebanese community, informed him that the affidavit his daughter signed was all-but-unenforceable in the courts. There was absolutely nothing to prevent him from receiving Medi-Cal or any other government benefits.

It is this kind of brazen disregard for U.S. immigration law that has prompted lawmakers in Washington to include a provision in the pending immigration reform bill that would toughen requirements for sponsors of illegal immigrants. If the provision becomes law, immigrants will no longer think they are entitled to government benefits the moment their feet touch U.S. soil.

My Lebanese acquaintance's father was able to qualify for Medi-Cal because he listed only his poverty level income on his application. But under the proposed reform, a new means test will



Joseph Perkins

be created that takes into account both the immigrant's income and their sponsor's. If a sponsor is earning sufficient income, at least 200 percent above poverty level, then their noncitizen sponsors are ineligible for public assistance.

This reform has provoked much sound and fury in the immigrant community. Immigration activists claim the means test places a financial hardship on sponsors and that many noncitizens will be denied health care and other government benefits that they desperately need.

But Wyoming Sen. Alan Simpson, who authored the immigration reform provision, speaks for the majority of Americans. "Why should the rest of us cough up money," he asks, "when the sponsor has not done it yet, or has not run out of money?"

Indeed, the way the law is currently interpreted, an immigrant could come to this country under the sponsorship of a relative whose assets place them among the Forbes 400, and the immigrant would still be eligible for taxpayer subsidized welfare based strictly on their own income.

And it is because of this gaping loophole in current immigration law that the number of noncitizens on the public dole has exploded in just the past dozen years. Consider, for instance, Supplemental Security Income, a poverty program that serves the elderly, blind and disabled. The number of noncitizens receiving monthly SSI checks has risen 580 percent since 1984. This amounts to a \$3.5-billion-a-year transfer from taxpaying Americans to non-taxpaying noncitizens.

In recent congressional testimony, Norman Matloff, an immigration researcher at the University of California at Davis, explained why increasing numbers of immigrants have come to regard welfare as a retirement system of sorts.

"Many immigrants 'do not consider receiving welfare to be a stigma,' he noted. 'On the contrary, they view it as a normal benefit of immigration, whose use is encouraged like a library card. They are unaware of the fact that welfare is only intended as a safety net.'"

It is time that Congress changed this mindset. The United States can no longer afford to be a retirement haven for poor, aged immigrants. If they are allowed to take up residence in this country, then their sponsors must live up to their promise that their noncitizen sponsors will not become a "public charge."

America boasts, by far, the most liberal, the most generous immigration policy in the world. It is hardly asking too much of those noncitizens who choose to spend their twilight years on U.S. soil that they either pull their own weight or get their family members here in this country to take up their slack.

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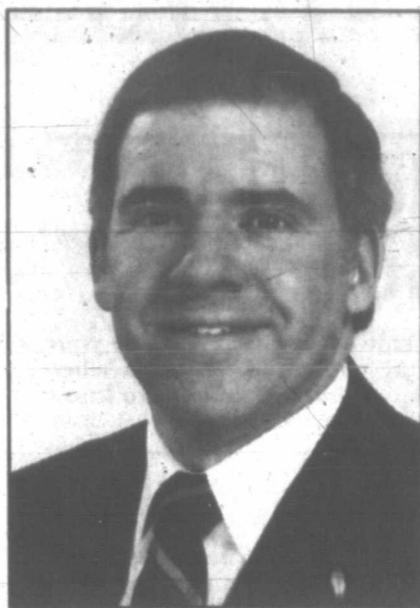
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Laura V. Hamner, pictured above, is writing the script for her Aug. 3, 1947 broadcast about the Top O' Texas Rodeo and Horse Show. Hamner, who was an authoress and commentator, devoted her entire program broadcast over Radio Station KGNC to the rodeo. Her program, "Light and Hitch," was broadcast each Sunday morning. Today, radio listeners will be able to hear the rodeo performances over Pampa station KGRO/KOMX.

Drought shows there's no substitute for water

Guest column

Dr. DUANE ROSE
WTAMU



Dr. Duane Rosa

CANYON - Even though the Panhandle of Texas has received some much needed rainfall in recent weeks, it still may be too little and/or too late for area farmers and ranchers.

The Panhandle has experienced almost three years of drought conditions, and the period from Oct. 3, 1995 to June 18, 1996 was the driest 260 days on record for Amarillo, according to the National Weather Service. This has had a devastating effect on the wheat crop, and it seriously threatens the summer crops that will be planted. In addition, the drought conditions have forced falling cattle prices and, in some cases, the total liquidation of herds.

The High Plains trade area, which encompasses the northernmost 26 counties in Texas commonly referred to as the Texas Panhandle, produces \$2.56 billion annually in value added cash receipts for crop and livestock production, according to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. This region produces 96.8 percent of the state's sugar beets, 85 percent of its fed beef, 48.4 percent of its corn and 47.5 percent of its wheat.

About \$13 billion in economic activity and 100,000 jobs are generated by High Plains agriculture. The area consists of 14 million acres of agricultural land, with nine million acres in pastureland and five million acres in crops, of which 40 percent is in irrigated production.

Amarillo received only 4.4 inches of precipitation between Oct. 3 and June 18, less than half of the 10.63 inches it normally gets. The long dry spell like the one the area is currently experiencing depletes soil water far below the point that normally occurs. The dominant soils in our

region contain considerable amounts of clay and silt that usually absorb water. A typical soil in the region has about 20 percent sand, 50 percent silt and 30 percent clay. The root zone of these soils is four to six feet deep and can hold from 16-20 inches of water.

Even after plants extract water, there is usually eight to 10 inches of water remaining in the soil; however, under prolonged dry conditions, almost all of the water can be lost from the soil. This is the condition currently facing the region. The drought conditions combined with high winds, low humidity and now high temperatures have dried the soil to an extremely low level.

Given the recent amounts of rainfall that the region has received, a large portion of this moisture will have to go to replace the water that has been lost before there will be water available for plant usage. In other words, even if we end up having a "normal" year in terms of rainfall, there will still be less than normal water for plant growth. One of the most serious conse-

quences of this drought may be the potential long-run effect it will have on the availability of groundwater supplies. The Ogallala Aquifer, the Dockum (Santa Rosa) Aquifer and the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer are the primary water bearing units in the Texas High Plains region. The Ogallala Aquifer provides water to all or parts of 46 counties in the region.

As a result of the current drought conditions, there have been significant declines in groundwater level observations. From 1985 to 1995, the average annual change in the depth-to-water was 0.55 feet for the southern High Plains region. From 1990 to 1995, the average annual change was 1.06 feet. During the calendar year 1994 alone, the average annual change in water levels was 2.15 feet.

The main implication of this is that instead of the normal practice of farmers pumping groundwater to supplement precipitation, they have had to provide almost all of the crop's water through irrigation.

Another related consequence of the current drought may be the need to get groundwater from the deeper aquifers in the region, specifically the Dockum (Santa Rosa).

Since the expansion of irrigated agriculture in the mid-1940s, greater amounts of water have been pumped from the Ogallala than have been recharged. As a result, some areas have experienced water level declines in excess of 100 feet from predevelopment to 1990. Reduced pumpage in some areas of the High Plains has resulted in a reduction in the water level decline. However, the current drought conditions may see a

return to increased pumpage. As groundwater levels in the Ogallala continue to drop due to excessive pumpage, many municipal, industrial and agricultural water users may start looking to deeper aquifers for their needs.

The Dockum, which underlies most of the Ogallala formation, is currently being used for irrigation and for municipal water supplies in a few locations where marginally acceptable water quality conditions prevail. Concentrations of dissolved solids in this aquifer range from less than 1,000 mg/l to more than 20,000 mg/l. Obviously the relatively high sodium concentrations pose a salinity hazard for soils, thus limiting regional longterm use of the water for irrigation.

Agriculture on the High Plains was originally dryland; that is, no irrigation was used to produce crops. Severe droughts in the past along with technological advances for pumping and distributing groundwater have resulted in increasing reliance on irrigation.

However, if current drought conditions continue, and if additional declines in the availability of groundwater supplies continue, farmers and ranchers in the High Plains may be faced with the necessity of depending increasingly on dryland farming. In addition, municipalities in the Panhandle may be faced with the necessity of enacting programs to reduce residential water usage.

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World briefs

American killed in parasailing accident

HAMILTON, Bermuda (AP) — An American yachtsman died in a freak parasailing accident after plunging 100 feet into the sea.

Frank Westendorf, 54, of Newport News, Va., was swimming Friday when he grabbed hold of a parasail, after the boat that was towing it slowed to dip a woman parasailer into the water, police said.

The boat's operator, apparently unaware of the new parasailer, picked up speed and Westendorf was carried into the air. Before the boat could slow to bring Westendorf back down, he fell into the water, police said Sunday.

Other swimmers tried to revive Westendorf but he was pronounced dead on arrival at King Edward Hospital.

The accident happened in St. George, on the northeast part of Bermuda where Westendorf had docked his yacht.

Orange marches pit Protestants against authorities

PORTADOWN, Northern Ireland (AP) — Protestants determined to march through a Roman Catholic enclave rained stones, bottles and firecrackers on riot police today on the second day of a round-the-clock standoff.

Police fired plastic bullets at demonstrators who tried to cut through barbed wire barriers.

Leaders of the Orange Order, Northern Ireland's most influential Protestant group, vowed to hold their ground for days if necessary to win the battle of wills at Drumcree church near Portadown, 25 miles southwest of Belfast.

The group is threatening civil disobedience unless several hundred Orangemen are allowed to march the Portadown route under police protection, as usually happens each year.

Several thousand Orangemen and supporters were at Drumcree. Smaller groups of Orangemen blocked roads in Belfast and towns throughout the

British-ruled province late Sunday and early today in a bid to stretch police resources to breaking point.

At least two policemen and two protesters suffered head wounds Sunday night around the Protestant church at Drumcree.

On one side, the standoff involves 2,000 police standing and sleeping in shifts beside their clubs and shields, a backup battalion of British soldiers and an army helicopter overhead. They are determined to prevent the Orangemen from marching through hostile Catholic neighborhoods along the nearby Garvaghy Road.

War crimes investigators prepare to dig for evidence

CERASKA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — War crimes investigators followed a dusty, winding track through the hills of eastern Bosnia to collect evidence of the scale of last year's massacres near Srebrenica.

The convoy of four-wheel-drive vehicles, a seven-ton backhoe and U.S. Army Humvees bristling with machine-guns brought forensic scientists, mine-sniffing dogs and American soldiers Sunday to a mass grave near this now-abandoned hamlet.

Local Serbs, hired to help recover the massacre victims' bodies, came with wheelbarrows, picks and shovels to the site — an embankment in a green valley littered with shell casings.

Here, investigators surmise, Muslims captured after the Bosnian Serbs' takeover of Srebrenica last July were lined up on the road and shot, their bodies pushed over the side and covered with earth.

The bodies presumed buried here are just a fraction of the more than 7,000 Muslims believed slaughtered and dumped in these hills.

Some were buried after mass executions; others were left where they fell in ambushes, and the decomposing remains — piles of bones and tattered clothing — can still be seen scattered across the land.

Federal government shelves plan limiting HMO payments to doctors

NEW YORK (AP) — The Clinton Administration has shelved a plan to restrict the ability of health maintenance organizations to reward doctors for limiting care offered to Medicare and Medicaid patients, *The New York Times* reported today.

The rules, designed to insure that elderly and poor people were not denied medically necessary care, were issued March 27 and were to go into effect May 28. They were first delayed, then shelved following protests by HMOs, the report said.

HMOs, including Kaiser Permanente, Aetna, Humana and the Health Insurance Plan of Greater New York, said the rules would force the companies to

rewrite contracts with tens of thousands of doctors, the report said.

The companies argued that the government failed to understand the importance of financial incentives in the intensely-competitive industry, the newspaper said.

According to the report, the government said in a letter mailed to HMOs May 28: "We realize this compliance date is unrealistic." The letter also said that no enforcement actions would be taken before Jan. 1, 1997.

Among the key provisions of the shelved plan was a rule prohibiting HMOs from making specific payments to physicians to limit or reduce medically necessary services to a specific enrollee.

Caution heralds reports of new AIDS treatments in Canada

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — The incredible news that AIDS may at last be a treatable disease has hardly sunk in, and experts are already warning against unbridled optimism that the epidemic is over.

"There is hope, but let's not exaggerate," said Dr. Peter Piot, head of the U.N. AIDS program. "Let's not switch from very dark pessimism to hype and over-optimism so we will all have a hangover within six months or a year."

In the past few months, researchers have found they can completely suppress the AIDS virus with a combination of three drugs. The development may at last allow people with HIV to keep their infection under control, if not cure it.

However, people have been taking these combinations for less than two years, and no one knows how long the effects will last. Many at the international AIDS conference

meeting this week worried that the euphoria of finding an effective treatment will produce impossibly high expectations of a total victory over HIV.

The meeting's organizers cautioned that while the preliminary findings are a welcome change, they do not represent a cure — although some AIDS experts have begun to talk about just that possibility.

"We don't want the pendulum to swing so far over that we have again the state of very unrealistic expectations that will leave people bitterly disappointed," said Dr. Martin T. Schechter of the University of British Columbia, the conference co-chairman.

Even AIDS activists took up the theme during opening ceremonies Sunday at Vancouver's hockey arena.

"The media started the spin that the cure is here. The cure here. Let's dance. If you think the cure is here, think again. The cure is not

here," Eric Sawyer of the AIDS protest group Act Up told the conference.

In all, nine AIDS drugs are on the U.S. market, five of them introduced this year. The most important are three in a new class called protease inhibitors, which block one step in HIV's reproductive cycle. When combined with two older AIDS drugs, the virus appears to stop reproducing.

Dr. Michael V. O'Shaughnessy, another conference organizer, advised skepticism in judging the reports of these combinations.

"Keep the hyperbole in perspective," he asked reporters. "There will be a lot of overstatement of results."

Even if the new treatments work as well as researchers hope, Piot noted they are likely to be little use to most of the world's HIV-infected people, who cannot afford to pay \$10,000 or \$15,000 a year for treatment.

Child deaths, liver failures focus attention on acetaminophen

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Slowly, surely and with loving care, the mother of 14-month-old Sophie unknowingly poisoned her precocious blond toddler, destroying the child's liver and leaving her on the brink of death.

Not with arsenic or cyanide or exotic drugs — but with an unintended overdose of grape-flavored infant Tylenol, sold over-the-counter as a safe alternative to aspirin and other pain-relievers.

In September 1994, Sophie's mother, Deborah Regosin-Hodges, watched in growing alarm as her lively daughter turned pale, listless, diarrhetic, and finally glassy-eyed and unresponsive while taking Tylenol for a fever.

Sophie survived, thanks to an emergency partial liver trans-

plant from her father performed at the nearby University of California-San Francisco. But she must take anti-rejection drugs that can cause lymphoma, and her parents now worry about every sneeze and cough.

Some children who took acetaminophen, the active ingredient in Tylenol, Anacin 3, and many other remedies, weren't so lucky.

Lacy Keele, a 5-year-old award-winning baton twirler from Florida, La., died of an overdose of acetaminophen that shut down her liver after her mother substituted Extra-Strength Tylenol for regular Tylenol to treat a Christmas cold.

"I think people get a false sense of security that if you can buy it over-the-counter, it's safe," says Dr. Marvin Limpman of Consumers

Union, which advocates better labeling.

No one is certain how many other Lacy and Sophie cases are. At least 33 children below the age of 13 died of acetaminophen poisoning between 1970 and 1991, according to a Food and Drug Administration report, and 152 others suffered serious consequences ranging from hospitalization to permanent disability.

The latest figures available from the American Association of Poison Control Centers show 71 serious acetaminophen poisoning cases among children in 1994, with life-threatening or long-term complications in 10 of them. There were no deaths reported that year.

Acetaminophen products are "exceedingly safe," if taken as

directed, says Rose Ann Soloway of the poison control centers.

But critics say acetaminophen's danger lies in its small margin for error — and in the reassuring marketing of products such as Tylenol, which parents believe is milder and safer than aspirin and other pain-killers.

Acetaminophen's dangers are better known outside the United States, says Anglia Dorward, an attorney and registered nurse who represents the Regosin-Hodges family in a multimillion-dollar suit against Tylenol's manufacturer, Johnson & Johnson-owned McNeil Consumer Products Co.

McNeil spokesman Ron Schmid says the concerns are overblown.

Whistleblower suit involving ex-university accountant slated for this week

AUSTIN (AP) — A trial is slated to begin this week for a former accountant who sued claiming he lost his job after alleging the University of Texas System was being ripped off by millions of dollars.

Jose "Joe" Luna contends he was "tortured" out of his job with the UT System in August 1994 after reporting that gas companies operating on university land were underpaying royalties to the Permanent University Fund. That endowment helps support the UT and Texas A&M University systems.

Luna, who is seeking \$2 million in damages, claims the underpayments amounted to between \$25 million and \$50 million.

Instead of being rewarded,

Luna said, he was threatened with being beaten with a two-by-four, told to change his audit findings and, ultimately, stripped of his duties — all of which led him to leave his job and seek psychiatric care. His bosses included an official who once had an interest in a well with a gas company that Luna audited.

UT lawyers say Luna's allegations, including claims that his bosses retaliated against him in violation of the Texas Whistleblower Act, have no substance. The law, which is designed to protect public servants who report wrongdoing, is the basis for Luna's suit.

UT auditors did not uncover any improprieties after Luna's bosses ordered an in-house audit of Luna's allegations, UT officials said.

UT plans to produce doctors who will say Luna's mental trauma was of his own making — that the actions he perceived as retaliation were "ordinary and benign personnel measures" aimed at improving his perfor-

mance. UT says Luna walked off his job one day and never came back.

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Boy Looking For Hidden Ball Uncovers Back-Yard Surprise

DEAR ABBY: My 11-year-old son recently hit a ball over the fence into our neighbor's back yard. He went into their yard, thinking no one was home. Well, the owner of the house and a friend (both women) were sunbathing in the nude. According to my son, they did not seem bothered by his surprise appearance, so he got his ball and left.

I told my son it was wrong to go into someone's yard without permission. However, I am bothered by the fact that my neighbor sunbathes in the nude. My son can climb the trees in our yard to peek, which no doubt he will, now that he knows what goes on next door. Also, because the women didn't object to his coming to pick up his ball, I fear he may intentionally hit balls over the fence as an excuse to go over there and get an eyeful. There will be many times during the summer when I will not be home to make sure he does not do either.

Abby, should I ask my neighbor to please refrain from sunbathing in the nude?

MRS. R.B. IN SANTA CLARITA, CALIF.

DEAR MRS. R.B.: No. Your neighbor has the right to sunbathe in the nude in the privacy of her fenced back yard. Better to tell your son to refrain from climbing the tree in his yard to get an eyeful.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: I am a happily married woman. My husband and I have been married for nine years. We have three children, ages 7, 5 and 3.

My question concerns my husband's first marriage, which lasted less than a year and was annulled by the Catholic church. There were no children from that marriage, and it is now a part of the distant past.

I think our children should be told about their father's first marriage, don't you? If you think they should be told, when and how should I bring it up?

Please don't use my name, as few people outside my family know about this.

FEELING GUILTY

DEAR FEELING GUILTY: There is no reason to feel guilty since that marriage was annulled and there were no children involved. I see no reason to tell your children about

it. However, since it is on your mind, you could tell them when they are all old enough to know what a divorce is.

DEAR ABBY: I recently became legally separated and have no intention of reuniting with my estranged husband. Because his employer provides excellent benefits for our entire family, we have agreed not to divorce until one of us decides to marry again.

I am not interested in hearing approval or disapproval of this arrangement. However, I would like to know if I am morally obligated to continue wearing my wedding ring until we are legally divorced.

Please do not tell me that if I had morals I would get a divorce. My financial situation makes the continuance of benefits imperative to the survival of my family.

BENEFITTING IN EL CAJON, CALIF.

DEAR BENEFITTING: No one is "morally obligated" to wear a wedding ring under any circumstances. Furthermore, the presence of a wedding ring does not necessarily indicate that the wearer is married. Neither does the absence of one guarantee that the person is not married.

stand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Unique and unusual conditions could begin to stir today. This could signal the beginning of opportunities for you in several major areas of your life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You will have opportunities to establish new relationships. Make an effort to cultivate a friendship with anyone new and interesting you meet today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) New trends indicate improvements in regard to your finances, so keep your eyes open for alternate ways to make money.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) The conversation may revolve around you today. You will learn how much others appreciate you for being such a nice person.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Do not get despondent today if it looks as if everything is going against you. You can turn negatives into positives and receive several pleasant surprises.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Good things could happen to you today if you get out and circulate. Make it a point to be nice to everyone you meet.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Have faith in your abilities today, because if you really try, you can do the things that others only dream of doing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Your comments and suggestions will command the attention and respect of your listeners today. Take this opportunity to convey a positive message.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Someone you assisted recently might focus the spotlight on you today. He or she will want you to take a bow and get the recognition you deserve.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Something you have might be worth more than you realize. A person who knows the value of this thing might discuss it with you today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) The secret to achieving an important objective today is to begin. Once you start, the rest of the pieces will fall into place.

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Horoscope



Your Birthday

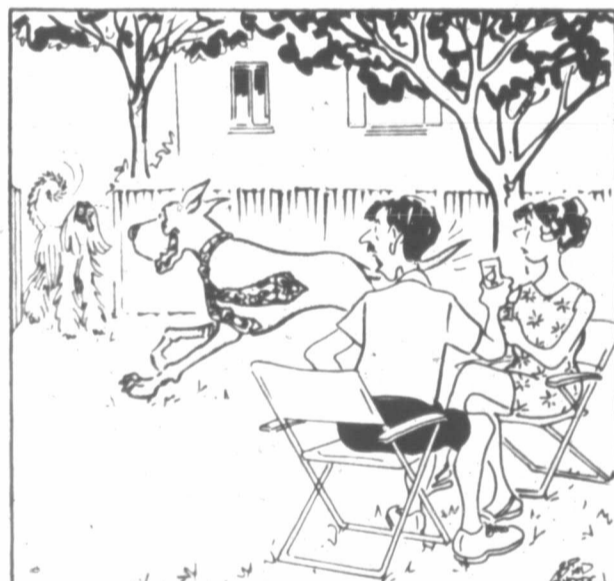
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A more-adventurous social life could be in store for you in the year ahead. Many happy experiences might transpire in new places with new friends.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your positive qualities will be evident to your associates today. They will welcome and appreciate your presence, especially members of the opposite sex. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you under-



"Stop, Daddy! The ants are having a parade here!"



"Say! Isn't that my Rush Limbaugh tie?"

The Family Circus

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LOOK, JUST PRETEND OL' TUNK IS A BIG BAD DINOSAUR...



JUST LIKE TH' ONES WE SCARED OFF OUTSIDE OF TOWN? CAN YOU NO GOOD DINOSAURS?



Alley Oop

I'VE ALWAYS WONDERED WHO THE BEST ALL-AROUND ATHLETES ARE. BASKETBALL, HOCKEY, FOOTBALL, OR SOCCER PLAYERS...



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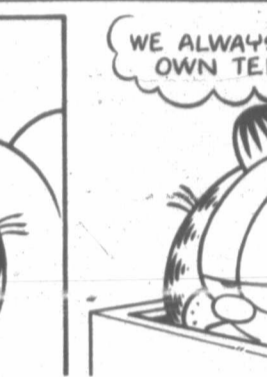
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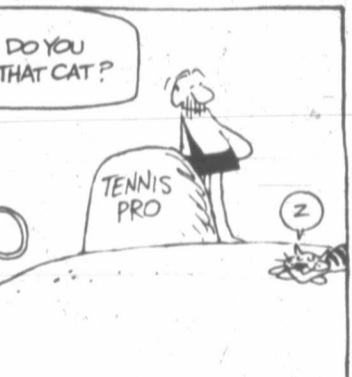
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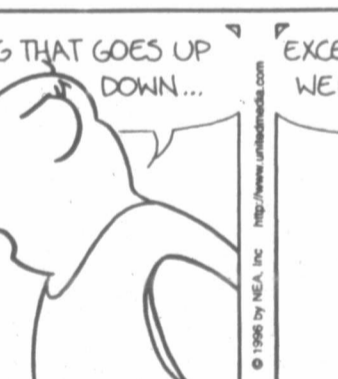
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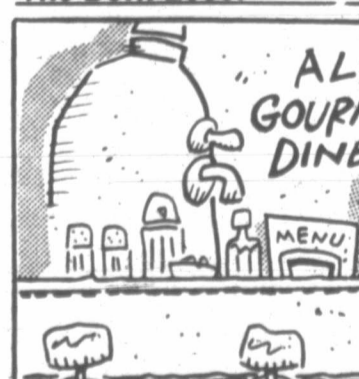
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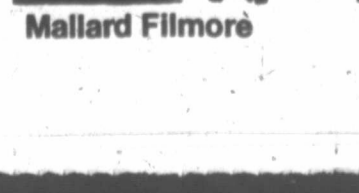
The Born Loser



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Sports

Notebook

SOFTBALL

PAMPA — The City of Pampa Recreation Department will be offering the following leagues for fall softball: Men's Open and Mixed Open.

Entry fees or sponsor's fees for teams are \$200 per team (\$185 for teams who are sanctioned in the spring). The player's fee is \$12 per person with a minimum of 11 persons for men's and 12 persons for mixed.

Entry deadline is July 12 at 5 p.m. There will be no teams added after this date. Schedules will be available after 1 p.m. on July 18 at the Recreation Office.

Roster forms, fact sheets and by-laws are available at the Recreation Office at 816 S. Hobart between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Play will begin July 22 for men's open and July 23 for mixed open.

If you have any questions or would like more information on the Fall Softball Leagues, please contact Shane Stokes at 669-5770 during business hours.

TENNIS

PAMPA — Entry deadline is July 17 for the Pampa Tennis Open to be held July 20-21 at the high school courts.

Events include boys and girls 12's; 14's and 17's singles; boys and girls 14's and 17's doubles; men's open singles; men's doubles and mixed doubles A & B and men's 35 doubles.

Entry fee is \$10 for singles and \$15 per doubles team and checks should be made payable to Pampa High School Tennis.

Match information will be available after 6 p.m. July 18. Tournament director Larry Wheeler can be contacted at (806) 665-6422 for more information.

BASEBALL

WASHINGTON (AP) — Owners will hire a new top man after a labor agreement is reached, acting commissioner Bud Selig said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Baseball has been without a commissioner since Fay Vincent resigned under pressure on Sept. 7, 1992 and without a collective bargaining agreement since Dec. 31, 1993. Selig reiterated that he is not a candidate.

SAN DIEGO (AP) — San Francisco third baseman Matt Williams will sit out Tuesday night's All-Star game because of a bruised elbow, the Giants said Sunday.

San Diego's Ken Caminiti will take Williams' spot on the roster for the game in Philadelphia, and Atlanta's Chipper Jones likely will replace Williams in the starting lineup.

GOLF

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) — Scotland's Colin Montgomerie won the Irish Open on Sunday when countryman Andrew Oldcorn double-bogeyed the final hole.

Montgomerie, two strokes behind with two to play, made a 25-foot birdie putt on No. 17 and parred No. 18 for a 3-under-par 68 and a 5-under 279 total on the Druids Glen course. He earned \$197,704.

Oldcorn finished with a 70 to drop into a tie for second with Australia's Wayne Riley, who shot a course-record 66.

BASKETBALL

CLEVELAND (AP) — Just 24 hours after struggling past a team of U.S. collegians, the U.S. Olympic team put on the kind of dominating display that is expected to be its norm.

Mitch Richmond scored 21 points Sunday as the Dream Team routed Brazil 109-68 in the second of five exhibition games. On Saturday at Auburn Hills, Mich., the U.S. team rallied from a 17-point halftime deficit for a 96-90 victory.

Krajicek wins title in wacky Wimbledon

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — At this wackiest of Wimbledons, it only figures the men's champion would credit a streaker for his first Grand Slam title.

Sure, Richard Krajicek's huge serve was the difference in his straight-sets victory over MaliVai Washington in Sunday's final.

Sure, he became only the second unseeded champion in history beside Boris Becker in 1985.

Sure, he's the first Dutch player to win a Grand Slam tournament. Yet even Krajicek paid tribute to the day's other precedent-setting event: the appearance of a streaker on Centre Court.

As the players posed for photographs at the net before the match, the 23-year-old topless blonde woman leaped from the stands, raced down the side of the court and, in front of the Royal Box, flipped up her only garment, a tiny white apron.

"I was a little bit tight, and then she comes out, and at least for me it put a smile on my face," Krajicek said. "In a way it was good, I think

at least for me, it broke the tension a little bit."

Washington, too, said the streaker lightened the atmosphere.

"I thought it was a photographer at first," he said. "Then I looked over and I see this streaker. She smiled at me. She had on an apron. She lifted it up and she was still smiling at me. Then I got flustered and, boom, three sets later I was gone."

Even the normally stuffy guardians of the All England Club found the incident amusing after rain had disrupted play for the fifth straight day and forced the tournament to go into a third week.

When Wimbledon went into overtime today, Martina Hingis became the tournament's youngest champion. She teamed with Helena Sukova to beat Meredith McGrath and Larisa Nieland 5-7, 7-5, 6-1 in women's doubles.

At 15 years and 282 days, the Swiss star is three days younger than Lottie Dod was in 1887 when she won the first of her five singles titles.

"It's great to win at Wimbledon. For every tennis player it's a big goal to win Wimbledon, even the doubles," Hingis said. "Hopefully one day I'll do it in the singles, too."

Hingis and Sukova need only three minutes today to win the final two games in the match suspended Sunday because of darkness. Hingis clinched the victory with a backhand down the line at Nieland's feet that the Latvian failed to get back over the net.

The other main action left over from the first 13 days was the mixed doubles, with both Sukova and Nieland also involved in the quarterfinal. If they met in the final, they would have played four matches each in one day.

Besides the rain, the tournament was hit by unthinkable upsets that decimated the men's field during the first week and freak injuries that knocked out Boris Becker and a court-coverer.

So many bizarre things occurred that Krajicek wondered whether

he might be celebrating too soon after Washington hit a backhand into the net on match point, Krajicek had just dropped to his knees, his hands over his eyes, and rolled onto his back in celebration.

"I was unbelievably happy," Krajicek said. "Then I thought, 'Is the match really over?' For a split second, I thought, 'Am I making a fool of myself?' Nobody started laughing too much so I thought that I won."

In the first Wimbledon final between two unseeded players, the 6-foot-5 Dutchman overpowered the American with his serve — hitting 14 aces and losing serve only once. He broke once in each of the first two sets, and twice in the third.

Washington was left lunging time and again as Krajicek fired down serves at speeds of up to 129 mph.

"The serve was the difference in the match," Washington said. "I venture he averaged a good 120 on his first serves. When a guy does that, it's tough to break. It puts

everything on you to try to hold."

Although Krajicek's game is dominated by his serve, he proved again that he is not a one-dimensional player. He kept Washington under pressure with sharp returns and ripped 10 passing shot winners.

"My game just improved," said Krajicek, who had lost in the first round the past two years. "I never really agreed with the people who said I should win Wimbledon four years ago already, because I only had the feeling that I had a serve. But now I'm following it up with the return and my footwork has improved. ... I think next year I might get a seed."

Krajicek's victory ensures he will move into the top 10. He said he will shoot for "top five, or maybe even more."

"If he keeps having results like this," Washington said, "heck, he could go to the top."

Washington was the first black men's finalist at Wimbledon since Arthur Ashe won the title in 1975.

Dumas to host District 15 tourney this year

PAMPA — The 1996 Pampa Babe Ruth 15-year-old All-Stars will participate in the District Tournament this week in Dumas.

The Pampa team received a first-round bye and will play Tuesday night at 6. They will meet the Dalhart-North Randall winner which be played tonight.

Other teams participating in the tournament are Borger, Dumas and River Road. The tournament is a double-elimination format with games scheduled all week. The final game is set for Saturday at 6.

Members of Pampa's 1996 15-year-old All-Stars are Joel Barker, Jesse Francis, Brandon Hill, Adam Hillman, Carey Knutson, Greg Lindsey, Courtney Lowrance, Jeremy Miller, Brent Phelps, Russell Robben, Cody Shepard,

Jonathan Waggoner and Justin Barnes. Coaches are Tim Hill, Johnny Miller and Dale Francis.

Pampa's 13-year-old All-Stars were eliminated in District Tournament play over the weekend in Borger.

Pampa fell to Dumas, 21-2, in the tournament opener. Travis Lancaster's double was the only extra base hit for Pampa.

Borger beat Pampa, 10-5, in the second game.

Tanner Hucks and Isaih Manzanera led Pampa in hitting with two hits each. Lancaster, Jeff Warren Antonio Estrada and Colby Brazile had one hit each.

Borger jumped out to an early lead with a six-run second inning and was able to hold off Pampa the rest of the way.

Stricker wins Western Open

LEMONT, Ill. (AP) — The future — the wonderful, limitless future — is all at once frightening and thrilling for Steve Stricker.

"I don't know what I got myself into, to tell you the truth," Stricker said Sunday after winning the Western Open by eight strokes. "I think this brings me to another level."

As he walked up the 18th fairway with his wife, Nicki, who also serves as his caddy, he realized that things might never be the same.

"You know, I was thinking that we've won over \$900,000. Fourth on the money list. Unbelievable," said Stricker, whose 18-under-par 270 total was the fourth-best score in the history of the tournament that dates to 1899.

"There are a lot of things that come along with this win. One of them is more attention. I'm not used to that. And maybe a little more pressure."

It looks like he can handle pressure.

Stricker entered the final round with a five-stroke lead and "every time he made a bogey, he responded with a birdie," said Lee Janzen, the 1993 U.S. Open champion who was paired with Stricker. "He played with little fear."

Stricker's eight-stroke victory over a field that included most of the PGA Tour's top players tied the largest margin on tour this season and was the Western Open's most decisive in 44 years.

In earning the \$360,000 top prize in the Motorola-sponsored \$2 million tournament — the third-richest event on the regular tour — Stricker pushed his 1996 winnings to \$925,933. Having captured the Kemper Open in May for his first career victory, he has joined Phil Mickelson, Mark O'Meara and Mark Brooks as this season's only multiple winners.

So if the shy 29-year-old from Wisconsin was a secret, that's no longer the case. After just 2 1/2 years on the tour, he is one of the most feared and respected competitors.

"He can be the number one player in the world," Janzen said.

"He's just got natural ability. He's in a category with Davis Love, Fred Couples, guys who make it look so easy," said Billy Andrade, who tied Jay Don Blake for second at 10-under. "People

would ask who I thought was the next superstar and I said Steve Stricker."

When told of Andrade's comment, Stricker blushed. He then hemmed and hawed through one of his typical "Gee whiz" responses.

"I mean, that's a great compliment," he said. "I don't think I'm the next ... well, I don't know. I mean, I'm striving to be a good player ... a great player. I wouldn't mind if I was the next superstar. A lot of demands on your time, but I think I can put up with that."

Nicki Stricker, a former University of Wisconsin golfer who once attended the Western Open on a date with Steve, said her husband will never lose his Richie Cunningham-in-cleats innocence.

"I don't think anything will ever change him," she said. "He's not the type of person who will let success go to his head."

And who would doubt Nicki? She was at least partly responsible for Steve's Western victory.

After he struggled through 13 frustrating holes Friday, his score climbing to 4-under and doubt creeping into his mind, Nicki's endless encouragement led to a mini-spat on the 14th tee that spurred Steve to an incredible string of success.

He finished the second round with four birdies and an eagle and then made seven birdies on Saturday's front nine. Suddenly, the Western Open was a one-man show.

"That was the big turnaround in the whole tournament," said Stricker, who attended the University of Illinois and had fans from two states cheering for him. "That got us going in the right direction again."

But he still had a restless night after Saturday's round. He kept thinking about Greg Norman's final-round collapse in the Masters.

"I'm like, 'What if I blow it?'" Stricker said. "Five shots is a big lead, but I've never been in the 'position before.'"

He never came close to blowing it.

He shot a 69 after previous rounds of 65, 69 and 67 to become the first to break 70 in all four rounds since the Western Open moved to Cog Hill in 1991.

Basketball camp



The Lady Harvesters Fundamentals Basketball Camp was held last month at McNeely Fieldhouse.

Pampa High head girls basketball coach Mike Jones was in charge of the camp.

Several individual awards were presented to the girls at the end of the week-long camp.

Awards for Session One Campers (4th, 5th, 6th grade girls, pictured above) are as follows:

Miss Intensity: 1. Hollie Hattis; 2. Meggan Gage.
Miss Dedication: 1. Abbi

Covalt; 2. Tara Jordan.

Most Spirited: 1. Rhiannon Casados; 2. Anna Johnson.

Best Ball Handler: 1. T'Andra Holmes; 2. Denise Mackie.

Best Dribbler: 1. Stacey Johnson; 2. Missy Brown.

Miss Block-Out: 1. Kristi Farnum; 2. Bethany Casados.

Best Shooting Form: 1. Ashlei Jordan; 2. Kori Dunn.

Best Post Moves: 1. Jennie Waggoner; 2. Katie Shaffer.

Most Improved Camper: 1. Rebecca Gindorf; 2. Stephanie Nelson.

Intensity Layups: 1. Tara Jordan; 2. Valerie Velez; 3. Jennie Waggoner.

Bank Shots: 1. Valerie Velez; 2. Abbi Covalt; 3. Jennie Waggoner.

Free throws: 1. Valerie Velez; 2. Tara Jordan; 3. Teryn Gamer.

Hot Shot: 1. Valerie Velez; 2. Abbi Covalt; 3. Denise Mackie.

Miss Hustle: Abbi Covalt.
I'm Third: Denise Mackie.
Outstanding Camper: Valerie Velez.

Note: Session Two individual awards will be published Tuesday.

Hill hurls Rangers past Mariners, 8-3

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Ken Hill allowed one unearned run in 7 2-3 innings and Warren Newson hit a two-run homer as the Texas Rangers salvaged the finale of a four-game series with the Seattle Mariners, 8-3 Sunday night.

Hill (9-5) had won only once since May 31, but he threw his fourth complete game of the season against a lineup that leads the AL in runs, total bases and slugging percentage. Hill struck out seven and walked five, yielding five hits while helping the Rangers beat the Mariners for only the third time in nine meetings this season.

Bob Wells (9-2) had won his previous five decisions, but the Rangers tagged him for five runs and six hits in five innings. The Mariners had their four-game winning streak snapped.

Japanese-born pitcher Mac Suzuki gave up three runs and two hits in 1 1-3 innings in his major-league debut for the Mariners. Suzuki became the first Japanese-born player to play in the American League and the third in major league history.

Juan Gonzalez hit his 22nd homer, and Ivan Rodriguez went 3-for-4, with a triple and a double for Texas.

Hill struggled through the first three innings, hitting two batters and walking three. But the Mariners didn't get their first hit until John Marzano's two-out single in the fourth. Marzano was erased by Rangers left fielder Rusty Greer attempting to stretch the hit into a double.

Hill lost his shutout in the seventh when Doug Strange doubled, went to third on a passed ball, and scored on Joey Cora's groundout.

Texas loaded the bases in the seventh off Suzuki on Rodriguez's triple and two walks. Mickey Tettleton had a two-run single off reliever Blas Minor, and the Rangers got another run on Dean Palmer's groundout to extend their lead to 8-1.

The Rangers grabbed a 2-0 lead in the second on Newson's eighth homer. Palmer drew a one-out walk and Newson followed with a 435-foot drive to right-center.

Texas extended it to 5-0 with a three-run fifth, aided by Wells' error. Kevin Elster led off with a single and scored on Rodriguez's double. Rodriguez went to third on a wild throw to the plate, then scored when

Wells backing up the play, fired the ball into left field attempting to catch Rodriguez returning to third.

Gonzalez followed with a solo homer, the seventh in his last nine games. Gonzalez also got his 70th RBI, the third-most in club history prior to the All-Star break.

Notes: Mariners pitcher Randy Johnson threw off the mound for the first time since being placed on the disabled list on May 13. Johnson threw 40 pitches in a pregame workout. ... All-Star catcher Dan Wilson got the night off after suffering a bruised left forearm when he was hit by a pitch Saturday night. Wilson is listed as day-to-day, but the Mariners said Wilson is expected to be available for All-Star duty.

Red Sox rally past Orioles

BALTIMORE (AP) — Mo Vaughn hit a three-run homer with two outs in the top of the ninth inning, his second home run of the game, as the Boston Red Sox rallied past the Baltimore Orioles 7-5 Sunday night.

Vaughn, who snapped a 13-game homerless streak with a two-run shot in the first, hit a 1-0 pitch from Baltimore closer Randy Myers 457 feet to center field. It was his 26th home run and the second-longest in the five-year history of Camden Yards.

Myers (0-2) got the first two outs

in the ninth before Jeff Frye walked and John Valentin singled. Boston earned its fifth comeback victory in the ninth inning or later.

The Orioles went ahead 5-4 in the eighth on Chris Hoiles' two-run homer.

Vaughn, who has been bothered by a strained ligament in his right middle finger, hit a 419-foot shot in the first. It was the ninth in the five-year history of Camden Yards to land on Eutaw Street, which sits in front of the warehouse beyond right field.

Scoreboard

BASEBALL				
National League Standings				
At A Glance				
By The Associated Press				
All Times EDT				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Atlanta	54	33	621	
Montreal	49	38	563	5
New York	41	46	471	13
Florida	40	47	460	14
Philadelphia	37	49	430	16 1/2
Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
St. Louis	46	41	529	
Houston	47	42	528	1
Cincinnati	39	43	476	4 1/2
Chicago	41	46	471	5
Pittsburgh	39	48	448	7
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American League Standings				
At A Glance				
By The Associated Press				
All Times EDT				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
New York	52	33	612	
Baltimore	46	39	541	6
Toronto	38	49	437	15
Boston	36	49	424	16
Detroit	27	61	307	26 1/2
Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Cleveland	52	35	598	
Chicago	50	37	575	2
Milwaukee	43	43	500	8 1/2
Minnesota	41	45	477	10 1/2
Kansas City	38	50	432	14 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Texas	51	36	586	
Seattle	46	39	541	4
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By The Associated Press				
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Major League Soccer						
At A Glance						
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Eastern Conference						
W	L	SO	Pts	GF	GA	
Tampa Bay	9	6	0	27	32	25
D.C.	6	10	1	19	33	32
NY-NJ	4	9	3	15	18	22
New England	3	8	4	13	20	25
Columbus	3	12	2	11	33	43
Western Conference						
W	L	SO	Pts	GF	GA	
Los Angeles	10	3	2	32	31	19
Kansas City	7	9	2	23	32	35
San Jose	7	8	1	22	26	23
Colorado	7	9	1	22	30	29

Manager fired as Marlins snap seven-game losing streak

By TOM WITHERS
AP Sports Writer

Imagine getting fired by your boss at breakfast, joining him for lunch and capping your day with a plane ride home with co-workers. That was basically Rene Lachemann's Sunday.

Lachemann, the only manager expansion Florida ever had, was dismissed by the Marlins just hours before they snapped a seven-game losing streak with a 7-4 win over the Philadelphia Phillies.

Lachemann stayed to watch the game along with general manager Dave Dombrowski — the man who fired him. And, adding insult to injury, because of travel constraints, Lachemann returned from Philadelphia to Miami on the team plane Sunday night.

The Marlins didn't play for interim manager Cookie Rojas, the club's regular third-base coach, like a team 14 games out of first place in the standings.

"The Fish played well," Lachemann said. "We did the things we haven't been doing. We got runners in from third with less than two outs. We made cutoffs. We did the little things that it takes to win ballgames."

Elsewhere in the National League, it was: Atlanta 9, Houston 1; Montreal 4, New York 3; Pittsburgh 8, St. Louis 2; San Diego 10, San Francisco 3; Chicago 7, Cincinnati 6 in 13 innings; and Colorado 3, Los Angeles 0.

Lachemann, 51, is the first major league manager to be fired this season. The club is expected to

announce a replacement by the end of the All-Star break. It won't be Rojas.

Rojas said he has no interest in managing permanently, but would like to stay on as third-base coach. "They (the players) were very sorry this happened," Rojas said. "Maybe this will turn it around."

In the 10th inning, Charles Johnson, who entered the game in the eighth, doubled off Ricardo Jordan (0-1) to score Terry Pendleton. Pinch-hitter Alex Arias brought in Johnson with his triple and scored when right fielder Ruben Amaro misplayed his hit.

"We did not play well defensively," Phillies manager Jim Fregosi said. "We could have had four errors."

Reliever Terry Mathews (2-3) pitched two innings and Robb Nen worked the 10th for his 17th save.

Braves 9, Astros 1

At Atlanta, Fred McGriff hit his first homer in 16 days and Greg Maddux won for the fourth time in five starts.

McGriff, one of six Braves who will play in Tuesday's All-Star Game at Philadelphia, hit a two-run homer, his 20th, in the eighth.

Maddux (9-6) allowed seven hits in the first five innings, but Houston stranded five runners. He left in the sixth on a blistering afternoon.

Rookie Donne Wall (6-1) lost for the first time since he was called up from the minors May 14.

The Astros committed three errors.

Expos 4, Mets 3

At Montreal, Rheal Cormier pitched into the ninth and Darrin

Fletcher hit a go-ahead, two-run homer in the sixth as Montreal snapped a four-game losing streak.

Cliff Floyd went 3-for-4 with a double and an RBI for the second-place Expos, who trail the Braves by five games at the break.

Cormier (5-5) won his second straight start, allowing eight hits in eight-plus innings. He was lifted when Todd Hundley hit his 23rd home run on the first pitch in the ninth.

Pete Harnisch (4-6), who is 0-3 in his last seven starts, allowed three runs in six innings.

Pirates 8, Cardinals 2

At Pittsburgh, a two-run homer from Jeff King and three-run triple from Charlie Hayes helped the Pirates end a six-game losing streak to the Cardinals.

King went 2-for-4 with a two-run homer in a three-run first against Mike Morgan (2-3). King, who has 21 homers and 64 RBIs, finished off the best first half of a season by any Pittsburgh player since Willie Stargell in 1973.

Jon Lieber (2-2) was the winner in relief.

Padres 10, Giants 3

At San Diego, Ken Caminiti, added to the All-Star roster before the game, drove in three runs as the first-place Padres completed a four-game sweep.

Caminiti will replace Giants third baseman Matt Williams, who will miss the All-Star game with a bruised left elbow.

Caminiti hit a solo homer in the fourth inning — one of three by the Padres in the inning — as San Diego won for the ninth time in 11 games.

Pepsi winner Marlin not worried about asterisk in record book

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Winston Cup racing had yet to become a billion-dollar industry when Sterling Marlin won in the pits as a teen-ager changing tires for his father, Coo Coo.

The elder Marlin, who won a 125-mile qualifying race at Daytona in 1973, built his own motors. But Coo Coo would be unable to afford a career as a Winston Cup driver today, his son said.

"In 1972, a tire cost \$32. What it costs now, it would be impossible."

The rewards, however, are also greater now. Marlin collected \$106,565 for his victory Saturday in the rain-shortened Pepsi 400. He laughed off the suggestion that the abbreviated race will require an asterisk in the record book.

"I don't care," he said. "The check is going to be the same."

The victory was Marlin's fifth with the same Monte Carlo since 1994.

"All the speedway races we've won, we've won with this car," he said. "It's an old car, but it sure runs good."

Marlin, his yellow No. 4 Chevy and the Morgan-McClure racing team won the Daytona 500 in 1994 and 1995. At the Daytona and Talladega superspeedways, where NASCAR requires restrictor plates

to reduce horsepower, they've won five of the past 11 races.

"Hats off to them; they've done a great job," rival owner Rick Hendrick said. "They're dominating restrictor-plate races."

All but one of Marlin's Winston Cup victories have come with a plate under his hood. So he won't be favored Sunday at Loudon, N.H., but watch out for him at the Diehard 500 in Talladega on July 28.

On Saturday, Marlin led for 88 laps and was in front when a thunderstorm shortened the race by 42 laps. No one challenged his claim to the victory.

"I don't know if we've seen all he's got yet," Hendrick said.

"I don't think we could have beat him if we had 40 more laps," said Terry Labonte, who settled for second.

"The 4 car had something nobody else had," said Dale Jarrett, who finished sixth. "He could pass anybody, anywhere, anytime."

Opposing drivers are accustomed to chasing Marlin at Daytona International Speedway, where he has led one-third of all laps in the past three years. Three of his six career victories have been at Daytona, a track he first visited at age 7.

"When I first came through the tunnel here in 1964, it was an awesome place to see," said Marlin, 39. "It's always been special for me."

Showers halted Saturday's race on the 118th of 160 laps with Marlin in the lead, and when the storm prevented a restart, he became the winner.

Marlin's Chevrolet was clearly the fastest car, and he led for much of the early going before dropping to 16th when his ignition box went out on the 66th lap. Coasting down the backstretch, he regained power by switching to a backup ignition, then worked his way back through the pack and took the lead for good on the 87th lap.

When rain began to fall on lap 117, the caution flag came out with the leaders on the backstretch and Marlin blocked Labonte coming out of Turn 4 to win the sprint back to the start-finish line. The race was declared final 40 minutes later, making it the first Pepsi 400 shortened by rain in the 38-year history of the race. Pole-sitter and defending champion Jeff Gordon, who lost the lead to Marlin on the first lap, finished third in the 42-car field.

Winston Cup points leader Dale Earnhardt was next to give Chevy the top four spots.

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Poll: Most Texans say race shouldn't factor into college admissions

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More than four-out-of-five Texans say race shouldn't factor into college admissions, but most believe affirmative action has benefited the state, according to a Harte-Hanks Texas Poll.

Fifty-nine percent say affirmative action for women has had a positive effect on Texas, and 47 percent view affirmative action for minorities as favorable to the state. Thirty-three percent disagree while six percent remain neutral and 14 percent were undecided.

"It's certainly not surprising that Texans feel this way," said Lino A. Graglia, law professor at the University of Texas. "We have been taught that no one should prefer some, and therefore disfavor others, on the basis of their race. But I believe (affirmative action) will have a negative effect — reinforcing stereotypes that minorities (and women) can't meet regular standards."

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans recently ruled that race cannot be a consideration in making college enrollment decisions, and the Supreme Court supported the ruling.

Eighty-three percent of Texans say colleges and universities should not use race as a factor in student admissions; 13 percent say race should be a factor, and four percent are undecided.

"There has been a general political debate in the country that affirmative action has been used to a degree that's unfair," said Bruce Buchanan, government professor at UT. "People seem to be saying that affirmative action had its usefulness, but its time is past, and it's now time to be colorblind."

Supporters say affirmative action is necessary to remedy years of discrimination resulting in lower salaries for women and minorities. Critics charge affirmative action is reverse discrimination and promotes low self-esteem,

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— State Rep. Irma Rangel

which fosters degradation in those receiving special treatment solely based on race or gender.

"The thought process seemingly mirrors those in the nation who are uninformed on what these programs truly do," said Everett Winters, Plano resident and past president of the American Association for Affirmative Action and current director of affirmative action programs at Southern Methodist University.

"Affirmative action has certainly increased the number of minorities and women in higher learning institutions," Winters continued. "To dismantle such programs would be a poor and a bad decision."

Hispanic leaders say affirmative action has afforded many Texans an education and a leg up in the job market.

"If we look at the great strides and advances that women and minorities have made, it certainly has been very productive," said Larry Trejo, spokesman for the National Office of the League of United Latin American Citizens based in El Paso. "We are not promoting quotas. But if we want to ensure that the future pool of college graduates displays the same diversity as the state's population, then we need to take into consideration, in part, their ethnic origin and race."

The state comptroller's office predicts by 2007 Anglo residents living in Texas will decrease from 61 to 47 percent while the Hispanic popu-

lation will take an anticipated 26 to 38 percent leap. The number of black Texans is expected to remain steady at 12 percent.

Last year, state Sen. David Sibley, (R-Waco), authored a resolution abolishing affirmative action mandates, but when the concept was introduced Rep. Ron Wilson, a black Democrat from Houston, donned Ku Klux Klan garb and attended the session. The measure died in committee.

Eighty-eight percent of Anglos said affirmative action shouldn't be used in college admissions. Sixty-four percent of black Texans and 73 percent of Hispanics agreed.

Opinions also vary according to age.

Texans 60 years of age or older were least likely — at 37 percent — to say affirmative action for minorities has benefited the state. Forty-seven percent of 40- to 59-year-olds agreed; 50 percent of 30- to 39-year-olds shared the opinion and 51 percent of 18- to 29-year-olds felt the same.

Anglo Texans were least likely — at 41 percent — to say affirmative action has benefited the state while 62 percent of Hispanic residents and 68 percent of black residents agreed.

Sixty-one percent of men compared with 57 percent of women felt affirmative action benefited women at the state level. Even so, UT's Graglia said affirmative action's significance for women has not been clear in recent years.

"Women don't need help getting into law school. They get in," he said. "It's all the worse to suggest that women do need help — that they can't compete with men on equal academic terms. That assumption seems clearly wrong."

Affirmative action was jump-started during the 1961 Kennedy administration via the Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, geared to balance racial, ethnic and gender mixes in workplaces.

"Without a doubt, affirmative action has been very, very positive for the state," LULAC's Trejo said. "It has allowed people due to cultural differences ... to be represented at higher

institutions of learning throughout the state. I don't believe anyone was deprived."

Four Anglo students, denied admission to University of Texas law school in 1992, disagreed. In Hopwood vs. Texas, the students challenged admission standards, arguing discrimination was practiced since minorities with lower test scores were given priority over more qualified applicants. At the time the students applied, minority applicants were placed in a separate admission pool and given preferential treatment. This admission method was later modified, but ethnicity continued to factor into the admission process.

The 5th U.S. Circuit of Appeals recently ruled that race cannot be a factor in making enrollment decisions, and the Supreme Court upheld the lower court's decision.

State Rep. Irma Rangel, (D-Kingsville), chairwoman of the House Higher Education Committee, favors affirmative action as an admissions policy.

"There's a lot of misconception out there about affirmative action," Rangel said. "Some feel that it automatically means there's a handout. But we don't want a handout. We simply want an opportunity to obtain an education that has been denied in the past. Without affirmative action, I don't see how we can equalize the roles that have been perpetrated for many years. How can we equalize?"

UT's Graglia said affirmative action isn't a bad idea, but can result in more harm than good.

"It put a lot of blacks and Mexicans into school that wouldn't normally be there. And isn't that positive? In a sense it is," he said, "but it's very shortsighted and unthoughtful to not realize what a denigrating effect this has — as well as the inevitable hostility it arises."

The poll, conducted June 3-13, has a margin of error of plus or minus three percentage points; slightly larger for subgroups. The Office of Survey Research of the University of Texas surveyed 1,000 adult Texans for Harte-Hanks Communications Inc.



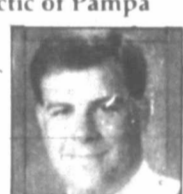
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