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Pampa man, 19, missing in Southern California

Hall last seen crossing back into United States from Mexico in late May



Hall

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The Gray County Sheriff's Office is looking for information on 19-year-old Michael "Lane" Hall of Pampa, an at-

risk missing person, who was reported missing on Monday, June 4.
 Hall was originally reported missing on May 26, but on May 31, Hall was seen crossing into the United States at the San Ysidro, Calif., port of entry at

approximately 2:30 a.m.
 In San Diego, Hall's 2004 Ford F150 pickup truck was involved in a pursuit with police, which resulted in the arrest of two Mexican citizens.
 The truck was recovered in eastern San Diego, but it was determined that Hall was not in the vehicle during the pursuit.
 San Diego investigators believe Hall may have been visiting Ocean Beach, Pacific Beach or La Jolla in California.
 Hall is a white male about 5'11" to 6'0" tall with blue eyes and light brown hair, weighing between 160 to 180 pounds.
 The Sheriff's Office asks anyone with information on Hall to contact them at 806-669-8022.

Twenty-five people indicted by Gray County grand jury

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A Gray County Grand Jury returned 28 indictments against 25 people this month. Nineteen of the indictments were drug-related.

Justin Billy Adams, 29, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in an amount of four grams or more but less than 200 grams, in connection with a December 2011 incident. Bond for Adams was set at \$20,000.

Alfonso Albear, 68, was indicted on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, a rifle, in connection with a March 2012 incident. Bond for Albear was set at \$20,000.

Kristi Renee Aldridge, 28, was indicted on charges of tampering with or fabricating physical evidence, a bag of cocaine, with intent to impair, and manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance, cocaine, in an amount of one gram or more but less than four grams, both in connection with a September 2011 incident. Bond for Aldridge was set at \$32,500.

John Eric Allen, 44, was indicted on a third or greater charge of driving while intoxicated, in connection with a January 2012 incident. Bond for Allen was set at \$15,000.

Kenneth Dewayne Allen, 28, was indicted on charges of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, and possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance, cocaine, in an amount of one gram or more but less than four grams, both in connection with a September 2011 incident. Bond for Allen was set at \$40,000.

Hailey Marie Andler, 20, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in an amount of less than one gram, in connection with a December 2011 incident. Bond for Andler was set at \$12,500.

Alton Lloyd Caswell, 41, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in an amount of one gram or more but less than four grams, in connection with a February 2010 incident. This charge was enhanced by two previous convictions for burglary of a habitation. Bond for Caswell was set at \$25,000.

Krissy Lee Dennis, 47, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in an amount of one gram or more but less than four grams, in connection with a July 2011 incident. Bond for Dennis was set at \$15,000.

Scott Ray Dewoody, 44, was indicted on third or greater charge of driving while intoxicated, in connection with an October 2011 incident. Bond for Dewoody was set at \$15,000.

Gerardo Dominguez, 21, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in connection with a December 2011 incident. Bond for Dominguez was set at \$12,500.

Bobby Lee Faires Jr., 28, was indicted on a charge of aggravated sexual assault of a child, in connection with an October 2011 incident. Bond for Faires was set at \$35,000.

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CONCRETE PROGRESS



staff photo by Andrew Glover

Jose Silva of B&B Solvent LTD guides the flow of concrete as Juan Silva and Ddan Torres spread it on Tuesday. The city laid down the concrete for an entry to the EMS hangar in a project between the City of Pampa, Gray County and Pampa Regional Medical Center to improve accessibility to the helipad. "It feels good, because we have an interlocal agreement with the city, and the city and county have worked well together the last nine years," said Gray County Commissioner Gary Willoughby.



staff photo by Mollie Bryant

Clients and staff of the Pampa Sheltered Workshop stand together in anticipation of the upcoming Summer Bash, to be held on Wednesday, June 20.

Sheltered Workshop to host Summer Bash

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The Pampa Sheltered Workshop will host its Summer Bash on Wednesday, June 20 from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room at MK Brown Auditorium. Mary Lane, director of the Sheltered Workshop's dayhab program said the event will bring together people in Texas

Panhandle dayhab programs from Dumas, Perryton, Hereford, Borger and Amarillo. "There'll be a casual meal, a dance with a DJ and a skit that Pat Stewart helps our clients put on," said Lane. "The dance is usually Western music or anything they ask for, so our clients can socialize with other dayhabs from around the area," she added.

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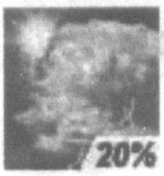
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PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Friday	Saturday
		
High 90 Low 66	High 89 Low 64	High 88 Low 65

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 90. Windy, with a south wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. Breezy, with a south wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Friday: Partly sunny, with a high near 89. Breezy, with a south wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 64. Windy, with a south wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 88. South southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

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Historic Battleship Texas springs leak

LA PORTE (AP) — Children shimmy up the barrels of massive cannons on the upper decks of the 100-year-old Battleship Texas, focused on firing at an imaginary enemy and oblivious to the tension in the historic vessel's belly where a crew works on pumping out dozens of gallons of oil-laced water.

The battleship where the young tourists roam became flooded over the weekend. Staff arrived Saturday and immediately noticed something was wrong with the ship that fought in World Wars I and II and has served since 1948 as a memorial and museum to those who sacrificed their lives.

The vessel was sitting awkwardly in its slip. She was lower in the water and listing to the left.

"We got down to the lower portions of the ship and discovered that we had taken on more water than usual in areas that we nor-

mally don't," ship manager Andy Smith said. "They started pumping throughout the day Saturday, and it got progressively worse."

The situation was so dire by Sunday that the ship's caretaker, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, had to find more pumps to help remove the water. Smith said the news got worse on Monday.

Water had entered areas that housed old oil tanks used when the ship was still in active duty and serving in every theater in World War II. The Navy had emptied out the oil before handing the vessel over to Texas, but hadn't cleaned out the tanks. Smith realized he had an environmental issue on his hands.

He hired a company to skim the oil off the top of the water and set up boom in case any of it landed in Buffalo Bayou and the Houston Ship Channel. Meanwhile, Smith's pumps are working nonstop to re-

move the water from the bottom, and at least ensure no more liquids get on the vessel.

"It seems like every time we turn around there's more oil because obviously it's very residual but it spreads really nice, especially in this nice Texas heat," Smith said.

Until the oil is removed, workers can't get out all the water and look for the source of the problem, which could be several things. It is possible, he said, that the oil will be completely removed by late Wednesday. Then, it should only take a few hours to remove the water, though Smith said he is preparing for the possibility that more water will flow in for a short time after the oil is completely removed due to a change in pressure.

Still, he hopes to at least know the source of the problem by Thursday so the crew can begin designing a repair plan.

Obituaries

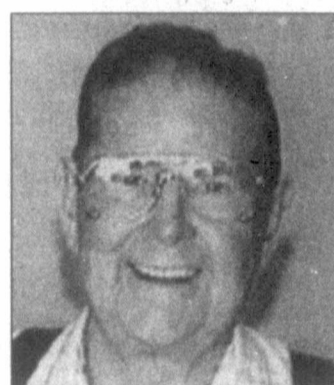
Billy Joe Cox, 83

Billy Joe Cox, 83, died June 12, 2012, in Amarillo.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, June 14, 2012, at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, with Rev. Dallas Stringer, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, and Rev. Richard Bartel, associate pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Cox was born April 15, 1929, in Seminole, Okla. and was a lifelong resident of Pampa. He married Merdeith Waters on September 25, 1953, in Pampa. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during the Korean Conflict. Billy worked for Ideal Food Stores for 30 years as a butcher. After his retirement he and Merdeith enjoyed their summer home in Daisy, Ark. with their special friends Red and Ruby Bishop. Meredith preceded him in death on August 5, 2011. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Renee Marak and husband Lynn, and Brenda Hinds and husband Randy, all of Pampa; three grandchildren, Amy Quarles and husband Chad, Casey Knutson and wife Lorrie and Kallie Marak, all of Pampa; three great-grandchildren, Bailey Knutson, Nataleigh Knutson and Marlee Quarles, all of Pampa; two sisters, Carolyn Bachus of Amarillo, and Eva Lou Hawkins of Chillicothe, Mo.; his stepbrother, Charlie Rithaler and wife Pat of Pampa; brother-in-law, Myrel Looper of Pampa; three nieces, Becky Saltzman and husband Tommy, Debbie Heiser and husband How-



Cox

ard, and Cindy Gruef, all of Pampa; and a nephew, Mike Taylor and wife Nancy of Yorba Linda, Calif.

Memorials may be made to Medical Center League House, 7000 Amarillo Blvd. West, Amarillo, Texas 79106, or Odyssey Hospice, 6900 I-40 West, Suite 150, Amarillo, Texas 79106.

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Geraldine Boggs, 79

LEFORS — Geraldine Boggs, 79, departed this world on June 12, 2012, in Lefors, to spend everlasting life with her Lord Jesus Christ.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Boggs was born August 10, 1932, in Tuscaloosa, Ala. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. She was preceded in death by her husband Jerry, of 60 years.

Survivors include three sons, Gary Boggs and wife Barbara, Kevin Boggs and wife Adina, and Jason Boggs; six grandchildren, Isabel, David, Ashley, Jourdan, Brianna and Micah; six great-grandchildren, three brothers, two sisters, five half-sisters and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 6-7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 15, 2012, at Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors in Pampa.

Memorials may be made to Priest Park Church of God, 731 N. Faulkner, Pampa, TX 79065.

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whitley.com.



Boggs

For the record

Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24 hour period ending Wednesday, June 13 at 7 a.m.

Pampa PD reported nine traffic-related incidents.

Pampa EMS and the Lefors Volunteer EMS responded to four medical calls.

Animal Control agents and Pampa PD reported four animal-related incidents.

Tuesday, June 12

Fraud occurred at the 400 block of South Graham.

Criminal mischief occurred at the 1000 block of East Fisher.

A suspicious person was reported at Hill and Browning.

A stolen vehicle was reported at the 1900 block of North Nelson.

A violation of city ordinance occurred at Oklahoma and Elm.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 2200 block of North Wells.

A theft occurred at the 1300 block of North Coffee.

A hit and run was reported.

A theft occurred at the 500 block of Wilks.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 1200 block of North Hobart.

An accident occurred at the 1400 block of North Hobart and at the 1300 block of North Hobart.

A threat was reported.

A hit and run occurred at the 1100 block of South Hobart.

A suspicious person was reported at the 900 block of

South Hobart.

Wednesday, June 13

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 100 block of Village.

A burglary occurred at the 400 block of Graham.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 800 block of North Nelson.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24 hour period ending Wednesday, May 13 at 7 a.m.

Tuesday, May 12

Rafael Vasquez Feliz, 43, was arrested by deputies on insufficient bond.



Clayton Lee Nickels, 29, was arrested by deputies on a bench warrant.

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Stand-your-ground man guilty

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston jury convicted a man Wednesday of murdering his neighbor during a confrontation outside the neighbor's home two years ago, rejecting his claim that he was within his rights to fatally shoot the man under Texas' version of a stand-your-ground law.

Raul Rodriguez, 47, faces up to life in prison for the 2010 killing of Kelly Danaher.

Rodriguez, a retired Houston-area firefighter, was angry about the noise coming from his neighbor's home, where a birthday party was taking place. He went to the home and got into an argument with Danaher, a 36-year-old elementary school teacher, and two other men who were at the party.

In a 22-minute video he recorded the night of the shooting, Rodriguez can be heard telling a police dispatcher "my life is in danger now" and "these people are going to go try and kill me." He then said "I'm standing my ground here," and shot Danaher. The two other men were wounded.

White testifies against voter rules

GALVESTON (AP) — Former Gov. Mark White has testified that voter registration restrictions approved by the 2011 Legislature are unnecessary and make it tougher to register voters.

White took the stand Tuesday in federal court in Galveston on the final day of a hearing challenging the new provisions. Democrat White, before becoming governor, was secretary of state in the 1970s and helped overhaul the state's election code.

Assistant Attorney General Kathlyn Wilson argued the updated rules are meant to prevent fraud.

The nonpartisan group Project Vote seeks to block provisions regulating large-scale, community-based voter registration efforts. The group in February sued Secretary of State Hope Andrade and the voter registrar in Galveston County.

U.S. District Judge Gregg Costa has given both sides a week to submit further information.

Cartel probe centered in Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Seven people arrested in connection with a federal investigation of how one of Mexico's most powerful drug cartels laundered money through quarter horse operations in New Mexico and Oklahoma will eventually face a judge in Texas.

U.S. Attorney's office spokesman Daryl Fields said Wednesday that all of those arrested will make their initial appearances before judges in the districts where they were apprehended. When they will arrive in Austin is uncertain, but they will all eventually stand before a magistrate judge there.

Eusevio Maldonado Huitron, among those arrested Tuesday on a money laundering charge, is the case's Austin-area connection. Authorities are trying to seize the 48-year-old's ranch about 25 miles southwest of Austin. He was scheduled to appear in court Friday.

Online court records don't list an attorney for Huitron.

Ex-superintendent admits fraud

EL PASO (AP) — A former El Paso schools superintendent has pleaded guilty to federal conspiracy charges from a probe into alleged misuse of federal money intended for school programs.

Lorenzo Garcia pleaded guilty to two conspiracy counts. He could receive up to 3.5 years in prison under his plea agreement. Sentencing is scheduled for Sept. 14 in federal court in El Paso.

Prosecutors say the district paid \$360,000 under a no-bid contract for simple math materials touted as "specialized data" to prepare students for high-stakes standardized testing. Prosecutors alleged Garcia didn't disclose his financial stake in the company and lied by saying in the 2006 proposal to trustees that the company was sole provider of the materials.

Authorities say Garcia also didn't disclose a personal relationship with the company's owner.

Man sentenced in fraud scheme

HOUSTON (AP) — A former co-owner of a Houston home healthcare agency received a 9-year prison sentence after pleading guilty to conspiracy and kickback charges for filing fraudulent Medicare claims.

A federal judge also ordered Clifford Ubani and nine co-defendants to pay restitution totaling \$4.2 million. U.S. District Judge Nancy Atlas of Houston also ordered the former co-owner and finance chief of Family Healthcare Group Wednesday to serve 3 years of supervised release.

A Justice Department statement says Ubani and others recruited Medicare beneficiaries to agree to allow their names to be used on fraudulent, unnecessary Medicare claims.

Ubani is the eighth defendant to be sentenced in the case. Co-owner Princewill Njoku and patient recruiter Cynthia Garza Williams await sentencing.

No more free lunches, even for dogs

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Dog Talk with Uncle Matty



It all started when my dog began getting free rollover minutes. — Jay London

We Americans are staunch in our conviction that we must pull ourselves up by our bootstraps, earn our keep, dance for our dinner.

But our dogs? Not so much. A great majority of American dogs spend eight or more hours every weekday snoozing on the couch, waiting for their hardworking humans to come home and deliver dinner and a belly rub — free of charge.

It's high time our dogs got off the continental breakfast bandwagon. After all, you don't get something for nothin'. Am I right, folks?

OK, so I'm not suggesting you tell your dog to get a job or get out. But I would like to introduce you to the wide world of mental and physical stimulation for dogs.

We all know that a tired dog is a good dog. Start your dog's day with a walk or a run before breakfast. This provides exercise, which drains energy and maintains fitness. It also offers the mental stimulation of moving beyond his small world, especially if you change your route regularly. Just make sure he "sits" and "waits" before fastening the leash and exiting the door. After all, an outing is a major life reward that should be earned.

And don't stop there. Instead of spooning your dog's morning meal into a bowl and handing it over as the ultimate freebie, divide it in half. Stuff one half into one of the many food puzzle toys on the market and put that aside for when you leave for work. Take the other half and turn it into a game of Find It. Here's how you play:

Have your dog "sit" and "stay." Go to a room or section of the yard where he can't see you, and hide small piles of his kibble in various places. When you're done, instruct your dog to "find it."

Set your dog up to succeed by easing him into the game.

Food should be at least partially visible until your dog gets the hang of working his nose to find it. It's not unusual to have to point him in the right direction initially. Gradually increase the difficulty as your dog's sniffer proves itself worthy. Advanced

games of Find It involve hiding treats and kibble in flowerpots, under cushions and behind furniture, rocks and trees. This kind of nose work is both physically and mentally exhausting. And it offers the added bonus of reinforcing training and the notion that you control all good things in life.

When your dog has successfully "found it" all, and when you're ready to get on with your day, hide the food puzzle toy (offered in varying degrees of difficulty) that contains the other half of his breakfast and instruct him to "find it" before you leave the house. (Again, how well you hide it should correspond with the skill of your dog's nose.) Voila! Mental and physical stimulation even in your absence. Repeat for dinner.

Countless toys and games of this nature exist for the pleasure and growth of you and your dog. Hide-and-Seek is a version of Find It that uses you as the ultimate reward. Fetch is a great game that reinforces training -- "here," "drop it," "give," "fetch" -- and provides an awesome physical workout. Agility classes, pack hikes, playdates, trips to the dog park, and group or one-on-one training sessions are all forms of mental and physical stimulation that ward off boredom and all the behavioral problems that come with it.

Sorry, pups. No more free lunches! 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!"

Cruz pockets big bucks across U.S.

WASHINGTON — If money talks in politics, conservative activists are shouting that the hotly contested U.S. Senate runoff between conservative insurgent Ted Cruz and Austin powerhouse David Dewhurst is the most important Republican race in the country.

Federal Election Commission records analyzed by the Houston Chronicle indicate Cruz, the former Texas solicitor general who has targeted his own party's establishment in a noisy nomination battle, has raked in more money from conservative super PACs than any other Senate candidate in the nation: \$3.8 million.

While Dewhurst, the state's lieutenant governor and the early favorite, has raised more than 90 percent of his campaign cash in Texas, Cruz has pocketed 35 percent of his proceeds from outside the state. The tea party favorite from Houston has received more than \$1.5 million from more than 1,000 donors outside the Lone Star State.

Aiding Cruz's quest for campaign cash is a long list of endorsements from national conservative superstars, including former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, South Carolina Sen. Jim DeMint, Fox TV host Sean Hannity, former presidential candidate Rick Santorum and former Reagan administra-

tion Attorney General Ed Meese.

Like conservative Florida Sen. Marco Rubio, Cruz attracts donations because he is a "very articulate spokesman for small government and a distinct, consistent ideology," said Jim Granato, director of the

University of Houston's Hobby Center for Public Policy.

"Both men have the potential to be transformative figures," he added.

Cruz, 41, received donations from every state except for the liberal bastion of Vermont. Dewhurst,

66, has scored just \$180,800 in contributions from 88 people in 20 other states and Washington, D.C.

While Dewhurst has out-raised Cruz so far this year, \$18.4 million to \$5.8 million, Cruz has an 8-to-1 edge beyond the borders of Texas.

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Thursday, June 14, the 166th day of 2012. There are 200 days left in the year. This is Flag Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress in Philadelphia adopted the Stars and Stripes as the national flag.

On this date:

In 1775, the Continental Army, forerunner of the United States Army, was created.

In 1801, former American Revolutionary War General and notorious turncoat Benedict Arnold died in London.

In 1922, Warren G. Harding became the first president heard on radio, as Baltimore station WEAR broadcast his speech dedicating the Francis Scott Key memorial at Fort McHenry.

In 1940, German troops entered Paris during World War II; on the same day, the Nazis began transporting Jewish prisoners to the Auschwitz concentration camp in German-occupied Poland.

In 1943, the Supreme Court, in *West Virginia State Board of Education v. Barnette*, ruled that children in public schools could not be forced to salute the flag of the United States.

In 1952, President Harry S. Truman officiated at the keel-laying of the nuclear-powered submarine USS Nautilus at the Electric Boat Shipyard in Groton (GRAH'-tuhn), Conn.

In 1954, the words "under God" were added to the Pledge of Allegiance.

In 1967, the space probe Mariner 5 was launched from Cape Kennedy on a flight that took it past Venus.

In 1972, the Environmental Protection Agency ordered a ban on continued domestic use of the pesticide DDT, to take effect at year's end.

In 1982, Argentine forces surrendered to British troops on the disputed Falkland Islands.

In 1985, the 17-day hijack ordeal of TWA Flight 847 began as a pair of Lebanese Shiite (SHEE'-eyet) Muslim extremists seized the jetliner shortly after takeoff from Athens, Greece.

In 1992, Mona Van Duyn became the first woman to be named the nation's poet laureate by the Library of Congress.

Ten years ago: American Roman Catholic bishops meeting in Dallas adopted a policy to bar sexually abusive clergy from face-to-face contact with parishioners but keep them in the priesthood. A suicide bomber blew up a truck at the U.S. consulate in Karachi, Pakistan, killing 14 Pakistanis.

Five years ago: Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas declared an emergency after the Hamas militant group effectively took control of the Gaza Strip. Reputed Klansman James Ford Seale was convicted of kidnapping Charles Eddie Moore and Henry Hezekiah Dee, two black teenagers who were deliberately drowned in Mississippi in 1964. (Seale, sentenced to life, died in prison in 2011 at age 76.) Ruth Graham, the wife of evangelist Billy Graham, died in Montreat, N.C., at age 87. Former U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim died in Vienna, Austria, at age 88. The San Antonio Spurs won their fourth NBA title in nine years as they defeated the Cleveland Cavaliers 83-82 in Game 4.

One year ago: President Barack Obama made a four-hour visit to Puerto Rico, becoming the first president since John F. Kennedy to make an official visit to the U.S. territory.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Marla Gibbs is 81. House Minority Whip Steny Hoyer, D-Md., is 73. Writer Peter Mayle is 73. Actor Jack Bannon is 72. Country-rock musician Spooner Oldham is 69. Rock singer Rod Argent (The Zombies; Argent) is 67. Real estate mogul and TV personality Donald Trump is 66. Singer Janet Lennon (The Lennon Sisters) is 66. Rock musician Barry Melton is 65. Rock musician Alan White (Yes) is 63. Actor Eddie Mekka is 60. Actor Will Patton is 58. Olympic gold-medal speed skater Eric Heiden is 54. Singer Boy George is 51. Rock musician Chris DeGarmo is 49. Actress Traylor Howard is 46. Actress Yasmine Bleeth is 44. Actor Faizon Love is 44. Tennis player Steffi Graf is 43. Screenwriter Diablo Cody is 34. Actor J.R. Martinez is 29. Actor-singer Kevin McHale is 24. Actress Lucy Hale is 23. Actor Daryl Sabara is 20.

Thought for Today: "It is the flag just as much of the man who was naturalized yesterday as of the men whose people have been here many generations." — Henry Cabot Lodge, U.S. senator and historian (1850-1924).



Coal use plummets as U.S. switches to gas

JONATHAN FAHEY
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — America is shoveling coal to the sidelines.

The fuel that powered the U.S. from the industrial revolution into the iPhone era is being pushed aside as utilities switch to cleaner and cheaper alternatives.

The share of U.S. electricity that comes from coal is forecast to fall below 40 percent for the year — the lowest level since the government began collecting this data in 1949. Four years ago, it was 50 percent. By the end of this decade, it is likely to be near 30 percent.

"The peak has passed," says Jone-Lin Wang, head of Global Power for the energy research firm IHS CERA.

Utilities are aggressively ditching coal in favor of natural gas, which has become cheaper as supplies grow. Natural gas has other advantages over coal: It produces far fewer emissions of toxic chemicals and gases that contribute to climate change, key attributes as tougher environmental rules go into effect.

Natural gas will be used to produce 29 percent of the country's electricity this year, up from 20 percent in 2008. Nuclear accounts for 20 percent. Hydroelectric, wind, solar and other renewables make up the rest.

The shift from coal is reverberating across Appalachia, where mining companies are laying off workers and cutting production. Utilities across the country are grappling with how to store growing piles of unused coal. And legal disputes are breaking out as they try to cancel contracts and defer deliveries:

— Mining company Alpha Natural Resources of Bristol, Va., plans to produce 11.5 million fewer tons of coal this year, a decline of 11 percent, because so many customers have requested deferrals. The company has announced that 12 mining operations in Kentucky and West Virginia will be idled or slowed, and 353 jobs cut.

— Patriot Coal, a mining company based in St. Louis, closed a mine in Kentucky, idled several others in Kentucky and West Virginia, and has cut 1,000 jobs. The company's stock has fallen below \$2, down from nearly \$25 a year ago, and the company's CEO, Richard Whiting, was replaced at the end of May.

— GenOn, a wholesale power

producer based in Houston, has invoked a legal clause typically used after natural disasters to try to stop suppliers from delivering more coal to already overloaded plants. "We just can't physically take it right now," says GenOn CEO Edward Muller.

Coal has dominated the U.S. power industry for so long because it's a cheap and abundant domestic resource. The U.S. is the world's second-largest coal producer after China, and it has the world's biggest reserves — enough to last more than 200 years.

Coal has also enjoyed strong political support because of the jobs it provides in mining and transportation. That helped coal thrive even as environmental concerns over mining practices and air quality grew.

Just five years ago, coal was flourishing in the U.S. With electricity demand and the price of natural gas both rising, coal was viewed as essential to keeping power costs under control. Utilities drew up plans to build dozens of coal-fired plants.

But around the same time, a revolution was under way in the natural gas industry. Drillers figured how to tap enormous deposits of previously inaccessible reserves. As supplies grew and the price of natural gas plummeted, the ground shifted under the electric-power industry.

Now coal is being beaten at its own game. Natural gas has become a cheap and abundant domestic resource, too. And it is more environmentally friendly.

Power plants that burn coal produce more than 90 times as much sulfur dioxide, five times as much nitrogen oxide and twice as much carbon dioxide as those that run on natural gas, according to the Government Accountability Office, the regulatory arm of Congress. Sulfur dioxide causes acid rain; nitrogen oxides cause smog; and carbon dioxide is a so-called greenhouse gas that traps heat in the atmosphere.

A pair of clean air rules enacted by the Environmental Protection Agency over the past year tightens limits on power-plant emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen dioxide, and place new limits on mercury, a poison found in coal. This will force between 32 and 68 of the dirtiest and oldest coal plants in the country to close over the

next three years as the rules go into effect, according to an AP survey of power plant operators conducted late last year.

Coal was hit with a potentially bigger environmental blow in March when the EPA issued guidelines that could limit greenhouse gas emissions from new power plants as early as 2013. Once the guidelines go into effect, no coal plants will be built unless utilities can develop a cost-effective way to capture carbon dioxide, analysts say. That technology has been slow to develop and is very expensive.

"Even without the EPA rules, coal is not really competitive," Wang says.

Coal executives are hardly giving up. Nick Delulio, President of Consol Energy, a coal and natural gas producer based in Canonsburg, Pa., doubts the EPA's restrictions on greenhouse gases will survive long term because of the economic harm he says they will inflict.

Consol and other U.S. coal companies hope to be able to keep mines active by exporting more of the country's huge reserves. Last year U.S. coal exports hit a record 107 million short tons. High grade coal that is used to make steel is in particular demand in developing countries such as China, India and Brazil.

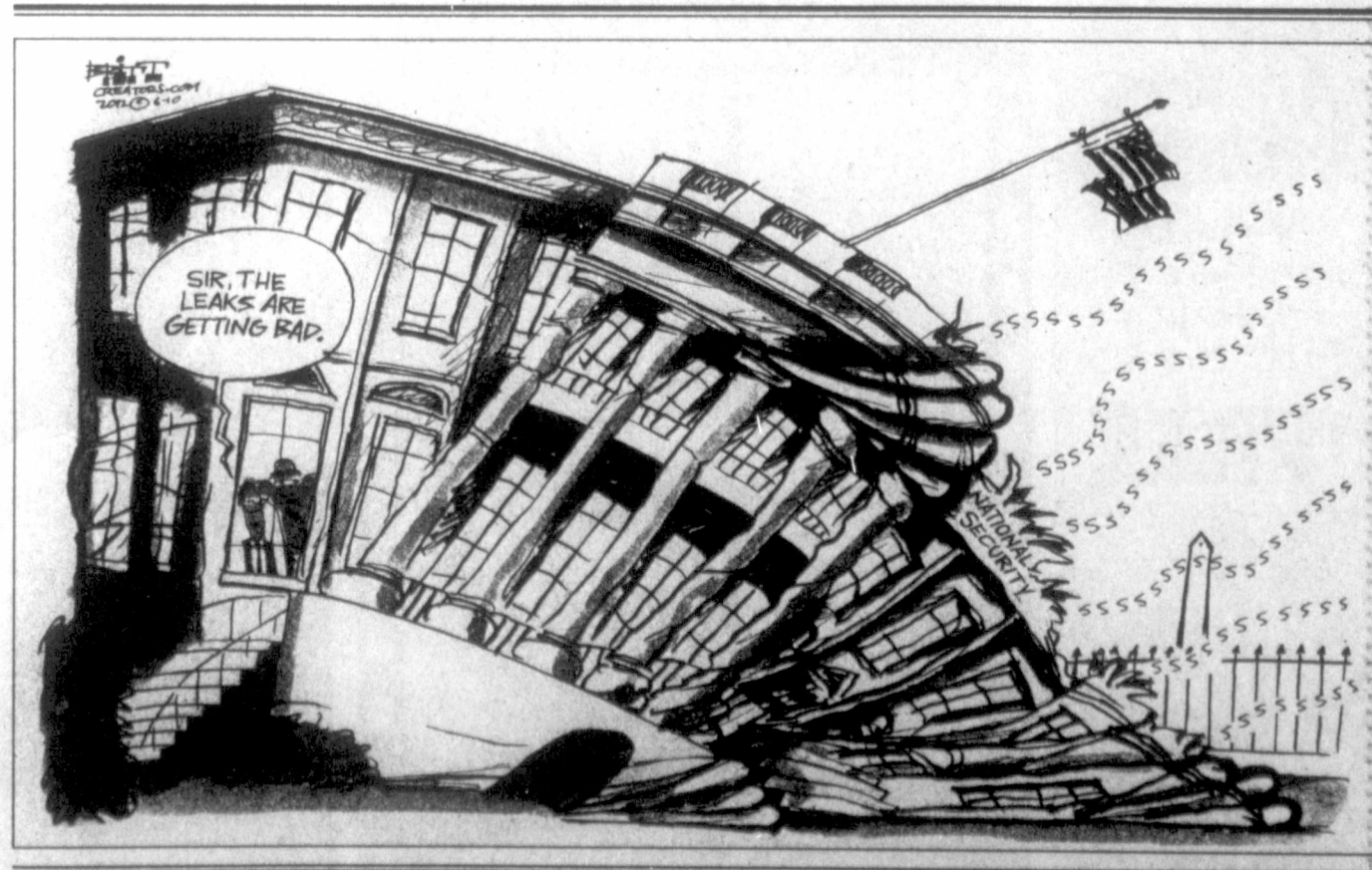
Delulio says the price of natural gas will rebound over time and that coal will once again account for half the nation's electricity. "This is a cycle," he says.

The futures price of natural gas hit a 10-year low of \$1.91 per thousand cubic feet in April. It closed Tuesday at \$2.23 but would have to more than double from there to convince utilities that have a choice of fuels to return to coal whenever possible.

Utilities are forecast to burn 808 million tons of coal this year, a 13 percent decline from last year and the fewest tons since 1992, according to Energy Department data.

Demand for coal has fallen even faster than the environmentalists who have been lobbying against coal had anticipated.

Bruce Nilles, director of the Sierra Club's Beyond Coal campaign, says the shift was accelerated by the low price of natural gas. That, along with tougher environmental rules and alternatives such as wind and solar will keep the pressure on coal. "We won't go backwards," he says.



Business

Two Prime-owned hospitals earn 'A' rating in preventable injuries

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — A pair of Prime Healthcare-owned hospitals in Orange County recently received an A in the first national rating of preventable patient injuries and illnesses, according to the employer-financed nonprofit Leapfrog Group.

Garden Grove Hospital and Medical Center and La Palma Intercommunity

Hospital were awarded the study's highest grade. Ontario, Calif.-based Prime Healthcare Services also owns Pampa's Pampa Regional Medical Center.

The Leapfrog group said it created its ratings in response to a "silent epidemic" of preventable patient injuries, medical and medication errors, and infections. It doesn't evaluate overall

medical care, surgeries or other treatment.

The goal, according to a news release, is to give patients information they can check before selecting a hospital and encourage hospitals to increase patient safety.

"Approximately 400 people die every day because of hospital errors — the

equivalent of a jet crashing every day and killing all aboard," said the news release.

"We hope people will use this score to talk with their doctor, make informed decisions about where to seek care, and take the right precautions during a hospital stay," Leapfrog CEO Leah Binder said in the news release.

BUSINESS AROUND TEXAS

Dell plans over \$2B in cuts

ROUND ROCK (AP) — Computer maker Dell Inc. is planning to trim its expenses by more than \$2 billion during the next three years as it tries to move into the more lucrative areas of technology.

Dell outlined its cost-cutting plans Wednesday, the day after the company committed to paying the first quarterly dividend in its 28-year history. The quarterly dividend of 8 cents per share will cost Dell more than \$560 million a year.

The bulk of the projected savings will come from Dell's sales group, where the company plans to wring out about \$800 million in expenses. Another \$600 million in cuts are envisioned in Dell's factories and other parts of its supply chain. The remainder of the cost-cutting will be concentrated in service delivery (\$400 million) and its general and administrative spending (\$200 million).

The company, which is based in Round Rock, Texas, also didn't say whether it will lay off workers or eliminate jobs through attrition to save money. Wednesday's presentation for analysts and investors mentioned "consolidation" of sales support, a winnowing process that often leads to layoffs. Dell currently employs about 109,000 workers.

American union election blocked

FORT WORTH (AP) — A federal judge has temporarily stopped a union-organizing election at American Airlines that was to begin next week.

U.S. District Court Judge Terry R. Means said Wednesday that American was likely to win a lawsuit seeking to stop the election among passenger-service agents, so he granted a temporary restraining order.

American says the union didn't get enough signatures to qualify for an election under new, tougher rules that took effect in February.

The National Mediation Board had scheduled voting to begin June 21 and run through Aug. 2.

The Communications Workers of America are seeking

to represent nearly 10,000 agents who take reservations and work at airports. It's the largest group of nonunion workers among American's 73,000 employees.

SpaceX could build in Texas

McGREGOR (AP) — South Texas is the leading candidate for a launch site for the company that sent the world's first commercial supply ship to the International Space Station.

SpaceX Chief Executive Elon Musk said he wants to

build a spaceport near Brownsville. He said Wednesday he plans to talk to Texas Gov. Rick Perry about incentives and other issues.

SpaceX also is considering sites in Florida and Puerto Rico.

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No protections for sagebrush lizard

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — A contentious battle over a rare lizard found only in New Mexico and West Texas' oil and gas country took a surprising turn Wednesday with federal officials deciding not to bestow endangered species protections on the small reptile.

U.S. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar said the much-anticipated decision over the dunes sagebrush lizard was based on the "best available science" and because of voluntary conservation agreements now in place in the two states.

"This is a great example of how states and landowners can take early, landscape-level action to protect wildlife habitat before a species is listed under the Endangered Species Act," Salazar said in a conference call. "The voluntary conservation efforts of Texas and New Mexico, oil and gas operators, private landowners and other stakeholders show that we don't have to choose between energy development and the protection of our land and wildlife — we can do both."

Congressional members praised the decision for a compromise that could signal a shift in the way the government deals with a long list of plants and animals awaiting federal protections.

"I think that under the Endanger Species Act, if you look at these conservation agreements, they have real potential. This should be a model for how

we deal with these kinds of issues," said U.S. Sen. Tom Udall, D-N.M.

The Fish and Wildlife Service delayed a final decision on the lizard earlier this year after an outcry from members of Congress and communities in both states that rely on oil and gas development for jobs and tax revenue.

The lizard is native to a small area of southeastern New Mexico and West Texas. It is found only in sand dune complexes that have shinnery oak.

The primary threat to the lizard is oil and gas development near the dune complexes and oak removal stemming from the need for more forage for grazing, according to federal biologists.

Oil and gas producers throughout the Permian Basin say protecting the species could stop production, since federal protections would mean the lizard's habitat cannot be disturbed. The basin produces more than 1 million barrels of oil a day.

Republicans U.S. Sen. John Cornyn of Texas, Rep. Steve Pearce of New Mexico and congressional members from several other states sent letters to the agency and Salazar seeking the delay on a final decision, echoing the industry's concerns. Environmentalists have argued that lizard habitat makes up only a fraction of the areas being used by energy developers and that listing would not impair the industry. They called the decision not to list the lizard "unfortunate."

"There is no species more deserving of federal protection than the dunes sagebrush lizard. Existing conservation measures, particularly in Texas, are so weak that I fear the species may become extirpated in parts of its remaining range," said Mark Salvo, wildlife program director for the New Mexico-based group WildEarth Guardians.

They have accused the Fish and Wildlife Service of caving to political pressure and energy interests.

The oil and gas industry praised the decision.

"We think the Fish and Wildlife Services got it right," said Ben Shepperd, executive director of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association in Midland, Texas. "We have always contended that the best available science did not warrant a listing."

In May, federal officials said energy industry had made enough progress toward conserving habitat in Texas and New Mexico that its efforts may help prevent the reptile from being listed. About 95 percent of the lizard's habitat in New Mexico and more than 70 percent of it in West Texas are under voluntary conservation contracts.

The agreements mean ranchers, the energy industry and the states agree to avoid the habitat or pay a fee if they cannot.

Under the conservation agreements, operators have agreed to avoid lizard habitat and buffer areas in the future, and ranchers pledged not to spray in the region. If those moves are

unavoidable, the operators would pay a fee into a fund that would be used to restore habitat, including the removal of invasive mesquite brush and oil and gas development paths and roads that have fragmented the habitat.

Federal officials said state-led voluntary conservation efforts have reduced the impact of oil and gas development across the species' range. They cover more than 650,000 acres in New Mexico and Texas, which presents about 88 percent of the lizard's habitat.

Fish and Wildlife Service Director Dan Ashe said that officials have determined that the lizard is not in trouble based on the agreements.

"It's not likely to become endangered in the future," he said.

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Texas now has most inmates

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Everything is bigger in Texas, the saying goes, and that is now also true of its prison system.

California used to have the nation's largest state prison system, topping 173,000 inmates at its peak in 2006. But since a law took effect last year that shifts responsibility for less serious criminals to county jails, the state has reduced its prison population and is no longer the largest in the nation.

California now has fewer than 136,000 state inmates, eclipsed by about 154,000 in Texas. Florida previously was third, according to 2010 figures from the federal Bureau of Justice Statistics, and currently has about 100,000 inmates.

The reduction in California was ordered by federal judges in a decision backed last year by the U.S. Supreme Court. The courts ruled crowded

prisons were causing poor care of sick and mentally ill inmates.


The news comes as the state Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation on Wednesday announced a new round of layoffs because fewer guards and other employees are needed as the inmate population shrinks.

"I believe we're No. 2," said Jeffrey Callison, the department's press secretary.

The population dropped by nearly 25,000 inmates from about 160,000 inmates when the law took effect last fall. The courts ordered the state to reduce the population by about 33,000 inmates in the state's 33 adult prisons by June 2013, though corrections officials now argue they can provide acceptable inmate care without meeting that deadline.

The 33,000 inmate reduction is larger than the entire 2010 prison

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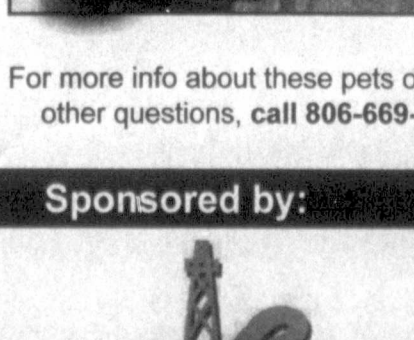
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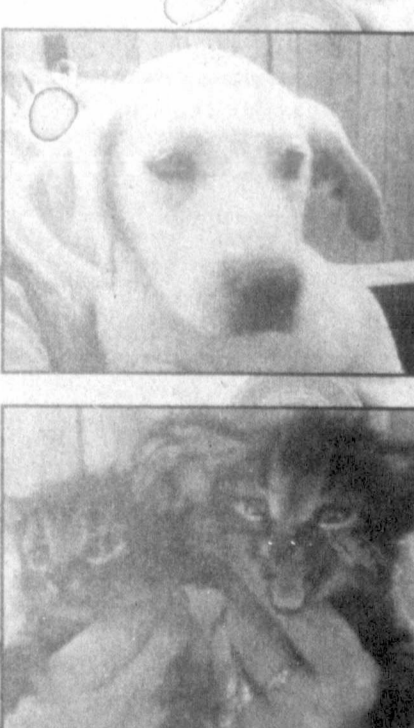
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Sports

UIL subcommittee approves 6A, expanding postseason

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Pampa High School athletics and the rest of Texas high schools could see a change in the landscape after the University Interscholastic League (UIL) policy subcommittee approved the creation of 6A and adding a playoff team to 3A and 2A during its meeting Tuesday.

The changes need to be approved by the legislative committee in October before coming official and won't take effect until after the February 2014 realignment. Head football coach Heath Parker said he's concerned with this season but is confident in the UIL.

"There's always speculation," Parker said. "Some of it comes to fruition. The only thing we can worry about is what we are doing right now. I think the UIL will do its best to give some levity to the travel in West Texas."

If the changes are approved, the largest 5A high schools will move up. The rest will depend on enrollment numbers, opening the possibility of Pampa moving back to 4A.

"Us, Borger, Dumas would probably be 4As in that scenario," Stuart Smith, Pampa ISD athletic director, said. "Randall, Caprock, PD would be 5A. What would affect is travel if we stay with those Lubbock area schools."

The changes would also eliminate the six-man division, as those teams would be classified as 1A but still play six-man football. The potential playoff changes eliminate a bye for the district champions in 3A and 2A. Smith said it's something that could benefit Pampa's athletic teams.

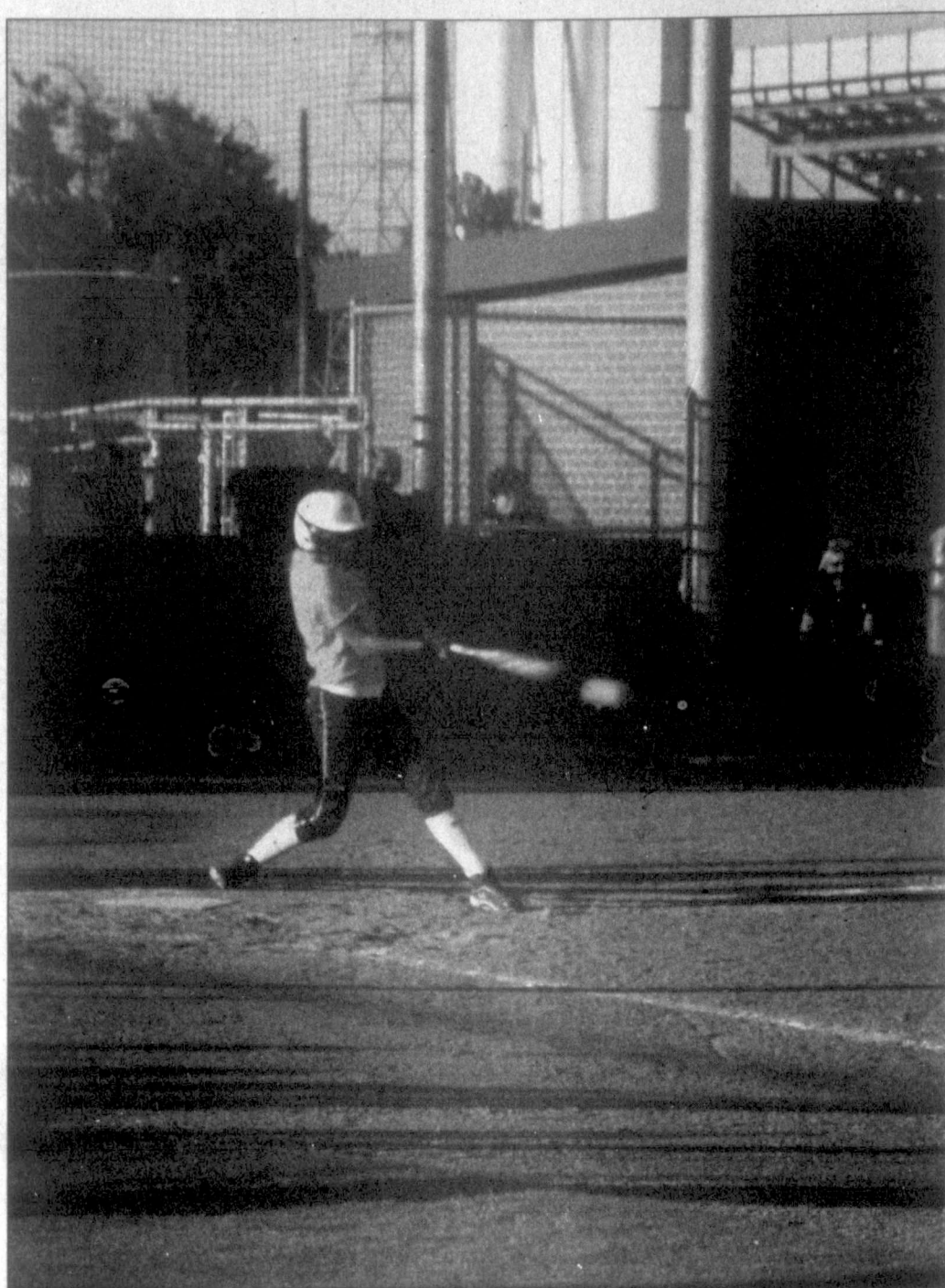
"If your open date is on the last day, you have two weeks before you play again," Smith said. "It's not very good. It's hard to find warm-up games."

Last year, the softball team had 13 days between its last game of the season and the area round opener. If the volleyball team didn't play two warm-up games, it would have had 11 days off. Head boys basketball coach Matt Embry said it would create competitive bi-district games.

"We would play Andrews," Embry said. "That would be a good game. There could be four (seeds) beating ones."

In the football playoffs, the two larger schools would play in Division One and the smaller in Division Two. The first team would play the second team and vice versa. Under the current 3A playoff format, the largest school plays in Division one and the two smaller schools play in Division Two.

In other sports, the district champion would play the fourth place team and the runner-up would play the second place team in the next district.



staff photo by Andrew Glover

Then-junior Tiffany Britton hits a ball in a May 4 playoff game. Pampa's softball team earned a bye the last two seasons. If the UIL policy subcommittee changes are approved, Pampa won't, starting in 2015.

CLEMENS TRIAL

'Final umpires' now control fate after closing arguments

WASHINGTON (AP) — The dozen Washingtonians who will decide Roger Clemens' fate heard a day of closing arguments stuffed with attention-getting sound bites. The eight women and four men who mostly care little about baseball then began deliberations Tuesday that will impact one of the most successful pitchers of his generation — and, in a way, the criminal pursuit of athletes accused of illegal doping.

"You," prosecutor Gil Guerrero told the jurors, "are the final umpires here."

They heard a clever line about Clemens being "a Cy Young baseball player" but not "a Cy Young witness." They heard the key witness called "a flawed man" who produced evidence from a "magic beer can." There were asked to debate whether it's "outrageous" that Clemens was charged in the first place, or whether it's a byproduct from Congress' "authority to protect the nation's youth."

Having digested the competing spins on 26 days of testimony by 46 witnesses, the jury met for some 15 minutes before being excused for the day at 5 p.m. They will reconvene Wednesday afternoon, then unless they reach a quick verdict, take off until Monday because of a long-scheduled out-of-town business trip by the judge.

Clemens is charged with perjury, making false statements and obstructing Congress when he testified at a deposition and at a nationally-televised hearing in February 2008. The heart of the charges center on his repeated denials that he used steroids and human growth hormone.

Clemens' chief accuser was his long-time strength coach, Brian McNamee, who spent more than a week on the stand and testified that he injected Clemens with both substances. But also essentially on trial was Congress' right to hold the hearings in the first place, and Clemens lawyer Rusty Hardin spent part of his closing statement appealing to the notion that the U.S. government was way out of line.

"What's happened in this case," Hardin said, "is a horrible, horrible overreach by the government and everyone involved."

Prosecutor Gil Guerrero argued that Congress had the right to care because major league baseball players are role models.

"They influence children. They influence kids. Congress has to be involved with that," Guerrero said in a packed federal courtroom that included Clemens' wife and four sons. "Congress has the authority to protect the nation's youth."

It's a debate that's timely following a pair of expensive Justice Department drugs-in-sports investigations that bore little fruit. More than seven years of probing yielded a guilty verdict on only one count of obstruction of justice last year against baseball's all-time home run leader, Barry Bonds. A two-year, multicontinent investigation of cyclist Lance Armstrong was recently closed with no charges brought.

The case against Clemens was far from tidy, relying heavily on a witness who carried a lot of personal baggage and physical evidence that sat for years inside a beer can. McNamee was the only person who testified to firsthand knowledge of Clemens using the drugs in question. McNamee said he injected Clemens with steroids in 1998, 2000 and 2001 and with HGH in 2000. He also said he saved the needle and other waste from a 2001 steroids injection of Clemens and stored it in

and around a Miller Lite can and put it in a FedEx box. Some of the waste was shown to have Clemens' DNA and steroids on it.

Clemens' lawyers spent much of the trial attacking McNamee's credibility and integrity. McNamee acknowledged that details of his own story changed over the years, but he said that was partly because he initially tried to protect Clemens as much as possible.

"Saying that Brian McNamee lies zero times," Hardin said, "is kind of like calling the Grand Canyon a ditch."

Hardin produced a chart titled: "Brian McNamee's testimony is admittedly not credible." It listed more than two dozen times in which Hardin said McNamee either lied outright or said something that resulted from a "mistake" or "bad memory."

Guerrero readily conceded that McNamee is a "flawed man."

"We're not asking you to even like him," Guerrero said. "Brian McNamee did a lot of things that aren't nice, and we know that."

But, the prosecutor argued, that made McNamee the ideal partner for Clemens' alleged use of steroids and HGH, substances that Clemens wouldn't be able to receive from, say, a team doctor or head athletic trainer.

"Brian McNamee," Guerrero said, "would do whatever Roger Clemens wanted."

Clemens' lawyers repeatedly referred to the beer can evidence as "garbage" and did so again Tuesday. Hardin alleged the medical waste was manipulated by McNamee and contaminated by the way it was stored. Clemens lawyer Michael Attanasio also wondered how the "magic beer can" ended up containing waste from injections of other players.

"There's no doubt," Attanasio said, "the medical garbage is garbage."

But, the government argued, that only goes to show that McNamee didn't conjure up the evidence as part of some attempt to frame Clemens.

"If McNamee was trying to fabricate this evidence," Guerrero said, "don't you think he would have done a better job of it?"

When they left the courtroom to begin deliberations, the jurors were handed a complex verdict sheet that includes 13 Clemens statements that are alleged to have obstructed Congress. Hardin voiced outrage that the jury was being asked to make Clemens a convicted felon over some of the statements, including whether the pitcher was at teammate Jose Canseco's house on the day of a pool party in June 1998, an event the government called a "benchmark" days before McNamee's first injection of Clemens. McNamee said he saw Clemens talking with Canseco, who jurors heard was a steroids user.

"This is outrageous!" yelled Hardin, his face reddening as he pounded the podium three times.

Clemens said at his deposition that he wasn't at Canseco's house on the day of the party, but evidence at the trial showed that he was. U.S. District Judge Reggie Walton has said he had some concerns as to whether the party was relevant to the case. Either way, Hardin said some of Clemens' wayward statements to Congress simply came from a man trying his best to remember and shouldn't be a reason to return a guilty verdict.

ARMSTRONG CHARGED

Anti-doping agency charges seven-time champ Armstrong

AUSTIN (AP) — The U.S. Anti-Doping Agency is bringing doping charges against seven-time Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong, threatening to strip his victories in the storied cycling race.

Armstrong could face a lifetime ban from the sport if he is found to have used performance-enhancing drugs. The move by USADA immediately bans him from competing in triathlons, which he turned to after he retired from cycling last year.

Armstrong, in a statement Wednesday, dismissed any doping allegations as "baseless" and "motivated by spite" and noted they came just months after federal prosecutors closed a two-year criminal investigation against the cyclist without bringing an indictment.

The charges by USADA were first reported by the Washington Post.

USADA's letter to Armstrong informing him of the charges also said the agency was bringing doping charges against

Johan Bruyneel, manager of Armstrong's winning teams; team doctors Pedro Celaya and Luis Garcia del Moral; team trainer Pepe Marti, and consulting doctor Michele Ferrari.

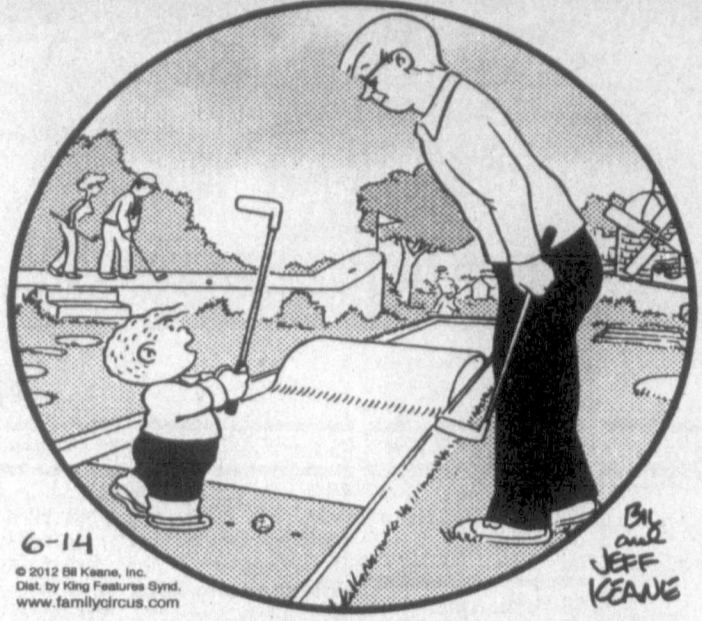
The USADA letter, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press, accuses Armstrong of using and promoting the use of the blood booster EPO, blood transfusions, testosterone, human growth hormone and anti-inflammatory steroids. The letter doesn't cite specific examples, but says the charges are based on evidence gathered in an investigation of Armstrong's teams, including witnesses who aren't named in the letter.

According to USADA's letter, "numerous riders, team personnel and others will testify" they either saw Armstrong dope or heard him tell them he used EPO, blood transfusions, testosterone and cortisone from 1996 to 2005. Armstrong won the Tour de France every year from 1999-2005.

Braydon Fry used 32 pitches, the number on the back of his uniform, to hurl three scoreless innings as Glo-Valve Service turned back Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency 9-3 Monday on the opening night of the Pampa Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken City Tournament. Fry allowed one hit and no walks facing only 10 batters in three innings. He struck out two and did not walk a batter to gain the win. Logan Martindale started for Glo-Valve. He struck out two and walked one in allowing one unearned run in an inning pitched. Chase Voss finished up the last two innings permitting two runs, one earned, and two hits. He struck out three and walked one. Zane McCoy and Miguel Leal pitched for DFB. Jakob Wilson was the defensive player of the game for Glo-Valve catching a fly ball in centerfield and turning it into a double play in the third inning by throwing to Kade Parker at second base who relayed to Voss at first. In the bottom of the sixth inning, he made a running, leaping catch of another fly ball. Ethan Lemke made the outstanding defensive plays of the game for DFB gunning out two runners trying to steal third in the first inning from behind the plate. DFB got on the board first in the bottom of the first inning when Lemke walked, stole second and came in to give DFB a 1-0 lead on two passed balls. In the top of the second, Glo-Valve evened the score. Wilson, Parker and Chris Gowin walked. Wilson scored when Tyler McCam was safe on an error. Glo-Valve edged ahead in the top of the third. Martindale singled, stole second, went to third on an infield out and slid home after a wild pitch. They added single runs in the fourth and fifth when Gowin was the first of four walks and when Fry walked, stole two bases and scored on an error. DFB came back in the bottom of the fifth to narrow the score to 4-2. After two were out, Leal walked and went all the way to third on a single to right field by Lemke. Leal tallied when McCoy was safe on an error. In the top of the sixth for Glo-Valve, Jace Ware and Thomas Costley walked. A double by Martindale plated Ware and sent Costley to third. Voss was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Costley scored on a wild pitch. Fry reached base on an error sending Martindale home. Wilson knocked in Voss with a ground out and sent Fry to third. Fry literally walked home after an errant pick off attempt nestled against the fence and the defense could not locate the ball. DFB scored the final run of the game in the bottom of the sixth on a double by Miscal Balderama, a wild pitch and ground out by Kyler Brotherton. DFB will be back in action Tuesday at 5:45 p.m. against Texas Rose Steakhouse, who lost 16-5 to Cabot Corporation in the early game. Glo-Valve and Cabot clash in the winners' bracket at 7:45 p.m. The City Tournament is scheduled to conclude this week. The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.

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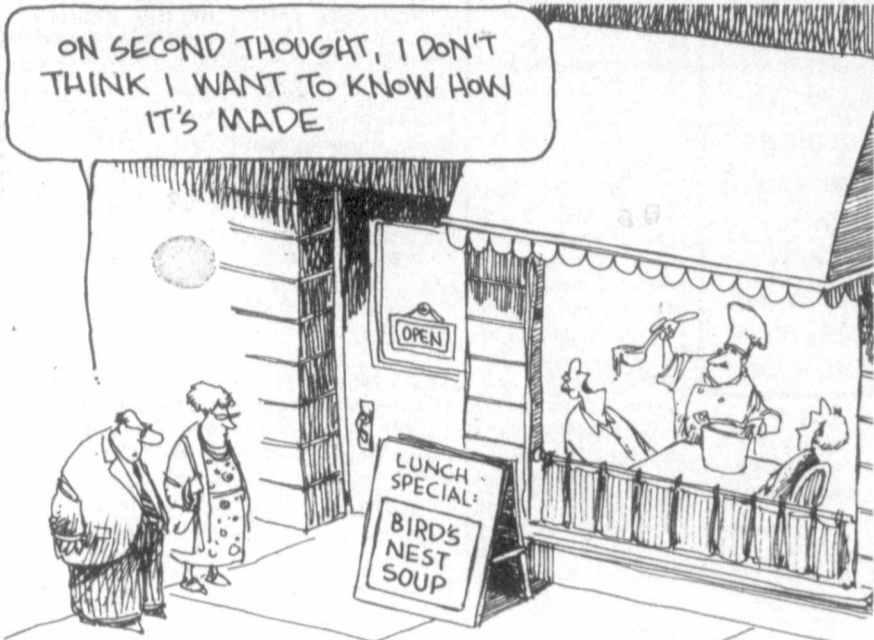
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Non Sequitur



ON SECOND THOUGHT, I DON'T THINK I WANT TO KNOW HOW IT'S MADE

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Nest Heads



WATCHING "SESAME STREET," "HUH? WE USED TO WATCH THAT BACK IN COLLEGE!"

IN FACT, I USED TO DO A PRETTY GOOD IMPRESSION OF THE COUNT! AH-EM...

VUN! VUN BEER! TWO! TWO BEERS! AH HA-HA! WE'VE GOT TO STOP WATCHING STUFF FROM HIS CENTURY.

6/14 ALLEN

daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, June 15, 2012:

This year you sometimes go on overload as you think, reorganize and try to find alternatives. You might want to flex more and not get stuck in stubborn and ineffective thinking. Work on trusting yourself enough to find the correct path. If you are single, you could meet someone quite assertive. Dating this person will be interesting, if nothing else. If you are attached, the two of you might take up a new pastime or hobby together. The outcome will make you smile. TAURUS helps you heal or feel better when you are out of kilter.

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)

★★★ Let go and realize that with a little adjustment to your plans, you could stop and accept an invitation to have a leisurely chat and meal. This decision will open up your day and your mood. Be aware that you can overtalk a situation. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Walk away from rigidity, and greet change with openness. As you walk into someone else's life, you'll discover what very different people you are. Return calls, as you do not want to miss an important invitation. Tonight: Beam in what you want most.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Much is happening behind the scenes that you might not be totally aware of. All you see are glimmerings of suggestions. A key person in your life history gives you meaningful feedback. Discussion could be animated as a result. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Situate yourself among associates or friends. A meeting could be an enormous source of information and ideas. Get a stronger sense about a person you could find yourself working with in realizing a goal. Tonight: You are the party.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You are in touch with a respected relative, friend or associate. Above all, this person responds to you because of the manner in which you treat him or her. Reorganize your schedule if you are so inclined, as a request might be forthcoming. Tonight: Establish limits politely.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ To others, your ideas seem to come in from left field. Usually you do not find it difficult to stop and take some time to explain something to a friend. Right now, however, you have a one-track mind. Why not follow through on what you are doing presently, and later be 100 percent available to others? Tonight: As far away as possible.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Make it your pleasure to work with an associate. At least try to ingrain that thought into your mind. Interactions will be much easier as a result, and a brainstorming situation could ensue. You'll find a path that works for both of you. Tonight: Togetherness would be nice.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You are a strong and dominant sign. Sometimes you need to let go and let those you respect take charge. Too many responsibilities and obligations can, and probably will, weigh you down. Wouldn't it be nice to have some stress-free time? Tonight: Be a wild thing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You might want to think of what works and readjust this or that in order to blend in or make a situation OK. You communicate with precision, and others hear you loud and clear. Tonight: Join a chatty friend or two. TGIF!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Once you get an idea in your head, you can be very stubborn. The issue is how to squeeze everything in and still make your idea happen. You'll rethink, rearrange your priorities and, in the long run, you will find a way. Tonight: Share a moment or two with someone who gives you a case of the butterflies.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ If you can, take the day for yourself. If you cannot, make sure to head home quickly in the late afternoon. You will want to clear out the day's pressures and put yourself in that naturally free and open mode. Tonight: Could you invite someone over for dessert?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Keep conversations moving. If you can, avoid committing to plans — you could be more unpredictable than usual. Be aware that a friendship could be changing. Do not judge this bond, but don't restrict it either. Go with the flow. Tonight: Make sure you are with someone who makes you smile and laugh.

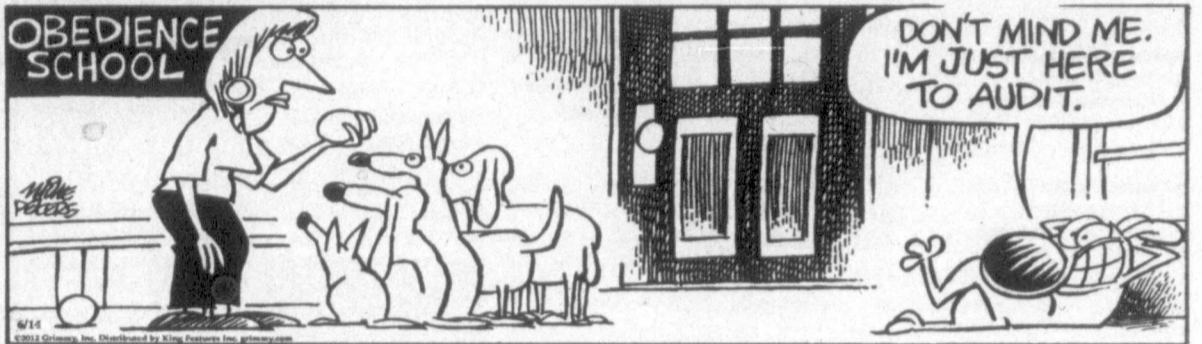
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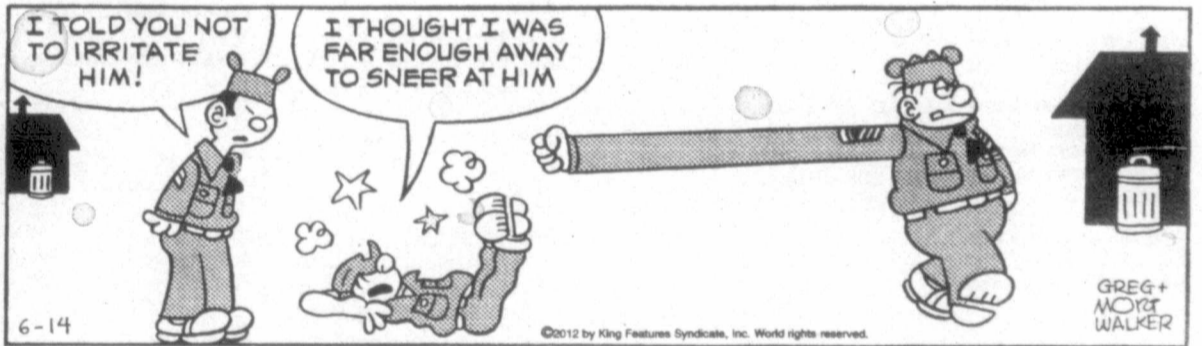
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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

D E A R ABBY: "Torn in Texas" (April 13) wrote that her widowed father-in-law visits them every weekend, leaving no time for her family to have a weekend just for themselves. May I suggest that "Torn" contact the Office on Aging nearest to "Pop" and find out what programs are available for seniors. If he has the capacity to drive an hour each way to their house, perhaps he could volunteer.

It appears that Pop has a lot of life left in him, and it's a shame that he spends so much of it alone. If he could become involved in some activities during the week, they might overflow into his weekends, keep him busy and productive, and alleviate his family's guilt. If you only reduce the number of times he visits each month, he will be alone that much more and probably won't admit that he is lonely.

As is often the case, I'll bet Pop's late wife made all their social plans. I recommend that Torn or her husband go WITH Pop to a program the first time. It would also be helpful to talk to the director and explain the circumstances. The father-in-law may be resistant at first because it's difficult to walk into a new place cold turkey. But he will be warmly welcomed and

may look forward to the next time. — EXPERIENCED WITH SENIORS
DEAR EXPERIENCED WITH SENIORS: Your letter reflects the opinion of many other readers. Most agreed that Pop needs to get out and become more involved, and Torn should appreciate the time she and her family spends with Pop, because at 87 he won't be around forever.

Read on: **DEAR ABBY:** While I sympathize with Torn, she needs to consider that her father-in-law is 87 and has many more years behind him than ahead of him. Any time spent with him should be considered a blessing. At his age, he may not be able to prepare food for himself, so time at his son's home may be his only opportunity for a decent meal.
My advice to Torn is to stop seeing Pop as a visitor and regard him as family. Include him in your family's life and plans and build memories while you can. Remember, you will be setting an example for your own children. How you treat your father-in-law is how they will believe the elderly should be treated, and one day that will be you. — IRENE IN ELIDA, OHIO
DEAR ABBY: Torn should be thankful her father-in-law is in good enough health to visit and be part of the family. If she needs a weekend alone, think about having him up during the week. Perhaps her teenagers have activities during the week that he would enjoy. Your family is the most important thing to Pop, and by including him you are contributing to his quality of life and well-being. That way you will live with fewer regrets. — ACHING IN ARIZONA
DEAR ABBY: It seems like a lot of families throw away their parents — the people who gave them life, changed their diapers, fed, sheltered and clothed them. Daughter-in-law is using the excuse of needing a weekend to themselves to dump Grandpa into a nursing home.
If she needs time away from him, involve him in senior activities, church, a health club, and help him find some friends. Pretty soon she'll find she won't see much of Grandpa. She'll have her weekend time and also have helped him have a happy end to his life.
Remember, without Grandpa, she wouldn't have the husband she has now. She should pay him back a little of what he gave her husband — the gift of life. — APPRECIATING MY MOM

CROSSWORD
By THOMAS JOSEPH

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Indictments

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Rafael Vasquez Felix, 43, was indicted on a charge of assault on a public servant, in connection with a July 2010 incident and on a third or greater charge of driving while intoxicated, in connection with an October 2010 incident. These charges were enhanced by previous convictions for burglary of a building and driving while intoxicated. Bond for Felix was set at \$50,000.

Amanda Michelle Fought, 29, was indicted on a charge of endangerment of a child, in connection with a May 2011 incident. Bond for Fought was set at \$12,500.

Phillip Daniel Fought, 32, was indicted on a charge of endangerment of a child, in connection with an April 2011 incident. Bond for Fought was set at \$12,500.

Cody William Hopson, 29, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in an amount of one gram or more but less than four grams, in connection with a November 2011 incident. Bond for Hopson was set at \$15,000.

Shunoa Uta Jacks, 24, was indicted on a charge of possession of marijuana, in an amount five pounds or less but greater than four ounces, in connection with an October 2009 incident. Bond for Jacks was set at \$10,000.

Laura Frances Johnson, 28, was indicted on a charge of aggravated sexual assault of a child, in connection with an October 2011 incident. Bond for Johnson was set at \$35,000.

Deseree Maria Juarez, 31, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in an amount of less than one gram, in connection with an October 2011 incident. Bond for Juarez was set at \$12,500.

Arthur Frank Murphy, 52, was indicted on a third or greater charge of driving while intoxicated. This charge was enhanced by a former conviction of driving while intoxicated. Bond for Murphy was set at \$20,000.

Antonio Quantrell

Oliver, 29, was indicted on a charge of possession of marijuana, in an amount of five pounds or less but more than four ounces, in connection with an October 2009 incident. Bond for Oliver was set at \$15,000.

Bennie Bee Owen, 71, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in an amount of one gram or more but less than four grams, in connection with a July 2011 incident. This charge was enhanced by a former conviction for theft over \$50. Bond for Owen was set at \$15,000.

Alvin Dain Reeves, 22, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in an amount less

than one gram, in connection with a December 2011 incident. Bond for Reeves was set at \$12,500.

Paul McKinley Ross, 45, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in an amount less than one gram. Bond for Ross was set at \$12,500.

Jennifer Michelle Sullins, 32, was indicted on a charge of endangerment of a child, in connection with an October 2011 incident. Bond for Sullins was set at \$12,500.

Jesus Maria Velasquez, 65, was indicted on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, in an amount of one gram or more but less than four grams. Bond for Velasquez was set at \$15,000.



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