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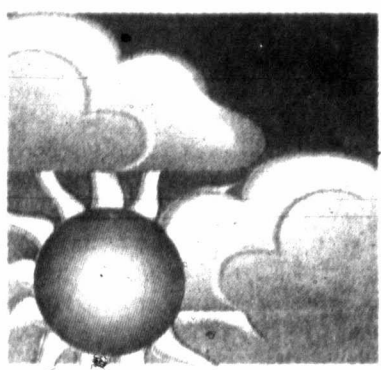
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PAMPA — A California man was charged today with the 1990 murder of six-month-old Amber Lynn Hall, 31st-223rd District Attorney John Mann announced.

Larry Edward Sloan, 26, is still in Huntington Beach, Calif., Mann said, but added that Sloan's attorney indicated he would turn his client in to authorities.

Sloan is alleged to have caused the death of the infant while he was babysitting her. It is alleged that the death was caused by blunt force trauma to the head while the child was in Sloan's care in March 1990 at the child's mother's home in Pampa.

The charges stem from a several-month-long investigation involving Mann's office and the office of Dr. Sparks Veasey, forensic pathologist in Lubbock. An autopsy on the child was originally performed by Dr. Ralph Erdman; however, a second autopsy was performed by Veasey following the exhumation of the body in April.

Mann said he expects to present the case to a Gray County grand jury on Monday.

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Masked gunmen reportedly ambushed a military patrol in southwestern Mexico, wounding an army captain and killing a teenager caught in the crossfire.

A second civilian riding in a truck with the teen-ager was wounded, Mexican news reports said today.

Ten soldiers were patrolling a highway Tuesday night when the gunmen descended from a hill about 20 miles northeast of Chilpancingo, capital of Guerrero state, the government's Notimex news agency reported.

Guerrero, a Pacific Coast state famed for resorts such as Acapulco and Ixtapa, has a history of clashes between police and peasants.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, England (AP) — Chas Chandler, whose bass playing helped The Animals gain fame with the 1964 hit "The House of the Rising Sun," died today. He was 57.

Chandler died at Newcastle General Hospital where he was undergoing tests related to an aortic aneurysm, said Keith Altham, a long-time friend. "It appears he suffered some form of attack as he slept," Altham said.

Chandler was playing in the Alan Price Trio in 1962 when vocalist Eric Burdon joined the band. They renamed the group The Animals, and hit the big time with "Rising Sun."

Chandler produced the first two Jimi Hendrix albums, *Are You Experienced?* and *Axis: Bold as Love*.

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Lefors council debates free offer for land

By CHIP CHANDLER
Staff Writer

Lefors city officials maintained their steady move to a land giveaway Tuesday night, despite doubts voiced a city council member and the mayor himself.

Action was tabled on the giveaway, but council members voted to hold a special workshop to "hash out the details." No date was set during the meeting.

Mayor Bob Jones urged the council to take some sort of action, to "give (him) something to tell all the people that are calling."

"I feel that it's time for us to do something about these, one way or the other," he said.

But council member Velda Chadwick advised restraint as they wait for City Attorney Matt Martindale to draw up an agreement.

Chadwick also suggested dividing the tax-delinquent sections of land into lots to know exactly how much livable land is available and checking if any liens exist on the lands.

The stall in the project's momentum clearly frustrated Jones.

"Can we at least start accepting names and addresses to put on the list?" he asked.

Chadwick countered by saying the city still needed to know how many lots would be available before they began formally advertising the giveaway.

Some of the dozen-plus audience members shared Jones' frustration, telling the council, "You won't get anything done if you keep tabling the thing."

"Since y'all got this thing going, you better keep it up or this town is really going to go down the drain. There's no use to table it month after month," said resident Wendell Akins.

Despite the support apparent

in the audience and many of the council members, mayor pro tem Danny Gilbert said he had doubts about the plan.

"I think we need to drop the whole thing. I'm not in favor of any of it to begin with," he said.

"I'm beginning to think the same thing," Jones said.

"I'm afraid that there will be some bad repercussions if it's not handled right," Gilbert later explained.

Gilbert, however, seconded Chadwick's motion to hold a workshop, indicating he wanted to see specifics on the plan.

In suggesting a workshop, Chadwick said she felt the town had gone too far to back off now.

"With all the news media and publicity and the county's help, I feel like if we back down it would look bad on the city's part," she said.

Council members reminded the audience that the plan has only been addressed at two council meetings. The plan was first proposed by school Superintendent Norman Baxter at the council's June 10 meeting.

In other action:

- The council voted not to charge two retired volunteer fire chiefs for sewer, sanitation and trash bills as well as water. In 1993, the city decided not to charge the retirees for their water, but City Secretary Virginia Maples realized that nothing was being charged on the other portions of the bill either.

- Martindale will be instructed to collect \$4,088.86 in delinquent gas bills and \$2,791.65 in delinquent water bills.

- City Superintendent Mark Kimbley will be allowed to keep his city vehicle at his home while off duty.

- Residents will be charged \$25 to have their utilities reconnected, double what is now charged.

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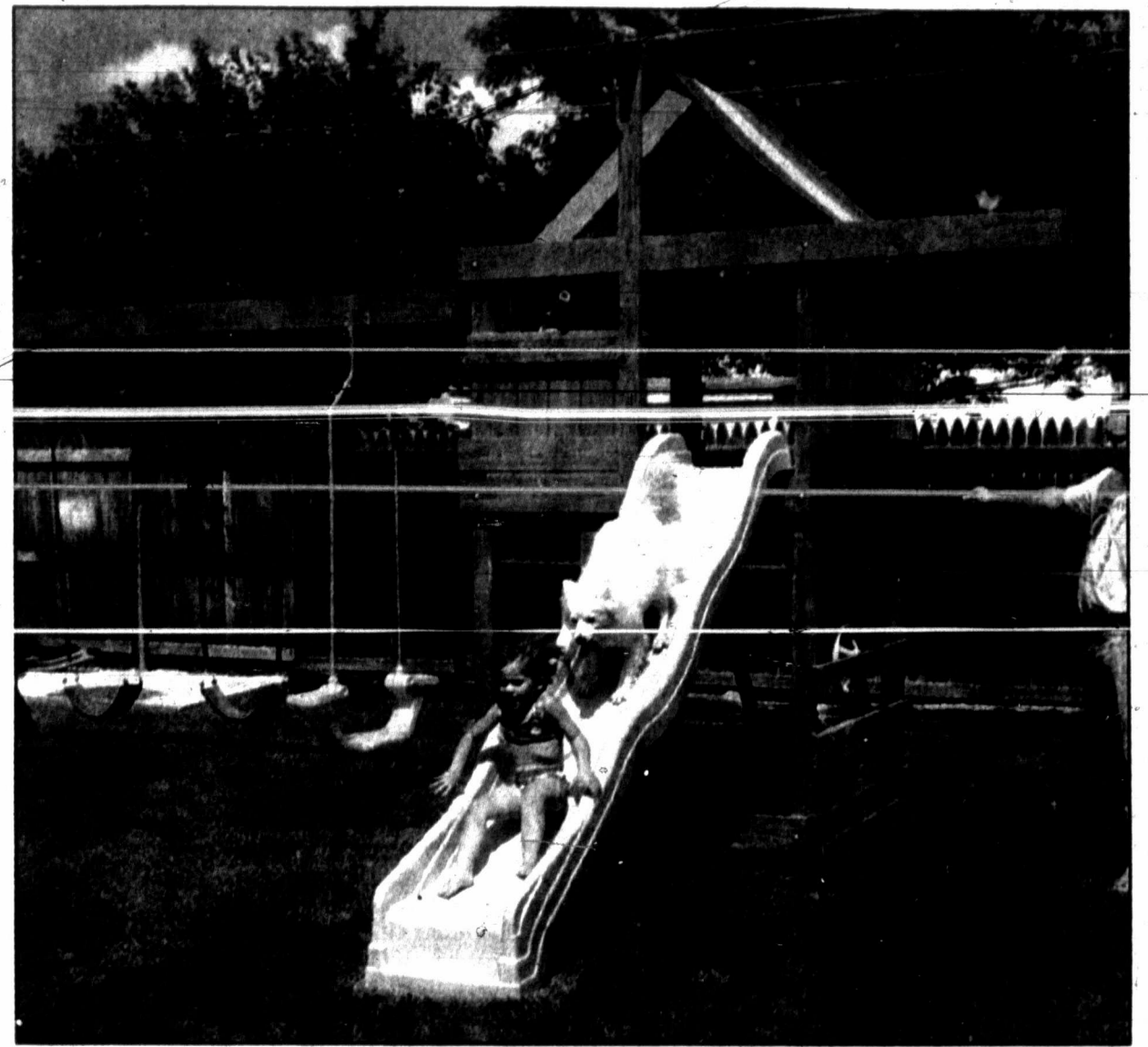
Austrian cowdog



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Lewis Epps plays with his Austrian cowdog (a red heeler) named Geoff — which is English (as in England) for "Jeff." The dog, which will be three in October, often goes with Epps in his truck. Epps got Geoff as a puppy.

At play with the dog



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Ashtin Sackett, 3, enjoys the summer weather by playing on a slide with Ladd, an 8-year-old American Eskimo husky as her father watches. Ashtin's parents are Charlie and Christina Sackett of Pampa.

Agent: Clinton administration overruled Secret Service on employee drug checks

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration overruled the Secret Service in granting White House passes to some employees with a history of drug use, a Secret Service agent says.

In an interview with House investigators released today, Arnold Cole, who had supervised the Secret Service's White House control operations, testified that a special, voluntary drug-testing program was established to allay the service's fears.

Cole said Secret Service agents denied requests for security passes for an unspecified number of employees but that they got the passes after the drug-testing program was instituted in May 1994.

Investigators asked whether the Secret Service decision to deny them passes was changed.

"Yes," Cole said. "Initially our response was that we denied them passes," he said.

Having discovered past illicit drug use as a result of FBI background checks on several White House employees, Cole said, the Secret Service was concerned

that it could "compromise the security of the White House without some other mechanism in place." Cole said he and his colleagues raised those concerns with then-associate White House counsel William H. Kennedy III.

Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., said recently his Senate appropriations subcommittee will hold hearings into the background checks of 21 White House staffers who entered the testing program because of recent, illegal drug use. The White House on Tuesday called the hearings part of a Republican election-year attack on President Clinton.

Cole's sworn testimony to investigators with the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee, given last Wednesday, was part of the panel's investigation of the White House's gathering of hundreds of FBI background files on Bush and Reagan administration employees.

The Senate Judiciary Committee voted unanimously Tuesday to subpoena Anthony Marceca, the civilian Army investigator who collected the files and has

twice invoked his Fifth Amendment privilege not to incriminate himself.

Several Republican lawmakers have suggested that Marceca is being made the scapegoat in the affair to cover for high-level White House officials. Marceca has said he unwittingly used an outdated Secret Service list of White House passholders to generate his requests for the FBI files.

"No list of ... passholders could possibly have been created by the Secret Service that could explain how Anthony Marceca ... got 476 FBI background files of former Reagan and Bush officials," Rep. William Clinger, R-Pa., the House oversight committee's chairman, said today. "At any rate, no combination of errors attributed by the White House to the Secret Service can explain how and why Mr. Marceca obtained the FBI files."

The collected files included those of scores of high-ranking officials of the Bush and Reagan administrations. The Clinton administration has said gathering them was a bureaucratic blunder.

U.S. calls for global warming combat

GENEVA (AP) — In an environmental policy shift, the United States today committed itself to reducing the kinds of air pollution that cause the Earth's climate to overheat.

Developed nations should commit to capping emissions of so-called greenhouse gases, which come from burning fossil fuels, said Timothy Wirth, undersecretary of state for global affairs. Previously, U.S. policy called for a largely voluntary approach to reducing such pollution.

At a climate change conference attended by 150 governments, Wirth said specific emissions targets would be determined in the next 18 months.

The two-week conference, which ends Thursday, aims to formulate a legally binding agreement requiring industrialized countries to reduce gases such as carbon dioxide and methane. The agreement is to be signed next year.

Wirth told the conference that the world's scientists have, for the first time, concluded that humans

are altering the Earth's climate. He said that will have profound consequences.

It is up to the world's policymakers to find a solution, he said.

"Sound policies pursued in the near term will allow us to avoid the prospect of truly draconian and economically disruptive policies in the future," he said.

Legally binding targets for industrialized nations is a first step.

In the longer term, he said, developing nations, particularly the rapidly growing economies such as China, Brazil, India, and Indonesia, must join the effort.

In accords reached four years ago in Brazil, nations agreed to aim toward capping emissions of greenhouse gases at 1990 levels by the year 2000. Few nations are on track to meet that goal.

Wirth said the issue was so important that "we in the United States want to put our shoulder behind it and approach this with binding commitments."

The United States is the world's largest burner of fossil fuels.

Rejecting calls for establishing specific methods to achieve the goals, Wirth said each nation should be allowed to meet the target in its own way.

The burning of oil, coal and gas spawns carbon dioxide, methane, and nitrous oxide, which trap the sun's heat.

A U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report, which pooled research from more than 2,000 leading scientists worldwide, found the Earth's temperature had increased 0.3 to 0.6 percent — nearly 1 degree — over the last 100 years. The report predicted an increase of another 2 to 6 degrees over the next century.

Even a slight temperature change could cause severe droughts and heat waves in Europe, the United States and the developing world, some scientists claim in the report.

It also could increase hurricanes, spread disease, drive many animal and plant species to extinction and melt polar caps, thus flooding small island states and coastal cities, the report said.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

AUSTIN, Helen - 2 p.m., N.S. Griggs and Sons Funeral Directors Pioneer Chapel, Amarillo.
DANIEL, Jack G. - 10 a.m., Highland Baptist Church, Pampa.
HICKS, Othal Lee - 3 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.
TRIMBLE, Corinne Roberson - 4 p.m., First United Methodist Church, McLean.

Obituaries

HELEN AUSTIN
 AMARILLO - Helen Austin, 86, stepmother of a Shamrock resident, died Tuesday, July 16, 1996. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the N.S. Griggs and Sons Funeral Directors Pioneer Chapel in Amarillo with the Rev. Jerald Middaugh, of Southlawn Assembly of God Church, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery at Shamrock.
 Mrs. Austin was born at Fort Worth. She married Lester O'Neil Holman in 1926; he died in 1928. She married Ben Austin in 1929; he died in 1940. She owned and operated restaurants for 40 years.
 Survivors include two sons, L.E. Holman and Acie Austin, both of Amarillo; a stepdaughter, Louise Massey of Shamrock; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandson.
 The family requests memorials be to the Crown of Texas Hospice.

JACK G. DANIEL
 Jack G. Daniel, 62, of Pampa, died Monday, July 15, 1996. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Highland Baptist Church with the Rev. Paul Nachtgall, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mr. Daniel was born Oct. 2, 1933, at Santo, Texas. He married Lynne Hickman on June 8, 1958, at Hartsville, Mo. He moved from Clarendon to Pampa in 1983. He was a butcher for 20 years, retiring in 1992. He was a member of Highland Baptist Church and of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM. He served in several local and district offices with the lodge. He was a country and western musician since graduating from high school. He was veteran of the U.S. Air Force, serving during peacetime.
 Survivors include his wife, Lynne, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Brenda and David Hawley of Amarillo; a son and daughter-in-law, Brad and Marilyn Daniel of Fritch; a sister, Jo Nell Whitley of Richardson; and a brother, Bill Daniel of Henderson, Nev.
 The family requests memorials be to the Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas.

OTHAL LEE HICKS
 Othal Lee Hicks, 52, of Pampa, died Monday, July 15, 1996, at Lubbock. Services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Gene Allen, retired Full Gospel minister, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery with graveside rites courtesy Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mr. Hicks was born May 30, 1944, at Borger. He attended Pampa schools and had been a Pampa resident since 1954. He married Barbara Gage on Feb. 3, 1963, at Pampa. He was Past Master of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 and was also a member of Top O' Texas Masonic Lodge #1381. He was a 32nd degree Master. He was a member of Briarwood Full Gospel Church.
 Survivors include his wife, Barbara, of the home; two daughters, Dawnya Hicks, of the home, and Cynthia Denise Mitchell of Quinlan; three sons, Jerry Hicks, of the home, Ira Don Hicks of Pampa and Bobby Hicks of Denver, Colo.; a brother, Bobby Hicks of Austin; and seven grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to the American Heart Association, 2404 W. Seventh, Amarillo, TX 79106.

FRANCES LAVERNE MANNING
 AMARILLO - Frances Laverne Manning, 71, mother of a Pampa resident, died Monday, July 15, 1996. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church Chapel with the Rev. Lynn Garnett, associate pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Llano Cemetery under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of Amarillo.
 Mrs. Manning was born at Mangum, Okla., and was salutatorian of the 1943 Mangum High School graduating class. She married Frank Manning in 1943 at Mangum; he died in 1975. She had been an Amarillo resident for the past 35 years, working as a docket clerk for the Amarillo Municipal Court before retiring. She was a member of the First Baptist Church and was active in the High Plains Baptist Hospital Auxiliary.
 Survivors include two daughters, Linda Loper of Amarillo and Chris Kirkpatrick of Pampa, two sons, Frank Manning of Amarillo and Mark Manning of Albuquerque, N.M.; two brothers, Melvin Dodson of Evansville, Ind., and Richard Dodson of Moore, Okla.; five grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.
 The family requests memorials be to the High Plains Baptist Hospital Auxiliary, 1600 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106, or to the St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176-0001.

Sheriff's Office
 Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.
TUESDAY, July 16
 Juan Carlos Silva, 22, 208 Eshorn, was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief. His bond is \$500.
 Department of Public Safety
 Kirk Robert Von Glahn, 18, Miami, was arrested on a Roberts County warrant alleging theft \$1,500 to \$20,000. He was released to Roberts County.

Obituaries

BETTY SMITH
 AMARILLO - Betty Smith, 71, a former Wheeler resident, died Monday, July 15, 1996. Graveside services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Amarillo with Monsignor Harold Waldoff, chaplain at St. Anthony's Hospital, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors of Amarillo.
 Mrs. Smith was born at Amarillo and had been an Amarillo resident most all her life. She attended Amarillo High School and married Bernard R. Smith in 1948 at Amarillo. The couple moved to Wheeler in 1948, returning to Amarillo in 1951. She was a homemaker and a Catholic.
 She was preceded in death by a son, David B. Smith, in 1995.
 Survivors include her husband, Bernard; a son, Donald H. Ingram; a brother, Robert Partain of Clarendon; two grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to the Shriner's Crippled Children's Burn Hospital, Khiva Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 328, Amarillo, TX 79105.

CORINNE ROBERSON TRIMBLE
 McLEAN - Corinne Roberson Trimble, 96, died Tuesday, July 16, 1996. Services will be at 4 p.m. Thursday in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Billy Wilson, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Wheeler, officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of Lamb Ferguson Funeral Home of McLean.
 Mrs. Trimble was born in Montague County. She married Homer Ray Trimble in 1918 at Dodson; he died in 1945. She moved to McLean from Dodson in 1932 and owned and operated Corinne's Style Shop for more than 50 years, retiring in February. She was a Methodist.
 She was preceded in death by a son, Norman Ray Trimble.
 Survivors include a grandson, Gary Trimble of Port Charlotte, Fla.; a granddaughter, Lin Hamer of Lakeland, Fla.; and six great-grandchildren.

Police report

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

TUESDAY, July 16
 Alco, 1207 N. Hobart, reported theft at 2:10 p.m. Tuesday. A juvenile took \$1.29 in merchandise from the store. He was detained by a store employee.
 A man reported not having seen his wife and two children for a month.
 A 48-year-old man reported someone tried to strike him with a car at Hobart and Alcock. There was no contact and no injuries.
 Johnson Home Furnishings, 801 W. Francis, reported someone purchased \$2,059.56 in merchandise in August 1995 and has paid on it since Jan. 16. The purchasers have since moved.
 A 20-year-old woman reported assault in the 600 block of East Foster. Someone grabbed her by the neck and throat and threw a cup at her.

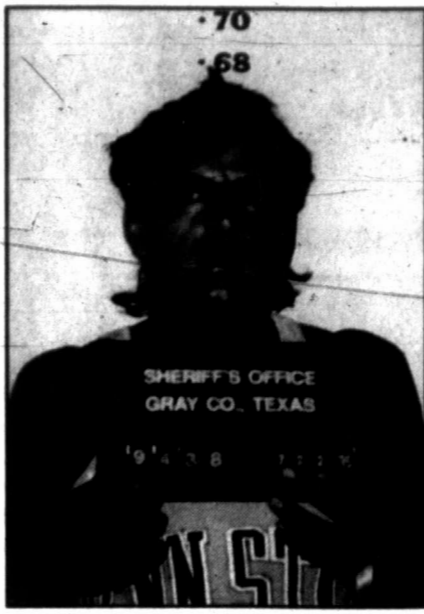
WEDNESDAY, July 17
 Assault domestic violence was reported in the 800 block of South Reid at 6:26 a.m. Wednesday. Cpl. Stephanie Raymond reported recovery of a stolen 1990 Chevrolet Cheyenne in the 700 block of East 15th about 1:30 a.m. Wednesday. The truck was stolen from Panhandle and belongs to K-N Energy, Lakewood, Colo. No keys were found, the truck was locked and no damage was reported.

Arrest
TUESDAY, July 16
 Glenda Savage Edwards, 38, Rt. 2 Box 297, Pampa, was arrested in the 1200 block of Rham on two Department of Public Safety warrants and a Potter County warrant. She was taken to Gray County jail. Her bonds total \$1,500.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atterbury Grain of Pampa			
Wheat	5.09	Chevron	57.78 dn 1/4
Milo	7.85	Coca-Cola	46.14 up 1/8
Corn	8.75	Columbiana	49 up 3/4
		Diamond Sham	29.78 dn 1/8
		Faron	41.18 up 3/4
		Halliburton	55.12 up 7/8
		Ingersoll Rand	39.18 up 1/8
		KNE	32 dn 3/8
		Kerr McGee	61.1/2 up 1/2
		Limited	18.1/2 up 1/4
		Mapco	55.78 up 1/4
		McDonald's	43.18 dn 1/8
		Mobil	111.1/4 dn 3/8
		New Atmos	25.78 dn 1/8
		Parker & Parsley	25.78 up 5/8
		Penney's	49.78 NC
		Phillips	42.14 NC
		SIB	82.94 dn 1.1/4
		SIPS	31.58 NC
		Tenneco	46.78 up 1/4
		Texaco	86.1/4 dn 1/8
		Wal Mart	22.58 dn 1/4
		New York Gold	383.30
		Silver	4.92
		West Texas Crude	22.35

Calendar of events
TRALEE CRISIS GROUP COUNSELING
 Tralee Crisis Center, 119 N. Frost, is to offer group counseling for battered and abused women 11 a.m. to noon Mondays. Facilitator is Priscilla Klempeter, LMFT. For more information, call Ann Hamilton at 669-1131. Space is limited. Call ahead.
IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
 The Texas Department of Health Immunization Clinic will be offering vaccines that give protection against polio, diphtheria, tetanus (lock jaw), pertussis (whooping cough), measles, rubella and mumps. The clinic is located in the Miami Rural Health Clinic and will be open 2 to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, July 18. The fee is based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.
AARP MEMBERSHIP RALLY
 American Association of Retired People will host a membership rally at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 18 at Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ, 1342 Mary Ellen. Cpl. Donny Brown of the Pampa Police Department will speak on telemarketing. Watermelon will be served.



Most Wanted

Pampa/Gray County Crime Stoppers is seeking information on Eddie Gutierrez, 20, wanted for violation of probation. His original charge is unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
 Gutierrez is a Hispanic man with black hair and brown eyes, 5 feet 7 inches, weighing 155 pounds.
 Crime Stoppers will pay a reward for information leading to his capture. Tipsters may call 669-2222.

Southeastern Methodists elect first woman bishop

LAKE JUNALUSKA, N.C. (AP) - United Methodist delegates today elected the first woman bishop to serve in nine Southeastern states as a Florida pastor was named to the third of seven bishops' posts that need to be filled.
 The Rev. Charlene Payne Kammerer, pastor of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Tallahassee, Fla., received more than the necessary total of votes needed for election on the eighth ballot at the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference.
 On the seventh ballot today, the Rev. Joe Pennel Jr., pastor of Brentwood United Methodist Church in Tennessee, received 331 of the more 500 votes cast to become a bishop. His total was 19 more than needed to be elected.
 Kammerer and Pennel were chosen by delegates meeting at Lake Junaluska from nine Southeastern states to choose seven new bishops. On Tuesday, members of the nation's second-largest Protestant church elected the Rev. G. Lindsey Davis of Lexington, Ky., on the second ballot.
 Davis, the superintendent of the Lexington District of the Kentucky Annual Conference, received 339 votes on the second ballot to become a bishop.

"I am deeply honored and humbled by this vote," he said after receiving a standing ovation from many of the delegates. "It has been 24 years since a bishop has been elected from Kentucky. And it was 96 years before that bishop was chosen."
 Davis, 48, is a native of Durham, who now lives in Lexington, Ky. He was joined by his wife, Jennifer, and daughter, Laura, as he was welcomed by other bishops on the stage at a conference hall in Lake Junaluska.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
TUESDAY, July 16
 12:38 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2100 block of North Banks on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.
 1:26 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing facility for a patient transport to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.
 4:53 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transport to High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Weather focus
LOCAL FORECAST
 Partly cloudy tonight with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. A low near 72 with south winds to 20 mph, and gusty. Thursday, sunny with a high in the mid 90s and south winds 10-20 mph. Tuesday's high was 89; the overnight low was 70.
REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance of mainly evening thunderstorms. Lows in mid 60s to low 70s. Thursday, partly sunny. Highs in low to mid 90s.
 South Plains: Tonight, slight chance of thunderstorms. South Plains, otherwise partly cloudy. Lows 70-75. Thursday, slight chance of thunderstorms. South Plains, otherwise partly cloudy. Highs 95-100.
 North Texas - Tonight, clear to partly cloudy. A slight chance of thunderstorms east. Lows 74 to 78. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs 96 to 100.
 South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, partly cloudy with isolated mainly evening showers or thunderstorms south central. Lows in the 70s, near 80 Edwards Plateau. Thursday, partly cloudy with scattered showers or thunderstorms. Highs in upper 90s south central and Hill Country, 100 to 105 Edwards Plateau. Upper Coast: Tonight, partly cloudy with widely scattered showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 70s inland, near 80 coast. Thursday, partly cloudy with scattered showers or thunderstorms. Highs near 90 coast to the 90s inland. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy with isolated showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 70s inland, near 80 coast. Thursday, partly cloudy with scattered showers or thunderstorms. Highs near 90 coast to the 90s inland. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy with isolated showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 70s inland, near 80 coast. Thursday, partly cloudy with scattered showers or thunderstorms. Highs near 90 coast, 90s to near 100 coastal bend, 100 to 105 Rio Grande plains.
BORDER STATES
 New Mexico - Tonight, scattered thunderstorms ending by around midnight, then skies becoming mostly fair. Lows 40s and 50s mountains with upper 50s to near 70 elsewhere. Thursday, partly cloudy during the afternoon and early nighttime with scattered thunderstorms mainly north and west. Fair skies at other times. Highs mid 70s to 80s mountains, mid 80s to 90s lower elevations.
 Oklahoma - Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance of evening thunderstorms. Lows in the 70s. Thursday, partly cloudy and windy with highs in the 90s to near 100.

Coke is it - so what's left for Pepsi at the Olympics?

ATLANTA (AP) - Here in Atlanta, where four out of five dentists recommend their patients rinse with Coca-Cola, they have a different word for pariah: Pepsi dealer.

In the home of its corporate headquarters, in the downtown section dubbed the Olympic ring, Coke was most definitely it Tuesday. Trucks schlepped empty Coke machines across town for refills. Soldiers in fatigues slugged down Diet Cokes. Tourists, workers, residents - a Coke was on everyone's sweaty lips.
 Cola wars? The fight is over here in Atlanta, where the red-and-white banner of Cola-Cola flies high while the folks over at Pepsi lie low.

"I just don't have any comment," sniffed Barry Hayes, general manager of Buffalo Rock Bottling, a Pepsi distributor in suburban Newnan. "The less said, the better."

At least Hayes was speaking. At the Pepsi Cola Bottling Company of Gainesville, the phone rang unanswered.
 The odds of finding a cold (or a

lukewarm, or a hot) Pepsi in Olympic Atlanta were akin to discovering the Holy Grail inside the Georgia Dome. Turn to the Yellow Pages under "Soft Drinks" down here, and Pepsi doesn't even have a listing.

"A Pepsi? Your chances are very, very slim," said Michael Renwick, 23, who was serving cold Cokes at Sports World '96. "You'll be looking a long, long time."

Has any representative of the Pepsi generation stopped by, asking for alternative refreshment? "You're the first," Renwick said.

Coke, the world's largest beverage company and Atlanta's corporate king, doled out more than \$40 million to make the real thing the only thing for Olympic vendors.

Coke is dropping a reported \$250 million worldwide in Olympic advertising. And it seems to be working - a recent study indicated the number of consumers identifying Coke as the Olympic soft-drink sponsor had doubled since Barcelona in 1992.

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Lefors

• Pampa residents paying their phone bill Lefors will be charged an extra 50 cents instead of the current 25 cents.

• Kimbley will retest the water meter at resident Jennifer Mann's home. Mann told the council her water bill went from around \$20 in May to \$72 in June, before falling to \$20 again this month. Mann accused Kimbley of not reading her meter, but the mayor defended Kimbley and said the city goes by what Kimbley tells them on bills.

• Jones read a letter of resignation from City Judge Linda Daniel during his mayor's report.

• City Marshal Rocky Stewart told the council that the town is experiencing "another rash of stray dogs."

• People who let their dogs roam town are subject to a fine and ticket, he said, but added, "How do you ticket someone when you can't get close enough to the dog to check whose it is without getting bit?"

City briefs

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BRICK REPAIR, Harley Knutson. 665-4237. Adv.
GLEE'S HOUSE now accepting Alzheimer and/or confused clients for Day Care. 24 hour care also available and includes consistent supervising in a charming and caring private home setting. There is 1 caregiver for every 4 clients. Private pay. 665-2551. Adv.
 1992 22 ft. Lowe Deck Boat, 120 Johnson. Excellent condition with cover. 665-2454. Adv.

CAJUN - WEDNESDAY 6-9 p.m. Hamburger Station. Adv.
COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN School, office hours 10 a.m.-noon, Monday - Thursday 665-3393, 1200 S. Sumner. Applications available, kindergarten-9. Adv.
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Capt. Tom Duke of the Texas Air National Guard watches the controls as Col. Wayne Fisher flies the new Unit Training Device flight simulator recently at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio.

Political ads between presidential contenders already intensifying

By KEVIN GALVIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — From Florida to Michigan to California, the same image has flickered on millions of television screens over the past five months: a dour Bob Dole, shown in faded black-and-white, contrasted with a radiant Bill Clinton and a waving American flag.

The accompanying soundtrack promises the president will protect children, families, seniors and Medicare.

In states essential to the outcome of this year's presidential race, these staples of the Democratic Party's campaign ad offensive are already becoming as familiar as grinning morning talk show hosts.

Spared a primary challenge, Clinton has enjoyed a huge lead in campaign funds over Dole and, with the help of the Democratic National Committee, has kept up a steady stream of TV spots to define the campaign debate on his terms.

From early February through July 16, the Clinton campaign and the DNC combined have spent about \$30 million to air more than a dozen spots nearly 24,000 times in markets across the country, according to National Media Inc., a

Republican group that tracks political advertising.

National Media relies on Competitive Media Reporting, which uses computers to track broadcasts in 75 of the nation's media markets.

According to National Media and CMR, the DNC has spent about \$27 million to air 22,700 spots. The Clinton campaign has spent about \$2.4 million to air 1,800 spots.

The slick ads have sought to frame the debate on everything from guns and crime to Medicare and Head Start. They consistently hammer home the idea that the president "protects" "values" against Republican cuts.

After a slow start, Republicans have begun to fight back. Since May, the Republican National Committee has spent about \$15 million to air between 12,000 and 15,000 spots in 40 markets, say Democrats. Among those ads were a 60-second profile of Dole and commercials attacking Clinton on immigration and taxes.

The Democrats' ads touted Clinton's record for months before criticizing Dole for leaving unfinished business when he retired from the Senate. They also attacked Dole's record on taxes, after Republicans did the same to Clinton.

But are voters paying attention

yet? There are two schools of thought among students of politics, according to Kathleen Hall Jamieson, director of the University of Pennsylvania's Annenberg School for Communication.

Some believe people form opinions about candidates when they are actively engaged in the campaign, while others argue that the most effective persuasion occurs when we're not paying close attention and no competing arguments are available.

"The question pivots on whether or not you have an advantage in putting messages in to the media at a time when people are not yet focused," Jamieson said. "My assumption is yes, because the issues the ads are addressing are salient."

She said the Democrats are gambling that by being on the air unopposed they gain an advantage in forming voters' attitudes.

State briefs Agreement on tax reform may be hard to come by

Judge allows Tilton's wife to name church as defendant

DALLAS (AP) — Can a preacher become so controlling that in the eye of the law, he and his church are one and the same?

The estranged wife of the Rev. Robert Tilton thinks so. Leigh Valentine Tilton won a judge's permission Tuesday to name the Word of Faith World Outreach Center as a defendant in their divorce suit.

The ruling came on the second day of a divorce hearing in Dallas involving ownership of the church's former parsonage and other property in the north Dallas suburb where the Tiltons lived.

Tilton took the parsonage designation off the house in January after a failed reconciliation attempt. He says the church no longer has a parsonage. He's now living on a \$450,000 dollar yacht in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and commuting to the church.

Mrs. Tilton, 39, accuses her husband of alcohol and physical abuse, as well as abusing his position of power at the church. She testified that he treats the church's money and property as his own and was unfaithful to her.

Suspect arrested in Michigan student's murder

DALLAS (AP) — A 23-year-old man is in an Oklahoma jail awaiting extradition to Texas after his arrest in the slaying of a Michigan State University student who was spending the summer in Dallas.

Kano Jamal Stevenson was arrested Tuesday in Oklahoma City on a charge of first-degree murder in connection with the death of Nikki Marie Blatter, 22, an intern at Texas Instruments, Dallas police said. The engineering arts student was found dead on Friday in her apartment bedroom in the Lake Highlands section of northeast Dallas.

The Dallas County medical examiner's office said Tuesday that Blatter died of strangulation and incised wounds on her neck.

Stevenson knew Miss Blatter casually in Dallas and had left the city for Oklahoma shortly after her murder, Dallas police said.

"To what degree he was involved with her, we don't know," said Dallas police Sgt. Larry Lewis. "She had met him somewhere; it was not at work, but through another circle of friends."

HARLINGEN, Texas (AP) —

Mitch Thomas, Pat Konegay and Sharon Waite agree the time has come for property tax reform.

All three work in the agriculture business in South Texas, and contend high property taxes have burdened their livelihoods. The problem is, all three have a different opinion on how the tax structure should be changed.

The situation presents a quandary for members of the Citizens' Committee on Property Tax Relief, which held its fourth public hearing Tuesday in Harlingen.

The committee was created by Gov. George W. Bush to gauge public opinion on property tax reform and take suggestions for funding alternatives for Texas schools.

After public hearings in El Paso, Tyler, Corpus Christi and Harlingen, it seems clear that most Texans agree the property tax burden should be reduced, they just can't agree on how.

"There's certainly consensus that there's a need to change the property tax system," said Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer, chairman of the committee. "But we certainly aren't going to come to any conclusions until we go to 10 more cities."

Ten more public hearings will be held across the state through the end of September. The committee then will report its conclusions to Bush and state lawmakers, who could debate a new tax structure when they return to session in 1997.

Texas currently raises about \$10 billion a year for public schools through local property taxes. The average tax rate in the state is \$2.30 per \$100 property value, with about three-fifths of that levied by school districts.

The committee is exploring three options to replace the school property tax, as well as the

possibility of a combination of alternatives:

— Business activity tax — a business tax applying to markup with a deduction for capital investment. Business activity is "the sum of all its internal costs, including profit," and would be about 40 percent of a company's gross receipts.

— Gross receipts tax — a business tax applying to the gross receipts on all business and investment income.

— Sales tax — making changes in the current 6.25 percent state sales tax, such as expanding it to items not now taxed.

About 90 people attended the Harlingen hearing, although not everyone testified. Of those who did, most did not state their support for one alternative over another. Some admitted they hadn't even seen the proposed alternatives.

Thomas, a cattle rancher from Raymondville, was one of the few who appeared knowledgeable about the proposed reforms. His family owns 120,000 acres of land in South Texas and pays about \$600,000 a year in property taxes, he said.

Thomas said his family met to discuss the tax reform proposals and supports the business activity tax because it includes a deduction for new investment.

"You make your money, you have the opportunity to reinvest your capital, then you pay out your percentage of your taxable income," Thomas said. "We can build big business (with this option)."

Waite, a farmer in Mission, said she favors changes to the state sales tax, "so that the public knows the true cost of the governmental and educational services which are provided."



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Opinion

Caution is best after bombing

The prayers of all Americans go out to the families of the American military personnel killed in the blast in Saudi Arabia. The explosion and deaths underscore how pervasive terrorism is in the world today. And because America is the world's leading political and military power, Americans will be prime targets.

Just last November, five Americans were killed in the same country when a car bomb exploded at another American military base.

After such atrocities, care must be taken in a response. Sometimes a local response is the right one: After the November explosion, the Saudis themselves found the perpetrators, gave them a trial and beheaded them.

In other cases, American action may be necessary, including even military retaliation.

But even there, care must be taken. After the 1986 bombing of Americans in a Berlin disco, President Reagan bombed Libya, but later evidence showed that the Libyans weren't involved.

A very different sort of response followed the 1983 bombing of Americans in Lebanon, when more than 200 Marines were killed. After careful review, President Reagan concluded that the American mission was not accomplishing anything and the surviving Marines were withdrawn.

The Saudi situation is considerably deeper and larger than was the Lebanon deployment. Some 40,000 American civilians are in Saudi Arabia, mainly working on the country's strategic oil industry. And about 5,000 U.S. military personnel are stationed there as part of the international force put in place in the Middle East after the 1990-91 Gulf War.

But, even as the nation considers how to respond (if it can) to this latest outrage in the following weeks, perhaps the bombing will also spur, in the longer run, renewed examination of and public debate about where, when, and how the United States should put its troops in harm's way.

What seems certain today is that U.S. facilities need better security. How was a fuel truck allowed to get so close to a military housing facility? Why wasn't a defense perimeter established far enough away from the barracks to protect the troops?

As President Clinton said, "America takes care of its own." That commitment includes diligently protecting its military personnel to reduce the possibility of such attacks before they occur. It should also mean a continual review of just what national interests are at stake in each of our farflung military missions.

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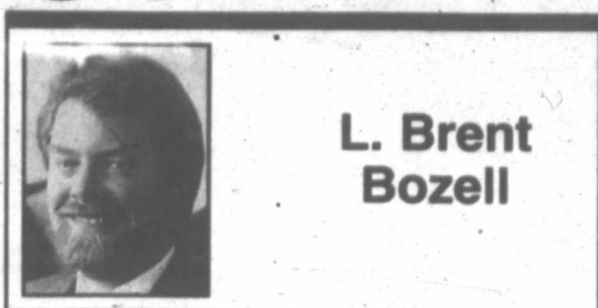
The 'ontological' attack machine

Last month, *The New York Times* celebrated 100 years of Ochs/Sulzberger family ownership, hosting a black tie gala that attracted the likes of Peter Jennings, Ted Koppel, George Plimpton and Martha Stewart. The newspaper also congratulated itself in its own pages and was lauded effusively in a *New Yorker* piece by Harold Evans, who opined that the *Times* is "more than a newspaper ... (it) has evolved into ... nothing less than an ontological authority."

Heady stuff, that. I can see the new motto now: "All the Ontology That's Fit to Print."

For decades, the *Times* has exemplified the smug establishment liberalism that inspired Barry Goldwater's famous quip about sawing off the Eastern Seaboard. The ontological record includes Walter Duranty's shameless cover-up of Joseph Stalin's crimes, Herbert Matthews' eager promotion of a young, ambitious Cuban revolutionary named Fidel Castro, and Sydney Schanberg's hideously wrong prediction that life in Cambodia would be "better" under the Khmer Rouge. Those are, of course, the boffo examples; and yet on virtually a daily basis, there is a reminder of a real cultural disconnect between the scribes at the *Times* and those whose feet are grounded in the world of reality.

Last November, staff reporter Jason De Parle wrote a lengthy *Times* magazine article about the mounting tensions between conservative leaders and Sen. Bob Dole's liberal Chief of Staff Sheila Burke. It was a story worth reporting — and something conservative activists like Paul Weyrich wanted covered. But the *Times* had a different spin in mind. The piece was packaged as a grand expose, the fruits of exhaustive investigative reporting that had uncovered a right wing "attack machine" out to ruin the sensible moderate, Burke. It is telling that the irony here escapes the



L. Brent Bozell

paper's editors: It is precisely this kind of "reporting" that has earned the *Times* the reputation as a left wing attack machine.

Nonsense, they'll tell us. *The New York Times* is a bastion of sophistication in a sea of falling journalistic standards. As Washington bureau chief R.W. Apple huffed, the *Times* is not "a supermarket tabloid." It's that kind of thinking that explains why, when the Gennifer Flowers scandal and later the Troopergate scandal broke, neither was covered in any serious vein, relegated instead to brief wire service dispatches tucked in the back pages. And when the Paula Jones story broke, the paper that prides itself with having "All the News That's Fit to Print" sat on it for three months before reporting a thing.

And yet this was the same paper that in 1991 shocked the world of journalism by revealing the name of the woman who had accused William Kennedy Smith of rape and then detailed her "wild streak," her drinking habits, her speeding tickets. Patricia Bowman certainly would disagree that the *Times* is not a supermarket tabloid.

Nancy Reagan would also beg to differ with Apple. In 1991, she was the subject of a notorious Kitty Kelley biography that suggested all sorts of wild happenings at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.,

including an affair between the first lady and Frank Sinatra. Kelley presented no evidence to corroborate the scurrilous charges, but that posed no problem whatsoever for the *Times*. Nancy Reagan was a juicy target; credibility be damned. The day before the book's April 1991 publication date, smack on the front page was Maureen Dowd's egregiously one-sided story, which featured no one critic of Kelley nor any attempt whatsoever to debunk Kelley's tales of Mrs. Reagan's extra and premarital sexual exploits.

The same kind of mean spirited journalism can be found in the op-ed pages of the *Times*, particularly with columnists Frank Rich and Bob Herbert, left-of-center pundits who specialize in bile and cliché.

To be sure, columnists have greater latitude to wax poetic with personal opinions, but even here there are limits of simple decency. In January 1994, not long after David Brock broke the Troopergate story, Rich asserted that Brock was a "smeared artist" whose "motives are as twisted as his facts. It's women, not liberals, who really get him going ... All women are the same to Mr. Brock: terrifying, gutter-tongued sexual omnivores."

Herbert expresses that same viciousness against conservatives on a regular basis. Consider this quote from a February 1995 column on the Contract With America: "The Republican jihad against the poor, the young and the helpless rolls on ... The party has ... (stomped) on the last divine members of idealism and compassion in government ... Has anyone listened to Newt Gingrich lately? To Dick Armey? To Phil Gramm? This is the coldest crew to come down the pike since the Ice Age."

The *New York Times* is many things. An "ontological authority" is not one of them.

Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Wednesday, July 17, the 199th day of 1996. There are 167 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On July 17, 1945, President Truman, Soviet leader Josef Stalin and British Prime Minister Winston S. Churchill began meeting at Potsdam in the final Allied summit of World War II.

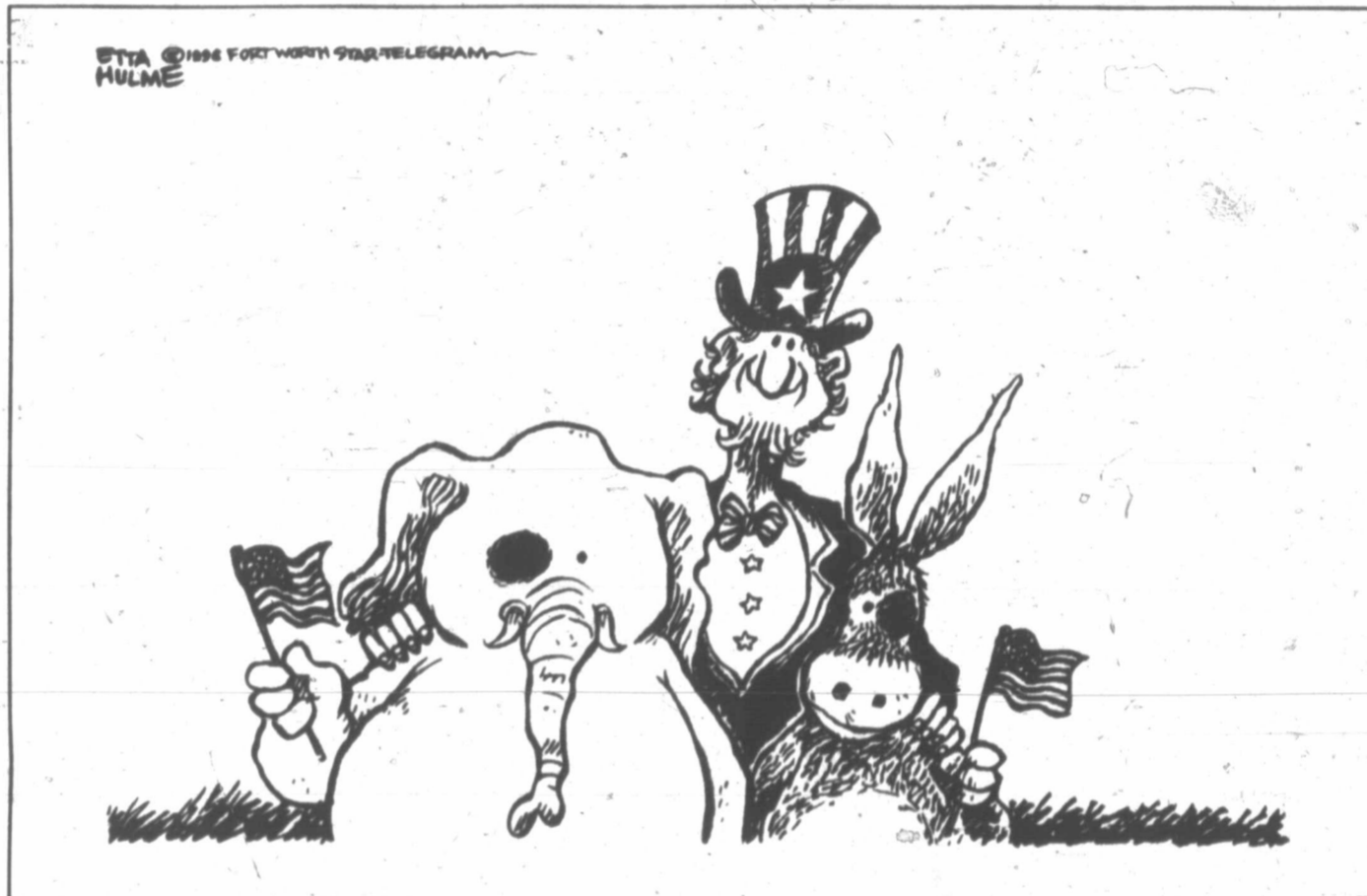
On this date:
In 1821, Spain ceded Florida to the United States.

In 1898, during the Spanish-American War, Spain surrendered to the United States at Santiago, Cuba.

In 1917, the British royal family adopted the name "Windsor."

In 1938, aviator Douglas Corrigan took off from New York, saying he was headed for California; he ended up in Ireland, earning the nickname "Wrong Way Corrigan."

In 1944, 322 people were killed when a pair of ammunition ships exploded in Port Chicago, Calif.

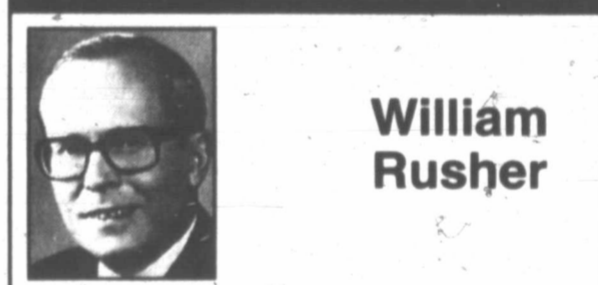


Foundations back race preferences

Polls continue to show that the California Civil Rights Initiative (which would bar race preferences in state employment, contracts and college admissions) is overwhelmingly favored by the state's voters. But its liberal opponents, who are determined to defend the practice of granting preferences to less qualified applicants who belong to some favored minority, aren't giving up without a fight. In that fight, they are getting immense help, in the form of cash grants, from some of America's biggest and best known tax-exempt foundations.

You may think that, in return for not having to pay any taxes on the hundreds of millions of dollars they hand out every year to anybody they please, such foundations must avoid contributing to purely political causes. And indeed section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code, under which they are authorized, does prohibit them from doing so. But the truth is that the big foundations, which without exception are staffed by liberals and totally dedicated to the promotion of liberal causes, regularly drive a Mack truck sideways through the tax laws.

That is what they have done in financing liberal opposition to the CCRI. On April 21, the Council on Foundations, meeting in Atlanta, sponsored a "joint affinity group meeting" on "Affirmative Action: What's at Stake." (Opponents prefer to call it "affirmative action," rather than race preferences, which are all CCRI would bar.) Organizations attending included the Association of Black Foundation Executives, Hispanics in Philanthropy, the Women's



William Rusher

Funding Network, and the Working Group on Funding Lesbian and Gay Issues.

As plans were laid to allocate huge grants to the battle, those present were told that the tax laws were no problem. According to minutes of the meeting, which were acquired by *Foundation Watch* magazine, Tony Romero, a program officer at the Ford Foundation, declared that Ford's attorneys had assured staffers that IRS regulations permit it to defend affirmative action. This was a moral issue for funding organizations, he asserted - "We need to put our grant dollars where our mouths are."

In other words, Romero wants to take money generously left untaxed by the American people (who must then make up the revenue shortfall out of their own pockets) and put it where his mouth is.

No sooner said than done. The "Rights and Social Justice Program" of the Ford Foundation has awarded \$1.4 million in supplemental grants (that is, over

and above their regular grants) to twelve organizations to finance "research on the impact of affirmative action programs, advocacy, and public education efforts." If you think that doesn't add up to barging right into the middle of a political battle, I have some New York bridge properties that might interest you.

The biggest grant, \$550,000, went to the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, which was to pass chunks of it along to such rabidly political organizations as the Women's Legal Defense Fund, the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, and the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

To objections that this was a political slush fund for the anti-CCRI campaign, a spokesman for the Lawyers' Committee insisted piously that the money was destined solely "for publications, research and discussions." Let them be thought indifferent, the Rockefeller Foundation and the Carnegie Endowment have each also pledged \$100,000 to the Lawyers' Committee for use in the battle against CCRI.

The nagging question is why the American people put up with this kind of outrage. One answer, of course, is that Clinton would assuredly veto any attempt to put these longtime Democratic allies out of business.

But if enough public attention was focused on this cynical misuse of tax-exempt dollars by hot eyed liberal foundation executives, a wave of protest might arise that would make Clinton change his mind.

White House duo continue to bungle



R. Emmett Tyrrell Jr.

The most momentous story of the Clinton administration is hardly being reported beyond the boundaries of two American cities, Washington and Little Rock. Yes, the British press is also mindful of the story — on wonders why. Is it because the British press has a sense of irony? Most members of the American press corps are earnest to the point of — well — of Puritanism. The momentous story that I have in mind is Whitewater. That is the generic term Americans rather grossly apply to the Clintons' living heritage of real estate cons, bank cons, tax cons, electioneering cons, perjury, obstruction of justice and general gaucherie.

Recently, three of the Clintons' cronies were convicted of 24 felony counts for Whitewater related infelicities. At this very hour, two more of those criminal proceedings implicates the Clintons, but desperation is creeping into their protests. Here in Washington, Wes Pruden, the independent minded editor of American Journalism's *David-with-a-slingshot*, *The Washington Times*, writes that the rest of the American press is beginning to catch on. That is to say, the word is spreading among journalists that the Clintons are both in very big trouble. I think Pruden is right, but the press still has not gotten word of the Clintons' problems out to the provinces.

Readers of *The Washington Times*, the *Wall Street Journal* editorial page and *The American Spectator* realize that what I refer to as the Clintons' "living heritage" of misdeeds is no exaggeration. In fact, I have

left a few categories of misdeeds out — such as Vince Foster's death, the White House security breaches and Filegate. All of these are now being investigated by the meticulous independent counsel, Kenneth Starr.

Some seasoned critics of the Clintons are beginning to sense that Starr's investigations are actually closing in on the president. The writer James Stewart, reporting in *The New Yorker*, raises the possibility of the president's being indicted, but then he backtracks in a confused caveat that makes it sound like Starr will delay indicting any lesser Clinton cronies until after the election because "Starr says he intends to abide by the traditional practice of the Justice Department and take into account the effect of any charges on the electoral process." My agents tell me that Starr's prosecutors could indict the president's lesser cronies at any time. Moreover, it is not only Clinton cronies who might be charged before the election. The independent counsel may well bring charges against the beardless Nixon in the White House, Hillary.

We know that she spends most of her working hours defending children against the hordes of W.C. Fieldses who would bring down harm on them, and against all the Grinchses out there who would steal Christmas, and the Big

Bad Wolf. We also know that she spends vast amounts of time at the hairdresser and in communication with the dead. But those who have kept up with Whitewater know that she has piled discrepancy atop discrepancy in testifying before federal authorities. Documents that have been mysteriously withheld from federal authorities have appeared in her living quarters and with her fingerprints on them. Her closest associates have suffered mass amnesia before congressional committees. She has been accused of bank fraud, obstruction of justice and playing a large role in Travelgate. Was she the force behind the requisitioning of those FBI files? Has she been taping her conversations in the White House? She is increasingly coming across as a master of cover-ups; call her Hillary Milhous Clinton.

Why are so many people reporting so many unsavory things about her? They cannot come up with such murmurings against Madeline Albright, Janet Reno, Laura D'Andea Tyson or Donna Shalala — all very prominent and worldly women in the Clinton administration. I suspect that the explanation for the press' sluggishness in reporting Whitewater luridities is a simple, understandable botch. When the Clintons came to Washington, the town's editors and news directors followed the common practice of putting their best political reporters onto the Clintons. That was a mistake. They should have resorted to their best criminal reporters. Such reporters are better equipped to report on the historic duo in the White House.

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'Batista procedure' replaces transplant

CURITIBA, Brazil (AP) — Country music blares from a portable radio as Dr. Rendas Batista leans over the body of a 65-year-old shopkeeper, his chest open to expose his beating heart.

Batista asks for a forceps, and curses an assistant who hands him the wrong instrument. He gets the right one, then reaches in and quickly slices off a part of Jaime Nascimento's left ventricle.

He starts stitching, and in 10 minutes he's done. Assistants sew up Nascimento's chest, and in about an hour he will be wheeled into the intensive care unit.

"This was an emergency. The patient had an aneurysm in his left ventricle which was about to rupture. He only had a few more hours to live, but he'll be all right now," Batista says as he removes his surgical mask and leaves the sparsely equipped operating room.

To save Nascimento, Batista explains that he cut away about 11 ounces of living heart tissue — slightly larger than a golf ball. The technique is simple, relatively cheap, and eventually could make many heart transplants unnecessary, he says.

It is also unorthodox.

Other doctors call it a breakthrough, but caution against considering it a miracle cure.

"It's revolutionary in its simplicity and in its apparent lack of side effects," said Dr.

Alfredo Fiorelli of the Sao Paulo Heart Institute. "It has opened new perspectives which no one else ever thought of. But only time will tell exactly how efficient it really is."

Several doctors in the United States are now using the technique, saying it helps to have something new in their repertory.

"It's something that we would love to have," said Dr. Patrick McCarthy, a cardiac surgeon at the Cleveland Clinic, where he has used the technique four times.

At Buffalo General Hospital, doctors have performed the operation 12 times in the past year. Seven of the 12 patients are still living, and that's considered good, said Dr. J.N. Bhayana, director of the hospital's heart transplantation program.

"A lot of the good ideas are simple ideas in medicine," Bhayana said.

Batista said he developed the technique for patients whose heart muscles have been stretched and weakened by disease or viral infection.

A dilated heart doesn't function properly because the muscles don't expand equally. The heart can't pump enough blood to sustain itself and the body, so the condition limits its activity and shortens patients' lives.

"Imagine two runners. For every yard one of them runs, the other has to run three

yards. He'll never catch up. This is what happens to a diseased heart," the 49-year-old surgeon said.

So Batista removes part of the left ventricle, about two inches in diameter. That recovers the correct muscle-to-heart ratio, making it a smaller but more efficient pump.

He first used the "Batista Procedure" in 1984 on a 26-year-old woman with congenital heart disease known as Ebstein Anomaly, which affects the right ventricle.

"The operation was a success, and today she is alive and well and living in Paraguay," Batista said.

For 10 years he waited for a similar case, but none appeared. So in 1994 Batista started operating on the left ventricle, the heart's main pumping chamber.

Since then, he has performed more than 350 such operations at the modest Angelina Caron Hospital in Campina Grande do Sul, a low-income suburb of Curitiba, 210 miles southwest of Sao Paulo.

In the United States, he said, the operation would cost about \$40,000, compared to at least \$200,000 for a transplant.

Two-thirds of his patients lived for at least a year after surgery, a survival rate so good that it drew the attention of heart specialists in the United States and Europe like McCarthy and Bhayana.

Susan Smith lawyer to join Unabomber defense team

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — The defense team for Unabomber defendant Theodore Kaczynski is getting a key new player — a lawyer who helped Susan Smith avoid the death penalty for killing her two young sons.

Judy Clarke, a federal defender in Spokane, Wash., will become a co-counsel for the defense, Federal Defender Quin Denvir said Tuesday.

A vehement opponent of the death penalty, Clarke argued that Smith did not deserve to die for drowning her sons by putting them in her car and driving it into a lake. Jurors, who convicted Smith of murder, decided she should receive life in prison.

Kaczynski is charged in seven of the 16 explosions connected to the Unabomber, and could face the death penalty if convicted. He has pleaded not guilty and is awaiting trial in a Sacramento jail.

Members of alleged computer pedophile ring indicted

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Sixteen men have been indicted on charges they participated in an international Internet pedophilia ring in which members once chatted online while a 10-year-old girl was being molested.

According to the federal grand jury indictment handed down Tuesday, the men belonged to a group called the "Orchid Club," a chat room in which users swapped stories about child sex and conspired to produce and exchange sexually explicit images of girls as young as 5.

The images — called "privates" — included still photographs and movielike files created with digital video cameras.

Thirteen of the men were arrested; the other three were being sought.

Breast-feeding mistake leads to AIDS scare

MIAMI (AP) — A woman accidentally breast-fed a newborn whose mother has HIV after a hospital staffer delivered the wrong baby to her room.

Experts say the woman has little chance of contracting the AIDS-causing virus, but her lawyer says the mixup has caused her serious problems.

"This mother has been very damaged," attorney Ken Sobel said. "She has been deprived of the right to breast-feed her own child."

Shortly after delivering at Broward General Hospital in April, the woman, identified by Sobel only as Jane Doe of Fort Lauderdale, was given the wrong baby and was breast-feeding her when she realized it wasn't her child.

She then breast-fed her own child at least twice before she was notified that the mother of the

Robert Downey Jr. faces possible prison term

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — Robert Downey Jr. was charged with carrying crack cocaine, heroin and an unloaded, concealed gun in his truck.

The felony charges against the 31-year-old actor, filed Tuesday, stem from a speeding stop last month. He was also charged with drunken driving.

If convicted, the Oscar-nominated star of *Chaplin* faces up to three years and eight months in prison, though time behind bars was unlikely, said Deputy District Attorney Ellen Aragon.

"He's a first-time offender and could take drug diversion classes," she said. "They found a fairly small amount of drugs."

Downey's publicist didn't immediately return phone messages.

Sci fi flick retains top billing at box office

By JOHN HORN
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — *Independence Day* was the most popular movie for the second consecutive weekend, far ahead of its nearest rivals.

In fact, the sci-fi thriller's \$35.2 million second-weekend gross surpassed the debut weekends of every 1996 movie except two.

Only *Twister* and *Mission: Impossible* earned more in their first three days than *Independence Day* did this past weekend.

Independence Day, which opened July 2, has earned \$160.3 million to date and set the record for a five-day debut (\$85 million). *Twister* is the year's highest-grossing release, with \$228.4 million.

Denzel Washington's *Courage Under Fire* debuted in third place with \$12.5 million, one spot behind John Travolta's *Phenomenon* at \$13 million. The children's film *Harriet the Spy* opened in fifth place with \$6.6 million.

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

1. *Independence Day*, 20th Century Fox, \$35.2 million, 2,908 locations, \$12,119 per location, \$160.3 million, two weeks.

2. *Phenomenon*, Disney, \$13 million, 1,973 locations, \$6,576 per location, \$46.3 million, two weeks.

3. *Courage Under Fire*, 20th Century Fox, \$12.5 million, 1,986 locations, \$6,295 per location, \$12.5 million, one week.

4. *The Nutty Professor*, Universal, \$12.2 million, 2,178 locations, \$5,605 per location,

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Top weekend movies	
Weekend of July 12-14, 1996	
All dollar figures in millions	
Gross to date, weeks in release, number of screens	Weekend gross
1. <i>Independence Day</i> \$160.3, two weeks, 2,908 screens	\$35.2
2. <i>Phenomenon</i> \$46.3, two weeks, 1,973 screens	\$13
3. <i>Courage Under Fire</i> \$12.5, one week, 1,986 screens	\$12.5
4. <i>The Nutty Professor</i> \$12.2, three weeks, 2,178 screens	\$12.2
5. <i>Harriet the Spy</i> \$9.8, 15 weeks, 1,826 screens	\$6.6
6. <i>The Hunchback of Notre Dame</i> \$7.7, four weeks, 2,671 screens	\$6.4
7. <i>Eraser</i> \$80.9, four weeks, 2,506 screens	\$6.3
8. <i>The Rock</i> \$117.4, six weeks, 1,848 screens	\$4.4
9. <i>Strip-tease</i> \$27.9, three weeks, 1,841 screens	\$3
10. <i>Twister</i> \$228.4, 10 weeks, 1,292 screens	\$1.8

Source: Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. AP

\$80.2 million, three weeks.

5. *Harriet the Spy*, Paramount, \$6.6 million, 1,826 locations, \$3,615 per location, \$9.6 million, 11 1/2 weeks.

6. *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, Disney, \$6.4 million, 2,671 locations, \$2,406 per location, \$77 million, four weeks.

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Couple Can't Decide Whose House Should Be Their Home

DEAR ABBY: Within the next year I will be getting married to a man who has recently ended a 12-year marriage that was troubled from day one. He and his ex-wife had purchased and lived in a home not far from the one I now own. He has improved his home over the years and the balance on his mortgage is less than half of what I owe on my home.

Since we are both approaching 50, we are seeking to establish ourselves financially after his divorce. He wants us to sell my home and move into his, although my home has greater potential for appreciation because of its location.

A number of friends have said that I should be reluctant to move into the same house he had occupied with his first wife. I have discussed this with him, and he said if selling his home and moving into mine will make me happy, we will do it. He also says there are no good memories of his marriage in that house, so "ghosts" will not be a problem. He promises we will make our own good memories and says it's not the house but what goes on inside it that matters. I'm free to redecorate however I want, and we will make it our home.

Abby, I'm confused. My practical nature tells me that the economics of moving into his home are better for us; my emotional side tells me that we should either move into my house (which has never been shared with anyone) or sell both homes and



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

buy another one. What are your thoughts on this? UNDECIDED

DEAR UNDECIDED: If you can swing it financially, I vote for buying a new home.

DEAR ABBY: I read with great interest the letter from the American sailor with the Filipina wife. The lady is jealous of her husband's absences.

I was in the same situation when I was in the Navy and married my wife, also a Filipina. "Sasebo Sailor"

needs to get into the local group of Filipinos in our Navy. (Our Navy recruited Filipinos in the Philippines until 1992.) If "Sailor" and his wife became socially involved in this group, she would no longer be anxious when her husband deploys.

The "bamboo pipeline" (Asian gossip) has more connections than

any phone company and it's far more efficient. The Filipina (woman) will be assured that her husband is not availing himself of any other women, plus she will have a support network of people from her homeland.

My wife and I have been married for 11 years, are still very much in love, and have learned to live with our cultural differences. There are reasons why many Asian women prefer American men, and there are many American men who are crazy about their Oriental wives.

JOE CHASSE, SAGINAW, TEXAS

DEAR ABBY: As I left the mall yesterday, I saw three boys no more than 14 years old sitting on the curb smoking!

I don't know why, but I stopped and said: "It makes me sad to see your young lungs being ruined by smoking. If only you could see the people in my condo complex with holes in their chests because they ruined their lungs by smoking, you would never light another cigarette as long as you live."

To my surprise, the three of them put out their cigarettes without saying a word.

I walked away feeling so good.

PEGGY BERRY, MARGATE, FLA.

DEAR PEGGY: You deserve to feel good. You had the courage to speak up — and you possibly saved three lives.

Horoscope



Your Birthday

Thursday, July 18, 1996

In the year ahead, you can choose from a substantial array of opportunities. Each one will be significant, so do not take anything for granted.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You must be selective regarding your associations today. If you aren't, you might have to solve problems for others instead of having fun. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you are too critical of others today, you might take something out of context and misinterpret an innocent comment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Relax and enjoy yourself with friends today, but don't attempt to mix business with pleasure. Your pals might feel manipulated.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You will be very competitive today. This will work well for you, if you don't get emotional about winning or behave in an unattractive manner.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Try to let sleeping dogs lie. Dredging up an old, volatile issue could evoke a bitter reaction from your listeners.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It will not be wise to impose your opinion on someone else today, especially in regard to business. He or she might blame you if the deal doesn't work.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A partnership arrangement might not work out

too well today. Avoid situations in which you must rely heavily on an ally.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You are a cooperative person who usually tries to assist others. However, today you might back off if you feel as if someone is imposing on you.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Trying to make others over in your own image could become an exercise in futility. Instead of frustrating yourself, accept others as they are.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You will not have much patience with family members today. If you see everyone walking around the house with angry looks, you might be the cause.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Bossing others around might be a natural impulse for you today. However, if you want associates to do your bidding, make sure to set an appropriate example.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Establish the method of payment in advance today if you plan an event with friends. Splitting the bill could lead to problems.

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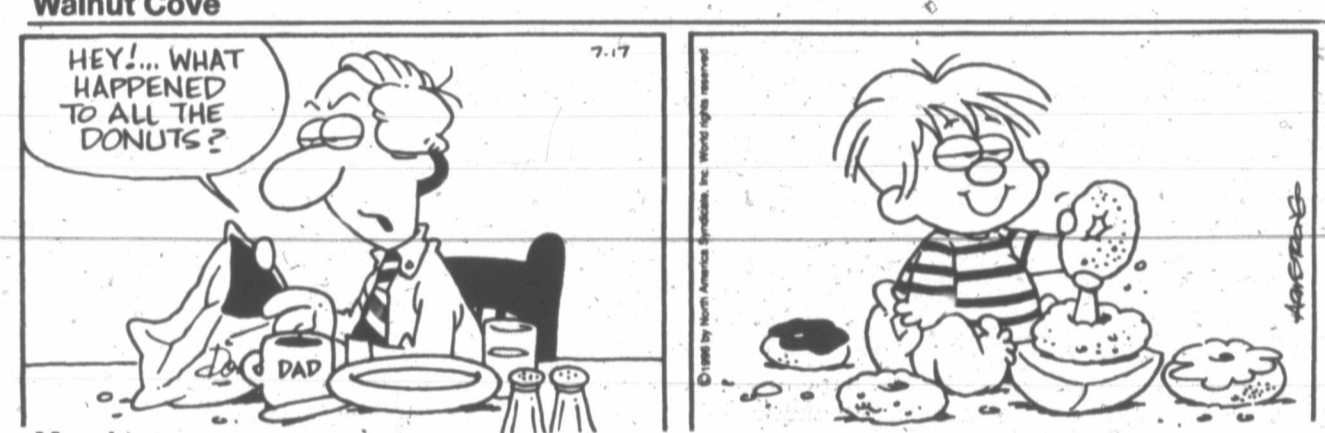
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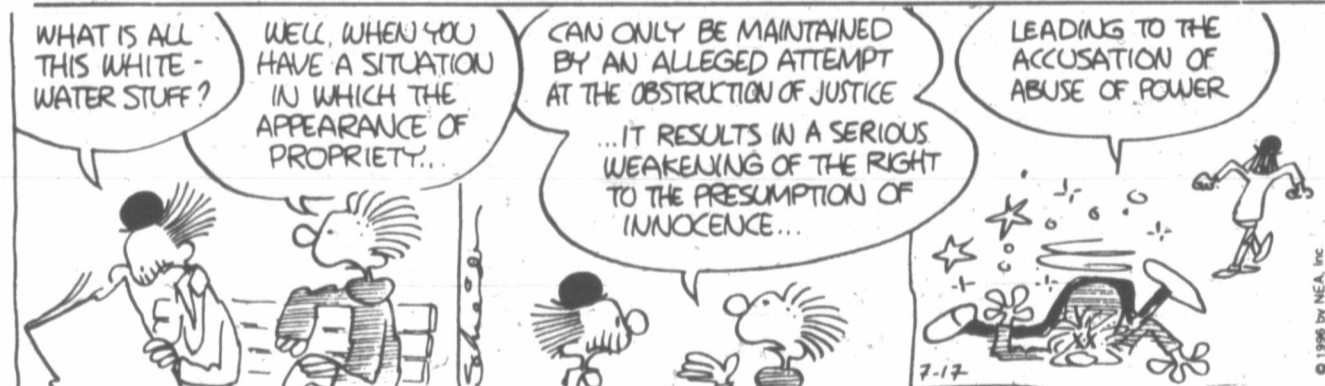
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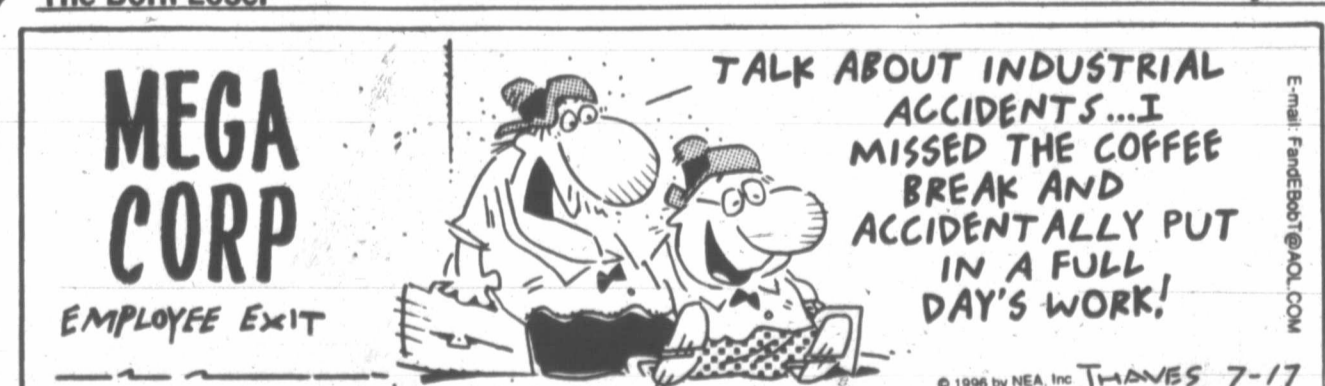
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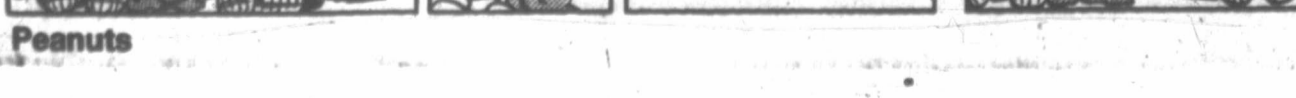
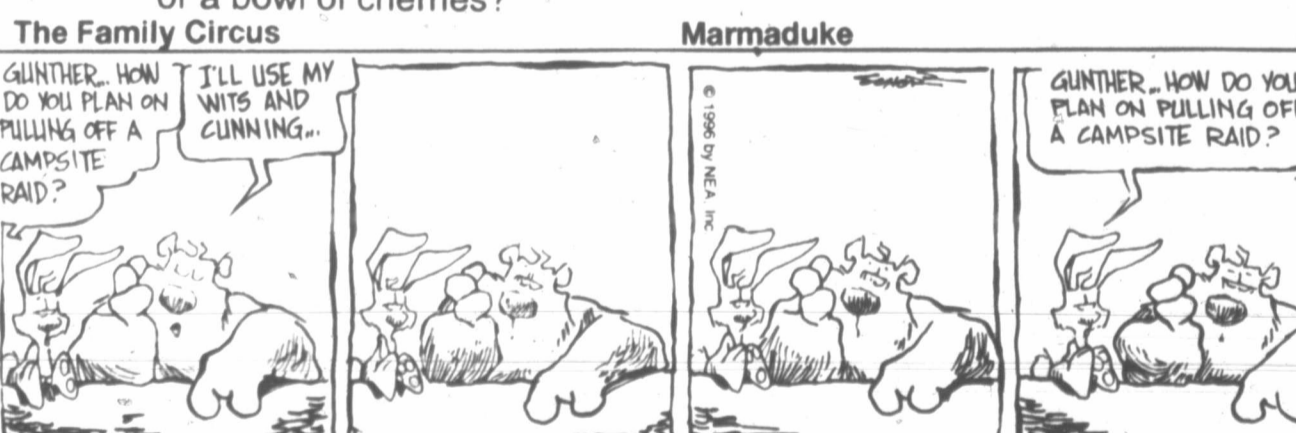
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"Which is life REALLY like, Grandma? A box of chocolates or a bowl of cherries?"



"You'd better get off there before Mom turns you into a mashed potato!"



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BASKETBALL

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — The NCAA today placed the New Mexico State basketball program on three years' probation and restricted the school from offering scholarships to junior college transfers for two years.

The junior college scholarship penalty cut to the heart of coach Neil McCarthy's recruiting strategy. Including the upcoming season, McCarthy has brought 34 junior college players to the Las Cruces school on scholarship over six seasons.

The NCAA announced the sanctions after an investigation into allegations of violations into academic fraud, ethical conduct, recruiting, transfer eligibility and institutional control.

The investigation centered around a pair of former assistant coaches who were accused of providing test answers and papers for players to gain fraudulent eligibility through correspondence courses at two schools in the Southeast.

FOOTBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — Heisman Trophy winner Eddie George agreed to a five-year contract with the Houston Oilers on Tuesday.

"I feel elated. I'm glad it's over. I'm glad I didn't miss any practice time," said George, scheduled to join the Oilers on Friday in San Antonio for the first day of training camp.

"I'm very excited, I can now move on to the next phase of my life."

Terms of the deal were not disclosed.

The former Ohio State star, selected 14th overall in the NFL draft, has been working out four times a day since the team's voluntary mini-camp.

"I want to be prepared and do the best job I can do," said George, who rushed for 1,984 yards and scored 24 touchdowns last season.

He also had 47 receptions and was fourth in the nation with 185.42 all-purpose yards a game.

George plans to spend some of his salary on his mother.

"I already got her a car, so maybe in a few months maybe I can do something else nice," he said.

He will become the fourth Heisman Trophy winner to play for the Oilers, following Billy Cannon, Earl Campbell and Mike Rozier.

OLYMPICS

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (AP) — Brian Hyde, who finished fifth in the 1,500-meter race at the U.S. trials last month, was added to the men's Olympic track team.

Hyde, who ran 3:35.84 last year, qualified as the third member of the team when Jim Sorensen, second in the trials, and Erik Nedeau, fourth, couldn't break 3:38.

HOCKEY

NEW YORK (AP) — Three members of the Stanley Cup champion Colorado Avalanche, including goalie Patrick Roy, are among 24 eligible for salary arbitration, the league said.

Besides Roy, the Avalanche players are right wings Mike Keane and Scott Young. Others include goalies Ron Hextall of Philadelphia, Bill Ranford of Boston and Ken Wregget of Pittsburgh, and forwards Ray Sheppard of Florida and Nelson Emerson of Hartford.

All arbitration awards will be either for one or two years, at the club's choosing. Once a Group II player elects salary arbitration, he no longer qualifies for free agency.

TENNIS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Andre Agassi, coming off a first-round loss at Wimbledon, offset the 120 mph serves of Dutchman Jacco Eltingh to win his opener at the Legg Mason Classic, 7-6 (7-1), 6-3.

In other first-round matches, Wade McGuire upset 10th-seeded Carlos Costa of Spain 6-4, 7-6 (7-5); Venezuela's Nicolas Pereira ousted 11th-seeded Czech Daniel Vacek 6-3, 6-3; No. 9 Byron Black of Zimbabwe outlasted Chuck Adams 5-7, 6-4, 6-4 and No. 14 Chris Woodruff beat Jean-Philippe Fleurian 6-2, 6-2.

Strong pitching lifts Rangers past Angels

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Texas Rangers manager Johnny Oates spent a restless night after his team blew a seven-run lead and lost Monday.

Oates will probably sleep a little better after the Rangers rebounded Tuesday night with seven strong innings from starter Darren Oliver en route to a 6-2 victory over the California Angels.

"Last night was the toughest game for me this year," Oates said. "Tonight was a test and these guys came through. You need this type of ballgame. I was watching the players' body language today to see if there was doubt in their minds and I saw none."

Oliver (8-3) won for the fifth time in six decisions, giving a boost to a Rangers' rotation that had a 6.67 ERA in its previous 15 games. Oliver allowed two runs and five hits, struck out five and walked two for a team that had dropped six of nine games.

"It feels good to go out there and win," Oliver said. "We haven't won many lately. Maybe this will help jump-start us."

Oliver, coming off rotator cuff surgery last season, threw 107 pitches. He's supposed to be on a 100-pitch limit until his left shoulder is completely healed, but that won't be until at least the end of the season.

"One win is a streak for us right now," Oates said. "It's

amazing how much a little bit of pitching will give you. If we can hold the other team to four or fewer runs, we have a chance to win most of our ballgames. Oliver only threw 18 pitches his last two innings and that was the key to why he was able to last through seven innings."

Rusty Greer was 3-for-4 with a homer, RBI double and single to lead the Rangers offense.

Meanwhile, the nightmare season of Jim Abbott continued. The Angels left-hander turned in one of his better starts this year, but the result was the same.

Abbott (1-12), who hasn't won since May 2, allowed five runs and five hits in seven innings, his longest outing since going eight

innings May 7. He walked five and struck out three.

"You can say you pitched better, but it's a little hollow when you lose," said Abbott, who extended his losing streak to eight games, longest in the league this season. "If you had to carry around this record, it would be a heavy burden."

Angels manager Marcel Lachemann returned Abbott to the rotation Tuesday after three straight appearances out of the bullpen. Lachemann said Abbott would remain in the rotation for now.

"I thought he was better, especially in his last three innings," Lachemann said. "There weren't as many pitches all over the

place. His command was better and his pitches were better."

The Rangers got strong work out of their bullpen, a recent rarity. Jeff Russell threw two hitless innings for his second save. Texas relievers had a 7.00 ERA in their previous 14 games to raise their ERA to 4.89, highest of the season.

Oates: Russell had blown saves in four of his first five opportunities. ... The Angels placed catcher Don Slaught on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to July 12 due to back spasms. Third baseman George Arias was recalled from Class-A Vancouver. ... Texas has at least one extra base hit in the last 41 games.

Lady Harvesters bounce back to beat Lovington

ODESSA — Summer Morris, seeing her first-ever opportunity to pitch in United Girls Softball Association All-Star Tournament action, pitched Pampa to an 18-7 win over Lovington, N.M. Tuesday.

Morris issued only two walks through the first three innings pitched while striking out four and allowing three hits. Morris tired in the fourth, walking four and allowing one base hit. With the bases loaded in the bottom of the fourth and one out, Kimberly Clark came on in relief. The first batter Clark faced grounded back to her and she threw to home plate for the force and a 1-2 out. Then Lovington's baserunner on second made a game-ending mistake by having not advanced to third as Clark threw to Jessica Harper at third for the final out.

Pampa's leading hitters were Danette Hoover, Tiffany Morse, Lisa Jones, Rebecca McConnell, Tina Dwight, Summer Morris, Christi Walkup and Jaimie Reed, one single each.

Heather Anderson, Anissa Melendez, Jenni Rueda and Lizette Hernandez had one single each for Lovington.

Outstanding defensive efforts were made by Tiffany Morse and Kimberly Clark as they shared playing time in center field. Each

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of them tracked down and caught hard-hit balls to rob Lovington of home runs. Lisa Jones made an outstanding shoestring catch as she charged in from right field to rob a Lovington batter of a base hit. Tina Dwight caught several pop-ups on the infield from her second base position as did Jaimie Reed at shortstop.

Pampa had lost earlier to defending state champion Big Spring to fall into the loser's bracket.

CANADIAN — Pampa defeated Childress, 12-3, Monday for the District One 11-12 year-old girls softball championship.

The Pampa All-Stars travel to Graham Thursday and Friday to play in the sectional tournament.

Against Childress the winning pitcher was Micki Petty, who struck out 13 while walking 11 and allowing just one hit.

Shalyn Garner, Sabrina Johnson, Morgan White, Kim Conner, Samantha Ford and Micki Petty were Pampa's top hitters. They all had at least two hits apiece.

Staci Searl was the top defensive player for Pampa.

Pampa's record is now 5-0 in tournament action.

Fort Elliott's Barr makes all-state baseball team

BRISCOE — Fort Elliott's Donnie Barr was a repeat on the Class 1A all-state baseball team this season.

Barr was named to the third team as a first baseman. As a freshman, he was a third-team outfielder a year ago.

"Donnie is an awesome hitter and a good pitcher for us," said Fort Elliott coach Curtis Smith. "He's a very team-oriented player and would play anywhere I wanted him to."

Barr had a .630 batting average with five doubles, a triple, four home runs, 29 RBIs, 18 runs scored and 14 stolen bases. He had an on-base average of .862.

"Donnie's one of the best outfielders around. He's got good speed and a good arm," Smith added.

Shamrock juniors Chris Robinson and Kevin Jones also made the Class 1A all-state team. Robinson was a pitcher and Jones a first baseman.

Dallas signs top draft pick

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have signed second-round draft pick Kavika Pittman to a four-year, \$2.3 million contract in time for the defensive end to be in Austin for the start of training camp.

Pittman, the 37th overall choice in this year's draft and the Cowboys' top pick, signed his deal Tuesday. The Cowboys were reporting to camp today.

The 6-foot-5, 263-pound player from McNeese State will get a \$756,000 signing bonus and a \$280,000 base salary as a rookie.

He'll make \$350,000 in his second year, \$420,000 in his third and \$490,000 in the fourth year of his deal.

Pittman is expected to compete with former first-round pick Shante Carver and third-year pro Hurvin McCormack for playing time as a defensive lineman. The Cowboys hope he develops into a future replacement for starter Tony Tolbert.

Also Tuesday, the Cowboys signed third-round pick Clay Shiver, a center from Florida State.

Cowboys kick off training camp today in Austin

By CHIP BROWN Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — From the Catholic university where the Dallas Cowboys train to the strip club just down the street, Austin is bracing for sheer mayhem when the world champions arrive today for their monthlong training camp.

It's been a zany year for the Cowboys since they left Austin last August.

There have been lawsuits from and against the NFL, drug suspensions, Michael Irvin's no contest plea to cocaine possession charges and, oh yeah, a Super Bowl victory.

But don't expect Austinites to hold the team's off-field drama

against the Cowboys. If anything, it may generate more interest.

"There may be some people who disagree with the way Michael Irvin and the team have conducted themselves, but they're the Cowboys. They're the Super Bowl champs, and everyone will welcome them here," said Christine Scott, a student at St. Edward's University.

"The Michael Irvin ordeal will probably bring more people out to camp, just out of curiosity," she said.

"People don't care about the stuff off the field," said Mike Beck, a 30-year-old engineer who lives across the street from St. Edward's. "They just want to see the Super Bowl champions. I

am not a fan, but I'm interested to come out and see what's going on."

St. Edward's University is a private school with strong ties to the Catholic church. The same priest who founded St. Edward's also founded Notre Dame. But school officials have never wavered in their support for the Cowboys despite the team's recent rash of problems.

"I don't think the typical fan puts a link between what happened with Michael Irvin or any other player and St. Edward's any more than I think the fans put the link between the Cowboys winning the Super Bowl and them training at St. Edward's," said John Lucas, vice

president for enrollment and student services at the school.

"Like everyone, we hope that Michael gets things straightened out personally," Lucas said.

Local retailers are eager for the onslaught of 'business the Cowboys bring.

"We're ready," said John Castillo, of Rosie's Tamales, a block away from St. Edward's.

"I wish I could go and serve the players tacos on the field, but we'll be too busy serving people in here."

Irvin's plea agreement on Monday ended a courtroom drama that included allegations of strip searches, drug-filled parties and a murder-for-hire plot — all somehow connected to Irvin and topless dancers.

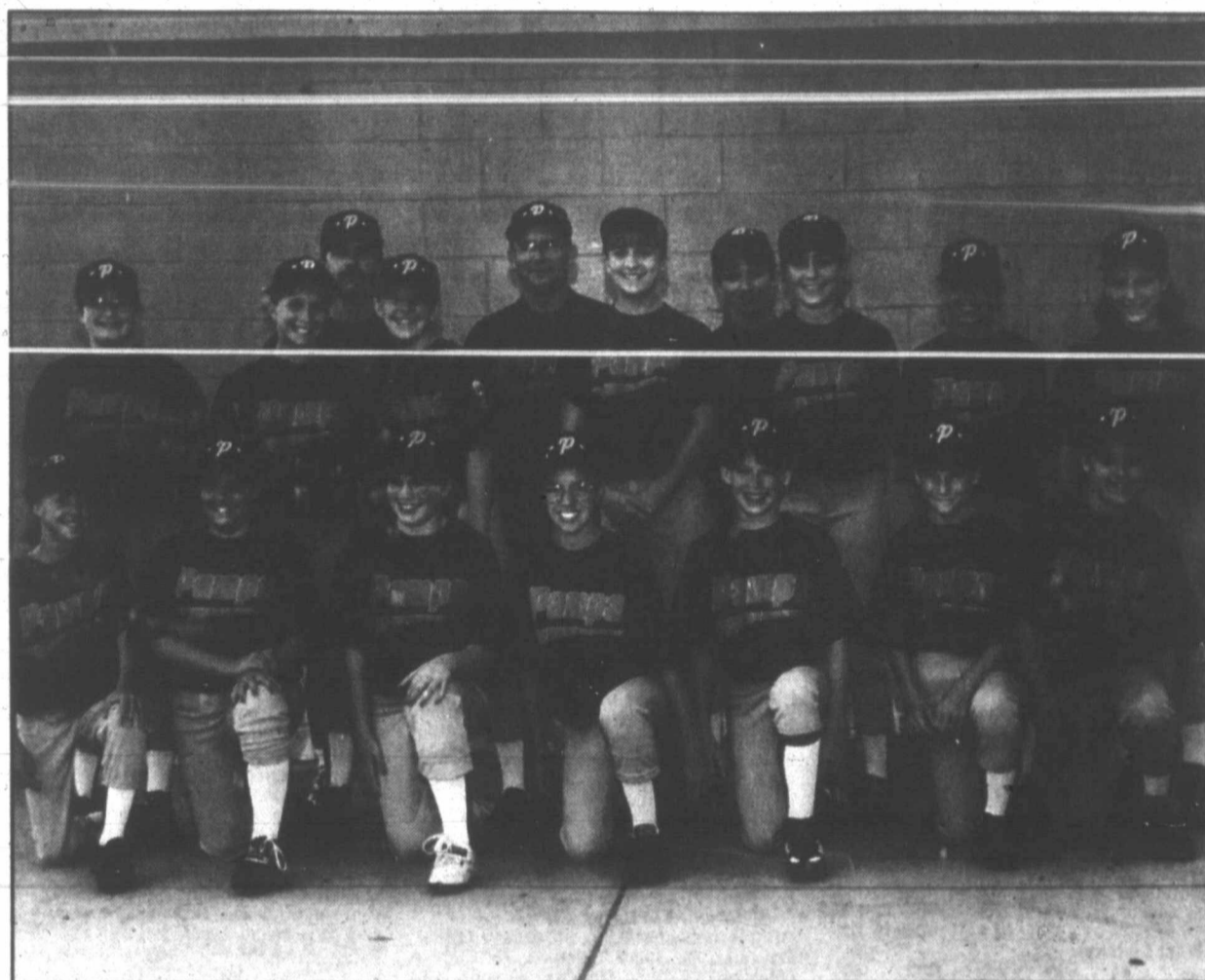
But the manager of Expose, a topless dance club less than a mile from St. Edward's and a frequent night spot for members of the Cowboys in the past, says the case doesn't figure to hurt his business.

"We're happy to have the Cowboys in town," said the manager, who asked to be identified only by his first name, Dennis. "The more people are talking about what's going on with the Cowboys, the better things are for business."

The club had blue and white balloons floating at each table with signs advertising "Cowboys Specials" on beer and steaks.

"We look forward to seeing the Cowboys," Dennis said.

District softball champs



(Special photo)

The Pampa All-Stars won the 11-12 year District One softball championship and will advance to the Sectional Tournament Thursday and Friday in Graham. Team members are (front row, l-r) Shalyn Garner, Stephanie Clark, Sabrina Johnson, Cali Covatt, Morgan White, Stefani Goldsmith and Staci Searl; (back row, l-r) Samantha Ford, Ashley Derrington, Alison Earl, Micki Petty, Nena Velazquez, Danielle Martinez and Kim Conner; (back row, l-r) coach Layne Clark, manager Terry Garner and coach Kim Goldsmith.

Rockies stretch win streak to seven

By The Associated Press

Marvin Freeman only wanted the same thing his fellow Rockies pitchers got.

"I was asking them the whole game, 'Where's the seven-spot that you've been giving everybody else?'" he said of his bench.

Eric Young and Andres Galarraga homered Tuesday night as Colorado beat San Francisco 5-3 and extended its winning streak to seven.

But it was the first time in 12 home games that the Rockies failed to score at least seven runs. They share the major league record with the 1938 New York Yankees.

"It was enough to win," Freeman said.

San Francisco is streaking the other way. The Giants have lost 19 of 23 and at 40-52 are the only NL West team under .500.

"The whole damn year has been like this," Giants manager Dusty Baker said. "They aren't doing enough to beat us. We are doing enough to get beat."

In other games, Florida beat Houston 3-2, St. Louis beat Cincinnati 5-4, New York beat

Philadelphia 6-3, Atlanta beat Montreal 3-2, Pittsburgh beat Chicago 10-5 and San Diego routed Los Angeles 10-1.

Freeman (7-5) improved to 4-1 in his career against the Giants, giving up three runs and six hits in six innings. Bruce Ruffin got three outs for his 14th save.

Mark Leiter (4-9) allowed five runs — four earned — in six innings.

Marlins 3, Astros 2
Quilvio Veras drew a bases-loaded walk from Todd Jones (6-2)

with two outs in the ninth at Joe Robbie Stadium. Florida scored the winning run without getting a hit in the ninth.

The Marlins, who set a team record with 24 hits Monday night, loaded the bases when Greg Colbrunn walked with one out, Charles Johnson walked with two outs and pinch-hitter Andre Dawson was hit by a pitch.

Yorkis Perez (3-3) pitched the ninth for the victory.

Entry deadline is today for Pampa Tennis Open

PAMPA — Entry deadline is today 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.

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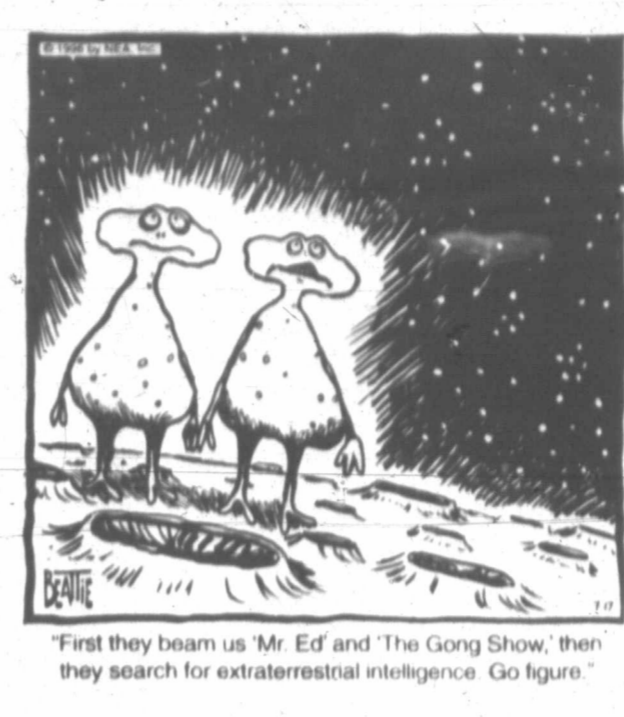
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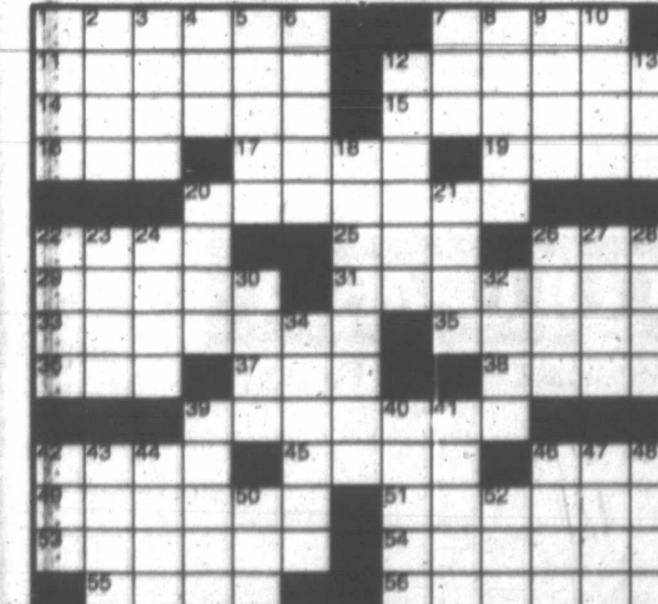
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World briefs

Former cult member receives prison sentence

TOKYO (AP) — A former cult member was convicted today of overseeing the production of a deadly nerve gas used in an attack that killed seven people and sickened hundreds in a central Japanese city two years ago. Keishi Terashima was sentenced in Tokyo District Court to two years and eight months in prison for directing the production of almost 70 pounds of sarin in 1993 and 1994. The gas was used in the June 1994 attack in Matsumoto. Terashima, 36, produced the gas under instructions from Shoko Asahara, guru of the Aum Shinri Kyo cult, the court ruled. He also was convicted of staging a Molotov cocktail attack on the cult's Tokyo headquarters on the eve of the March 20, 1995.

Peace talks resume with new rules favoring Zapatistas

SAN ANDRES LARRAINZAR, Mexico (AP) — Peace talks resumed in southern Mexico under new rules meant to give Indian rebels a stronger hand at the table. The talks, which began Tuesday, are the first formal negotiations since May, when the government and Zapatista rebels declared a stalemate. The two-day session in Chiapas state, 450 miles southeast of Mexico City, is designed to prepare for more substantive talks on democracy and justice starting Aug. 6. Among the new rules: —A separate process to handle local violence and court cases against accused rebels, which have sidetracked talks in the past; —A commitment to include three rebels on a commission to oversee implementation of final peace accords; and —An agreement requiring that mediators, rather than members of either side, declare any breakdown in the talks.

Labor Party alleges election fraud, turns to police

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Voting fraud in Israel's May election affected enough votes to have changed the outcome, former Prime Minister Shimon Peres' party alleges. For weeks, the Labor Party has been quietly compiling what it says is evidence of cheating and irregularities. On Tuesday, party leaders decided to hand their findings over to the police, lawmaker Raanan Cohen told The Associated Press. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who trailed in virtually all the pre-election polls and initial projections by both of Israel's TV channels, won by 29,000 votes — less than 1 percent of votes cast. The allegations, denied by election officials and Netanyahu allies, are certain to stir a political atmosphere already roiling with fears that the new hard-line government will harm Israel's international standing by reversing peacemaking with the Arabs.

House denies pay raise for lawmakers, judges

WASHINGTON (AP) — With the election less than four months away, the House overwhelmingly approved a freshman-sponsored measure denying a pay raise in 1997 to lawmakers, judges and senior Clinton administration officials. Ignoring the counsel of Appropriations Committee Chairman Bob Livingston, R-La., and other senior members, legislators cast a bipartisan, 352-67, vote Tuesday night adding the pay freeze to broader spending legislation expected to pass the House today. "We're going to pass this amendment so everyone can go home and beat their chest and say, 'I was against raising my pay,'" said Rep. Steny Hoyer, D-Md., a 16-year veteran of Congress. "This is just pandering to base instincts," said Rep. Sherwood Boehlert, R-N.Y., serving his 14th year in the House. The measure by freshmen Reps. Jack Metcalf, R-Wash., Todd Tiahrt, R-Kan., and Bill


Luther, D-Minn., would deny a roughly \$3,000 pay raise to rank-and-file members, leaving their salary at \$133,600 for the fifth consecutive year. Also affected are federal judges and top Clinton administration officials, including Vice President Al Gore and the Cabinet. Other federal workers would receive a 2.3 percent raise. The pay freeze was added to a bill providing \$11 billion in fiscal 1997 for the Internal Revenue Service, Treasury Department, White House and other government agencies. Once passed by the House, the broader legislation, one of 13 regular spending bills, would have to be reconciled with a yet-to-be-written Senate version. In pushing to a lopsided victory, the freshmen brushed aside the arguments of senior members who contended that freezing congressional pay would eventually drive the non-wealthy from Congress. "We're leaving the House to people who either were born with a silver spoon in their mouth ... or couldn't get better jobs in the first

place," said Rep. Jerry Lewis, R-Calif., an 18-year veteran. He criticized GOP leaders for allowing the amendment to come before the House. "The members need from time to time to be protected from themselves," he said. But Metcalf argued that lawmakers and other senior officials should be denied raises at least until they balance the budget. He contended his measure would save \$47 million over five years. "We all know there are unique financial demands on members of Congress (to maintain two homes) ... but many American families have to make do with far less," he said. "We all know we must lead by example," Tiahrt said. Judiciary Committee Chairman Henry Hyde, R-Ill., and others made a plea to exempt federal judges from the measure, but Metcalf refused to alter his amendment. Rep. Nathan Deal, R-Ga., in his second term, said, "No one affected by this amendment is an indentured servant. There are

choices that they can make." Meanwhile, the House voted 267-150 to approve a second amendment, by Luther and Rep. Gil Gutknecht, R-Minn. It would cut the number of political appointees in the executive branch by 500 positions to 2,300. Debate on the overall bill focused on an 11 percent cut, to \$6.6 billion, in the budget of the IRS. Roughly 2,000 jobs at the agency would be eliminated. The Clinton administration warned the result would be delayed refunds and crippled revenue collection. "Horsefeathers," replied Appropriations subcommittee chairman Rep. Jim Lightfoot, R-Iowa, who nevertheless signaled his willingness to cede ground when the House bill is reconciled with the Senate's. "I'm willing to negotiate and compromise," he said. "But ... just as the IRS demands that the American taxpayer justify every penny of their tax returns, I'm demanding that the IRS justify every penny of their appropriations."

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