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Accident scene here Tuesday

Emergency service workers transported Mike Carr, Stagner-Carr Motors, to Hereford Regional Medical Center about 2:30 p.m. Tuesday following a two-vehicle accident at McKinley and 3rd Street. Carr was a passenger in a car, driven by John Stagner. The Stagner car was headed west when it collided with a pickup

headed north and driven by Noel Mandujano of Hereford. Mandujano was cited for failure to yield right-of-way. Carr was transferred to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, then treated and released Tuesday night. He sustained a concussion but was reported "resting well" this morning.

Dole makes emotional farewell to Senate, begins heartland tour

BY CALVIN WOODWARD
Associated Press Writers
WASHINGTON (AP)—Bob Dole made his debut as Citizen Dole today by renaming his campaign plane to reflect his change in status: "Leader's Ship" was no more; "Citizen's Ship" flew in its stead. "Lotta work ahead," Dole declared as he boarded the plane to slip his Washington moorings and head for a GOP unity rally in Toledo, Ohio.

Dole left the perks, the legislative platform and the encumbrances behind Tuesday in an emotional farewell to the chamber he loved. His first stop after resigning was the still-bare walls of a campaign office a few blocks away. "I think my season in the Senate is about to come to an end," he told senators and a packed gallery as the clock ticked toward his 2 p.m. quitting time. "But the season before me makes this moment far less the closing of one chapter than the opening of another."

Today, the Republican presidential candidate begins a three-day, eight-city "heartland tour," one of his most ambitious campaign trips since the primaries. On the eve of the trip, in separate broadcast interviews, Dole said it appeared unlikely retired Gen. Colin Powell would occupy the No. 2 spot on a Dole ticket. "It's very doubtful," Dole told the "CBS Evening News." Later he told ABC's "Nightline" that "I think General Powell meant it when he said he is

not interested in elective office in 1996." Dole shook himself partly loose from Senate duties with his earlier announcement that he was leaving. Now the break is clean. "It's been a great ride," he said, adding in classic Dole fashion, "A few bumps along the way." He met a handful of campaign staff at his headquarters, which rented more space to make room for him. People worked the phones from folding metal chairs in no-frills rooms that seemed a world away from the polished wood and ornate furnishings of the Capitol.

Dole got a rousing Senate send off, first from members pressing in on him with handshakes, pats and hugs after his speech, and then from supporters and workers who cheered him by the hundreds by the Capitol's broad steps. Senators also named a balcony after him -- the one where Dole liked to retreat, look out on the Washington mall, and cut some deals. "Big letters or neon?" Dole wondered, picturing his name in lights.

All day, Dole tried to maintain a sense of levity. His first words walking out of the chamber with tears welling in his eyes were: "Time to eat." He said his humor helped him get through it all. "It's tough - these are all my friends. But it's going all right so far."

Dole's Senate work had become a burden in his uphill campaign against President Clinton. The partisanship that evaporated on his last day had bogged him down. In suburban Los Angeles, Clinton saluted Dole for his more than three decades in Congress. The two also talked by phone and wished each other well.

"We talked about things we'd done together," Dole said. Dole came to Washington in January 1961, on a day when "Are You Lonesome Tonight" by Elvis Presley was No. 1 on the charts, John F. Kennedy's Camelot was a month old, the federal budget showed a surplus and Bill Clinton was 14.

The Kansan veered between being partisanship and savvy conciliation during a career of four terms in the House and five elections to the Senate. But his final Senate address dwelled on the grace notes and achievements of his time, speaking as if he were in a small room with just the boys. "We're like America," he said of the Senate. "We're still a work in progress."

"I would no more distance myself from the Senate than I would from the United States of America itself." Democratic Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York, with whom Dole worked to restore the solvency of Social Security, was glum when the former Senate majority leader left.

Thunderstorms roar across area

Hereford records .61 of an inch

Hereford recorded .61 of an inch of rain Tuesday night as a squall of thunderstorms moved across the area. The forecast called for a 40 percent chance of more rain tonight.

The showers, accompanied by a vivid display of lightning, were spotted around the area--leaving from .60 to just a trace of moisture. Small amounts of hail fell in Hereford as the storm first hit.

By The Associated Press

Strong thunderstorms accompanied by high wind and damaging hail roared across portions of the Texas Panhandle and Permian Basin before heading eastward toward North Texas.

The thunderstorms were located at dawn along a line from near Wichita Falls southward to just west of Abilene.

Before heading eastward, the

storms dumped damaging hail across a vast area and winds gusted to 60 mph at Vega and Happy. Hail ranged from the size of dimes to the size of golf balls.

Some thunderstorm activity continued early today in the South Plains and Permian Basin.

There is a chance of afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms across most of West Texas through Thursday.

In North Texas, there is a slight chance of thunderstorms tonight in northern and western areas and across the entire region on Thursday.

A few isolated thunderstorms are expected in South Texas through Thursday.

Lows tonight will be in the 60s and 70s except in South Texas where readings will be in the 70s.

Highs Thursday will be in the 80s along the immediate coast and in the 90s elsewhere across the state.

President's plane rocked by storm west of Lubbock

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP)—Air Force One's encounter with a thunderstorm injected some drama—and wry comedy—into President Clinton's red-eye flight from New Mexico to South Carolina.

The president was buckled in his seat on the giant white and blue Boeing 747 and was not injured, said presidential spokesman Mike McCurry.

"I was holding on, I was holding on," a smiling Clinton told reporters as he went up and down the plane's aisles afterwards checking whether any of the other 45 passengers and 26 crew members were injured. "It was certainly a character builder, wasn't it?"

Air Force One had departed Albuquerque Tuesday night and was cruising at 33,000 feet when it suddenly hit a bank of thunderstorms

about 30 miles west of Lubbock, Texas. The pilot climbed to 37,000 feet to get out of the storm, but the plane was still rocked by heavy turbulence.

Secret Service agents and reporters seated near the plane's tail were tossed more than two feet into the air. Mexican dishes that were about to be served soared across the galley and plates and glasses shattered. One agent suffered a glass cut on his hand. The plane landed safely in Charleston shortly after 1 a.m.

Clinton, seated in his office cabin, felt the initial jolt and buckled his seat belt. Then he rode out a longer, more severe second jolt.

"He was safely in his seat and he was reading at the time," McCurry said of Clinton. "I was sitting there with my drink and I managed to catch it as it came back down."

Democrats still block health insurance bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—Forty-one percent of full-time workers would consider changing jobs if Congress passes legislation to assure them continued access to health insurance, according to a survey conducted for major employers.

Seventy percent of the workers said health insurance companies should be required to cover pre-existing medical conditions even if it raises premiums, said the survey released today by Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Corp. and the Employers Council on Flexible Compensation.

But Democrats were still blocking final action on the bill Tuesday that would assure these two benefits because of their objections to the measure's medical savings account provision.

According to the survey, however, 87 percent of full-time workers think tax-exempt medical savings accounts

should be available. That compares to 56 percent of workers favoring them in the same survey last year.

House Republicans have been pushing for months to make medical savings accounts universally available, but faced strong opposition from the Senate.

In a compromise announced Monday by House and Senate Republicans, the accounts would be offered only to the self-employed and employers with 50 or fewer workers, starting next January. Three years later, they would be open to employers with more than 50 workers, unless Congress stops the expansion.

"This proposal strikes a fair and equitable balance," Sen. Nancy Kassebaum, R-Kan., said Tuesday. As co-sponsor of the original bill, she said she has had concerns about

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Iraq bars U.N. weapon inspectors from 3 sites

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP)—Iraq barred U.N. weapons inspectors from three military sites in and around Baghdad today, citing security reasons.

Iraq said, however, that a U.N. Security Council team composed of diplomats could visit the sites as long as it did not include military experts. The U.N. teams currently in Iraq are made up largely of weapons experts.

The proposal was made by Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz in a statement carried by the official Iraqi News Agency. It was Iraq's first official comment since a standoff developed Tuesday between U.N. weapons inspectors and Iraqi officials just west of Baghdad.

Aziz said the inspectors demanded Tuesday to visit eight industrial and

military sites in Abu Ghraib, 15 miles west of Baghdad. They were allowed into six.

Iraq barred the inspectors from the other two sites for "national security considerations," and also refused the inspectors' demand today to enter a base of the elite Republican Guards in Baghdad, Aziz said.

He said Iraq was concerned that the U.N. missions "have become of an aggressive nature...for espionage purposes."

Weapons inspectors at the Baghdad offices of the U.N. Special Commission declined comment.

U.N. officials in New York said the standoff developed when inspectors tried to enter a military site believed linked to a clandestine nuclear weapons program.

Consumer prices rising; gas hikes offset lower food costs

WASHINGTON (AP)—Consumer prices climbed 0.3 percent in May as continued increases in gasoline prices offset a moderation in food costs.

The Labor Department reported today that last month's increase in the Consumer Price Index represented a slight moderation following gains of 0.4 percent in both March and April.

For the first five months of this year, consumer prices are rising at an annual rate of 4.1 percent, sharply above the 2.5 percent increase turned in for all of 1995.

This rise in inflation and a

sharper-than-expected rebound in economic growth have spawned widespread fears that the Federal Reserve will start raising interest rates when they next meet on July 2-3.

An unexpected drop in wholesale prices of 0.1 percent on Tuesday had triggered a brief market rally, but by the end of the day the early gains in both stocks and bonds were erased as investors again focused on worries over a Fed rate increase.

Inflationary pressures this year are being led by rising energy costs.

Since starting to climb in December, gasoline prices have now risen by 18.2 percent, including a 2.5 percent rise in pump prices in May.

All energy prices rose 1.1 percent last month at the consumer level, compared with a 3.2 percent spurt in April. Analysts argue that the jump in energy prices is only temporary, reflecting a harsh winter that depleted stockpiles of crude oil. They note that home heating oil prices dropped by 2.1 percent in May, and they predicted declines in all energy products in the months ahead as refiners build up their supplies.

Food prices were up a modest 0.1 percent in May, but the cost of used cars fell by 0.9 percent during the month. Entertainment costs were up 0.4 percent, reflecting higher ticket prices for movies, theaters, concerts and sporting events.

The Federal Reserve engineered three cuts in interest rates from July 1995 through January of this year and at the time analysts were forecasting even further credit easing to combat widespread economic sluggishness.

But since February, the economy has rebounded at a rapid clip and now many analysts have reversed their position and think the next Fed move will be to raise rates.

Four enter guilty pleas here in district court

Four defendants entered guilty pleas to charges, another entered a nolo contendere plea and terms of probation were modified for three persons during a session Tuesday of 222nd District Court.

Judge H. Bryan Poff was on the bench by assignment from the ninth administrative judicial region presiding judge.

Guilty pleas to three charges against Juan M. Alonzo, 20, were heard by Judge Poff. Previously convicted by a district court jury of sexual assault of a child and sentenced to five years in prison, Alonzo entered guilty pleas to a charge of criminal mischief and two charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

In plea bargain agreements, Alonzo was sentenced to 10 years' adjudicated probation on each assault charge and two years in a state jail, probated five years, on the criminal mischief charge.

Jim English, assistant criminal district attorney, said the new sentences will be implemented after Alonzo finishes the prison term.

A no contest (nolo contendere) plea was entered by Mark Wesley Jackson, 39, to a charge of drug sale or manufacture. He was sentenced to

five years' probation.

Joe Angel Rodriguez, 20, was sentenced to seven years, Texas Department of Criminal Justice, with diversion to boot camp. He was charged with robbery.

Deferred adjudication probation of six years was granted Ezekiel Gonzales, 35, charged with theft over \$750/under \$20,000.

A five-year probated sentence was imposed on Roberto Estrada, charged with felony driving while intoxicated. He also was fined \$1,500.

On a motion to revoke probation of Saul Diaz Michel, convicted of possession of a controlled substance, an agreed order was entered to modify probation. He will be placed on intensive supervision for six months and will be required to pay a \$500 fine.

Sylvia Cervantez Castillo, 29, was ordered to enter a restitution center at Abilene, by an agreed order on the state's motion to revoke probation. She will be placed on intensive supervision for three months after completing the term in the restitution center.

Terms of probation of Hector Perez Saucedo, 50, convicted of felony DWI, were modified. He was ordered to enter a substance abuse facility.

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Local Roundup

Rain welcomed to Hereford

A nighttime thunderstorm Tuesday dumped .61-inch of rain on Hereford, cooling temperatures down to a Wednesday morning low of 60 degrees after a high of 94 degrees Tuesday. And, there's a 40 percent chance of more rain Wednesday night. An overnight low in the mid-60s and a southeast wind, 5-10 mph, are forecast. Thursday should see temperatures moderating, to a high in the mid-80s, and a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms is in the forecast. An east wind will blow 10-20 mph.

News Digest

World/National

CHARLESTON, S.C.--President Clinton gets personally involved in the epidemic of rural black church burnings, with a visit to a church that burned a year ago. White House aides said Clinton's visit is an expression of presidential concern, but his Republican critics assailed it as election year posturing.

WASHINGTON--Federal regulators are prepared to adopt rules that would help emergency dispatchers locate people who call 911 from cellular phones. The change could save lives, public safety groups say.

WASHINGTON--He's slipped his Washington moorings and heading for the heartland this week, somewhere else after that, practically everywhere before it's over. Now it's all or nothing for Bob Dole, ex-senator.

UNDATED--It took victory in Virginia's Republican primary for Sen. John Warner to win the support of state GOP leaders who had backed a conservative challenger championed by the religious right. In South Carolina, Republicans ignored misgivings about Strom Thurmond's age and renominated the oldest senator ever at 93. And in primaries in three other states, Arkansas and Maine chose candidates to replace retiring senators, and North Dakota voters defeated an initiative that would have allowed video gaming machines in restaurants and bars.

WASHINGTON--Republican senators looking for Bob Dole's replacement as majority leader want a pragmatist who can get work done, and they think Trent Lott can do the job even though some say he's more aggressive and less compromising than the man he's likely to replace.

PHILADELPHIA--Patients with unhealable wounds, from deep burns to mastectomies, may one day be able to regrow their own tissue, maybe even organs.

State

AUSTIN--The Sierra Club is asking a federal judge to impose strict limits on pumping water from the Edwards Aquifer as the drought keeps Texas in its grip.

WASHINGTON--Troubled by Army moves that could weaken Fort Bliss and hurt El Paso's business community, Texas' two senators have made clear to the Army's chief of staff that they won't stand for any serious tinkering at the huge post.

AUSTIN--State government should set minimum standards for charitable programs, then get out of the way so they can help the needy, Gov. George W. Bush says.

DALLAS--A federal judge has refused to amend his order that told HUD to ask largely white, middle-class suburbs to accept new public housing and investigate those that don't for possible civil rights violations.

NEW ORLEANS--More firmly in the grip of conservatives than ever with the election of a new president, the Southern Baptist Convention today is expected to urge its 16 million members not to spend money on the theme parks, movies or products offered by the Walt Disney Company.

Emergency Services

Emergency services reports for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Wednesday contained the following information.

HEREFORD POLICE

A 31-year-old female was arrested on outstanding city warrants for allowing animal to run loose, no proof of vaccination and Class "C" theft.

A 60-year-old male was arrested for stealing eye glasses valued at \$179 from a business in the 500 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.

A woman was assaulted by a 30-year-old female in a business in 500 block of North 25 Mile Avenue. No serious injuries were reported.

A 20-year-old male reported to police that he saw a female being forced into a green vehicle in the 300 block of Avenue E. Police searched for the suspect vehicle, but were unable to find it.

Unknown persons entered a house in the 200 block of Cottage Drive and

stole \$128 out of a purse.

A 34-year-old female died of unknown causes in the 300 block of East 5th Street. The death is under investigation.

Officers issued 17 traffic citations. A traffic accident was reported at 3rd and McKinley Street where one person was transported to Hereford Regional Medical Center.

A traffic accident was reported at the intersection of South Lawton and New York Street with no injuries.

DEAF SMITH SHERIFF

A 39-year-old male was arrested for violation of probation (burglary of habitation).

Criminal mischief was reported where vehicle windows were broken out.

Two telephone harassment reports were followed up on.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Firefighters were called out at 2:20 p.m. to a wreck rescue at 3rd and McKinley.

DEMOCRATS

medical savings accounts. "Compromise is always difficult," Kassebaum said.

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., who also co-sponsored the bill, said he still was opposed to "putting in place an untested and untried program" which he said could do harm to the present health insurance system.

However, he said: "I am personally convinced we will be successfully passing the core legislation" this Congress.

House Democratic Leader Dick

Gephardt and Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle, however, said at a news conference they would ask President Clinton to veto the bill if it got to him with the current medical savings account proposal.

"The problem with medical savings account is that they attract only the very healthy -- who never need to spend money on health care -- and the very wealthy -- who can afford health care whether or not the have decent coverage," said Gephardt.

Workers questioned in the Workplace Pulse about medical savings accounts said they would accept a deduction from their pay of about \$89 a month for a medical savings account.

Workers of 18 to 44 years of age were far more likely to favor the accounts than those 45 and older, the survey said.

Workers earning less than \$30,000 favored them more than higher income workers.

The survey of 1,000 randomly selected workers is conducted twice a year to help employers understand what benefits employees want. It was conducted between May 20 and May 24 and has a sampling error of plus or minus 3 percent.

Best place to live claims honor in spite of bitter cold and snow

Madison, Wisconsin, tops magazine poll

NEW YORK (AP)--Despite bitter-cold winters and snow extending through April, Madison, Wis., ranks as the best place to live in America, according to Money magazine's annual ranking.

Home to a University of Wisconsin campus with 40,000 students and a vibrant economy boasting just 1.5 percent unemployment, Madison beat out the nation's other 299 biggest metropolitan areas to top the best-places list, released today in the magazine's July issue.

"It snagged the top spot because apparently someone forgot to tell the folks in Madison that life is supposed to be full of trade-offs," the glossy personal finance magazine writes.

Rockford, Ill., ranked dead last at No. 300. Money cited subpar prospects for future job growth and a below-average health-care system.

The proximity of the first- and last-place cities represents a major flip-flop from last year. Madison and Rockford are just 73 miles apart by car, according to the American Automobile Association.

Last year's top city, Gainesville, Fla., is a 2,920-mile drive from the 1995 loser, Yuba City, Calif.

Money's ranking of the best places has become an annual rite, generating unusual attention. The list is compiled by polling readers to see what factors are most important to them, collecting data and using them to rank the 300 largest metropolitan areas.

The factors deemed by readers as most important this year were: a low crime rate, clean water, clean air, plentiful doctors, many hospitals, rising housing values, good schools, low property taxes, low income taxes and strong state government.

Madison's ascended to the top spot from last year's 16th-place ranking. Following Madison this year were: No. 2 Punta Gorda, Fla. (last year's No. 61); Rochester,

Minn. (2); Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (6); and No. 5 Ann Arbor, Mich. (33).

Rounding out the top 10: Fort Myers/Cape Coral, Fla. (34); Gainesville (1); Austin, Texas (35); Seattle (4) and Lakeland, Fla. (41).

Money noted that for those put off by Madison's cold climate, high temperatures during the winter average just 20 degrees, Florida took five of the top 10 spots for a second year running.

Madison is the year's big winner or Madison and the rest of Dane County. Eighty miles west of Milwaukee, the area has a population of 390,300 but, the magazine says, a range of cultural activities usually associated with cities twice as big.

Besides the low unemployment rate, lowest of the 300 places Money examined, the magazine also notes Madison is home to more than 300 technology companies and 20,000 recession-resistant government jobs.

"Mad City, as locals call it, is also Fun City, especially if you like boats and bikes," Money writes. The magazine cites nearby lakes and bike trails, as well as cross-country skiing in the winter. In the fall, the university's Badger football team dominates Saturdays.

Last-place Rockford was noted for a work force that is apparently fleeing in search of better opportunities, crime problems and steep property taxes.

Rockford's last-place ranking represented a slip from No. 293 last year. Immediately above Rockford at the bottom of the list: No. 299 Yuba City (last year's No. 300); Peoria, Ill. (297); Davenport, Iowa (290); and Lima, Ohio (245).

Rounding out the bottom 10: No. 295 Springfield, Ill. (279); Mansfield, Ohio (235); Albany/Schenectady/Troy, N.Y. (267); Waterbury, Conn. (114); and No. 291 Alexandria, La. (89).

FBI allows leader of Freemen to confer with jailed comrade

By TOM LACEKY
Associated Press Writer

JORDAN, Mont. (AP)--A Freemen leader was flown by the FBI to Billings Tuesday to confer with a jailed comrade, and a source told The Associated Press that the group could surrender as early as Thursday.

Late Tuesday, an FBI convoy returned to the ranch and most of the Freemen could be seen entering a barn, presumably to discuss the surrender proposal.

The source, who is familiar with the FBI strategy and spoke on condition of anonymity, said progress was made toward a deal that could lead to surrender of the 17 remaining Freemen by Thursday.

He would not elaborate, but said, "The mere fact that the FBI allowed this to happen is a very positive step."

The FBI said it arranged safe passage for Edwin Clark to meet with LeRoy Schweitzer "In another effort to reach a peaceful resolution of the standoff." The arrest of Schweitzer and another Freemen leader more than two months ago sparked the standoff 79 days earlier.

"Edwin had to become at peace with LeRoy about it," before agreeing to the surrender plans, said the source. "He didn't want to go forward without checking with LeRoy first."

Greenpeace escorted from Chinese waters

BEIJING (AP)--Moving quickly to defuse a nuclear protest, Chinese officials surrounded and boarded the MV Greenpeace today as it was anchored off Shanghai, then escorted the ship out of Chinese waters.

The environmental group's flagship had traveled to Shanghai to highlight its charge that China is one of the biggest obstacles to concluding a nuclear test ban treaty this year. Negotiations on the test ban treaty are going on now in Geneva.

The MV Greenpeace had been anchored at the mouth of the Yangtze River, waiting for a pilot to take it into Shanghai's harbor, when about 40 port and marine officials on four ships boarded it, said Damon Moglen, a Greenpeace spokesman in Hong Kong.

The officials, many of whom took photos, "apparently told people on the ship that they are illegally in Chinese waters and that this will not be accepted," Moglen said.

Shanghai port authorities then formally ordered the ship to leave and warned the crew "would be responsible for all the consequences" if they refused, the state-run Xinhua News Agency said.

Contact was lost with the ship 15 minutes later, Moglen said.

The Shanghai office in charge of dealing with foreigners said the MV Greenpeace pulled up anchor 90 minutes later and was being escorted out of Chinese waters by port authorities.

Despite earlier warnings, Chinese authorities did not prevent the MV

"They've pretty much agreed it won't be a gun battle," the source said. "I'm extremely hopeful at this point. It's an extremely positive sign."

A senior federal official in Washington also said Clark was carrying a proposal that might end the standoff, for Schweitzer to review and discuss. But that official, who also spoke on condition of anonymity, cautioned that the agreement still could fall through.

"There's not a tentative agreement right now," the senior official said. "It's possible what's happening today could end up in an agreement or could end up in nothing."

The FBI convoy returned to the compound Tuesday evening and a vehicle drove up to Clark's house. Later, there was an unusual amount of activity, with people and vehicles moving among the various buildings, and reporters saw at least 11 people gather at a barn, presumably to hold a meeting to discuss Clark's Billings visit.

The Freemen at the ranch had requested earlier that a representative be allowed to meet with Schweitzer, who was arrested on federal charges of fraud and other crimes after being lured out of the compound on March 25.

Also on the FBI plane were three

negotiators from the CAUSE Foundation, third-party mediators brought in by the FBI. The group has represented a former Ku Klux Klan leader as well as survivors of the deadly 1993 Branch Davidian siege near Waco, Texas.

Edwin Clark, one of the original owners of the now-foreclosed land the Freemen occupy, has emerged in recent days the apparent leader of the people remaining in the remote farm complex.

Previously, he has been allowed to go to an FBI checkpoint just outside the ranch for negotiations and then return to the compound. This was the first time he has gone beyond the FBI perimeter.

That indicates that chances have improved for a bloodless end to the confrontation, Colorado state Sen. Charles Duke told the AP Tuesday in a telephone interview from his home.

"If Edwin had been the leader when I was there, this would be over already," Duke said. "We tried to make him the leader. He was the owner of that land. If he goes out, everybody goes."

Duke, a leader of the so-called Patriot movement in his state, gave up negotiating with the Freemen on May 21, saying they were not dealing in good faith.

But last week, Edwin Clark met alone with FBI agents twice at a small church about a mile from the Freemen compound. He and another Freeman - his son Casey, in at least two instances - also have met with FBI agents at the entrance to the complex.

Economic development program to be explained

The Promised Land Network of Hereford and a group of dedicated individuals are working to bring a new economic development program to the Panhandle and South Plains of Texas.

Called microenterprise programs, they help small businesses in rural areas to be able to compete and prosper. Services these programs provide include loans under \$15,000, business training, networking, and business monitoring and technical assistance.

The Promised Land Network will sponsor a seminar here July 12 to fully explain the program. Rose Jasperson, a nationally-known Rural Enterprise Assistance Project (REAP) director in Nebraska, will be the principal speaker. Registration will be \$10 a person.

REAP serves rural communities in Nebraska, Kansas and Iowa, providing serving to more than 200 small businesses in 90 communities.

Since the 1980s, small businesses with 10 or less employees created more jobs than large corporations that employed more than 5,000 workers.

These business trends have made many economic development specialists reevaluate the wisdom of spending large amounts of capital to entice large manufacturing plants in relocating to their communities.

These microenterprise programs loans small amounts of capital, from

Consumer credit rise is smallest since 1993

WASHINGTON (AP)--Consumer credit rose 6.9 percent at an annual rate in April, the smallest since mid-1993, and a bankers' trade group said credit card delinquencies suggest many Americans may be reaching their debt limits.

The Federal Reserve reported Tuesday that consumer credit increased by \$6.6 billion, slower than the \$9.3 billion gain in March. The 6.9 percent gain was the slowest since such debt grew at a 6.8 percent rate in August 1993.

The advance boosted total consumer credit to \$1.14 trillion.

Consumer credit includes all household debt not secured by real estate.

Many analysts maintain that consumers are becoming overburdened by debt, which will force them to spend less and slow economic growth as well as miss payments on existing loans.

Consumer spending represents about two-thirds of the nation's economic activity.

Indeed, the American Bankers Association reported Tuesday that credit card delinquencies jumped to 3.53 percent during the January-March quarter from 3.34 percent in the final three months of 1995.

It was the highest delinquency rate since 3.58 percent during the fourth quarter of 1981 when the economy was in recession.

"This latest rise in credit card delinquencies is a signal that more consumers are hitting their debt limits," said James Chessen, the organization's chief economist.

Still, other economists believe the debt accumulation problem is exaggerated, contending credit cards are used more frequently now as a convenience to avoid carrying large amounts of checks or writing a series of checks and are paid off at the end of the month.

"The Fed does not factor out how much is not actual debt," said Lawrence Chimere, managing director and chief economist of the Economic Strategy Institute. "It's normal spending with cards instead of cash and checks."

Nevertheless, the ABA survey also found closed-end loans 30 days past due increased to 2.14 percent from 2.12 percent in the fourth quarter. A year earlier, 1.82 percent of these loans, which include automobile loans, were delinquent.

The Fed said that revolving credit, which includes credit cards, shot up at a 20.2 percent annual rate in April after rising 15.3 percent the previous month. The \$7.3 billion gain pushed the total to \$438.5 billion outstanding.

Automobile loans rose at a 10.8 percent annual rate, more than twice the 5.1 percent increase in March. The \$3.2 billion increase raised the total to \$359.5 billion.

But the category that includes loans for mobile homes, education, boats, trailers and vacations fell \$3.9 billion to \$342.2 billion. The 13.6 percent rate of decline compared with an 8.6 percent advance a month earlier.

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP)--The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-9-2 (one, nine, two)

AUSTIN (AP)--The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 11-26-28-37-38 (eleven, twenty-six, twenty-eight, thirty-seven, thirty-eight)

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Lifestyles



Newest Pilots

Installed as new members of Hereford Pilot Club at its regular meeting Tuesday were, from left, Soni Beasley, Melinda Watson and Lydia Villanueva.

Pilot Club of Hereford installs new members

Three new members were installed in the Pilot Club of Hereford during its final business meeting of the 1995-1996 year.

Soni Beasley, Melinda Watson and Lydia Villanueva were installed by Anna Solomon and welcomed by president Yvonne Simpson.

Something Special catered the breakfast meeting at the Community Center.

Division reports were given by Joy Bunch, Martha Jones, Shirley Easterwood, Claudia Smith and Peggie Fox.

Fox reported that the "Brown-Bag-It" campaign, a fundraising project for brain related disorders, was completed with an interesting amount

of success.

Pilot Club will sponsor the Civic Club Volleyball Challenge at 7 p.m. June 18 in Dameron Park. The entry fee for a six person team in the single elimination sand volleyball tournament is \$25. Call 364-0605 after 5 p.m. for more information.

Pilot Club will also sponsor bingo games at the local nursing homes on June 20.

A progress report was given by Kim Leonard on the Jubilee of Arts to be held in conjunction with the Town and Country Jubilee on Aug. 10.

The next meeting will be June 25 with the installation of new officers conducted by Linda Minchew.

Ann Landers

Readers respond to son who felt cheated

Dear Ann Landers: You failed to catch the full significance of the letter from "Bewildered in Ontario," who felt cheated when he and his brother learned their father had left almost all his money to his second wife who had a son from a previous marriage. "Ontario" feared that the stepson eventually would inherit the remainder of his father's estate.

Please tell people to remember when they make out their wills that they are leaving more than just "stuff." Their wills are their final communication with their children. A will that benefits stepchildren ahead of natural children will be perceived as a statement regarding the value of the relationship. I know what I'm talking about because it happened to me. -- Pikeville, Ky.

Dear Ky.: The following letter, also from Kentucky, gives a better response than anything I might produce -- and it was written by a 14-year-old. Here it is:

Dear Ann Landers: I was real upset when I read the letter from "Bewildered in Ontario," who was mad because he didn't think he and his brother got the amount of money they were entitled to when their father died.

It sounds like they were more interested in their father's money than in him. If that happened in my family, I'd be ashamed to let anyone know about it. Greed is ugly. -- M.L.

Dear M.L.: Well said. And now the last word from a reader in

Albuquerque:

Dear Ann Landers: I saw red when I read the letter from "Bewildered," who was upset because he didn't receive more money when his father died. Apparently, the father left most of his estate to his wife "of only nine years."

My father is 81. His wife is 42. They've been married for 13 years. If my father died tomorrow and left everything to his wife, it wouldn't bother me one bit. In fact, I would be happy about it.

My stepmother has been terrific to Dad. She has added many years to his life. After Mom died, Dad was so depressed we were worried that he would just give up, but "Mary" came along and the gloom lifted. He is a different person, and we all adore her. Sign us -- Grateful in the USA

Dear Grateful: Thanks for your response. It's a sentiment that I had hoped more people would express, but as the previous writer said, greed is ugly -- and there's too much of it around.

Dear Ann Landers: I'd like to respond to "Fond Memories," who buried her husband with his glasses on.

My husband passed away recently. Since he was very fond of playing poker and blackjack, we decided he'd look more natural with a deck of cards in his hand -- and that's the way we buried him. -- Grace Ferrell, Youngstown, Ohio

Dear Grace: Beautiful! I'm sure

he would have loved it.

Dear Ann Landers: There's been some back-and-forth chatter in your column about the insignificance of the "lowly penny. I submit the following item from Newsweek:

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SATURDAY-Games 12 noon - 4 p.m.

MONDAY-Pool classes, line

dancing 10-11 a.m., doll class 12:30-4 p.m., F.O.T. meeting 9 a.m.

TUESDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., Miracle Ear Hearing 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Diabetic Support Group 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., craft and ceramics 1-3 p.m.

Formby Scholarship is awarded to local student

Kathleen Cooper, a 1994 Hereford High School graduate and junior journalism major at Texas Tech, was

recently awarded the Clint and Marshall Formby Scholarship.

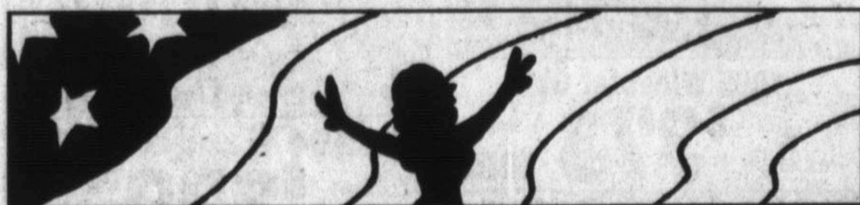
The scholarship was established for students of mass communications at Texas Tech by the Formbys, who put KPAN radio on the air in Hereford in 1948.



KATHLEEN COOPER

Cooper has been a section editor on Texas Tech's yearbook, the *La Ventana*, for two years and contributed to Tech's alumni magazine, *The Technican*. She is a member of the honors program at Tech and earned placement on the Dean's List for the third consecutive semester this spring. She will be a resident assistant on Tech's housing and dining staff during the 1996-1997 academic year.

Cooper, the oldest daughter of Rick and Peggy Cooper, is presently employed as a summer intern at KPAN radio.



Bertha Knight Landes was the first woman to serve as mayor of a major U.S. city. A Republican, she was mayor of Seattle, Washington, from 1926 to 1928.

Classes held on Fridays

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Sports

Judge overturns Irvin's indictment Technicality forces decision

By JAY JORDEN
Associated Press Writer
DALLAS (AP) - A state district judge today threw out the drug possession indictments against Dallas Cowboys All-Pro receiver Michael Irvin and two topless dancers.

The action was taken after it was revealed that a grand juror in the case was not a resident of Dallas County.

State District Judge Manny Alvarez granted a defense motion to quash the indictments after Irvin's attorneys presented evidence showing that one of the grand jurors resided in neighboring Tarrant County.

"I find the requirements that a person not only be a citizen of Texas but also of Dallas County have not been met," Alvarez said in ruling on the matter.

However, he said, the case is pending and cautioned pretrial witnesses that a gag order is still in effect.

"We start from scratch basically," Alvarez said. "The effect here is we start back, again a criminal case is pending."

A reserved Irvin, who was indicted April 1 on charges of cocaine and marijuana possession, left the courthouse following a pre-trial hearing without comment. He had been scheduled to stand trial June 24.

His attorney, Kevin Clancy, would only say "The case is still pending and the motion to quash has been granted."

Prosecutor Mike Gillett issued a brief statement outlining the state's position.

"Procedurally our office plans to resubmit the cases to another grand jury as soon as possible," he said.

A day earlier, Alvarez denied a motion to throw out the indictment against Irvin because the grand jury was improperly selected. The judge dismissed defense arguments that prosecutors failed to get individual responses from prospective grand jurors on questions required by state law, including information on any felony convictions.

Judge John Creuzot presided over the grand jury's monthly deliberations that resulted in the indictments of Irvin, Jasmine Jennipher Nabwangu and Angela Renee Beck, both 22.

Irvin, 30, former teammate Alfredo Roberts and both women were found in an Irving motel room with drugs, police said after a March 4 raid.

A grand jury indicted Irvin, Ms. Beck and Ms. Nabwangu with possession of marijuana, a misdemeanor. Irvin and Ms. Beck were also charged with felony possession of at least 4 grams of cocaine.

Ms. Nabwangu was charged with having less than a gram of cocaine, also a felony.

Roberts was not indicted. In testimony Tuesday, a police officer testified Irvin appeared to be under the influence of "some substance" when police entered the motel in response to a disturbance call.

Officer Matthew William Drumm said Irvin's "eyes were red and bloodshot and it appeared to me he had an extreme case of cottonmouth - dry mouth."

Bulls close in on championship Jordan needs win tonight for his fourth NBA title

By BOB BAUM
AP Sports Writer
SEATTLE (AP) - Tonight's the night for Michael Jordan.

The comeback is nearly complete. A few more of his unstoppable fadeaway jumpers, a little of that stifling Chicago defense, another Dennis Rodman smirk or two and the Bulls are champions once again.

"Yeah, I can taste it," Jordan said. "It's just a step away."

The wobbly Seattle SuperSonics vow to make a valiant last stand as the Bulls try to complete their sweep of the finals and claim their fourth NBA title in six years.

"This team has proven itself," Seattle coach George Karl said, "and I have all the faith in the world that this team will go out and play hard."

But few are giving the Sonics much chance to provide even a temporary halt to the inevitable.

After 1 1/2 seasons away from the game he dominated for so long, Jordan is like a race horse who smells the finish line at the end of an incredible journey.

At age 33, he already has three NBA titles, an NCAA championship and two Olympic gold medals. This crown, though, would top them all, Jordan said, "because of what I was faced with and where I've come from, and the type of team and the success we've had."

When Jordan returned in the midst of the 1994-95 season after giving baseball a try, he found that other than Scottie Pippen, he was surrounded by unfamiliar teammates. When he failed to immediately lead his team to a championship, it only added fire to his already unmatched competitiveness.

"Everyone has an opinion about my drive and my determination," Jordan said. "I've never really tried to compare that to anyone else. It's just that I believe in myself and when I see something I truly want, I work hard to try to get it."

"That goes back to my mother and father and the things that they instilled in me as a kid. If you wanted anything in our household, you had to work to get it. I think that's something that's kind of missed in a lot of family's homes today. I'm very blessed that I had that type of guidance."

Jordan says that coach Phil Jackson has taught him how to have patience as he learned to blend with his teammates.

"I'm the type of player who's so competitive I can really ruin a player's confidence just by my aggressive play," Jordan said. "Phil really gave me a chance to be patient and understand my supporting cast and give them a chance to jell and improve."

And boy have they improved.

The Bulls already are in the record book with 72 regular-season victories. If they get their 10th consecutive playoff win tonight, they'll finish with the best record in postseason history, 15-1.

The Sonics, whose 64 regular-season victories ranks 10th on the NBA's all-time list, have been reduced to playing the Washington Generals to the Bulls' Harlem Globetrotters.

The Seattle players say they're not thinking about anything but just winning one game and keeping the series going into a Game 5 Friday, also on the Sonics' homecourt.

"Tomorrow night is a huge challenge for our pride," Karl said Tuesday. "I think everyone who evaluated this series thought that if Seattle wins two of three at home, that's about all you could ask for. We can still do that."

It's the magnitude of Chicago's 108-86 mauling of Seattle in Sunday's Game 3 that makes a sweep seem so probable. Also, there are signs of internal squabbling among the deckhands as the Sonics' ship sinks.

Ervin Johnson and Vincent Askew are upset about diminished playing time. Askew said he might not play tonight because of a sore right foot. Nate McMillan, who has missed virtually the entire series with a sore back, said it's doubtful he will try to play.

Shawn Kemp insinuated some of his teammates have given up and he refused to take the entire team's hopes into his hands alone.

"A true superstar goes out and plays to win," he said. "A true superstar isn't a person who puts their team on their back. You don't see Michael Jordan putting his team on his back and scoring 100 points a game. I think there are 11 guys over there who are also playing."

But Jordan does everything he needs to do to make sure his team wins. The game will be played against the backdrop of Jordan's uncertain future. He's a free agent who says he won't stay in Chicago unless Jackson does. Jackson says he won't stay unless Jordan, Rodman and Pippen are back.

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Legislative decisions dominate UIL meeting

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas Legislature's effort to give local control to school districts has coaches and school administrators outraged over the number of teams a student-athlete can play on during a season.

The University Interscholastic League's policy committee on athletics Tuesday held its annual hearing on proposed rule changes, which include adding wrestling for boys and pole vault in track for girls.

But the meeting was dominated by complaints that the Legislature's revision of the state education code stripped the UIL's ability to regulate a student's participation in non-school sanctioned sports.

The problem, the coaches said, is that students are now free to participate on a non-school team while also participating on a school team. As a result, students are overexerting and getting lured onto teams that lack adequate training and supervision, the officials said.

In one instance, students on a high school basketball team have been invited to leave their school team to travel to Europe and play foreign competition during their school season next year.

In another instance, a father disgruntled about the coach of his daughter's basketball team pulled his daughter off the team and recruited several other girls off the team to form their own team and play games against UIL competition, which is allowed.

"Some enterprising individuals who are either making a profit off of non-school leagues or who get angry at a school coach and pull their youngster from a school team are forming their own teams to play during the school season," said Bonnie Northcutt, policy director for the UIL.

Lucky Gamble, of the Alto Independent School District, said two members of his school's baseball team were recruited onto a team that also includes college players in Nacogdoches.

He said Alto's star pitcher was called on to pitch two 9-inning games for the non-school team just before pitching for the school in the regional finals of the state playoffs. Alto lost the game by one run and barely missed reaching the state tournament.

"I believe he was worn out and possibly injured by pitching those two other games," Gamble said. "That non-school league may have ended up costing all our kids the chance to

reach the state tournament. "The real concern, however, is that the other league had undue influences at their practices like beer and a lot of swearing," Gamble said.

Local school boards can make rules prohibiting their students from playing on non-school teams during the school season.

But UIL Athletic Director Charles Breithaupt said many school boards are reluctant to do that.

"They fear that if their district prevents kids from playing on other teams and another school district doesn't, that other school district will have an advantage," he said.

Ms. Northcutt said the coaches want a rule to rectify the situation, and the UIL is studying whether that's possible under the new law.

"The new rule would say, 'Your school team can't play any team that has students who would be eligible under UIL rules,' in other words, school-age youngsters," she said.

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Myers is Tech's interim AD

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Gerald Myers, associate athletic director at Texas Tech University, was named Tuesday as interim athletic director to replace Robert Bockrath, who resigned to become AD at Alabama.

Myers served as Tech's men basketball coach for 20 years, posting a 326-261 record, the best winning

percentage in school history.

He was Tech's first All-Southwest Conference athlete in any sport, gaining that honor in 1958 on the basketball court. He is a native of Borger.

Bockrath will remain at Tech through June 21.

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M's collect 24 hits, rout Twins

By The Associated Press
When one of baseball's best hitting teams has a big night, it has a big night.

The Seattle Mariners set a team record with 24 hits Tuesday night in an 18-8 rout of the Minnesota Twins.

Dan Wilson led the way with the first five-hit game of his career, while Alex Rodriguez and Joey Cora each had four hits for the first time.

"I think our offense was contagious tonight," said Wilson, who drove in three runs and tied a team record with the five hits. "We've got a lot of people up and down the lineup who can swing the bat. This team's starting to put some things together now."

Just ask Rick Aguilera. The right-hander was returning from the disabled list and making his second start of the season.

He faced nine batters in the first inning as the Mariners, the best-hitting road team in the majors with a .315 average, took a 5-0 lead. They pushed the lead to 11-0 in the fourth, with five of the runs charged to Aguilera, as they beat Minnesota for just the second time in six games this season.

"This was a long time coming, but it was just one of those things," Aguilera said. "Five runs were up before I got my act together, then before I knew it they had big numbers up there again."

The Mariners lead the majors with 106 homers, but the only one they got

Tuesday was a two-run shot by Darren Bragg, his fifth of the season.

"I've never seen so many .300 batters, on both sides," Seattle manager Lou Piniella said. "Everybody that came up there."

In other AL games Tuesday night it was: Baltimore 12, Detroit 9; Cleveland 6, Oakland 5; New York 6, Toronto 4; Boston 9, Chicago 2; California 11, Kansas City 9; and Milwaukee 14, Texas 4.

The loss was the fifth in 17 games for the Twins, who got home runs from Rich Becker and Greg Myers.

Aguilera, who said his arm felt fine after the game, has a 19.50 ERA in his two starts.

"I felt bad my teammates had to sit through this," Aguilera said. "But it's behind me now and it'll get better the next time."

Orioles 12, Tigers 9

Rocky Coppington won in his major-league debut and Cal Ripken had three hits and three RBIs as Baltimore snapped a four-game losing streak. Ripken, Chris Hoiles and Mike Devereaux homered for visiting Baltimore, which had 15 hits and six stolen bases, three by Brady Anderson.

Chris Gomez, Bobby Higginson and Chad Curtis homered for Detroit, which lost for the 41st time in 48 games.

Coppington, the Orioles' top minor-league pitching prospect who was called up last week, gave up four

earned runs on seven hits in five innings. The right-hander walked two and struck out five.

Brewers 14, Rangers 4

John Jaha had four hits and four RBIs as the visiting Brewers snapped the Rangers' four-game winning streak. Dave Nilsson added three RBIs for Milwaukee.

Ben McDonald (6-3) improved his career mark against Texas to 6-1 despite giving up five hits in the first two innings, escaping with only one run. He allowed 12 hits and four runs over 5 2-3 innings.

Rangers starter Ken Hill (7-5) allowed a career-high nine runs over 3 2-3 innings, inflating his ERA from 2.94 to 3.65.

Yankees 6, Blue Jays 4

Andy Pettitte joined Cleveland's Charles Nagy as the AL's only 10-game winner as the Yankees won their seventh straight at SkyDome and beat the Blue Jays for the 16th time in their last 17 meetings. Pettitte (10-3) gave up four runs and eight hits over 6 2-3 innings in handing the Blue Jays their sixth straight loss.

Tino Martinez and Mariano Duncan homered for the Yankees.

Indians 6, Athletics 5, 13 innings

With one out in the bottom of the 13th, Albert Belle hit a grounder that third baseman Jason Giambi threw away for a three-base error. After two walks, the Indians' 12th and 13th in

the game, Manny Ramirez hit a sacrifice fly.

The Indians tied the game in the ninth on Eddie Murray's sacrifice fly, his third RBI of the game and 1,846th of his career, which moved him into ninth place on the career list.

Oakland's Willie Adams made his major league debut and allowed four runs on four hits in the first inning. He gave up three hits over the next five innings.

Red Sox 9, White Sox 2

Vaughn Eshelman (2-2) allowed six hits over seven innings as the Red Sox snapped Chicago's 10-game home winning streak and handed the White Sox their fourth loss in 23 games.

Boston, which had lost three straight, broke it open with a seven-run seventh capped by Mike Stanley's three-run homer that made it 8-0.

The White Sox, who had scored the most runs in the majors entering the game, had at least 10 hits in eight straight games until Eshelman shut them down.

Angels 11, Royals 9

California twice rallied from four-run deficits and has a season-high 18 hits in its third straight win.

Damion Easley's two-run single capped a three-run seventh and gave the Angels a 10-7 lead. Seven Angels had more than one hit and Jim Edmonds and Tim Salmon also had two RBIs.

Rookie Joe Randa had a career-high four RBIs for the Royals, who led 4-0 and 6-2.

Braves 4, Mets 3

Tony Graffanino, inserted as a pinch-runner in the ninth inning, hit a sacrifice fly in the 13th, lifting Atlanta to victory at New York.

Chipper Jones opened the inning with a double and Fred McGriff was intentionally walked. Tom Glavine, pinch-hitting for winning pitcher Pedro Borbon (1-0), singled while attempting to sacrifice, loading the bases.

Graffanino then followed with a fly to left field, scoring Jones and snapping the Mets' season-high three-game winning streak.

Pirates 7, Giants 2

Nelson Liriano's two-run triple keyed a five-run sixth inning that carried Pittsburgh at San Francisco. It was the Pirates' fifth straight victory and ninth in 10 games.

Denny Neagle (8-2) won his third straight start, allowing six hits and two runs in 5 2-3 innings.

Giants starter Osvaldo Fernandez (3-6) allowed just three hits in the first five innings, but in the sixth, he gave up four hits and five runs.

Cubs, Bullett, outgun Philadelphia

By The Associated Press
The Chicago Cubs got a high-caliber performance from Scott Bullett.

The outfielder went 5-for-5 with four RBIs Tuesday night, carrying the Cubs to their fourth straight win, a 9-2 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies.

"Every pitch that came, I was right on it," Bullett said. "I think they couldn't have thrown a golf ball by me."

It was the first five-hit game in Bullett's big-league career, most of which has been spent coming off the bench as a pinch-hitter. Given a rare start, Bullett made the most of it.

Bullett, who took a .222 average with one RBI in 27 at-bats into the game, singled in Chicago's first run in the first. Bullett singled in another run to put the Cubs up 4-2 in the fifth, and sealed the victory with a two-run homer that made it 9-2 in the sixth.

"He played an outstanding game," manager Jim Riggleman said. "I've been trying to create a day here and there where we can get him a start to keep his skills sharp."

Elsewhere in the NL, it was Pittsburgh 7, San Francisco 2; Montreal 3, Florida 2; Atlanta 4, New York 3 in 13 innings; Colorado 7, Houston 5; St. Louis 6, Los Angeles 3; and Cincinnati 4, San Diego 1.

Bullett recently spent 20 days on the disabled list with a broken rib and was sent down to Double-A Orlando for a three-game rehabilitation stint. He went 2-for-11 with two runs scored and two stolen bases.

"He really got something out of it and he came back here ready to play," Riggleman said. "Since that time, he's given us some good pinch-hit at-bats and the game tonight."

Bullett said he didn't take his short stint in Florida lightly.

"I wasn't going to just go down there and lollygag around and go

through the motions," he said. "I went down there to get my timing back and check my rib and I did both. It's paid off."

Ryne Sandberg had a double and a bases-loaded triple and Sammy Sosa hit his 21st homer for the Cubs, while 32-year-old Mike Campbell, who last pitched in the majors two years ago, pitched well in his Cubs debut.

Campbell (1-0), brought up earlier in the day from Triple-A Iowa, limited the Phillies to two runs and five hits in seven innings.

Rockies 7, Astros 5

Pinch-hitter Trenidad Hubbard snapped an eighth-inning tie with an RBI single, and Vinny Castilla hit a three-run homer against visiting Houston.

With the score tied 5-5, Anthony Young (2-3) walked Walt Weiss and Jayhawk Owens with one out in the eighth. Xavier Hernandez replaced Young, and Hubbard greeted him with a single to center on the first pitch.

Houston tied the game 5-5 when pinch-hitter Billy Spiers hit a two-run homer in the seventh inning.

Reds 4, Padres 1

Cincinnati won at San Diego to extend the Padres' losing streak to five as rookie Chad Mottola hit a 432-foot homer and Kevin Jarvis won his first game in 365 days.

Mottola's second homer of the season, a two-run shot off Fernando Valenzuela (3-4), went to straightaway center field and gave the Reds a 4-0 lead in the fourth.

Jarvis (1-1) won for the first time since beating Colorado on June 12, 1995. He allowed Tony Gwynn's homer among his seven hits in 5 2-3 innings.

Expos 3, Marlins 2

Montreal scored twice in the seventh inning at Olympic Stadium.

Schott's decision due today

NEW YORK (AP) - It's decision day for Marge Schott, who will receive a suspension of up to two years unless she agrees today to voluntarily give up day-to-day control of the Cincinnati Reds.

Baseball's ruling executive council is to speak by conference call at 4:30 p.m. EDT, sources said. The 10-man council, which runs baseball in place of a commissioner, met last Wednesday in Philadelphia and set a one-week deadline for a decision on Schott.

The Reds owner, suspended for eight months in 1993, was given the option of voluntarily stepping aside. But there was no significant progress during talks involving lawyers from the two sides, several sources said on the condition they not be identified.

The council has been focusing on a suspension of up to two years, one source said, but a final decision awaited the conference call.

Acting commissioner Bud Selig refused to address the Schott issue during a news conference Tuesday to announce baseball's new marketing head, and returned to Milwaukee later in the day.

On Feb. 3, 1993, Schott agreed to accept a one-year suspension and \$25,000 fine from the council, which announced she was being "reprimanded and censured in the strongest terms for her use of racially and ethnically insensitive language and sternly warned not to engage in such conduct in the future." The suspen-

sion later was shortened to eight months.

Schott could not be reached for comment today. Messages were left at her home, her car dealership and the Reds office.

With the Expos trailing 2-1, Darrin Fletcher and Cliff Floyd hit one-out singles off Marlins starter Kevin Brown (4-5). Pinch-hitter Sherman Oando hit a potential double-play ball to shortstop, but second baseman Ralph Milliard couldn't complete the play, throwing the ball past first and into the Expos' dugout, allowing Fletcher to score.

Dave Silvestri followed with a single for a 3-2 lead.

Cardinals 6, Dodgers 3

Donovan Osborne scattered nine hits and allowed one run in 7 2-3 innings. He also drove in two runs with a double and a bases-loaded walk at Los Angeles.

Gary Gaetti singled four times for the Cardinals, who snapped a three-game slide and also ended a three-game winning streak by the Dodgers.

Los Angeles' Ramon Martinez (4-1), back in the rotation after missing one start with the flu, gave up two runs on four hits in four innings. The loss was his first in 11 decisions dating back to last Aug. 3.

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Nicklaus' great run may end after US Open

By RON SIRAK
AP Golf Writer

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, Mich. (AP) - No one has cast a longer or broader shadow over the world of golf than Jack Nicklaus. No one.

That bear-like shape imposed its indisputable outline across four decades of the game and reached 20 major championships wide. In all likelihood, two quite remarkable aspects of Nicklaus' incredible career come to a close after this week's U.S. Open at Oakland Hills.

This will be the 138th consecutive major championship in which Nicklaus has played, a streak dating back to 1962, when John Kennedy was president and Nick Faldo was 5 years old.

It will also be the 40th consecutive U.S. Open for Nicklaus, a streak that

dates back to President Eisenhower and when Greg Norman was 1. Both of those streaks likely end after this week.

Nicklaus is in this Open on a special exemption and he won't come back unless he earns his way in, he said. He could do that by winning the Senior Open, a real possibility.

Much less possible is Nicklaus playing in the British Open next month at Royal Lytham and St. Annes. Unless he plays very well in this tournament, he'll skip the British and end one of sports' incredible streaks.

"I sort of felt like somewhere along the line I have got to be realistic with my ability to compete at major championship level," Nicklaus said earlier this year. "I've

never just played. I've always felt like if I want to play I want to be able to compete for the top prize and there's a lot of young fellows out there that I think are better than I am now."

For anyone who has followed golf for the last 40 years it is a sobering realization that the chubby kid with the blond crewcut is now 56 years old and no longer competitive at the highest levels of the game.

Recognition of true greatness occasionally does come while someone is at the height of their creative powers. And it did with Nicklaus.

Sometimes the accomplishments of someone are of such a magnitude that it is not until years after they have left the scene that they are truly

appreciated.

Nicklaus is one who will grow in stature as the years pass, just as Bobby Jones did and just as Ben Hogan did.

For as remarkable as Nicklaus is in sheer numbers - 18 professional major championships and two U.S. Amateur titles, 70 PGA Tour victories, major championships 24 years apart - statistics alone do not adequately measure his greatness.

One of the lasting images of Nicklaus is him hunched over a putt, freezing over it, seeming like he would never take the putter back. Then finally stroking the ball purely, perfectly into the hole.

Think back and try to remember one time when Nicklaus had an 8-foot putt that mattered and missed it.

Think back to Turnberry in 1977

when he and Tom Watson waged that brilliant duel in the British Open and remember the impossible 8-iron Nicklaus hit from the rough on the last hole of the tournament - a shot so brilliant there's a plaque there commemorating it. Then remember the 40-foot birdie putt he rolled in to force Watson to make his 30-incher to win.

Think back to that glorious back nine on Sunday of the 1986 Masters when he shot 30 at treacherous Augusta National to win what would be his last tournament on the regular tour.

Think of how many times Nicklaus hit exactly the right shot at exactly the right time. Now try to remember how many times he didn't come through.

When Nicklaus lost, it was because Arnold Palmer or Gary Player or Lee Trevino or Tom Watson was better. If magic made it possible, wouldn't it be wonderful to see Harry Vardon, Jones, Hogan and Nicklaus play?

Vardon was great from 1896 - when he won his first major - to 1914 - when he won his last. Jones had an eight-year run from 1923 to '30. And Hogan's was from 1946 through 1953, when he won nine majors.

For the period of time they dominated, you could argue that any

one of those three was the greatest golfer ever.

At their peak, Vardon, Jones, Hogan, Byron Nelson, Sam Snead, Palmer, Player, Watson, Trevino, Faldo and Norman were as good as anyone who ever played the game.

At their absolute best, anyone of them could have beaten Nicklaus.

None of them were as great as Nicklaus for as long as Nicklaus.

Nicklaus won his first major championship at the U.S. Open in 1962 when he was 22 years old and won his last at the Masters in 1986 when he was 46.

No one in any sport maintained that level of excellence for that many years. A quarter of a century at the top of his game.

And now he steps down. This is a time for tears, but it is also a time to cherish.

Yes, it is sad that Jack Nicklaus is fading from the golfing picture.

Unlike some of the other greats, we get to say good-bye to Nicklaus. And that is good.

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Oilers' No. 1 pick is eager to start

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) - Eddie George wants to get paid. He also wants to be ready.

The Heisman Trophy winner and No. 1 draft choice of the Houston Oilers is attending a voluntary minicamp without a contract, and he thinks it's a smart move.

"I'm looking forward to getting paid, but it still comes down to hunger and the desire is there," George said. "I want to come in running and not be behind. I want to learn the offense and master it in years to come."

George, the 14th player selected in last April's NFL draft, has been forecast as an instant starter. He knows what will make that happen.

"If I come in out of shape, of course I'm not going to be the

starter," he said. "If I don't know the plays, of course I won't be the starter. So it depends how I come in and how things pan out for me."

Nor is George fretting over the shadow of Earl Campbell, the former Heisman Trophy winner and No. 1 pick of the Oilers who led the NFL in rushing his first three years in the league.

"It's great to be considered in the same breath with Earl Campbell; I grew up watching him," George said. "But I'm just trying to get some playing time. I'm behind Rodney (Thomas) and Ron (Harmon) right now."

"I can't say I'll rush 1,000 yards, because I may not be in a position to do that."

George is taking part in the second week of a volunteer minicamp at the

Oilers' training facility. Last week, rookies worked out alone. This week, they were joined by the veterans, and George noticed the difference.

"I expected the defensive linemen to be fast and I've discovered that's true," George said. "They're as fast as the running backs."

George has plenty to learn, but coach Jeff Fisher doesn't anticipate a controversy like the one that erupted last year. Rookie quarterback Steve McNair didn't play most of the season, much to the irritation of the fans.

"It's much easier to play as a rookie running back as opposed to quarterback," Fisher said. "Rodney is the starter and Eddie has to beat him out. To do that, he must get to training camp and understand the system, and not only the running game, but the passing game."

George rushed for 1,984 yards and scored 24 touchdowns for Ohio State last season, and he expects to fit into a one-back Oilers offense that places a premium on receiving out of the backfield.

George caught 47 passes last year for the Buckeyes and was fourth in the nation with 185.42 all-purpose yards a game.

Running back Todd McNair was the Oilers' No. 2 receiver with 60 catches last year. Thomas caught 39 passes.

George expects skills developed in college to improve in the pros.

"I was successful last year, so I'll continue with the same style," he said. "If I change anything I'll get lower with my shoulders. But this is how I got here, so I won't change much. If it ain't broke, don't fix it."

Spurs expect to lose money over 1995-96

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - When the San Antonio Spurs officially close the books on the 1995-1996 season at the end of this month, they say they probably will reflect their first losing season ever, financially.

All the numbers aren't in, but when they are, "We certainly believe we will have lost money," franchise president, chief executive officer and minority owner Jack Diller said Tuesday.

In an interview with the San Antonio Express-News, Diller declined to cite specific numbers until after the Spurs' fiscal year ends on June 30.

The downbeat financial news is likely to heighten team owners' arguments that the franchise needs a new, more lucrative venue to remain in San Antonio.

Spurs owners repeatedly have said they are not willing to subsidize losses.

"Unfortunately, it was not a surprise," Diller said.

The franchise has not lost money since it was bought by a group of 22 investors in 1993. Financial records released by the team show it also was profitable before that under the ownership of investor and auto dealer B.J. "Red" McCombs.

The losses partly were offset by a \$9 million expansion fee the Spurs received from the league this season, but still were significant enough that the team had to dip into its line of credit from bankers, Diller said.

Last March, Diller said revenues from the playoff games were expected to help the franchise break even or make a nominal profit this year.

He said that projection was based on the assumption the Spurs would go to at least the third round of the playoffs, which would make up for red ink amassed during the regular season.

The team only went into second round of the post-season matches, playing five home games, compared to eight home games last year.

During the playoffs, sagging attendance and sharply lower pay-per-view revenue combined to keep income significantly below last year's post-season tally of \$4 million, Diller said.

However, when the books are closed for the season, the ledger sheet will show a positive number, largely because of the \$9 million expansion fee distributed to the Spurs by the league.

Ex-Ram indicted for conspiring to murder

LOS ANGELES (AP) - A federal grand jury Tuesday accused former Los Angeles Rams cornerback Darryl Henley of conspiring to murder the judge who convicted him of smuggling cocaine and the cheerleader girlfriend who testified against him.

Henley, 29, was accused of trying to put together cocaine and heroin deals from his jail cell in order to finance the contract killings for \$100,000 apiece. He and three others were named in the 13-count indictment.

Rodney Anderson, a 29-year-old guard at the Los Angeles Metropolitan Detention Center, was charged as a conspirator in the murder and drug deals.

Jimmy Washington of Los Angeles and Eric Henley of Waco, Texas,

Darryl's younger brother, were charged in the drug conspiracy only. Washington is 49; the younger Henley, a former football player at Rice University, is 26.

Darryl Henley is awaiting sentencing for cocaine smuggling.

Tracy Ann Donoho, his lover and Rams cheerleader, told the jury he recruited her to carry 25 pounds of cocaine to Atlanta, where she was arrested in July 1993. Henley was convicted in that case in March 1995.

Between April 23 and May 7, Henley and Washington tried to put together a 25-pound cocaine deal, then started negotiating a heroin deal when that fell through, the indictment alleges.

The suppliers in both deals were undercover agents, according to the U.S. attorney's office.

Anderson smuggled a cellular phone to Henley and originally agreed to kill Donoho and another witness, but Henley changed his mind, the indictment claims.

Instead, he arranged with an undercover agent to kill Donoho and U.S. District Judge Gary Taylor,

according to the charges.

Henley asked Anderson to help the contract killer by digging up background on the victims, authorities alleged. The two were also accused of bribery.

Arrestments were scheduled Monday.

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Combine oil, chili powder, garlic, oregano & red pepper in small frying pan; cook over med. heat 2-3 min. Cool; add vinegar & sugar stirring to combine. Place steaks in bag; add marinade, turning to coat. Refrigerate 30 min-6 hours. Grill over medium coals 14-20 min. turning once.

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"The details would have to be worked out."

Before the law took effect, the UIL had a rule prohibiting students from playing on non-school teams during their school season.

"When you have a non-school coach who is not an educator in charge of the non-school teams trying to put together a glamour team to whip everyone else, that person isn't prone to consider the educational concerns of students," Ms. Northcutt said.

In a related matter; state Rep. Ric Williamson, R-Weatherford, pleaded with the UIL committee to allow school districts to hire part-time coaches who are not under contract as teachers at the school.

Currently, coaches double as educators and are not permitted to coach or teach their student-athletes during the off-season.

Williamson said hiring part-time coaches outside of the school would allow for more expertise in a particular sport and provide an opportunity for youngsters to receive coaching during the off-season. He said often an educator is handed the reigns of a sports program, such as soccer, without knowing anything about the sport.

Breithaupt said he disagreed. By having coaches under contract as teachers, the school has more control over the situation, he said.

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Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: Our family loves your cookie recipe using cake mix. Not only do we make drop cookies from it, but we also use the same recipe to make cutout cookies. They don't stay around long enough to frost. — A.B., Harpster, Ohio

They are good, aren't they? And so easy and quick to do. For readers

who may have missed the recipe, here it is. Clip this out now and tape it inside a cabinet door.

First, preheat your oven to 350 degrees. Mix 2 eggs and 1/2 cup of vegetable oil with a box of your favorite cake mix.

You can add other ingredients like nuts, raisins and chocolate chips to

make your cookies special.

Drop the dough by teaspoonfuls onto an ungreased cookie sheet, spacing about 2 inches apart. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes and let cool before serving.

Sound good, don't they? — Heloise

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Dear Heloise: I live alone and one of my favorite lunches has always been a bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwich.

The problem was getting the slices of bacon apart as well as the time and mess of cooking it. I almost gave them up. Now I cook a whole package of bacon at one time, either in the microwave or on top of the stove.

I carefully spread the bacon out on paper towels to drain and then I store it in a covered container in the refrigerator. I take out what I need to make a sandwich or for any other purpose and zap it in the microwave for 10 or 15 seconds. I can make a sandwich in record time and the bacon tastes like it is freshly cooked.

I so enjoy your column. I have gotten some wonderful hints from it and I hope you will think mine is worth something. — Katie Kaduk, Van Wert, Ohio

Sandoval gives report as board of directors meets

The board of directors of ASC Industries-Hereford (formerly Hereford Satellite Center) heard a report from director Lorraine Sandoval at its regular meeting recently.

Sandoval advised the board that funds from a donation by La Madre Mia Study Club were being utilized to purchase a bicycle and helmet for training purposes and to meet different individual needs at the workshop with the balance to be submitted to help defray expenses of an outing sponsored by the Gene Brownlows later this month.

Board president Robert Mercer

presided over the meeting held in the Community Center.

Charles Britten submitted the financial report, advising that donations had been received from Frio Baptist Church and First Baptist Church and memorials were received in honor of Dixie West and David Beavers.

Members present were Eleanor Hudspeth, Janice Robinson, Betty Mercer, Wanice Jones, Mercer, Britten and Sandoval.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 11 in the Community Center game room at 12 noon.

TPMHA will host public forum

The Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority (TPMHA) is hosting a public forum on residential care and community based alternatives for children and adolescents with mental illness and emotional disorders.

The forum will be held from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. June 18 in the second floor conference room of the TPMHA offices at 7201 I-40 in Amarillo.

The 74th Legislature approved a rider that directed the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation (TDMHMR) to develop a plan for providing services to children with severe mental or emotional disorders who require residential treatment and are in parental custody.

TDMHMR has convened a committee that includes agency representatives, providers and advocates to study the problem and compile information from all over the state for the 75th Legislature.

A state committee representative will be in Amarillo to hear parents and providers concerns and ideas on

residential care needs and community alternatives.

Local committee members are David Allen, Gene Ann Grant and Donna Massey, TPMHA Child and Adolescent Services; Linda Brian, Amarillo Independent School District; Colleen McCall, Department of Projective and Regulatory Services; Jane King, Randall County Juvenile Probation; Harold Mann, Potter County Juvenile Probation; Dr. Mary Ann Murphy, Borger ISD; Jerri Rook, Canyon ISD; Jim Conner, Amarillo State Center and Kim Reeves, Panhandle Assessment Center.

The focus of the committee is to discuss finding solutions to the following questions and issues:

*How should parents who have exhausted their financial resources be able to access publicly assisted residential treatment? Who should authorize this placement?

*What would be the best place for families to first access services?

*How can the state support

families to prevent unnecessary out of home placement?

*What type of community-based beds are needed?

*How should the access and placement be monitored for the efficient use of funds?

*What role should parents play in placement and treatment decisions?

*How should parents be involved when the child is in placement?

*How should the access and placement be monitored for the efficient use of funds and family satisfaction?

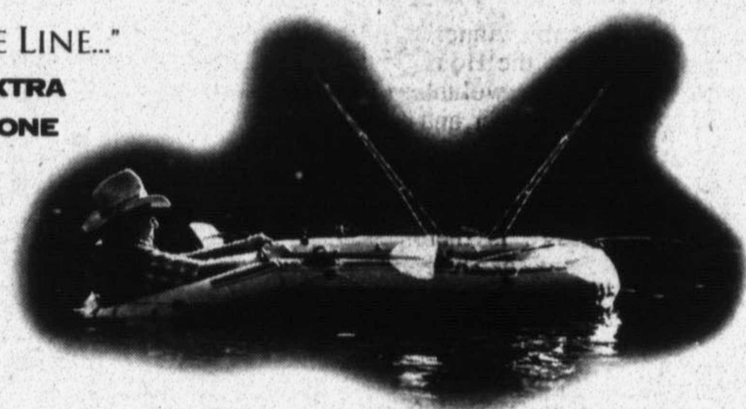
This forum is open to anyone in the 21 counties in the Panhandle. Parents who need help with residential placement are encouraged to attend and tell their story. The chairman will have the right to limit comments depending on the number of requests to speak.

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Diabetic woman still alive because of father's gift

Woman says family's faith carried her through kidney transplant ordeal

By DEBBIE MILLER
Batesville Daily Guard
SOUTHSIDE, Ark. (AP) - Ken Ray was there Sept. 30, 1965, when his daughter, Kenda, was born in the Batesville clinic.

And he was there May 24, 1995, at Baptist Medical Center in Little Rock when Kenda was given a second chance at a healthy life. And that second lease on life was because of his donation of a functioning kidney.

The road that led the family to the operating room was a rugged one. Kenda is diabetic. In 1991, she and her parents learned that her kidneys were starting to fail.

Her mother, Linda, could not be a donor because their blood types were not compatible. Her father, on the other hand, began exploring the options in 1991 and was found to be a suitable donor. From the beginning, he said, he thought he would donate the kidney.

if he would like to speak with a therapist.

"I said, 'Well, what for?'" he recalled.

And for Kenda, her father and grandfather had already set the example that would see her through - an example of living by Christian faith, she said.

"I was around my grandfather when he was going through heart bypass surgery," she said. "Seeing his faith, and Dad's always been real strong in his faith, I kind of had to rely on faith."

That held true, even when there were complications such as infection, rejection of the new kidney, chemotherapy, required gallbladder surgery, and a serious bout with a virus when her immune system was depressed by the medication she was taking.

But she said that faith saw her through.

"It just gets to the point that they're going to come in and give you good news," she said.

She's back at work now, even

putting in 12-hour days. But while she looks toward the future, she and her parents can still easily recall the struggles of the past.

Neither Ken nor his daughter had ever experienced surgery before. To be able to remove the donated kidney from him, surgeons also had to remove a rib.

And since the organ must be harvested shortly before the transplant surgery, Linda faced the ordeal of having two loved ones undergoing surgery at about the same time. "It was very scary," she said.

Ken's surgery began first and Kenda's surgery began soon thereafter.

One surgeon harvested the kidney. Another surgeon transplanted the organ into Kenda. Separate surgeons, separate teams, separate locations.

It was something that kept Linda moving. In the period following the surgery, Linda recalled, "I just went from room to room."

But the transplant was a success. "The kidney began working as soon as it was transplanted," Linda said.

She expressed gratitude for the prayers for her family by so many people in the Batesville area and even in other states.

She said they received prayer cards and expressions of support from many people.

Ken echoed that thought.

"I had a lot of prayer," he said. "I did a lot of praying and I felt a lot of people praying for me and for us."

And he added that their pastor from Calvary Baptist Church, the Rev. Mike Manning, provided help

and encouragement. "Every time we were in the hospital, there he was."

And some encouragement was welcome.

Ken recalled that, when last Memorial Day rolled around, they were at the hospital. The same was true for Independence Day and Labor Day.

On some occasions before the operations, transplants were portrayed in somewhat rosy fashion, Ken said, but that's not the case.

Some of the complications Kenda

experienced are not unheard of, he said, but the family simply wasn't expecting them.

"It was the nightmare that was never going to end," he said.

Kenda missed a total of 50 days from her job as a lab analyst at Arkansas Eastman. Ken is a senior safety representative at the same plant. The company added its support to that of the community, Ken said.

"It's a good feeling knowing people are willing to support you and stand by you," he said.

"There never was a doubt in my mind that I'd be a match," he said. Or that he would want to donate. Before the surgery he was asked

Names in the News

NEW YORK (AP) - Sandra Bullock won't let her rapid rise to stardom prevent from enjoying the simple things.

"I will always eat pizza, and I'll always have a beer with the pizza," Bullock said in an interview in the July issue of *Premiere* magazine. "That's America, for crying out loud."

The actress, who burst onto the silver screen driving a bomb-carrying bus in "Speed," stars with Matthew McConaughey in the upcoming John Grisham drama "A Time to Kill."

WESTERVILLE, Ohio (AP) - Oscar-winning composer Marvin Hamlisch had to be pushed into college because he didn't think it was important. He's singing a different tune nowadays.

"All of you here will, I promise, be able to discern the moment of your opportunity. It is that moment for which you have been trained in college," he told 400 Otterbein College graduates in a commencement address Sunday.

As a teen-ager, Hamlisch said, he

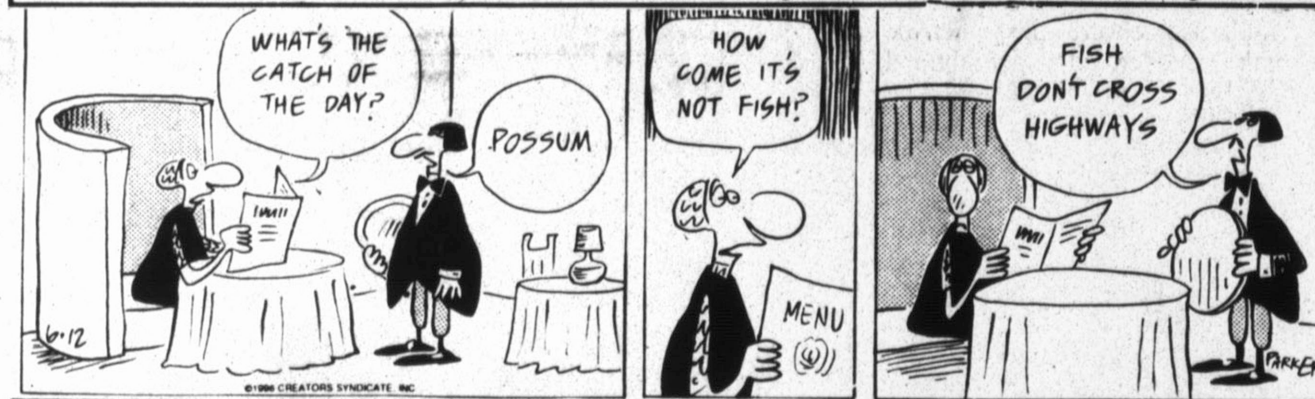
was already making a living in show business, working as a rehearsal pianist for network television and in the original production of "Funny Girl," starring Barbra Streisand.

He said his parents forced him to go to Queens College in New York. There, he said, he learned how to recognize and seize opportunity.

Hamlisch played a few songs for the graduates, including "I Feel Nothing" and "Kiss Today Goodbye."

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Oldest senator wins nomination, easily, for new term

Strom Thurmond, 93, leads parade in primaries held Tuesday in five states

By NED KILKELLY
Associated Press Writer
Strom Thurmond, the oldest senator ever at 93, easily won nomination for an eighth term Tuesday against a South Carolina Republican who tried to make an issue of his age.

In Virginia, Sen. John Warner dispatched a conservative primary challenger who had the backing of state GOP leaders.

Three other states also held primaries. Arkansas and Maine were choosing candidates to replace retiring senators. In North Dakota, a ballot issue that would have allowed video gaming machines in restaurants and bars trailed in early returns.

With 93 percent of precincts reporting in South Carolina, Thurmond had 124,402 votes or 61 percent, state Rep. Harold Worley had 60,515 votes or 30 percent, and college instructor Charles Thompson had 18,367 votes or 9 percent.

Worley, in mounting the first serious challenge to Thurmond's re-election in decades, spent about \$500,000 in six weeks, most of it on ads focusing on Thurmond's age.

But after his primary victory, Thurmond said "the voters have put

to rest" any question of whether he's too old for the job.

"It is my experience. That is what really counts," he said.

Thurmond's Democratic opponent will be political newcomer Elliott Close, who easily beat his lone rival, photographer Cecil Williams. Close had 97,367 votes or 62 percent and Williams 59,045 votes or 38 percent, with 94 percent of precincts reporting.

Close, a businessman and heir to a textile fortune, has said he will not make Thurmond's age a campaign issue. Instead, he says he'll emphasize his "business sense" and their differences on how to balance the budget.

Thurmond was elected to the Senate as a Democrat in 1954 and switched to the GOP a decade later. In 1948, he ran for president as the States' Rights Democratic, or "Dixiecrat," party candidate, and for years fought federal civil rights legislation before changing course and courting black voters.

After voting in his home town of Aiken, S.C., Thurmond departed for Washington, where he presided over Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole's departure ceremony.

Some neighbors said Thurmond should follow Dole's lead.

"I think they need some newer people (in Washington)," said Mary Glover, an office manager who said she voted for Worley because of the incumbent's age.

In Virginia, with 99 percent of precincts reporting, Warner had 321,448 votes or 66 percent and James C. Miller had 169,308 votes or 34 percent.

State GOP officials backed Miller in anger over Warner's refusal to endorse Oliver North's Senate campaign two years ago. North lost to Democratic Sen. Charles S. Robb.

Miller, budget director under President Reagan, enjoyed fervent support from conservative Christians, while Warner openly courted Democrats and independents, who were allowed to vote in the GOP primary under Virginia's open primary system.

The senator's victory now sets up Warner vs. Warner in November: the Democratic nominee is Mark R. Warner, a former state party chairman and cellular phone tycoon who is no relation to the senator.

Warner predicted the fractured Republican Party will unite around

him. "We've got to join now together to make Virginia even a better place," he said.

Miller pledged support for Warner in the general election and urged his followers to do the same.

In phone call congratulating Warner, Miller said he told the senator: "I started out to put a whipping on you, and I believe you've just put a whipping on me."

In Maine, former Gov. Joseph Brennan won the Democratic primary, beating a field of four. Republican Susan Collins won a three-candidate GOP contest for the seat of retiring Sen. William Cohen. With more than half the vote counted, Brennan and Collins each collected about 55 percent of the vote in their respective primaries.

Collins and Brennan were their parties' nominees in the 1994 gubernatorial race, but lost to independent Angus King. Brennan is a former two-term governor.

In Arkansas, Attorney General Winston Bryant won his eighth consecutive statewide race, against no losses, by beating state Sen. Lu Hardin in the Democratic runoff for the seat of retiring Democratic Sen. David Pryor.

With 96 percent of precincts reporting, Bryant had 117,689 votes, or 54 percent, and Hardin had 101,856 votes, or 46 percent.

Republicans, who have never won a Senate election in Arkansas by popular vote, meet Saturday to pick

a nominee to replace Lt. Gov. Mike Huckabee, who gave up the Republican nomination so he can succeed Gov. Jim Guy Tucker.

Tucker, convicted of fraud and conspiracy in the Whitewater trial, resigns next month.

Mall explosion in Brazil kills 44, injures 100 more

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AP)—As frantic relatives rushed to hospitals, rescue workers said today there was little hope of finding more survivors of a shopping mall explosion that killed 44 people and injured more than 100 others.

Rescue workers used lanterns, sensors and dogs to search the debris of the Plaza Shopping Center in the suburb of Osasco, about 10 miles west of Sao Paulo. The explosion ripped through the mall at lunchtime Tuesday.

"It's very unlikely that we'll find survivors or more bodies," state police Maj. Ademir Crivelaro said today.

So far, the army and police have recovered 27 bodies. Another 17 victims died en route to treatment,

said Col. Isaias Mascarenhas of the Sao Paulo state police, who headed the rescue operation.

City hospitals posted lists of those treated, including their injuries.

President Fernando Henrique Cardoso expressed his sympathy to relatives of victims late Tuesday, assigning more army troops to the search effort.

Today is a Brazilian holiday similar to Valentine's Day, so stores Tuesday were packed with shoppers, mall superintendent David Rocha said, estimating that 2,000 people were in the 200-store mall at the time.

Although the mall was built barely a year ago, state police said there was no suspicion of faulty workmanship. Authorities said the cause of the explosion was unknown; press reports blamed a gas leak.

Yeltsin condemns bomb attack in subway; violence sours already tense campaigning

MOSCOW (AP)—President Boris Yeltsin today condemned a bomb attack that killed four people in the Moscow subway and called it another reason to support his re-election bid.

Mayor Yuri Luzhkov, a Yeltsin ally, accused "reactionary forces" of planting a bomb on the city subway, killing four people and souring the tone of Russia's tense election campaign.

Both Yeltsin and Luzhkov are running for re-election Sunday. The president faces fierce competition from Communist leader Gennady Zyuganov.

Communist leaders, meanwhile, hinted that Yeltsin's allies might be behind the blast and could use it as a pretext for a security crackdown on the opposition.

"I was shocked to the bottom of my heart by the news," Yeltsin said today in a statement, as he campaigned in the southern town of Novocheerkassk.

"Our best answer to the extremists' designs would be to vote on June 16 for civic peace, for stability, for Russia's future," said the statement, carried by the Interfax news agency.

He lashed out at the "brutal and barbaric action," and promised to punish the offenders. No one immediately claimed responsibility for Tuesday night's bombing, which ripped through a car in the Tulskeya metro station, tossing passengers and halting the train.

Recriminations flew today, with

most suspicion falling on either people trying to sabotage the elections or Chechen rebels, who have long threatened terrorist acts in Russian cities.

"I'm absolutely convinced that this event ... is an effort by reactionary forces who are trying to ruin the elections," a somber Luzhkov told a news conference.

"But we will not allow this," he said. "We, thank God, live in a democratic country."

Luzhkov later told officials from the Emergency Situations Ministry he thought the bombing was the work of terrorists who wanted to take Russia back to Soviet times, a veiled reference to the Communists.

"Behind this terrorist act are

forces which want to return the country to 1917, to the 1930s, to the times of lines, shortages, suppression of freedom and conscience," said Luzhkov, Interfax reported.

Leading Communist lawmaker Viktor Ilyukhin, however, said, "It's impossible to exclude the version that ... groups within the governmental clan" were involved.

The blast threatened to change the tone of a campaign that has seen a confident Yeltsin dancing with voters as he tells them life is getting better in their troubled country.

Police reported receiving bomb threats after the blast, including one from a man who phoned and said, "This is not all. More will come later."

Four people were killed when the bomb exploded on a southbound train. Twelve were injured, including a 4-year-old boy.

Seven badly burned victims were in serious condition in a Moscow hospital today. One man's legs are to be amputated, Interfax quoted medics as saying.

A pound of TNT had been attached to the underside of one of the seats in a car. Security agents found pieces of a timer nearby.

The subway was running as usual this morning but with beefed up security. Heavily armed troops and police were sent to check each train every hour, said Dmitry Gayev, director of metro security.

Baylor professors' study indicates tax incentives being used wisely

AUSTIN (AP)—Local governments in Texas are using tax incentives wisely to keep growing companies in place and to attract new ones, two Baylor University economics professors say.

While tax incentives raise controversy because they cost taxpayers money, they are being properly used as an economic development tool, professors Thomas Kelly and James Harrington told the Senate Committee on Economic Development Tuesday.

"Tax abatement is a very important item on the menu of incentives available," Kelly said. "It doesn't appear that residents are being gouged."

Incentives include tax abatements, or exemptions from property taxes; and tax increment financing, which uses some of the taxes paid by a new or expanding company to help pay bonds purchased for related infrastructure improvements.

Texas local governments gave up about \$161.8 million in property taxes last year. No estimate was available for tax dollars that went into TIF agreements.

Taxing authorities use incentives to keep growing companies in place and to lure new businesses. Many opponents say other factors, such as the local cost of living, transportation facilities and other taxes, are more important to attracting companies.

But some acknowledge that if other cities and counties vying for a company's new warehouse or headquarters offer tax breaks, Texas cities and counties might feel pressure to offer incentives as well.

The state offers some tax incentives, but most come from local authorities.

"Everybody is stuck in a situation where they may all know that other things are more important, but no one wants to be first to let go" of the incentives, said Dick Lavine, a policy analyst for the Center for Public Policy Priorities, a policy research group.

Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco and

chairman of the Senate Economic Development Committee, said if his panel had found that local authorities were misusing incentives, he would have moved to curtail or get rid of them.

But he said he is satisfied that is not happening.

"We found that they were in fact using taxpayers' money rationally," Sibley said, adding that there is no basis to argue that money is being wasted.

Dr. James Henderson, another Baylor economics professor, said while tax incentives aren't being misused, there is not enough information available to determine whether too much is being spent on them.

He said that in general, local authorities are paying more for jobs

considered more valuable and less for jobs ranked as less valuable.

The committee adopted a series of proposals that would require more reporting from local authorities to the state so that further analysis could be done. Those proposals need legislative approval next year before they could take effect.

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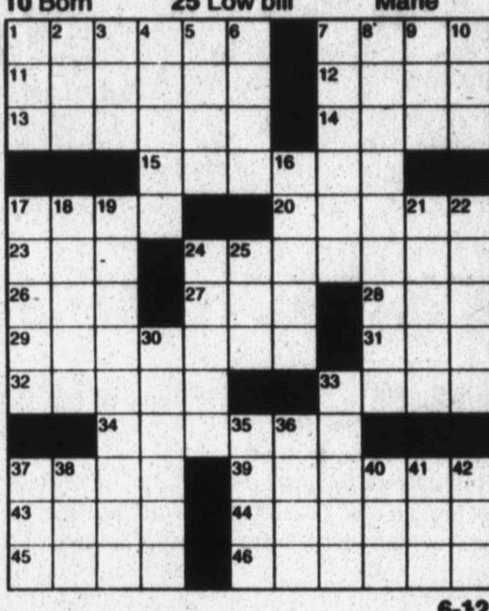
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Women vow to keep pursuing claims against Texas Rangers

"This could have been a Cinderella story." - Former Texas Ranger

By MIKE COCHRAN
Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) - Two female officers involved in a bitter clash with the Texas Rangers say it has been a horrible and frustrating year but they are not backing off. And both insist the elite crime-fighting agency still has little or no understanding about their charges of sexual harassment and discrimination. "They don't know what sexual harassment is and they couldn't care less," says Cheryl Steadman, a history-making Ranger from Houston who resigned in 1994.

"They haven't been caught at it, so why should they care?" Says Lisa Sheppard of Corpus Christi, who angrily spurned a Ranger job offer: "They have a place for female Rangers and it is exclusively in company headquarters, without exception."

She said the implication is demeaning, degrading and illegal. After lodging unsuccessful human rights complaints, the two Department of Public Safety officers sued the Rangers and their parent DPS last December in federal court.

A trial date has not been set. "Since the federal lawsuit is pending, we can't comment," said DPS spokesman Mike Cox.

The federal action came on the heels of three separate state inquiries which concluded that Ms. Steadman's charges of sexual harassment were largely unfounded.

But the allegations and the inquiries underscore the strife of the past year within the law enforcement agency, a unique 104-member unit that traces its origins back to 1823.

Despite the turmoil, Cox described the Rangers' day-to-day operations as "pretty much business as usual. They're blowing and going. They stay awful busy."

The two current female Rangers are stationed in headquarters companies, Marrie Garcia in San Antonio and Christine Nix in Waco.

Although the lawsuit is directed at the Rangers and the DPS, it named Cook, Col. Wilson and Public Safety Commissioner Ronald Krist as defendants. Also named were Capt. W.D. Vickers and Lt. Robert Madeira, the ranking officers in the Rangers' Houston company, where

Ms. Steadman spent her brief Ranger career.

She and Ms. Sheppard claim they were libeled, slandered, defamed and targeted for "ridicule, threats, lies, disrespect and violent outbursts."

The defendants denied the charges and insisted that "any injury or damages suffered by the plaintiffs resulted from their own conduct and actions."

In recent interviews, Sgts. Sheppard and Steadman discussed the events of the last year, which were perplexing for both but more so for Ms. Steadman.

"I understand now why women tolerate the kind of behavior that I put up with," she said. "You don't have fingerprints and blood, so it's difficult to prove. It takes a lot out of you and it costs a lot of money to fight it."

"Sometimes the cure can be as bad as the disease."

Ms. Steadman, 34, the wife of a DPS highway patrolman, said sadder of all is what might have been.

"This could have been a Cinderella story. They gave me everything. I went from being a lowly trooper to being a Texas Ranger, the first female Ranger."

Why, she asked rhetorically, would she walk away from all this?

"People must realize it would have to have been unbearable to give that up," she said.

Ms. Steadman said she and Lisa are both happy with their DPS jobs and, in fact, the DPS rescued her from severe depression.

"If I had left the department I probably would have drowned in a pool of sorrow somewhere. This has been a good bounce back for me, probably the best thing I could have done."

Ms. Sheppard, 35, said her DPS colleagues also are "very professional, but fun. They are good investigators, good people, and I don't have any problems."

In fact, she said, her only serious problem with the Rangers was Cook's insistence that she work in company headquarters in San Antonio instead of a field office.

"There's nothing in and of itself that makes a company headquarters lesser than a field office," she said. "It's the implication that you couldn't function in another setting. It makes you somehow lesser in your capabilities."

Relating her situation to the Jim Crow-era requirement that blacks sit at the back of buses, she said:

"There's nothing in and of itself degrading about sitting in the back of a bus. But when you're forced to do so, then it's belittling, it's degrading and it's illegal."

It was a year ago in May that the two DPS investigators went public with their allegations of sexual bias, openly criticizing Capt. Maurice Cook, the Ranger chief. Some retired Rangers already were complaining about the Ranger leadership, and anonymous letters to state officials likewise warned of deteriorating morale.

Most blamed Cook, the senior captain since 1992.

Veteran Ranger Ron Stewart of Alpine retired last summer in disgust and later told The Associated Press the agency is "falling apart" and "nobody is doing anything about it."

Emphasizing that he wanted to rescue - not wreck - the Rangers, he said:

"We are separated and divided as never before, and I put the blame squarely on the present senior Ranger captain. ... There is a failing at the top to retain respect."

As criticism mounted, the policy-making Public Safety Commission conducted a public inquiry into the Steadman case. It concluded there was no evidence of harassment. Then, the next day, the AP learned that two Rangers had been disciplined earlier for racial and sexual slurs directed at the first black female Ranger.

In another incident, a Ranger purportedly pulled a pistol on a state trooper in a dispute over a woman, and both were suspended.

Last February, sources at the highest level of state government told the AP that Cook had received an "ultimatum" from DPS Director James Wilson to step down.

"Cook was told he could retire, resign, transfer or they'd fire him," said one government source, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Neither Cook nor Wilson would discuss the reports with the AP but James Francis, a member of the three-man Public Safety Commission, confirmed that Cook would be retiring this summer.

"This retirement has nothing to do with any specific act or certainly nothing to do with Cheryl Steadman," said Francis, who

vigorously denied that pressure from the governor's office was forcing Cook out.

"He has got 29 or 30 years of service, and people do retire when they get 29 or 30 years of service," Francis said.

Cox, the DPS spokesman, says he sees Cook occasionally at DPS headquarters in Austin. The Rangers have been a division of the DPS since 1934, and Cook's office is located there.

"He's still on the payroll as far as I know," Cox said. "I haven't seen any retirement notice."

For the first time since becoming Ranger chief, Cook was not a member of the most recent interview board, a vital part of the DPS selection process. Instead, Bruce Casteel, the No. 2 man, and two other Rangers served on the six-member panel.

They helped choose seven new male Rangers, including five Anglos and two Hispanics.

Meanwhile, Sgts. Sheppard and Steadman have been in federal court, branding the Rangers as the "last bastion of the good old boy society" and accusing them of "extreme and outrageous" conduct.

Ms. Steadman believes her superior officers resented females in the Ranger ranks and that their sexual bias translated into a hostile work environment.

She maintains the discriminatory treatment became intolerable after an overnight country outing with 23 active and retired male Rangers in 1994. She was required to attend the meeting, but spent the night in town with a female state trooper.

She is currently assigned to the DPS vehicle theft unit in Houston.

In the second case, Ms. Sheppard, a criminal intelligence investigator, maintains she was discriminated against by the conditions of her Ranger job offer.

"I was denied an existing vacancy in Beeville (near her home and family in Corpus Christi) due to a requirement the Rangers have of stationing women in company headquarters," she complained.

She accused Cook of a "calculated effort ... to force me to either work in a demeaning and diminished capacity or decline the position, which I eventually did."

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Greenville shocked by fires; authorities release suspects

By JANINE ZUNIGA
Associated Press Writer
GREENVILLE, Texas (AP)—Three men who were questioned in arson fires at two black churches were released Tuesday for lack of evidence, while police grappled with two more fires that broke out in other buildings.

The four fires in three days profoundly shocked this town of 23,000.

"We've never had anything like this happen in our community - I don't know how to respond," Mayor Sue Ann Cross said. "It's awful and it's got to stop."

Fires broke out late Sunday at the New Light House of Prayer and early Monday at the Church of the Living God. Monday night, another fire destroyed a vacant, one-story frame house a few blocks from the New Light church, and on Tuesday night, still another fire broke out in an abandoned, three-story building in downtown Greenville.

It was not immediately known how

the latest fire started, but it was extinguished shortly before 10 p.m. "At this point, no charges will be filed concerning the fires at the local churches," Police Chief Barry Paris said.

Paris insisted the release of the suspects was not an end to the case.

"The investigation is not going away," he said. "We will go however long it takes to bring this case to closure."

Before their release, Steele said the three had been eliminated as suspects in the fire that did moderate damage to the Church of the Living God, which was reported three hours after the men were taken into custody.

The federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms has been investigating 30 church fires since January 1995 and has declared five of those cases closed with arrests. The Texas fires bring the total to 32.

The latest blazes have been ruled arson, said Steven Steele of the ATF. Attorneys general in southern states plan to form a multi-state task

force to investigate the fires, South Carolina Attorney General Charlie Condon said Tuesday.

"Because these reprehensible crimes are taking place in the South, southern states have a special responsibility to lead the fight," Condon said in St. Louis at the summer meeting of National Association of Attorneys General.

He said the group's first action will be to call a summit meeting, probably in Virginia, with religious leaders and law enforcement officials.



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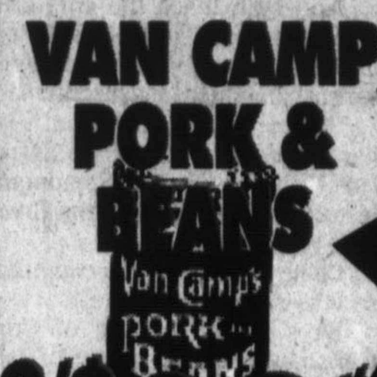


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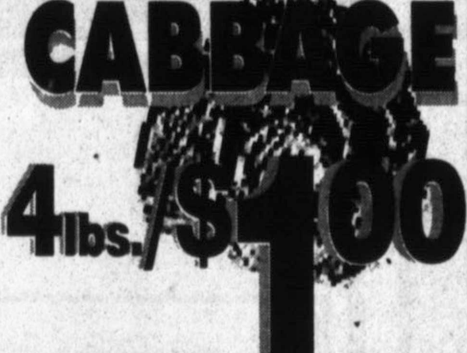


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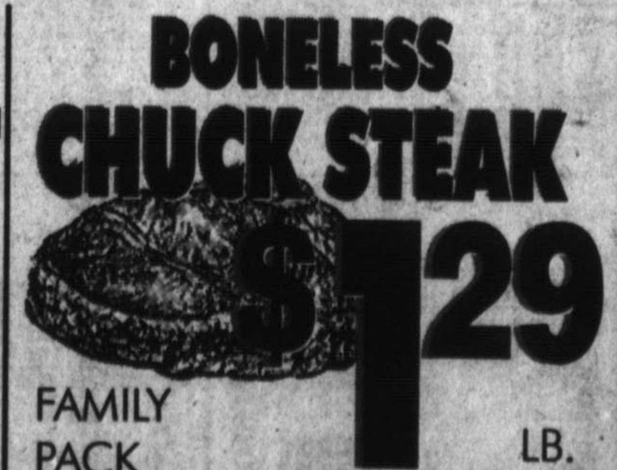


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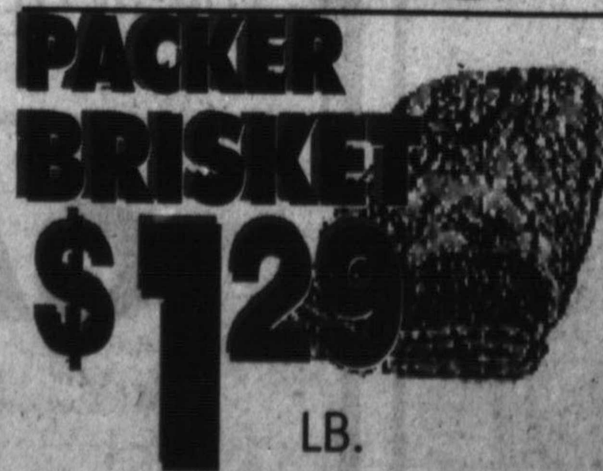
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