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Pampa's Smith: Campaign's support 'humbling'

Local businessman thanks voters, pledges to continue improving Pampa

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 Despite not making it into the runoff for House District 88, Pampa businessman Mac Smith found his support in

Gray County "humbling," winning about 55 percent of the vote in the primary elections here.
 "It was encouraging to see so many people in Pampa support a hometown guy," said Smith. "It means a lot to see so

many people turn out. We worked hard, and it was a great experience. It was encouraging to see people get involved, and I hope some younger folks see that and it encourages them to get involved."
 "It was great to see people around town



It was great to see people around town and in the county excited to see someone local running, and see that translate into the polls. It shows the state we're a strong community that wants to work for rural areas.
 — Mac Smith

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MAKING MEMORIES

photo courtesy of Diane Jennings

Georgie Sue Osborne (from left), Kambry Smith and Ally Gutierrez sign each other's yearbooks at Austin Elementary School.

Last day to register for 4-H retreat

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 Today is the last day to register for the district-wide 4-H Fish and Fun retreat at T. Boone Pickens' Mesa Vista Ranch. Kids must be a 4-H member in order to participate in the retreat, which is set for Monday and Tuesday.
 "We discuss fishing, fish health, pond management, different breeds of fish, the fishing process and a healthy balance of fish in ponds," said Brandon McGinty of 4-H and the Gray Life AgriLife Extension Service.
 To qualify, kids must be in third grade or 9 years old as of Sept. 1, 2011. "Clover kids" (children under 8 years of age) must be accompanied by an older 4-H sibling and parents.
 Kids will participate in a fishing tournament made of each county's 4-H members, and winning teams will come away with fishing-themed prizes and awards like fishing rods.
 "It's a great learning opportunity for the kids on wildlife and fishing," said McGinty.
 Registration and the \$35.00 per participant fee for youth and adults must be made via 4-H Connect on the D-1 website, d14-h.tamu.edu/.
 For more information, forms, and access to 4-H Connect, visit d14-h.tamu.edu/events/field-stream-project/.

Red Cross hosting volunteer orientation event today

Nonprofit organization is looking to bolster personnel for severe weather season

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 The Eastern Texas Panhandle Chapter of the American Red Cross is seeking new volunteers, and today, Pampans can take the first step towards joining its ranks.
 The Red Cross is hosting a volunteer orientation program at 4 p.m. at its 108 N. Russell St. office. With Panhandle weather ever unpredictable, Molly Maberry, volunteer coordinator for the Eastern Texas Panhandle chapter, said that the Red Cross wants to make sure that the area has enough volunteers prepared for any eventuality.
 "When large disasters strike, people want to get involved with the Red Cross right then," said Mabery.

"What we really want folks to do is to train now so that when the time comes, you've got the training, we know your skill-set and we can put you to work right away."
 According to Mabery, today's event is simply geared towards anyone considering becoming involved with the Red Cross.
 "It's for any new volunteer," she said. "Anyone who's interested in volunteering with the Red Cross, kind of getting some more knowledge as to what we do and how they can fit into the organization. It's that first initial step in volunteering with us."
 The Red Cross is currently in need of personnel to help bolster its volunteer numbers, Mabery said. A recent volunteer inventory came up with about 90 volunteers, give or take, she said, although the numbers

tend fluctuate through the year.
 "We've got lots of positions open for pretty much anybody that has any type of interest," Mabery said. "We can work them into the organization. We're always looking for those good disaster action team members to support the community when there are house fires or, God forbid, tornadoes that happen, so that we can go out and serve those people the best way we can. We're always in need of more support there."
 In the last month alone in the Panhandle, the Red Cross has responded to local house fires, staffed a shelter, performed post-storm damage assessment, handed out hundreds of tarps and other cleanup supplies and provided support for dozens of families. All of this work was done by a corps of 19 Red Cross

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Today	Friday	Saturday
High 75 Low 51	High 80 Low 61	High 87 Low 65

Today: Partly sunny, with a high near 75. Northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51. North northeast wind around 10 mph becoming south.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 80. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 61. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 87. Southeast wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. Southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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Dem keeps low profile after ousting Reyes

EL PASO (AP) — Many entrenched members of the Texas congressional delegation overcame reshuffled political boundaries to win their primaries, but those new maps had nothing to do with how a guitar-playing, twice-arrested former city councilman who advocates legalizing marijuana ousted a powerful Democrat in a doozy of an election-night stunner.

Beto O'Rourke kept a low profile Wednesday after defeating U.S. Rep. Silvestre Reyes in the El Paso district. The former House Intelligence chairman, meanwhile, returned to Washington after being denied even a runoff despite an endorsement from President Barack Obama and a campaign stop from former President Bill Clinton.

On Wednesday afternoon, Reyes released a statement congratulating O'Rourke on the victory and pledging to work with him to ensure a smooth transition.

"To all El Pasoans, I express my deep appreciation for the privilege of representing you for the past 15 years," Reyes said. "Your entrustment of this office to me has been a great honor."

The upset was a twist on the anti-incumbent fervor that swept through the U.S. House in the 2010 midterms. Then, it was Republicans swinging a wrecking ball to entrenched Democrats, but on Tuesday, O'Rourke ousted an eight-term congressman and fellow Democrat who he had attacked as becoming too cozy and ineffective to stay in Congress.

At least that was the message in public. Behind the scenes, O'Rourke was embroiled in one of the nastiest U.S. House races nationwide this primary season.

Ads played up Reyes' ties to a company that was awarded a \$200 million contract and gave Reyes contributions and hired his children, while Reyes shot back with television spots recounting O'Rourke being arrested for drunk driving and showing a cellphone video of O'Rourke rolling around

on a barroom floor.

"It was a very tough campaign. We both worked hard, but at the end of the day I respect him and I thank him for his service," said O'Rourke, adding that he welcomed Reyes' offer of assistance in the transition.

Reyes, 67, was the only congressional incumbent in Texas to lose in the primary. Others easily survived, including Democrat Lloyd Doggett winning in a new and predominantly Hispanic district and Democrat Eddie Bernice Johnson coasting against her first serious primary challengers in 20 years.

O'Rourke is unlikely to face much of a threat from the GOP nominee in the heavily Democratic district this November.

He was an unconventional candidate for being such a serious threat to an establishment incumbent like Reyes.

O'Rourke has supported the idea of legalizing marijuana as a way of making a dent in the drug war being waged directly across the border from El Paso in violent Ciudad Juarez. O'Rourke, however, said during his campaign that he would not press for legalization in Congress because it wasn't a priority to this district.

He's also a former guitarist in an El Paso rock band that included members who now play in the Grammy Award-winning act The Mars Volta. He was arrested in the 1990s on charges of burglary and drunk driving, and has called his public service a way for atoning for those mistakes. O'Rourke said the burglary arrest happened after he tripped an alarm while jumping a fence at the University of Texas at El Paso in 1995 but prosecutors declined the case. As for the drunken driving arrest, he says he received deferred adjudication 15 years ago and was not convicted but calls the incident "a mistake."

But O'Rourke also comes from a family with deep political roots. His father, Pat O'Rourke, was a former El Paso County judge who was a

popular longtime Democrat before switching parties in 1996, when he unsuccessfully ran for Congress as a Republican.

A super PAC called the Campaign for Primary Accountability spent \$240,000 on ads that linked Reyes to a controversial contract awarded to a company that gave him campaign contributions and hired his children, spokesman for the super PAC Curtis Ellis said.

Gregg Rocha, a political science professor at the University of Texas at El Paso, said voters care less about the missteps in O'Rourke's personal life than the corruption scandal that has been weighing on the city.

Reyes' defeat assures that Texas will lose a member of its Hispanic delegation. Texas was awarded four new U.S. House seats because of a population surge the last decade driven by Hispanics, whose numbers grew by 2.8 million in the last decade — second only to California.

Texas, however, hasn't elected more than six Hispanics to Congress since 1997. The majority of the voting-age population in two of the new districts is Hispanic, but the only Hispanic candidate remaining in those races is Domingo Garcia, who faces a runoff with state House Rep. Mark Veasey in newly created 33rd Congressional District.

Another runoff is also needed where Ron Paul's longtime South Texas district is up for grabs. The failed presidential candidate — who announced his retirement from Congress before his latest run for the White House — didn't endorse any of the nine candidates scrambling to succeed him. Republican state Rep. Randy Weber will face attorney Felicia Harris in a July runoff.

The winner isn't a slam-dunk for election in November. The Democratic nominee is former U.S. Rep. Nick Lampson, whose candidacy makes the U.S. House race a rare general election toss-up in Texas.

Obituaries

Susie Blymiller, 99

Susie Blymiller, 99, died May 28, 2012, in Pampa. Vigil will be at 6 p.m. Friday, June 1, 2012, at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, with Rev. Francisco Perez, pastor of St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, officiating. Funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 2, 2012, at St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, with Rev. Arockia Raj, associate pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Blymiller was born July 11, 1912, in Amarillo to Abraham and Isabelle Chavez. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1933. She married C.M. (Cooney) Blymiller on May 9, 1934, in Pampa. He preceded her in death in 1969. Susie was a homemaker. She was a longtime active member of St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church and the Women's Council.

Survivors include her son-in-law, Jack Edwards and

wife Judi of Pampa; four grandsons, Jack Edwards Jr. and wife Tammy of Spring, David Edwards and wife Fran of Victoria, Sam Edwards and wife Sylvia of Marianna, Fla., and Cliff Medley of Amarillo; four granddaughters, Susan Edwards of Pampa, Diane Sims and husband Gary of League City, Jeanne Derr and husband Randy of Bartlesville, Okla., and Tracy Alvord of Lewisville; 11 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren; and a dear friend, Flo Isbell of Ville Platte, La. Susie was preceded in death by two daughters, Mary Blymiller in 1935 and Dolores Edwards in 1972; and one grandson, Steve Edwards in 1992.

Memorials may be made to St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, 810 W. 23rd, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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AUSTIN HINKLE, son of David and Stacy Hinkle, grandson of Joyce Cotham and the late Floyd Cotham, Ken Hinkle and Nancy Sartin, will be graduating with Distinguished Honors from Clear Creek High School in League City, TX on May 31st. Austin was the recipient of

the Ralph Parr Outstanding Service Award and received the CCHS Honorarium Award. He will be attending Texas Tech University in the fall, majoring in Corporate Finance and minoring in Marketing.

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Violence against officers a 'crisis'

GRAPEVINE (AP) — U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder told law enforcement officials at a convention that acts of violence against officers are approaching the highest levels in nearly two decades and represent a crisis.

Holder spoke Wednesday at the Major Cities Chiefs Association meeting in Grapevine, near Dallas. The group includes chiefs and sheriffs of the 63 largest law enforcement agencies in the U.S.

In remarks prepared for the gathering, Holder said that last year gun-related deaths surpassed deaths by any other cause among law enforcement personnel for the first time in almost 15 years. So far this year, he says at least 45 officers have died in the line of duty, 16 of them by gunfire.

He says the Justice Department in recent years has committed to protecting officers with various initiatives.

Debt company to pay restitution

DENVER (AP) — A Dallas debt-resolution company and its president have been told to pay nearly \$14 million in penalties and restitution to Colorado and former clients for violating state laws, Attorney General John Suthers said Wednesday.

Credit Solutions of America and Doug Van Arsdale each face \$5 million in civil penalties and a total of \$3.8 million in restitution to nearly 2,700 consumers, Suthers said.

Van Arsdale and the company can appeal the fines and restitution, said Fred Yarger, Suthers' spokesman.

Yarger said the settlement was approved by the administrator for the Uniform Consumer Credit Code, an independent agency within Suthers' office.

Yarger said state officials have not been in contact with Van Arsdale or the company. No current phone listings could be found for either.

Credit Solutions of America failed to renew its registration to operate in Colorado after 2009, Yarger said.

The company also was accused of violating provisions of the Colorado Debt Management Services Act, including providing required information and disclosing period accounting reports and other information, Yarger said.

Consumers who will get restitution had contracted with Credit Solutions of America to negotiate with their creditors about the consumers' debts.

Yarger said the settlement involves only Colorado and no other states.

D.A.'s ex-investigator sentenced

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A former South Texas district attorney's investigator has been sentenced to a year and a day in federal prison in a corruption case tied to a disgraced ex-judge in Brownsville.

Jaime Munivez was sentenced Wednesday, nearly six months after a guilty plea on two counts of interference with commerce under color of official right.

Prosecutors said Munivez provided fake legal documents to an associate of former state District Judge Abel C. Limas, who pleaded guilty to racketeering last year. The yearslong federal investigation of Limas has swept up nearly a dozen lawyers and others connected to his court.

Munivez, a former bailiff for Limas, was a criminal investigator for the Cameron County district attorney's office until May 2011. District Attorney Armando Villalobos is also under federal indictment on corruption charges.

Gang drops anti-gov't leaflets

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The governor of the northern Mexico state of Sinaloa says drug traffickers apparently used an airplane to drop thousands of leaflets accusing him of taking orders from drug lord Joaquin Guzman.

Drug cartels in Mexico frequently post videos and hang banners from bridges to get their messages out. But the incident in the Sinaloa state capital of Culiacan would be the first time in recent memory that traffickers have resorted to aerial leafleting, if it is confirmed.

Sinaloa Gov. Mario Lopez Valdez said Wednesday that the leaflets expressed anger about the death in custody of a suspected member of another cartel at a state prison.

Lopez Valdez denies any links to Guzman's Sinaloa cartel.

The state has seen turf battles between the Sinaloa cartel and the rival Zetas.

Primary turnout low; runoff may be lower

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Although turnout was low for the Texas primary elections, the late-summer runoff that will decide who wins the Republican nomination for an open U.S. Senate seat will likely attract even fewer voters to the polls.

Establishment GOP favorite Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and tea party darling Ted Cruz, who were the top two finishers in Tuesday's election, each said the expected low turnout is an advantage as both men gear up for the second round of what has already been a nasty and expensive race.

Who's right may ultimately depend on just how low turnout goes.

After the primary was twice delayed because of legal fights over redrawing Texas' political districts, about 11 percent of registered Republicans cast ballots Tuesday. That means about 1.4 million people voted in the GOP race to replace retiring U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Dewhurst won 43 percent of the vote, 10 points better than Cruz, an attorney and former state solicitor general. But because neither got more than 50 percent, the race moves to a July 31 runoff.

Cruz claims his fiery brand of grassroots populism inspires the kind of hardcore conservatives who will reliably cast ballots in a second round of voting — thus carrying him to the GOP nomination. But Dewhurst campaign pollster Mike Baselice says his candidate did well among senior citizens and repeat Republican Party primary

voters — both groups likely to vote in the runoff.

Mark Jones, a political scientist at Rice University, estimates that turnout for the July runoff will fall to between 750,000 and 1 million ballots cast because of the Texas heat, the chance that many families could be on vacation and the fact that little may be at stake in many local races statewide.

Jones said Cruz has a group of fierce supporters who will likely enthusiastically vote for him a second time — but he doesn't appear to have the money to grow that base in any significant way over the next two months. Dewhurst, meanwhile, enjoys far broader support among mainstream Republicans, but many of those voters may not be so anxious to participate in the runoff.

"The trick for Dewhurst will be to get July 31 to look as close as possible to May 29th," Jones said. "The higher the turnout is, the better it is for Dewhurst. The lower it is, the better it is for Cruz."

The wild card could former Dallas Mayor Tom Leppert, who finished third in the nine-Republican Senate race with 13 percent of the vote.

Baselice claims his polling shows that Leppert supporters prefer Dewhurst over Cruz by 50 percent to 20 percent — but Jones said those who voted for Leppert are also more likely to get disillusioned and skip the runoff entirely.

Daniel Keylin, a spokesman for the Leppert campaign, said his candidate

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Today in History

Today is Thursday, May 31, the 152nd day of 2012. There are 214 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 31, 1962, former Nazi official Adolf Eichmann was hanged in Israel a few minutes before midnight for his role in the Holocaust. (Eichmann's remains were cremated, the ashes scattered in the Mediterranean Sea.)

On this date:

In 1790, President George Washington signed into law the first U.S. copyright act.

In 1859, the Big Ben clock tower in London went into operation, chiming for the first time.

In 1889, more than 2,000 people perished when a dam break sent water rushing through Johnstown, Pa.

In 1910, the Union of South Africa was founded.

In 1911, the hull of the British liner RMS Titanic was launched from its building berth at the Port of Belfast, less than a year before the ship's fateful maiden voyage.

In 1912, U.S. Sen. Henry M. "Scoop" Jackson was born in Everett, Wash.

In 1941, "Tobacco Road," a play about an impoverished Southern family based on the novel by Erskine Caldwell, closed on Broadway after a run of 3,182 performances.

In 1961, South Africa became an independent republic as it withdrew from the British Commonwealth.

In 1970, a magnitude 7.9 earthquake in Peru claimed an estimated 67,000 lives.

In 1977, the trans-Alaska oil pipeline, three years in the making, was completed.

In 1985, at least 88 people were killed, more than 1,000 injured, as over 40 tornadoes swept through parts of Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York and Ontario, Canada, during an 8-hour period.

In 1994, the United States announced it was no longer aiming long-range nuclear missiles at targets in the former Soviet Union.

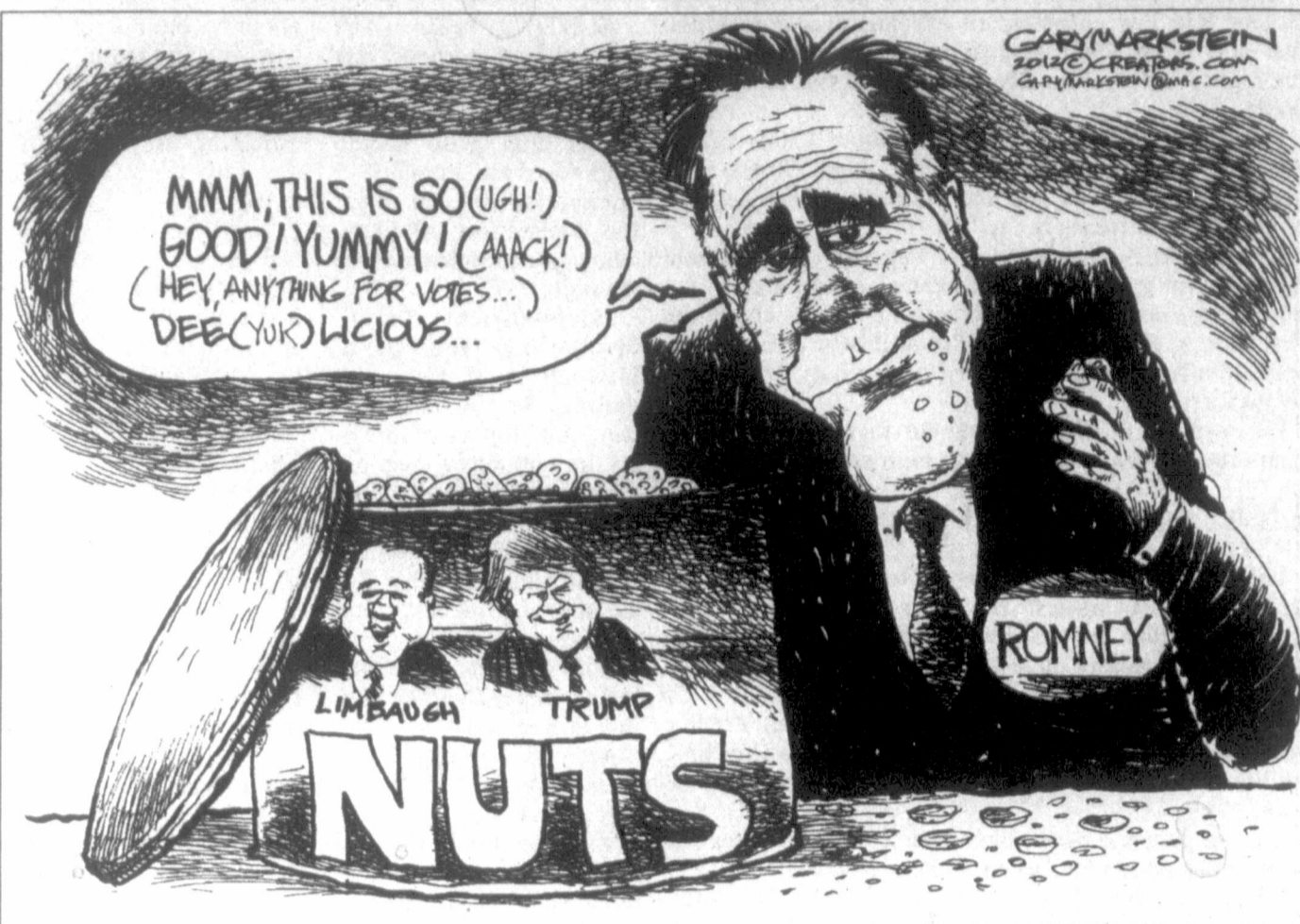
Ten years ago: A three-judge federal panel in Philadelphia ruled that public libraries could not be forced to install software that blocked sexually explicit websites. (However, the U.S. Supreme Court later upheld the use of the filters in public libraries.) European Union countries formally signed on to the Kyoto Protocol, a pact aimed at stemming pollution and global warming that has been opposed by the United States. The World Cup soccer tournament opened in Asia for the first time with a match between Senegal and defending champion France in South Korea, which was co-hosting the event with Japan. (Senegal upset France, 1-0.)

Five years ago: President George W. Bush, under international pressure to take tough action against global warming, called for a world summit to set a long-term global strategy for reducing greenhouse gas emissions. In a breach of security, detailed plans for the new U.S. Embassy under construction in Baghdad appeared on the website of the architectural firm that was contracted to design the massive facility. Former Presidents Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton and George H.W. Bush attended the dedication of the Billy Graham Library in Charlotte, N.C.

One year ago: Angered by civilian casualties, Afghan President Hamid Karzai said he would no longer allow NATO airstrikes on houses. Former Bosnian Serb military commander Ratko Mladic was placed in a U.N. detention unit in the Netherlands to await trial on genocide charges. Atlanta became the first city in the NHL's modern era to lose two hockey teams as the Thrashers' owners agreed to sell the struggling franchise to a group that moved it to Winnipeg.

Today's Birthdays: Actor-director Clint Eastwood is 82. Singer Peter Dinklage is 74. Former Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite is 73. Singer-musician Augie Meyers is 72. Actress Sharon Gless is 69. Football Hall-of-Famer Joe Namath is 69. Actor Tom Berenger is 62. Actor Gregory Harrison is 62. Actor Kyle Secor is 55. Actress Roma Maffia is 54. Comedian Chris Elliott is 52. Actress Lea Thompson is 51. Singer Corey Hart is 50. Actor Hugh Dillon is 49. Rapper DMC is 48. Actress Brooke Shields is 47. Country musician Ed Adkins (The Derailers) is 45. Jazz musician Christian McBride is 40. Actress Archie Panjabi is 40. Actor Colin Farrell is 36. Rock musician Scott Klopfenstein (Reel Big Fish) is 35. Actor Eric Christian Olsen is 35. Rock musician Andy Hurley (Fall Out Boy) is 32. Country singer Casey James ("American Idol") is 30. Actor Jonathan Tucker is 30. Rapper Waka Flocka Flame is 26. Actor Curtis Williams Jr. is 25.

Thought for Today: "The future is no more uncertain than the present." — Walt Whitman, American poet (born this date in 1819, died 1892).



Conservatives score victories in primary

CHRIS TOMLINSON
Associated Press

DALLAS (AP) — Two groups will continue to dominate Texas politics next year: the conservatives and the more conservatives.

Little more than 10 percent of the electorate voted in the Republican primary on Tuesday, and those who did sent a clear signal they expect Texas to remain on the rightward course set 34 years ago when Bill Clements became the first Republican governor in 100 years.

In the race to replace retiring U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, Republican operatives in Austin thought Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst was a shoo-in. But GOP voters clearly said "not so fast" and forced the long-serving politician into a runoff with Ted Cruz, the charismatic young tea partier with the backing of national conservative groups.

Dewhurst must now dig even deeper into his \$250 million personal fortune to finance the continuation of what has already been an ugly campaign. National activists will go back to their supporters to make sure Cruz has enough money to keep up.

Both campaigns will struggle to get their supporters to the polls since turnout is normally even more dismal for runoffs than for primaries. Turnout is important because hard-core voters always show up to the polls, and in Texas that means the more conservative activists. High turnout dilutes their influence, while low turnout magnifies it.

The national tea party group FreedomWorks was key to getting

out the conservative vote for Cruz, training 100,000 activists in Texas.

"This is an incremental but important victory for the limited government grassroots movement in Texas," said Ryan Hecker, the group's chief operating officer. The group said it will continue to help Cruz and other tea party candidates across the country.

That activism flowed down the ticket into legislative races, with at least 40 new members headed to the 150-seat Texas House. Those races also saw voters choose the more conservative candidate in many races, and three committee chairs lost their seats while a fourth is in a runoff.

Empower Texans, a statewide conservative group, crowed about their victories in a perennial battle with Speaker Joe Straus, whom they've repeatedly targeted for being too moderate. The group's primary challenger to Straus lost, but tea party favorite Rep. Bryan Hughes, R-Mineola, announced Tuesday that he will run for speaker in January, when House members will vote for their leader.

No Democrat has held statewide office in Texas since 1998, and Republicans will almost certainly control both house of the Legislature next year. The Republican Party so thoroughly dominates Texas politics that the only real competition for power comes from within it.

Straus has come to personify a probusiness, establishment wing of the party that leans toward pragmatism. As speaker, he appoints committee chairs, who then decide what bills

move forward in the Legislature.

The fact that so many of his allies have retired, or lost re-election bids, will force Straus to compromise with the more conservative wing in order to hold on to power.

Gov. Rick Perry leads to social conservative wing of the GOP, and he has done his best to set the agenda for the Legislature, often stepping on Straus' toes.

A key sticking point between Straus and Perry is the governor's new Texas Budget Compact. Perry has called on all Texas GOP members to sign the pledge not to increase state taxes or spending, even if the state has increased revenues. Straus has refused to sign any pledges ahead of the legislative session, preferring that lawmakers keep their options open to find solutions rather than be locked into prior commitments.

Perry is looking to maintain his conservative credentials as he considers running for re-election in 2014 or running for president again in 2016. But many suburban Republicans returned home last year to parents angered by more than \$4 billion in cuts to public education spending. Schools have laid off teachers, increased class sizes and cut extra programs to make ends meet, a move that angered many Republican voters.

However based on the results, those angry voters did not cast ballots in the Republican primary, or decided to place tea party values over their concerns about school finance.



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Canine 911 emergency

Dog Talk

with **Uncle Matty**
 MATTHEW "UNCLE MATTY" MARGOLIS
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Emergencies are rarely convenient. Heart attacks happen on honeymoons. Strokes strike in the dead of night. Humans have entrenched systems to accommodate these events: dispatchers, ambulances, paramedics, emergency rooms. Thankfully, so do dogs.

Emergency animal hospitals are where we turn when things go wrong with our animals after hours. Only Hollywood gets to plan its disasters head to tail. The rest of us have to plan for the possibilities. Having a good emergency clinic on speed dial is as important as having a diligent vet for regular checkups and maintenance.

I was reminded of this recently when I had a scare myself.

Something was wrong with my German shepherd, Nilo. He was listless. His breathing was labored. My heart sank. It was a Sunday.

I've had sick dogs. I've had injured dogs. I've lost dogs to cancer. Needless to say, I was worried and anxious as I helped Nilo into the car and drove him to Mother Lode Pet Emergency Clinic in Shingle Springs, Calif.

Stepping into the clinic, I was probably more nervous than Nilo, who's a pretty smooth operator in most circumstances. But on this day, he wasn't feeling well, which was obvious — and not only to me.

Within seconds of our arrival, we were greeted by a nurse. Nurse Pug. She approached Nilo calmly, looked him over with gentle eyes and then lay down next to him on the floor and rolled onto her back. I'll never

forget her soft fawn coat, her sweet, smooched pug face or the way she seemed to say to Nilo, "Don't worry. It'll be OK. Nurse Pug will take good care of you until the doctor can examine you."

Turns out Nurse Pug is the antidote to "waiting room disorder," the symptoms of which include nausea, digestive upset, dry mouth or extreme drooling, depending on the species. But Nurse Pug was just the beginning.

Dr. Heidi Hilleary and vet tech Tessa were on duty that day. These two embody the Mother Lode mission: to provide "comprehensive and compassionate expert emergency pet care." Nilo was in competent, caring hands, and that meant the world to me.

When all was said and done, Nilo's blood work was good. He's healthy and at home. He has a little arthritis creeping in, which was likely the source of his discomfort. Nothing we can't manage. Can you hear my sigh of relief?

The whole experience served as a reminder to me to 1) encourage dog owners to keep the number of a good emergency animal clinic on hand and 2) thank these people for the great service they provide.

The people — and the pug — at Mother Lode made all the difference, and I know there are veterinarians, technicians and support staff in emergency animal hospitals across the country who work crazy hours and provide huge relief: a place to go when crisis comes at an inconvenient time, quality care, unqualified dedication.

Thank you, Dr. Hilleary. Thank you, tech Tessa. Thank you, Nurse Pug. Thank you all.

Woof!

Dog trainer Matthew "Uncle Matty" Margolis is co-author of 18 books about dogs, a behaviorist, a popular radio and television guest, and host of the PBS series "WOOF! It's a Dog's Life!"

State judge dismisses bid to have prosecutor removed

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A state judge on Wednesday dismissed a citizen's attempt to remove a south Texas district attorney under federal indictment for corruption charges, but suggested the prosecutor should step down temporarily.

Two blocks away, a federal judge sentenced a former investigator from that prosecutor's office to a year and one day in prison on his own corruption charges.

The cases were separate, but stemmed from an expansive yearslong investigation that began with a corrupt former state judge and ensnared nearly a dozen people tied to his court.

Cameron County District Attorney Armando Villalobos was being targeted under a Texas law that allows some residents to submit a petition to a district court seeking the elected official's removal. Federal prosecutors had indicted Villalobos earlier this month.

Visiting Senior Judge J. Manuel Banales told attorney Juan Angel Guerra on Wednesday that his client's petition had failed to meet the state's requirements. Banales, however, rejected the petition without prejudice, meaning others could still make a similar request.

"The fact that Mr. Villalobos has been indicted by a federal grand jury should raise serious concerns to everyone in this community and it may be the more prudent and honorable thing for Mr. Villalobos under the circumstances to voluntarily step aside on a temporary basis pending the disposition of those charges," Banales said. "Because if he's acquitted then he returns to his office. If he's convicted he forfeits the office."

Attorneys for Villalobos had maintained that the court lacked jurisdiction to rule on the request because the state had not been properly joined to the case.

Villalobos is accused of taking more than \$100,000 in bribes and kickbacks in exchange for using his prosecutorial discretion. The federal investigation has netted guilty pleas from former state District Judge Abel Limas and other court officials. Villalobos has denied all of the charges.

One of those officials was Jaime Munivez, who had served as a bailiff in Limas' court and, more recently, as a criminal investigator in

Villalobos' office.

U.S. District Judge Andrew Hanen sentenced Munivez to one year and one day in prison on two counts of interference with commerce under color of official right. Munivez had pleaded guilty in December. Prosecutors said Munivez provided fake legal documents to assist an associate of Limas in extortion schemes.

In court Wednesday, Munivez said he accepted responsibility and apologized to his family for embarrassing them.

The failed removal of Villalobos came one day after he and Guerra lost the Democratic primary for a new congressional seat. Villalobos' office did not immediately respond to a request for comment, but

Villalobos had previously said he would not give up his office. Villalobos failed to qualify for a runoff in Tuesday's primary, garnering 9 percent of the vote.

Wednesday's hearing was the second in which Guerra tried to convince Banales to allow the removal action to move forward. In the first, Banales had cited deficiencies in Guerra's petition, but allowed him to fix them and return.

Banales said Guerra's petition continued to be lacking and that, while individuals can petition for removal, it must be in the name of the state. He said a state officer, such as the county attorney from an adjoining county, would be the appropriate person to pursue Villalobos' removal.

Turnout

was in no hurry to endorse either of his former opponents.

"He's thanking supporters and campaign staff all over the state," Keylin said. "The next few days, that's his main focus."

During a news conference Wednesday in Houston, Dewhurst said of Cruz's strategy during the runoff "is to have as low of a turnout as possible because that's the only way he can win." He added: "I think that's being cynical."

Dewhurst has overseen the Texas Senate for nearly nine years as lieutenant governor and says he helped make Texas one of the most conservative states in the country. But he also has a net worth of more than \$200 million and has repeatedly tapped his personal resources to bolster his campaign.

As of Wednesday, Dewhurst had donated \$10.25 million to his campaign, Dewhurst spokesman Matt Hirsch said. The lieutenant governor refused to say if he would contribute more of his own money to his campaign, saying only: "I

have never run a race in which I said I won't put the resources in, in order to win."

Cruz donated \$470,000 to his own campaign but has received millions from national tea party groups that have targeted Dewhurst as too moderate. During his own news conference in Houston shortly after Dewhurst's, Cruz said his donations in Texas and across the country have spiked since he forced the runoff.

Cruz likened his making it to a second round of voting to Richard Mourdock's ousting of 36-year U.S. Senate veteran Richard Lugar in Indiana.

"Texas is Texas. But there is a national tidal wave going on that the entrenched establishment ignores at their peril," he said.

Dewhurst, meanwhile, brushed off such comparisons.

"I think this is a race not on who can out-conservative one another but who the voters in Texas believe will stay conservative," he said. "We got one candidate who talks. We got one candidate who does."

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Smith

and in the county excited to see someone local running, and see that translate into the polls," he added. "It shows the state we're a strong community that wants to work for rural areas."

Smith said that running for office was a great learning experience, and he hopes that it encourages more people to get involved.

"I think we definitely need more people involved in the process, not less," he said. "We need people to put their neck on the lines to get people involved and excited. If you want to

see change on the school board, run for the school board. If you want to see change in the county, run for office there. Be involved. Don't just sit

on the sidelines and wish things were different."

For now, Smith says he will continue working to improve his hometown. "I'd like to say thanks

to the community for their support and for devoting so much time and energy (to the election)."

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workers — 80 percent of whom were volunteers — from the three chapters in the region.

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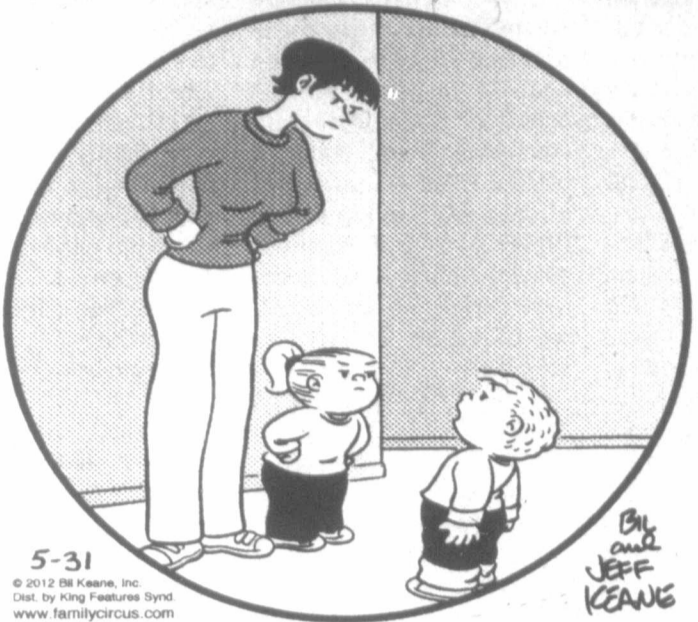
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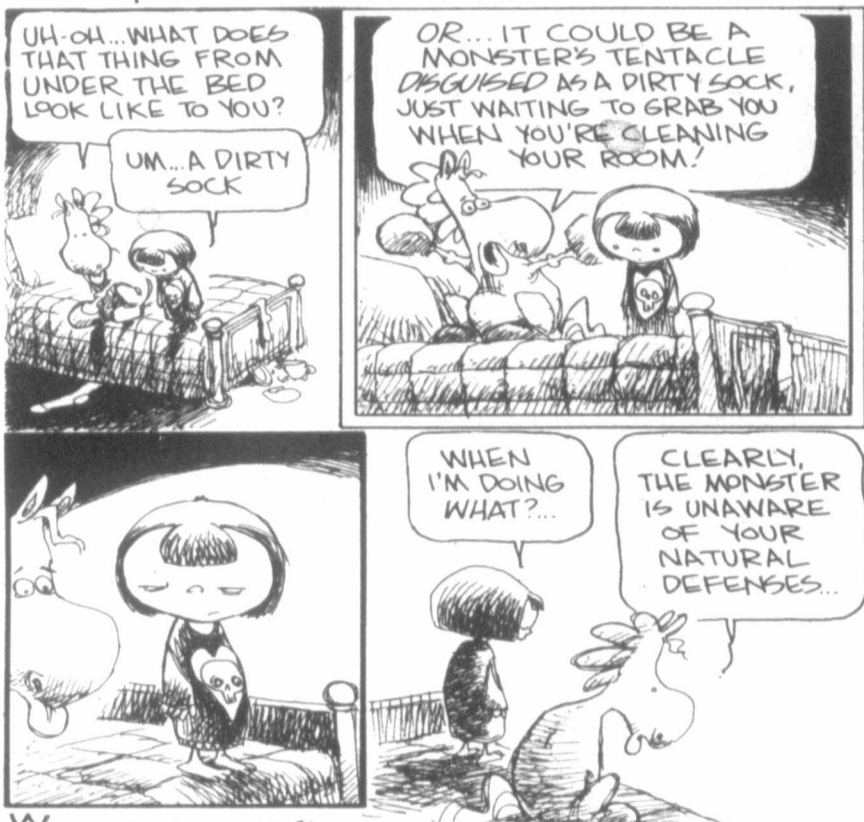
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"I don't know what I said. I never listen to me."

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Nest Heads



daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, June 1, 2012:
This year you will be able to manifest a long-term desire, which most likely will involve your career or your status within your community. If you are artistic or creative, a talent will come forward. Diplomacy will become your strong suit. If you are single, you could date a lot and meet someone perfect. If you are attached, involve your sweetie more in your hobbies and interests. **SCORPIO** knows how to grab your attention. He or she could be a life-changing individual.
The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult
ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You communicate your feelings adroitly and draw a positive reaction from people. A partner might have strong expectations. The issue remains: Are you going to walk into this scene, or are you going to be yourself? How do you introduce the real you if you have been tucking him or her away? Tonight: Visit with friends.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You might not have the power you desire over someone, but you can count on your magnetism, as others are drawn toward you. Remember, there are always other fish in the sea. Do not get locked into one type of thinking. Tonight: Where do you really want to be? Go there.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Emphasize what you can do as opposed to what seems difficult. You might want to rethink a situation more carefully that surrounds a key associate or loved one. If you detach, you will see how you are working with a situation that is transforming day by day. Tonight: Accept an invitation where you might not know everyone.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Stay anchored and positive. Others could start acting strangely, as intensity and tension merge. You have an unusual imagination and the ability to flex. Many people don't. Finding an appropriate solution for others will take talent. Tonight: Let the fun begin.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Tension builds for no apparent reason. You might sense someone else's rigidity, which you will soon encounter.

Working through your reactions might be the only solution. Rearrange your schedule, if you want to. Tonight: Probably an early night.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Tell it like it is, but add a touch of diplomacy if you want to ease any negative reaction you encounter. Your gentle words could make all the difference. Communication soars with loved ones. Creativity surges. Tonight: Enjoy the night.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Be aware of how possessive you can be. When people encounter this side of you, as an immediate reaction they often feel it is odd. A discussion will reveal how much someone cares. You just might be in the mood to spoil a friend or loved one. Tonight: Your treat.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Someone makes it more than clear how he or she feels. Being the secretive type, you might not choose to reveal your feelings. Make an adjustment for this person, if nothing else. You beam, and others notice. Tonight: Take the lead.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ You might choose not to share as much as usual. Emotions run high, but as you know, they will change if you just relax. Your instincts serve you well with your finances and perhaps an idea that could maximize what you have. Tonight: Maybe visit with one other person.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You know where you are heading, and you will not stop. Someone deserves your time and attention. You will not be unhappy that you slowed down to make this possible. Schedule an important meeting for later today. Tonight: Only where the fun is.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Focus on what must be done, as opposed to drifting through what you would like to do. A sudden realization will force you to reorganize your plans. A child or loved one awaits your call. Try to fit in if possible. Tonight: Strutting your stuff.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ Your mind drifts to yonder lands. Why not pick up the phone? You will enjoy talking to this person. Consider making plans to get together in the near future. Do whatever does not demand you to be attentive to others. Tonight: Where there is music.

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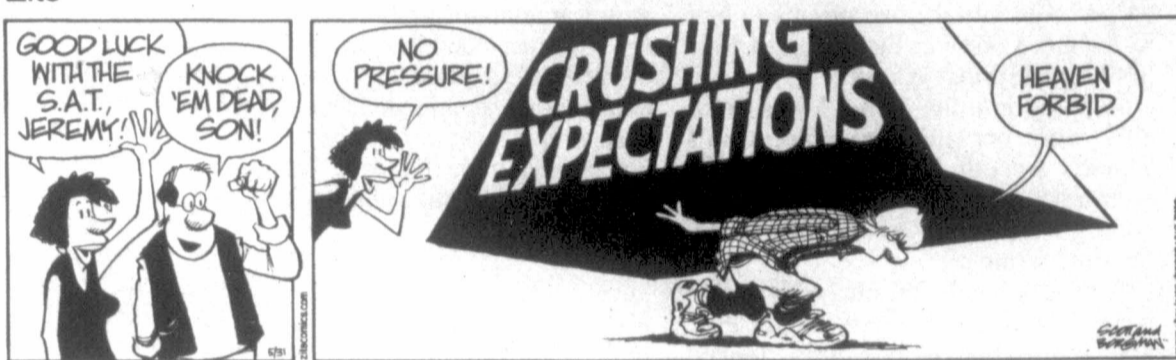
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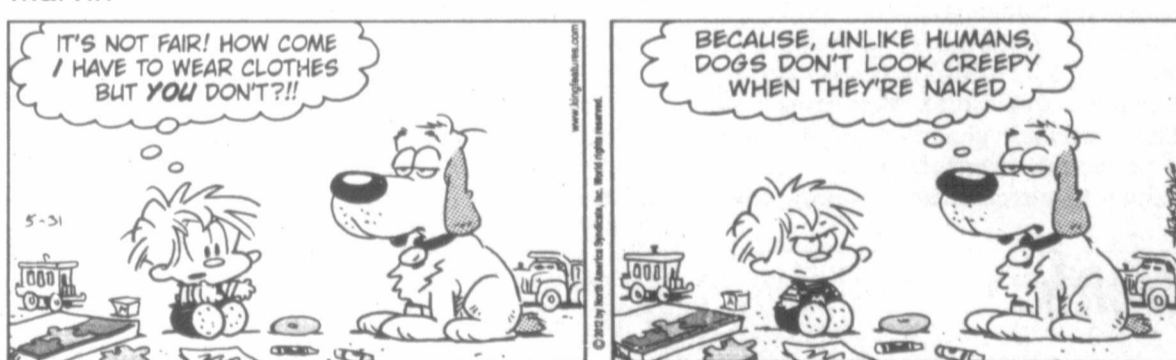
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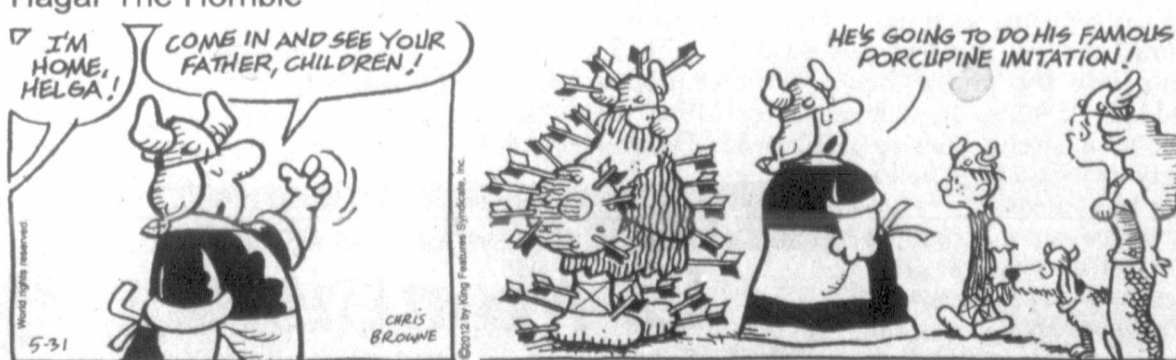
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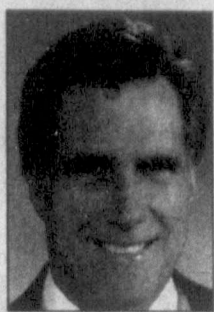


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What's next for Romney? Challenge Obama, raise money

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — What's next for Mitt Romney? The Republican presidential nomination finally in hand, he will spend the next three months trying to undercut President Barack Obama on the economy while portraying himself as Mr. Fix It for a nation with stubbornly and painfully high unemployment.



Romney

Romney also faces key decisions between now and his acceptance of the party's nomination in late August in Florida: Where should he compete most aggressively? Who should be his running mate?

At the same time, he must dive anew into fundraising and work to win over voters who are distracted by their own summer plans and day-to-day pocket-book worries — while withstanding Obama's attacks on his own claims as a jobs creator.

Not that Romney is publicly sweating the hurdles that come with being the little-known challenger to a personally popular president.

"People will get to know me better," Romney told Fox News in an interview that aired Wednesday, the day after he sealed the GOP nomination with his primary election victory in Texas. He says the general election campaign is only beginning even though his chief challenger dropped out more than six weeks ago.

With a smile, he said of the voters, "My guess is they're going to get to know more about me than they'd like to by the time we're finished."

As if on cue, Obama's campaign opened a fresh critique of the GOP nominee-in-waiting, assailing his economic record as governor of Massachusetts. It's the second phase of an effort by Obama to define Romney negatively in voters' eyes. The Democrat already has spent weeks hammering the Republican on his record at the private equity company he founded.

Obama himself made a courtesy call to Romney to congratulate him on his nomination victory. An Obama aide said the president told Romney in a brief and cordial chat that he looked forward to debating America's future with him.

Romney spent the day in California,

plunging into a week filled with fundraisers and efforts to unite Republicans after a divisive primary season. Already he's proven adept at both, hauling in enough cash to cut into the advantage that Obama has while getting most of his former Republican rivals to close ranks around him.

He's also picking up high-profile endorsements. Former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice confirmed to The Associated Press that she is backing Romney.

Those efforts — and the turning of his primary campaign into a general election operation — have been his prime focus. He's making only a handful of public appearances for now, but aides say they expect the campaign to ramp up to a full sprint by July 4. Romney has said he plans to take a week off around the holiday, suggesting that may be the time when he makes final deliberations on whom to choose as his vice presidential nominee.

Little is known about just where in that process Romney may be, though there is no shortage of Republican rising stars informally auditioning for the role.

While work on that front is certainly going on behind the scenes, Romney's aides are spending this week publicly pressing anew a criticism that the candidate himself has been making for months against Obama. They're highlighting the hundreds of millions of dollars in economic stimulus money that the administration provided to Solyndra, the solar-energy company that went bankrupt and whose executives had contributed to Obama's campaign.

It is a sign of the overarching argument Romney will make against Obama in the coming weeks: that Obama's economic efforts have been politically motivated, have wasted taxpayer dollars and, ultimately, have failed.

The renewed Solyndra criticism is also an attempt to answer Obama's

recent criticism — in speeches and advertisements — of Romney's tenure at the helm of Bain Capital. Obama has argued that Romney's time as a private equity executive before entering politics — the basis for his campaign's claim that he's best suited to lead an economic recovery — was aimed at enriching shareholders, not serving the public.

Romney largely survived that opening salvo, judging by early polls and interviews with both Republicans and Democrats.

National surveys show Obama either statistically tied with Romney or only slightly ahead of him. And polls in the most hotly contested states show Romney competitive with Obama.

"They haven't worked," GOP strategist Charlie Black, an informal Romney adviser, said of the Bain criticisms. "People are worried about the economy and jobs."

Democratic strategist Steve Elmendorf said too few voters had heard the argument.

"The reality is it's June," said Elmendorf. "To say the Bain argument has worked or not is ridiculously premature."

A handful of swing-voting states will be the most hard fought as Obama and Romney aggressively build get-out-the-vote organizations and air a flood of advertisements in their efforts to reach the 270 Electoral College votes needed to win the White House.

Across the country, Romney's campaign is going through growing pains as it seeks to turn a stripped-down primary operation into a full-scale general election campaign. Aides say offices will open and more staff will join the team, but they also say they don't anticipate being able to match the staffing levels of Obama, who has had teams in place for months in states like Florida and Ohio. The Republican National Committee also is in the midst of boosting its staffing to help Romney.

Already, Obama's and Romney's campaigns, as well as super PACs supporting and opposing each, have spent more than \$80 million in advertising on the general election campaign through the month of June, accord-

ing to ad-tracking reports provided to The Associated Press by Smart Media Group of Alexandria, Va.

Of that, Obama's campaign has spent \$31 million-plus on TV ads in about 10 states. He's been on the air most heavily in Florida, Iowa, Ohio and Virginia, an indication of where his team may think the race will be won or lost. A Democratic-leaning super PAC also has been on the air to help him, though it's spent only about \$6.3 million.

Romney himself has run ads in just five battleground states: Iowa, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio and Virginia. But he's been significantly helped by pro-Romney outside groups, who have been on the air in several others — most heavily in Florida, Ohio and Virginia.

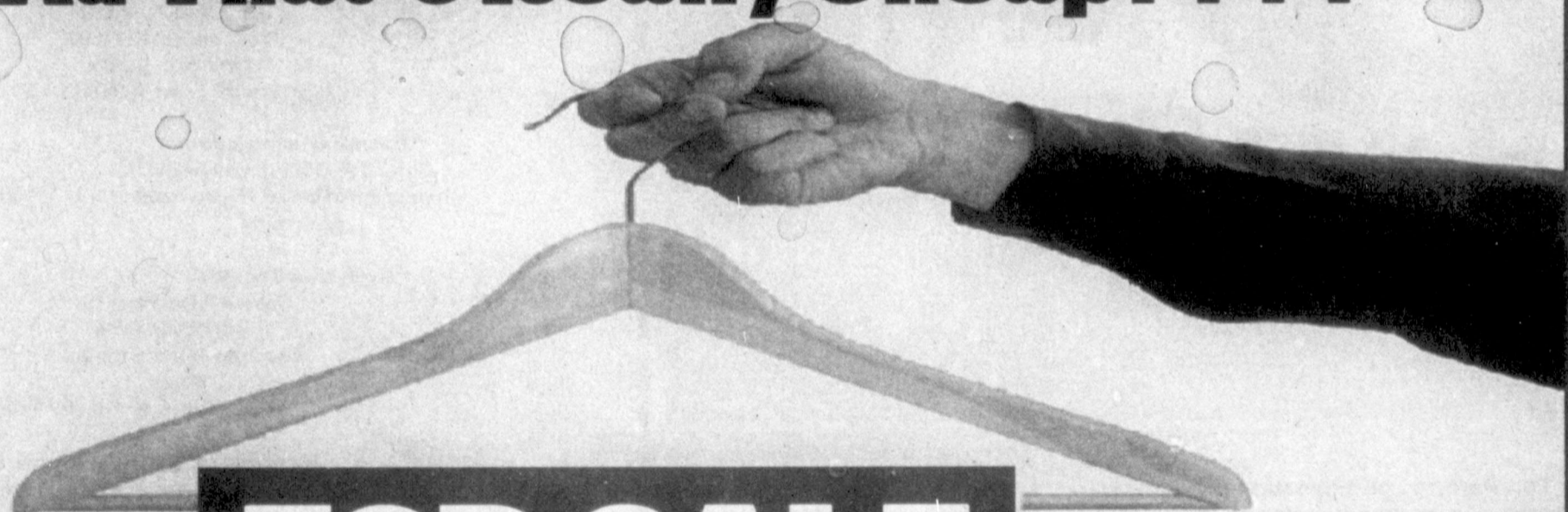
Even so, Republican outfits, including Romney's campaign and supporting super PACs, have combined to spend about as much as Obama and his allies. And in the coming weeks, Romney plans to focus heavily on fundraising so that he'll be able to make strategic decisions about where to devote most of it state by state.

To that end, Romney is spending the week courting donors in California, starting Wednesday in Fresno, Bakersfield and in Hillsborough, a wealthy enclave just outside San Francisco.

He planned major fundraising events Thursday, Friday and Saturday in southern California. On Tuesday, Romney was in Las Vegas wooing Sheldon Adelson, the primary financing source of a group that backed Newt Gingrich's failed primary campaign. And Romney also attended a fundraiser hosted by Donald Trump.

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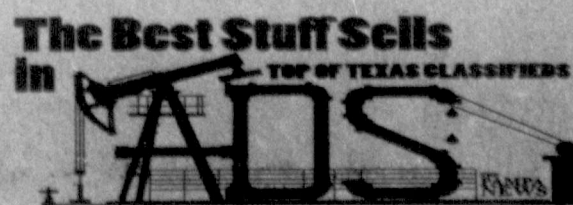
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Sports

PHS boys basketball prepare in summer team camps

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The Pampa Harvesters basketball team will continue preparations for the 2012-13 season as it will participate in a summer league, camps and workouts.

This is the first time that members of the basketball team have gone to a camp since 2010, when they went to a local weekend camp. This year, team members are going to a camp at Gruver High School from June 7-8 and Oklahoma University in Norman, Okla., from June 11-15.



Hutto

Junior Tyler Powell, one of the three returning players said he's looking forward to the camps.

"We are going to have a little tournament," Powell said. "We are going to get to practice and learn some new stuff, hopefully get a feel of what it's like to play basketball again."

Junior Ty Hutto, also a returning player, said it should help a lot.

"If we start early, we can play more as

a team," Hutto said. "We can get more comfortable playing together."

Also returning from last season's bi-district finalist team is junior starter Derrek Pollard. Powell said it will help them get used to playing with the younger players.

"We have some pretty major guys stepping up this year," Powell said. "We have seven seniors. The ones coming up are going to have to work hard just like us. They are going to help us succeed."

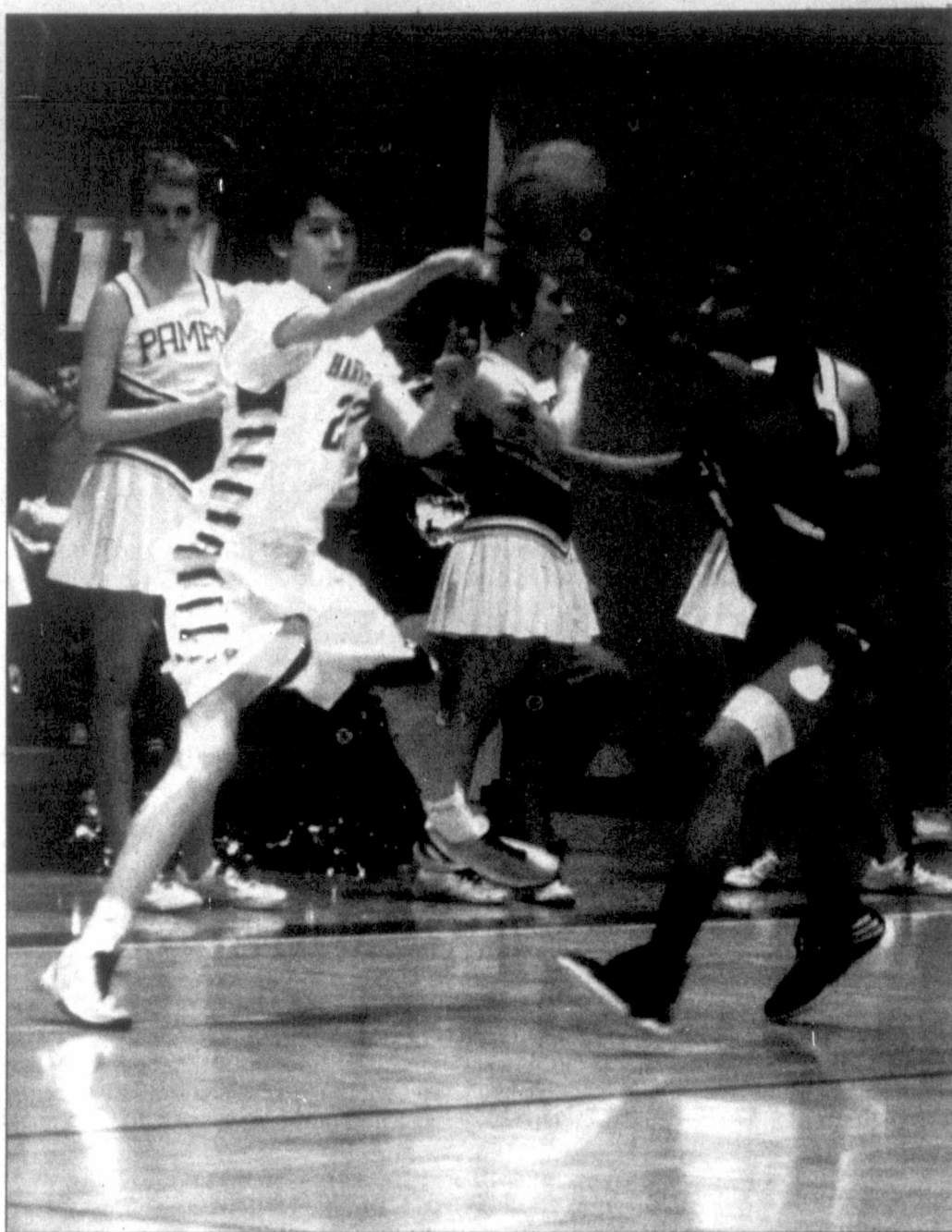
Hutto said several members from last year's junior varsity will be going to camp.

"I know Corey (Ponce), Jacob (Green), Gabe (Garcia) and Pat (Alvey) are going," Hutto said.

Along with getting used to new players, the Harvesters will have to adjust to a new coaching staff. Former assistant Matt Embry is taking over as head coach and Kyle Sanford will be joining the staff as an assistant after his wife Brooke accepted the head volleyball coaching position.



Powell



staff photo by Joe Murray

Junior Ty Hutto makes a pass during district last season. Hutto is one of three returning varsity players.

GIRLS OF SUMMER



photo courtesy of Kyle Parnell

The Pampa Tomboys won the Elk City 12U Memorial Tournament on Saturday. Team members from back: Coaches Tommy Winborne, Matt Gill and Kyle Parnell. Callin Burleson, Madison Davis, Bailey Soukup, Kambry Smith, Emma Gill, Karson Parnell, Allie O'Brien, Bethany Roden, Gracee Gill and Natalie Winborne.



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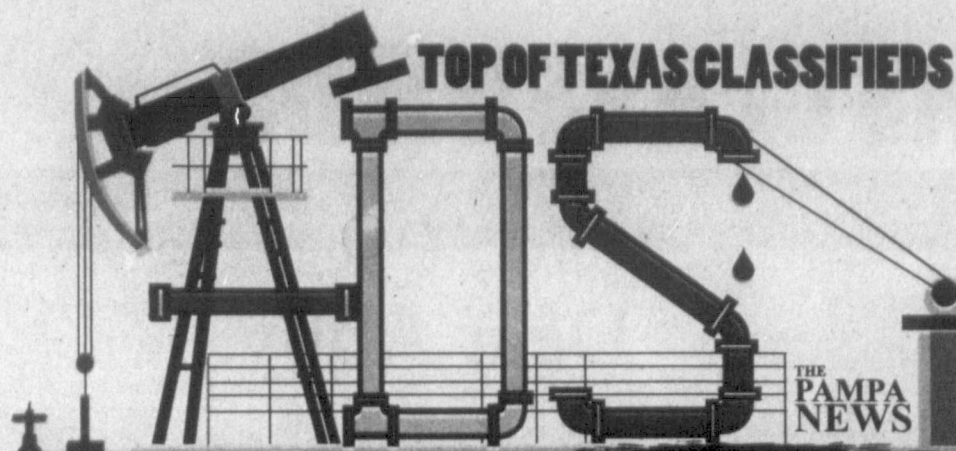
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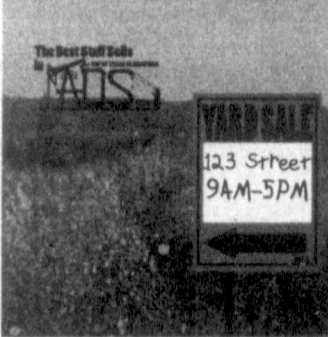
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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a 70-year-old widower with three grown children. My girlfriend is 53. We dated for several months before she moved in with me. I thought maybe with her living here I might fall in love with her. It has not, and will not, happen.
I hate to break her heart, but I know now that I will never ask her to marry me. I intend to remain single for the rest of my life.

How do I bring closure to this relationship? What are the words? I'm lost because this is a first for me. I was married for 40 years, and I just do not wish to be married again. How do I tell this nice lady? — **IN A BIND IN TEXAS**

DEAR IN A BIND: Having the woman move in with you "hoping" you would fall in love with her was a huge mistake, and one you should not repeat. When you say what you need to say, have plenty of tissue handy and expect her to be tearful and angry.

Start by saying, "We need to talk." Tell her she has done nothing wrong, and it is not a failure on her part, but you realize that you do not wish to remarry. Explain that feeling as you do, it would be

best if she moved. Offer to help her find a place if she has nowhere to go. You will be doing both of you a favor by being upfront NOW.

DEAR ABBY: I am a young, recently married woman. My husband and I are at the point where we're thinking about having kids. My brother married a close friend of mine not long after my wedding. My sister-in-law has a medical condition that may prevent her from having children.

I am very close to my brother and his wife, and I can see the writing on the wall. She brought up surrogacy once in passing, as a possible alternative if she can't have kids.

If I'm asked to be the surrogate, what advice do you have? I would be more than willing to consider it, but only after my husband and I have had our own children. Would it be selfish of me to also expect some compensation for my time and the toll it will take on my body? I want to be ready if and when I'm asked. What would be the best way to explain my reasoning to her? — **BACKUP MOM IN THE NORTHWEST**

DEAR BACKUP MOM: You are an intelligent woman and you are asking good questions. You should explain

your thinking to your sister-in-law as you have addressed them in your letter. It would be wise to consult an attorney who specializes in adoption/surrogacy to learn about the laws and procedures that apply in your state.

DEAR ABBY: I am an adult male with a longtime problem. Whether it's a sad or happy occasion, I start crying, sometimes sobbing. I try to avoid any situation that may cause this.

I am at a new point in my life where I can no longer avoid these situations. People think it's not normal. Please don't suggest I live with it. Is there a magic pill to control this? — **BIG CRYBABY IN BROOKLYN, N.Y.**

DEAR CRYBABY: There is no pill that can help you control those emotions that I know of. And because it is causing you problems, I do not recommend you "live with it." I do think, however, that if you discuss with a therapist what it is about sad and happy occasions that causes such an extreme reaction that you could get quickly to the bottom of it and learn to better control those emotions.

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6 Singer Joplin
11 Sports spot
12 Stirring
13 Southwestern river
14 Check recipient
15 Eventually
17 Golf goal
19 Junior, to senior
20 Scatter seeds
23 Needing change
25 One of a bear trio
26 Insulted loudly
28 Portent
29 Tie down
30 Rocker Nugent
31 Huck's pal
32 "Far out, dude!"
33 Lady of Spain
35 Rebound
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41 Outdo
42 "Rolling in the Deep" singer
43 Air freshener's targets
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5 Lessens the pressure
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17 Turning point
18 Cartoon genre
20 Soaked
21 Musical drama
22 Crossed the creek
24 Baseball score
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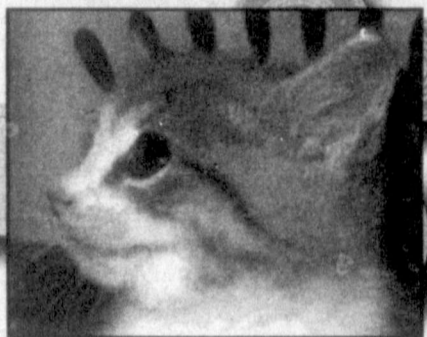
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Business

Enbridge building N.D. rail terminal

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — North Dakota regulators have approved the site plan for a new Berthold facility to load oil onto railroad cars.

The Enbridge pipeline company is building the terminal. Enbridge already has a Berthold station for loading oil into pipelines, and the network is expanding.

Enbridge is spending \$102 million to build the rail loading terminal for oil exports. The price includes the cost of land and new storage tanks and piping. North Dakota has almost a dozen rail terminals for loading oil.

Public Service Commission Chairman Tony Clark says about one-quarter of North Dakota's oil exports are shipped by rail, because pipelines can't handle it all.

Clark says railroad transport is more expensive than pipelines, but he says the railroad offers some flexibility that pipelines don't.

BUSINESS AROUND TEXAS

American, unions to renew talks

FORT WORTH (AP) — American Airlines plans to start contract talks this week with its unions while it waits for a federal bankruptcy judge to decide whether the company can impose its own terms on workers.

Thomas Horton, the CEO of American Airlines parent AMR Corp., said Wednesday that the talks will be mediated by another bankruptcy judge.

This month, American negotiated concessions from five groups representing nearly 11,000 of its 73,000 workers.

But it is in a standoff with pilots, flight attendants and mechanics. Horton said the impasse "has created uncertainty all around."

American and AMR filed for bankruptcy protection in November. AMR has been reworking aircraft leases and just finished a three-week trial in which it tried to persuade U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Sean Lane to let it break its existing union contracts.

AMR says that to survive it must cut jobs and reduce benefits and work rules in union contracts as part of a plan to save \$1.25 billion a year in labor costs. The unions say the proposed cuts are more than AMR needs to become profitable. The judge plans to rule by June 22.

American's unions have thrown their support behind a potential takeover bid from US Airways, which has promised the unions easier terms than American had proposed.

Exxon investors OK pay program

DALLAS (AP) — Exxon Mobil Corp.'s CEO had a good year in 2011 — he got compensation valued at \$25.2 million. Shareholders had a good year too, so on Wednesday they gave their approval to the oil giant's executive pay program.

Investors at Exxon's annual meeting cast about 78 percent of their shares in favor of the compensation-setting system, ignoring critics who said executive pay was too high.

Shareholders also voted against resolutions that took aim at a controversial method of drilling for natural gas and called on Exxon to set targets for cutting greenhouse gas emissions. Similar resolutions have been defeated at previous Exxon meetings.

They also rejected a measure to ban discrimination against gays and transgender employees. The company said it already prohibits bias of any kind including for sexual orientation, but the measure's supporters complained that Exxon does not offer benefits to partners of gay employees.

Rising oil prices helped boost Exxon's net income by 35 percent to \$41 billion in 2011, the company's best year since 2008. The stock rose 16 percent.

The company's board boosted Chairman and CEO Rex W. Tillerson's compensation by 17 percent, according to an analysis by The Associated Press. The combination of salary, stock awards and other compensation made Tillerson the 16th-highest paid executive among publicly traded U.S. companies last year.

Bob Evans to expand in Texas

SULPHUR SPRINGS (AP) — Bob Evans Farms Inc. says it will close two food production plants in Ohio next year and beef up production at its Sulphur Springs facility.

The Ohio-based restaurant and food company plans to shut down plants in Springfield in western Ohio and Bidwell in southern Ohio next summer as it focuses on convenience foods, packaged side dishes and other higher-growth opportunities.

It's also investing \$23 million or more to add lines and boost production of ready-to-eat foods at the facility in Sulphur Springs.

The plant opened in Sulphur Springs in 2004 when Bob Evans Foods converted the former Kozy Shack pudding plant to produce its line of breakfast tacos, links, sausage patties, etc.

Just three years ago, the company completed a \$16 million expansion that doubled the size of the original 52,770 square foot plant, helping boost the number of employees from the initial 60 to 190.

Sulphur Springs civic leaders have consistently praised Bob Evans Farms Inc., and corporate executives have frequently reacted in kind.

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