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Jurassic - oops, Jaycee Park

Recently-installed playground equipment in Jaycee Park of Hereford fits in with the current interest in dinosaurs. The huge

item is in the shape of a one of the extinct creatures. A picnic pavillion, also a new addition to the park, nears completion.

Bombing jury hears closing arguments before deliberating on fate of McVeigh

By STEVEN K. PAULSON
Associated Press Writer
DENVER (AP) - Jurors in the trial of Timothy McVeigh must decide if testimony and evidence accusing him of the Oklahoma City bombing reflects the truth, or is the product of liars, hazy memories and sloppy police work.
"The evidence is now closed," U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch said Wednesday after the defense rested its case following just 3 1/2 days of testimony.
The 12 jurors and six alternates were scheduled to hear closing arguments today before receiving final instructions from Matsch.
Sources close to the case said Matsch was considering sequestering the panel throughout deliberations, which would go through the weekend if necessary.
In five weeks of testimony from

162 prosecution and defense witnesses, prosecutors portrayed McVeigh as a cowardly terrorist driven by illusory patriotism to blow up the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building as revenge for the deadly 1993 FBI raid on Branch Davidians near Waco, Texas.
Despite careful planning, McVeigh was unmasked by a trail of witnesses and physical evidence that showed him responsible for the April 19, 1995, explosion that killed 168 people and maimed 500 others, prosecutors said.
McVeigh, 29, faces the death penalty if convicted of murder and conspiracy in the worst act of terrorism in the United States.
Regardless of what others said, the real bomber was killed in the blast, defense attorney Stephen Jones contended.
Defense lawyers depicted the Gulf

War veteran as a victim of coincidence, pressured witnesses and careless evidence tests. They wrapped up their case with an audio and video presentation intended to show how star prosecution witness Michael Fortier went from proclaiming the innocence of his former Army buddy on television to joking in wiretapped phone conversations about concocting a story to make a million dollars off the case.
After the last piece of defense evidence was introduced, McVeigh whispered to Jones, then sat cross-legged at the defense table, his hands tightly clasped in front of his chin.
Jones then announced simply: "The defense rests."
Among the most contested evidence was the testimony of Fortier and his wife, Lori, McVeigh's friends from Arizona who said they never

believed he intended to go through with his plan to blow up the federal building.
Fortier said McVeigh told him how he and co-defendant Terry Nichols picked the federal building because they believed - wrongly - that it was where the orders were issued for the Waco raid. Nichols will be tried later on similar charges.
Five months before the bombing, Fortier said, he and McVeigh cased the federal building and talked about where to park a getaway car. Lori Fortier said McVeigh lined up soup cans in her kitchen to demonstrate how he was going to pack the explosives in the truck.
Defense lawyers attacked the husband and wife, pointing out that they told a different story in the days after the blast and in Fortier's case, changed stories while cutting a deal with prosecutors who threatened to charge the couple as accessories.

Lawmakers agree on deal to give taxpayers break

By JUAN B. ELIZONDO Jr.
Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) - Lawmakers who pinned for hefty reductions to Texans' local school property taxes were expected to sign-off today on a much-smaller \$140 homestead property tax cut.
A House-Senate committee informally approved the deal Wednesday, a concession to larger plans scrapped last week when the panel could not reach a compromise.
The deal, scheduled for a final overnight touch-up, was expected to be signed by at least the required three House members and three Senate members on Thursday, eliminating the need for a final vote.
The plan also was expected to easily pass the full House and Senate before the legislative session's last day, Monday.
The conference committee earlier this month wrangled over differences between tax-cut plans passed by the House and Senate. Both offered far more than the total \$1.04 billion cut expected from the \$140 homestead compromise.
Gov. George W. Bush and key lawmakers announced last Saturday that the committee could not find a middle ground between the House and Senate plans and would settle on the \$1 billion proposal.
The change increases homestead property tax exemptions from the state minimum of \$5,000 to \$15,000. That means a \$100,000 home, which has been taxed on as much as \$95,000

of its value, would be taxed on no more than \$85,000 of its value.
Local school districts are allowed to offer higher tax exemptions. Even so, the total savings of \$140 was estimated for all homeowners.
"Is it what both sides wanted," Sen. Ken Armbrister, D-Victoria, asked. "Absolutely not."
"We are at least granting (tax) relief of \$1 billion without tax increases," he added. Armbrister was the lead senator on the conference committee.
The House plan would have cut local school property taxes by about \$2.5 billion a year, raising close to \$2 billion in state taxes to replace the money.
The Senate approved a plan lowering the school taxes by \$1.25 billion a year, raising about \$500,000 in state taxes to pay for it.
Both plans would have used the \$1 billion in the final proposal - money left from the last two-year state budget - to make up the difference.
Senate members rejected the House plan, saying it raised too much in new and expanded state taxes. House members said the Senate plan did not offer Texans enough cuts.
Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, was chairman of the House-Senate committee. He said the compromise was the best the committee and lawmakers could come up with.
"It's not disappointing," he said of the compromise. "It's just part of what we do."

Key parts of tax plan

AUSTIN (AP) - Here's a look at key parts of a compromise tax plan expected to be finally approved by a House-Senate committee Thursday:

- Increase Texans' homestead property tax exemptions from a minimum of \$5,000 to a minimum of \$10,000. Local school districts already are allowed to exempt more property values from taxation.
- Dedicate all profits from the Texas Lottery to education spending and force the lottery to change its spending to create \$300 million more in profits. The lottery money would replace state funds that would then go to other state programs.
- Increase salaries for teachers being paid the least allowed for their experience levels. The raises would be equal to about 5 percent in 1998 and 1 percent in 1999.
- Help schools that have little or moderate taxable property to pay for new school buildings.
- Allow Texans 65 and older to transfer current property tax freezes to new homes if they move. For example, a property owner with a 50 percent tax freeze in his current home would get a 50 percent tax freeze in his new home.
- Reduces the amount of tax revenue that 91 wealthier school districts have to share with poorer schools under the so-called Robin Hood system.

Funnel dips to earth at Simms; more storms expected

A tornado funnel touched down briefly in the Simms community northwest of Hereford Wednesday evening, but the twister dissipated before the storm front moved on southeast toward Hereford.
Jay Spain, Hereford fire marshal and disaster coordinator, saw the tornado while on a storm watch a mile east of Simms.
"The funnel touched down for

about 20 seconds, went back up and then touched down again for a few seconds before it dissipated," said Spain. "It appeared to be about five miles north and two miles west of Simms. I'd estimate the storm cloud was about two or three miles wide and about five miles long."
Spain said he was relieved to see the funnel disappear. "Had the rotation stayed together and kept

moving, it could have wound up in Hereford. He said the National Weather Service called him and reported a possible tornado forming south of Adrian and moving southeast.
Willis Duggan, who farms in the Simms area, also saw the tornado. "It appeared to touch down for about 20 or 30 seconds, then the big part pulled up and left the tail on the ground...I've never seen anything like that before."
Duggan said he received about .60

of an inch of rain out of the front of the fast-moving storm, as well as some light hail.
KPAN weather station recorded .20 of an inch of rain. The forecast calls for a 70 percent chance of thunderstorms tonight, some possibly severe. The extended forecast calls for possible thunderstorms for the next four days.

Scattered showers and thunderstorms will dampen most areas of

Texas tonight and Friday, but forecasters are warning of possible severe storms across much of West Texas.
Forecasters said they greatest chance of severe weather is in the Panhandle, South Plains and Permian Basin through tonight. All of West Texas will have a chance of showers and thunderstorms through Friday.
Clouds will be increasing tonight across North Texas where there is a chance of thunderstorms in northern areas tonight. It will be mostly cloudy

with scattered thunderstorms on Friday in North Texas.
It will be partly cloudy across South Texas with showers and thunderstorms forecast into the late evening in Southeast Texas.
Lows tonight will be in the 50s and 60s in West Texas, the 60s in North Texas and in the 60s and 70s in South Texas.
Highs Friday will be mostly in the 80s and 90s in West Texas, ranging from the 70s in the Panhandle to near 103 in the Big Bend area.

Disasters of past

By The Associated Press

Two storms, each killing 114 people, top the list of the most deadly tornadoes in Texas history. The storms came nearly half a century apart.

The May 18, 1902, storm that struck Goliad in Goliad County injured more than 230 people and caused damage estimated at \$50,000.

A May 11, 1953, tornado injured 597 in Waco in McLennan County, damaging or destroying 1,735 buildings. Property losses were estimated at \$41.1 million.

Other deadly storms include:

- 76 dead; May 15, 1896; Sherman, Grayson County; also Denton and Cooke counties; \$225,000 damage.
- 72; April 12, 1927; Rocksprings, Edwards County; more than 200 hurt, \$1.2 million damage with city almost demolished.
- 68; April 9, 1947; Carson, Hemphill and Lipscomb counties; 201 hurt, \$1.55 million damage with town of Glazier destroyed by one of the largest twisters on record - 1.5 miles wide that cut a 221-mile swath across portions of Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.
- 53; April 10, 1979; Wichita Falls, Wichita County; also Archer, Clay, Foard and Wilbarger counties; 1,812 hurt, \$500 million damage.
- 42; April 9, 1919; Henderson, Van Zandt, Wood, Camp and Red River counties; 150 hurt, \$450,000 damage.
- 41; May 6, 1930; Hill, Ellis and Navarro counties; \$2.1 million damage.
- 36; May 6, 1930; Karnes and DeWitt counties; 34 hurt, \$127,000 damage.
- 30; May 22, 1987; Saragosa, Reeves County; 162 hurt, town destroyed, \$1.4 million damage.
- 29; May 27, 1997; Jarrell, Williamson County; also Travis and Bell counties as a series of twisters struck along Interstate 35 in Central Texas.

Search, rescue team gets first tryout

CEDAR PARK, Texas (AP) - A new urban search and rescue team, created in the aftermath of the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing, got its first test this week, looking for survivors who might be buried in rubble from tornadoes.
A dozen of the Austin Fire Department's 23 search-and-rescue members sorted through the debris of a wrecked Albertson's store on Wednesday to determine if anyone was buried in the rubble.
Workers used extra-sensitive microphones to detect sounds of survivors, and small video cameras mounted on a fiber-optic cable were snaked into crevices, said Kem Bennett, head of the search and rescue operation.
Cedar Park, 15 miles north of Austin, was hit by a tornado Tuesday evening, although not as severely as Jarrell, 23 miles farther north on Interstate 35, where at least 27 people

died and 23 are missing and unaccounted for.
Throughout Wednesday's operation in the Albertson's store, observers kept a close watch on the store's buckled outer walls, which were leaning in over the heads of rescue workers. To detect any movement, bright marks were painted on the two-story-tall walls, and bright lights were trained on the marks.
"If those marks move, it's Katy bar the door. Everyone's out," Bennett said.
Shortly before sunrise Wednesday, searchers sent in the "tunnel rats," Bennett told the Austin American-Statesman. "They're the little guys who can get down and crawl around in those small spaces."
With no evidence that anyone else was in the building, rescuers suspended the search by mid-morning. By noontime, Albertson's executives were

surveying the damage, and the state health department had declared all the food and pharmaceuticals in the building contaminated.
"Because of the high pressure disturbance caused by tornadoes, even sealed jars can have dirt and debris in them," said Michael Campbell, state health department inspector.
Wednesday's search was aided by the microphones, cameras and other special equipment brought in by the Texas Engineering Extension Service, which responds to emergencies across the state.
Moved by emergency crews' difficulties after the Oklahoma City bombing, the service last year created the Urban Search and Rescue Team -- 186 firefighters, doctors, structural engineers and other professionals who provide disaster relief on short notice.

"I think it went very well," Austin fire specialist David Belknap said of the first operation by the new unit. "They responded very quickly."
As part of the Texas A&M University System, the extension service keeps 24 tons of rescue equipment in College Station. The items can be moved by National Guard plane or by vehicle, as was done for Cedar Park, Bennett said.
Team members receive training in search techniques and in using the service's special equipment, which for Cedar Park included two diamond-tipped saws capable of cutting through steel and concrete.
Future training will include biochemical contamination. Bennett wants the team to be capable of responding to any natural disaster or terrorist act.
"You have to be ready for anything," he said.

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Local Roundup

Summer Academies announced

Hereford Independent School District has announced dates for Summer Academies. Reading Academy will be June 2-27 at Tierra Blanca for kindergarten through second grade and West Central for third through sixth grade. Math Academy will be June 30-July 25 at Bluebonnet for kindergarten through sixth grade. Transportation and lunch will be provided for all academies.

More thunderstorms predicted

Hereford recorded .20 of an inch of rain Wednesday evening, according to KPAN. Wednesday's high was 74 and this morning's low was 54. A tornado was sighted near the Simms community Wednesday afternoon. It touched down briefly and then dissipated. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 70 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low in the mid 50s. South wind 10 to 20 mph, becoming north after midnight. Friday, partly sunny with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. High in the mid 70s with northeast to east wind at 10-20 mph. Friday night, partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of evening thunderstorms. Late afternoon thunderstorms are in the extended forecast through Monday.

Obituaries

SISTER GILBERTA MESSMER May 27, 1997

Sister Gilberta Messmer, 83, of Amarillo, died Tuesday.

Vigil prayer service was at 7 p.m. Wednesday in St. Hyacinth Church. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. today in St. Hyacinth by Bishop Leroy T. Mathiesen and the Rev. Bert Horvath. Burial will be in Llano Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2820 Virginia Circle.

Sister Messmer was born in Konstanz-Stadd, Germany. She entered the convent at Wartensee, Switzerland, in 1936 and came to the United States during her training as a novice. She professed her vows as a Franciscan in Amarillo in 1938. She was a member of the St. Francis Mission Sisters.

She received her bachelor of art degree in education from Our Lady of the Lake College at San Antonio and later earned her California State credentials for elementary education.

As a nun, she ministered as an elementary school teacher for 45 years in Dixon, N.M.; Los Angeles; Long Beach, Calif.; and Hereford. After retiring from teaching, Sister Messmer served in San Lorenzo Mission near Ramah, N.M., where she taught religion to the Navajo and helped in the church sacristy and later in the San Francisco Parish at Juarez, Mexico. During the last few years of her life, she lived with her religious community in Amarillo and was a member of St. Hyacinth Catholic Church.

Survivors include a sister, Ida Messmer, and a brother, Konrad Messmer, both of Konstanz.

News Digest

STATE

JARRELL - A brown trail tells the story. Follow it from just northeast of the Tonns family farm, through the next ranch and down into the Double Creek Estates subdivision, and the gruesome evidence of the state's worst tornado in a decade is all too visible. Authorities said they would decide this morning whether to continue searching across this barren swath for people believed missing since Tuesday's destruction.

CEDAR PARK, Texas - A new urban search and rescue team, created in the aftermath of the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing, got its first test this week, looking for survivors who might be buried in rubble from tomados.

WACO - The residents of a Jarrell subdivision followed the tornado safety tips emergency management officials are always preaching: take cover within your home and, above all, don't try to outrun a twister. Yet almost everyone caught in the path of Tuesday's tornado in Jarrell was killed as the storm erased some 50 homes in Double Creek Estates.

HUNTSVILLE - Texas death row inmate Robert Madden regretted the pain caused by the murder of a father and son almost a dozen years ago but professed his innocence before he was put to death for their killings.

DALLAS - It took jurors only seven minutes to convict a man of capital murder in the 1991 rape slaying of a neighbor. Karl Eugene Chamberlain's conviction Wednesday in the rape and killing of Felicia Carol Precht, 30, was one of the swiftest capital murder verdicts in Dallas County history.

AUSTIN - Lawmakers who pined for hefty reductions to Texans' local school property taxes were expected to sign-off today on a much-smaller \$140 homestead property tax cut.

AUSTIN - Texas nursing homes could more easily lose their licenses and would face stiffer fines for health and safety violations under a bill approved by the state Senate.

NATION/WORLD

THE HAGUE, Netherlands - There is some business to conduct - peace efforts in Northern Ireland could use a boost - but President Clinton's visit to London is more like a reunion of two political look-alikes bent on reviving the "special relationship" between the United States and Britain.

DENVER - With testimony ended, jurors in the trial of Timothy McVeigh must decide whether the witnesses and evidence alleging he is the one behind the Oklahoma City bombing reflects the truth, or is the result of liars, hazy memories and sloppy police work.

WASHINGTON - Serving in Congress just doesn't seem to carry much glory any more. Rep. Susan Molinari, who announced she's quitting to work for CBS, is just the latest in a growing exodus of incumbents.

Emergency Services

Activities reported by law enforcement agencies:

POLICE DEPARTMENT
--A 17 year old man was arrested on a outstanding warrant, out of JP court of Randall county, for a traffic offense.
--A 25 year old man was arrested for driving while intoxicated.
--Damage to a bathroom was reported at Dameron Park.
--Criminal mischief reported in the 300 block of Miller Street.
--Criminal mischief reported in the 200 block of Greenwood.
--Theft reported from a residence in the 900 block of Brevard.
--Domestic disturbance reported in the 200 block of Avenue A.
--A 15 year old girl was reported missing.

--Damage to a car was reported in the 500 block of Blevins.
--6 curfew violations.
--10 traffic citations issued.
--Two motor vehicle accidents.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
--26 year old male arrested for driving while license suspended.
--37 year old female arrested for violation of probation.
--49 year old male arrested for theft by check.
--31 year old male arrested for surrender of surety.
--21 year old female arrested for bail jumping and failure to appear.
--27 year old male arrested for violation of probation.
--No reports.

FIRE DEPARTMENT
No calls.

Family went home to death in tornado

By JAIME ARON
Associated Press Writer
JARRELL, Texas (AP) - When the tornado alarm sounded, teacher Joan Igo left her classroom. Her husband, Larry, closed up his auto parts store. Daughter Audrey left school to join her twin brothers.

"They all made it home ahead of the tornado, and it cost them their lives."

"They actually rushed home into danger," said the Rev. Max Johnson, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

The tornado that killed an estimated 27 people in Texas took with it the entire Igo family, leaving behind the foundation to their home. Another 23 people are unaccounted for, which could raise the death toll to 50.

Searchers on Wednesday slogged through muddy fields that had been strewn with dead cattle, body parts and debris as they looked for bodies or survivors.

Jarrell's warning siren sounded 10 to 12 minutes before the

half-dozen twisters hit Tuesday afternoon. It did little good.

"It was too large to outrun and too strong to have survived unless you got away from the path," said Al Dreumont, a National Weather Service forecaster.

Swirling at upwards of 200 mph and roiling the earth for a half-hour, the twister may have been no more than an unforgettable s 134t if it had not wandered toward Double Creek Estates, a cluster of 50 homes a couple miles from the center of town.

Joan Igo, a special education elementary teacher, left her school not long after daughter Audrey, a high school junior, received medals she won in a state choral competition. The twins, John and Paul, would have been sophomores next year.

If the family stayed where they were, all would have survived.

"The house was totally demolished," Johnson said, recalling how the entire family would sing at his church. "Nothing was left but the slab."

Johnson had raced to his son's job at a feed mill after the two were cut off while talking on the phone just before the tornado hit.

"It turned out he was all right, but the tornado had come within yards of him," he said. "That's when I saw the total devastation."

The tornado cut a swath from the northeast near the Tonns family farm, through the next ranch and into Double Creek. It shredded a field of 5-foot corn stalks, shoved a 10-ton combine 75 yards and threw a large cotton stripper into another piece of machinery 30 yards away. All three were one giant heap of twisted metal.

Thirty-five black Angus cows were killed, farm sheds were obliterated and their contents scattered. The Tonns' home was gutted; chunks were taken from the roof and glass shards were embedded in wood paneling.

"I don't know what we're going to do," said Ronnie Tonns, 30, who fled with his mother, Lynette, and dog Snoopy, about 10

minutes before the twister hit. "Everything is just gone."

The National Weather Service said the twister likely had a force of four on a scale of five, making it the area's worst since May 17, 1989, when one woman died and 28 were injured, and the state's worst since May 22, 1987, when 30 people died and 162 were injured in the far West Texas town of Saragosa.

The Jarrell survivors coped by coming together, many of them using the shelter run by the American Red Cross. About 100 teen-agers sat in a circle at the football field for a prayer meeting.

Earlier, truckload after truckload of supplies were dropped off, with volunteers and Boy Scouts distributing them. Insurance companies and state agencies worked to assist victims.

"It's a major mess," said Billy Sharp, a ham radio operator. "I'm sure they'll be finding stuff that was scattered for a long, long time."

Rescue workers continue searching

By JAIME ARON
Associated Press Writer
JARRELL, Texas (AP) - Rescue workers slogged through muddy fields in a search for 23 people missing on Wednesday, a day after a twister flattened the town and killed at least 27.

As many as 150 rescuers searched the half-mile-wide, 5-mile-long stretch that was home to about 50 families before the tornado ripped through Tuesday afternoon, shaving the terrain to bare ground and blowing to bits everything it touched.

"I don't know how much more simple I can make it," said high school principal John Johnson. "There's simply nothing there."

The state insurance commissioner estimated damage at up to \$20 million, and Gov. George W. Bush asked Washington for help rebuilding this bedroom community of 1,000 people, 40 miles north of Austin.

"It's hard to believe you're looking at a patch of earth where the life was literally sucked out of it," Bush said.

About half a dozen twisters hit the

area Tuesday afternoon, and Jarrell's warning siren sounded 10 to 12 minutes before the funnel cloud ripped through at about 3:30 p.m. But the alarm did little good.

"It was too large to outrun and too strong to have survived unless you got away from the path," said Al Dreumont, a National Weather Service forecaster.

The twister swirled at more than 200 mph and was on the ground for 25 to 30 minutes, he said.

One victim died at a hospital. As of midday Wednesday, 26 others had been pulled dead from the rubble.

Identifying the bodies won't be easy. Some victims were dismembered, and photographs and dental records will be needed.

Police late Tuesday had given a higher death toll in Jarrell, but another count of body parts caused them to adjust the figure Wednesday.

It was still the deadliest tornado in the area since May 17, 1989, when one person died and 28 were injured, and the worst in Texas since May 22, 1987, when 30 died and 162 were injured in the far West Texas town of

Saragosa.

Tuesday's tornadoes also claimed one victim in Austin, where a twister destroyed two homes.

In Jarrell's Double Creek Estate subdivision, roads were stripped of asphalt. Houses built on concrete slab foundations - the norm, given the area's hard limestone bedrock - were torn from the ground and their contents flung miles away.

Dennis Jaroszewski, a burly Williamson County constable, arrived at the subdivision minutes after the tornado had passed. He got there in time to see a huge machine lift a concrete wall, exposing the bodies of a woman and her young daughter, the child wrapped in her mother's protective arms.

"That's when most of us lost it," Jaroszewski said, tears in his eyes.

Convicted murderer maintains innocence

By MICHAEL GRACZYK
Associated Press Writer
HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) - Texas death row inmate Robert Madden regretted the pain caused by the murder of a father and son almost a dozen years ago but professed his innocence before he was put to death for their killings.

"I apologize for your loss and pain but I didn't kill those people," Madden, 33, said Wednesday evening as relatives of his victims stood a few feet away, watching through a window as he received lethal injection.

"Hopefully, we will all learn something about ourselves and about each other and we will learn enough to stop the cycle of hatred and vengeance."

"I forgive everyone for this process which seems to be wrong. I understand we all have to deal with experiences we create."

Seven minutes later he was pronounced dead, becoming the eighth condemned killer to receive lethal injection this month in Texas and extending a record total of executions in a single month.

Madden had been out of prison only a few months in 1985 following a conviction for methamphetamine possession when he was arrested for the fatal shooting and slayings of Herbert Megason, 56, and Megason's 22-year-old son, Don, both of Alvin.

The man and his son had been hunting Sept. 15, 1985, at a ranch in Leon County, about midway between Houston and Dallas.

"I have lived for this moment. I was so afraid it wasn't going to take place," Jewel Megason, whose husband and son were killed, said after watching Madden die. "I hope he was so terrified when they strapped him down. I loved every minute of it."

"He's gone, I'm grateful," Mrs. Megason's daughter, Pam, added.

Madden's execution was the 16th this year as Texas closed in on the

record 19 injections carried out by the state in 1995. The pace of executions in the nation's most active capital punishment state is quickening this year as longtime inmates exhaust their appeals and new laws designed to speed the appeals process take effect.

At least 10 executions are set for next month, including four next week. At his capital murder trial, defense attorneys noted Madden long had suffered a substance abuse problem.

Benefit fund is opened for Lamas

A benefit fund for Octavia (Toby) Lamas has been established at Hereford State Bank.

Ms. Lamas lost her home at 210 Boston Street in a fire on May 22 and had no insurance.

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By The Associated Press
One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$9 million.

The ticket was sold in Huntsville.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were 4, 8, 10, 20, 28 and 44.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

4-0-6
(four, zero, six)

Pampa News sold to chain

PAMPA--The sale of The Pampa News to PTS Inc., a Fort Payne, Ala., newspaper management company was announced Wednesday by Scott Fisher, senior vice president of Freedom Communications, Inc.

The sale should be final, with the new company taking over on Monday, June 1. Freedom has managed the Pampa newspaper since 1936. The purchase price was not disclosed.

PTS owns and manages 14 newspapers in six states including

three others in Texas - Hemphill, Weslaco and Center.

L.W. McCall will be taking over the publisher position of The News. He has been a PTS employee for nine years and most recently was publisher of The Linton Daily Citizen in Linton, Ind.

McCall will replace current publisher Wayland Thomas, who has been at Pampa 2 1/2 years and with the Freedom chain for 40 years. He will become publisher of Freedom's Portales News Tribune in Portales, N.M.

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Lifestyles



St. Anthony graduates

Sixth graders from St. Anthony's School received diplomas from principal Ann Lueb during a closing graduation liturgy May 23. Graduates are, front row from left, Wendy Briones, Brandi Goyne, Melissa Warren, Jeremiah Alejandre, Patricia DeLaCerde, Tiffany Koenig; second row, Michael Claudio, Jenna Urbanczyk, Anthony Mariscal, Chad Bartels, Sarah Griffin, Jose Reece; back row, Marcus Smith, Tyson Yosten, Desiree Aguirre, Tim Schlabs, Elizabeth Tarr, Wade McNutt and Amanda Soto.

St. Anthony's School principal presents diplomas to graduates

St. Anthony's School held a closing graduation liturgy May 23. Monsignor Orville Blum officiated.

Diplomas were presented by principal Ann Lueb to Desiree Aguirre, Jeremiah Alejandre, Chad Bartels, Wendy Briones, Michael Claudio, Patricia DeLaCerde, Brandi

Cerestar awards WT student scholarships

Jerry Rivera and Tracy Grand, incoming West Texas A&M University freshmen from Dimmitt, have been awarded the 1997-1998 Cerestar USA Dimmitt Inc. Endowed Scholarships through the West Texas A&M University Foundation.

Rivera, the son of Henry and Teresa Rivera of Dimmitt, received a four-year, renewable scholarship, and Grand, son of Gary and Linda Grand of Dimmitt, received a three-year, renewable scholarship.

Cerestar USA Dimmitt Inc. renews scholarships for continuing students who maintain a 3.0 grade point average with a full course load. The WTAMU Foundation scholarship provides each recipient with \$500 per year. Continuing recipients are Michael Jeter, a senior animal science major from Friona, and Zachary Bell, a junior accounting major from Dimmitt.

Goyne, Sarah Griffin, Tiffany Koenig, Anthony Mariscal, Wade McNutt, Jose Reece, Tim Schlabs, Marcus Smith, Amanda Soto, Elizabeth Tarr, Jenna Urbanczyk, Melissa Warren and Tyson Yosten.

Academic achievement medals were presented to all 19 graduates for maintaining a 90 or above average for the last three years.

Five students were named recipients of the President's Education Award for Educational Excellence. The President's Award is presented to students who achieve a 90 or above average and also score at or above the 85 percentile on standardized test scores in either

reading or math. Students receiving the award were Wendy Briones, Michael Claudio, Sarah Griffin, Jenna Urbanczyk and Melissa Warren.

The class presented a check for \$150 to Monsignor Blum for the St. Francis Church community in Amarillo which was recently destroyed by fire. The money had been earned through fund-raisers held during the school year.

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Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I married five years ago when I was 25. My husband, "Ralph," has three young children from a previous marriage, and I have tried to be a good stepmother to them. We all get along very well.

The problem? Ralph had a vasectomy after his last child was born. When we married, he promised he would have the vasectomy reversed so we could have children together. Two years ago, Ralph told me he didn't want any more children and refuses to see the doctor about the reversal.

I love my husband and stepchildren, but it's not enough. The kids live with their mother, and I see them every other weekend. I've always wanted children of my own, and I know I would be a good mother. Ralph is asking me to sacrifice my dream, and I can't do it. I've become resentful toward the kids and Ralph, and I cry all the time. I've gained 60 pounds and am miserable.

I don't want a divorce, but that seems to be my only choice. I'm so depressed and unhappy, Ann. I can't go on this way. Should I just forget about my own happiness and focus on making my husband and stepchildren happy? I know if we divorced, the two youngest ones would be very upset.

Kids are all I've ever wanted, and

to go through life without them is more than I can bear. I've been to a counselor, but it hasn't helped. I need someone to tell me I will be fine on my own and that I will meet someone who can make me happy. Please advise me. -- Want to Be a Mother in Indiana

Dear Indiana: You are in no condition to make a decision to end your marriage. A woman who gains 60 pounds and cries all the time needs to get some serious counseling before taking any drastic steps.

Women who believe having a baby will solve all their problems are sadly mistaken. You say you had counseling and it didn't help. Start fresh with a competent therapist, and write to me in 90 days and let me know how you are. I'm pulling for you.

Dear Ann Landers: My parents, ages 88 and 92, had their driver's licenses renewed this past year. They hadn't had an accident in over three years, so they were not required to take any tests, except for the eye exam given to my father. (My mother renewed by mail.) Their licenses were renewed for six years.

Dad is very hard of hearing, and Mother has cataracts. She thinks she sees fine, but her doctor says otherwise. I have talked to my parents about their failing eyesight and hearing problems, but they will not listen to me. If the two of them ever

have an accident and injure or, God forbid, kill someone -- or themselves -- I will never be able to forgive myself. Do you have any advice for me? -- On Needles and Pins in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Dear Needles: Did I read your letter correctly? Did you say your 88-year-old mother had her driver's license renewed by mail and it won't expire again until she is 94? If this is what goes on in your state, I think I'll stay away from there.

You can contact the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles confidentially. They will follow up and possibly require additional testing. In the meantime, drive your parents whenever possible and keep everything you have two of crossed.

Gem of the Day (Credit the Prairie Rambler): Youth is when we are always hunting greener pastures, and middle age is when we can barely mow the one we've got.

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Makeup artist stresses women should forget looks of others, focus on self

NEW YORK (AP) - Women of the world, celebrated makeup artist Bobbi Brown has a message for you: you're lovely just the way you are.

"Most women have a terrible image of the way they look," says Brown. "They complain about the negative things instead of talking about their positive things. True beauty is someone who has confidence."

And Brown's biggest mission? It's to make women forget about mimicking the looks of others and instead, focus on themselves.

"Actresses, models - all of them have beautiful faces but they're just women. They have the same flaws - dry skin, blemishes, dark circles, aging - just like anyone," she says.

The nonchalant advocate of self-appreciation should know.

She works enviably up close to celebrities like Julia Roberts, Demi Moore, Brooke Shields and Kate Moss.

And by brushing, stroking and dabbing her makeup line, Bobbi Brown Essentials, onto the faces of Cindy Crawford, Claudia Schiffer and

Faye Dunaway, the self-described "low-maintenance" Brown is almost as noticed as her clients.

She offers her basic techniques to help women look their best in "Bobbi Brown Beauty: The Ultimate Beauty Resource," by Brown and Annemarie Iversen (HarperCollins Publishers). The tips include how to make lipstick last, how to do makeup fast and how to handle bad beauty days.

Brown also highlights the importance of eating a healthy diet, drinking lots of water and daily exercise.

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Sports

Bulls, Jordan finish off Miami, 101-87

CHICAGO (AP) - With three playoff series out of the way and four victories to go for another NBA championship celebration, the Chicago Bulls are savoring what could be their final title run in the Michael Jordan era.

Or is it?
Jordan would like to come back, but only if coach Phil Jackson does the same. The game's greatest player and one of its most successful coaches are intertwined, but someday they, too, will go their separate ways.

"We're not thinking about that," Jackson said after the Bulls finished off the Miami Heat 100-87 Wednesday night to wrap up the Eastern Conference finals and earn their fifth trip to the championship series in seven years.

"We're thinking about the fact that we want to win a title. We've got to play better, particularly on the offensive end of the court, if we want to be a candidate to win a title."

Miami coach Pat Riley, who led the Lakers to four championships in the 1980s, says the rest of the league is doomed to chase the Bulls, the oldest team in the NBA.

"I don't think anybody's going to win again until Michael retires, I really don't," Riley said.

"As long as I'm still in a uniform and we can continue to have coaches come up and say that, our job is accomplished," said Jordan, who had 28 points Wednesday night despite another bad stretch of shooting.

Jordan, calling the game "personal" after Miami won Game 4 with what he claimed was rough play, came out in a frenzy, making six of his first 10 shots as the Bulls jumped out to a 16-2 lead.

Jordan, who had missed 20 of his first 22 shots Monday in Miami, then misfired on 15 of his final 21. Still, Chicago's big early lead was too much for the Heat to overcome as the Bulls beat Miami for the 10th time in 11 playoff meetings.

Chicago's reserves provided 33 points and the Bulls limited Heat center Alonzo Mourning to one basket in wrapping up the series 4-1.

The victory came short-handed. Scottie Pippen played only seven minutes after spraining his foot in the first quarter, and he was scheduled for an MRI today. Should Utah close out Houston in the Western Conference Finals tonight, Pippen isn't sure if he'd be ready for Sunday's Game 1 at the United Center.

"It's kind of hard to call that right now," Pippen said.
"No matter what the MRI says, I'm looking to win four more games."

Should the Utah-Houston series require a seventh game, the finals would not begin until June 4.

Doesn't matter, Riley says.
"I think Chicago's going to win it against anybody. Everybody expects that... regardless of who they play."

Tim Hardaway scored 27 points for the Heat, who had the lowest-scoring five-game series ever (393 points) and the lowest average in any postseason series (78.6).

Mourning, who backed up his victory guarantee with a superb performance in Game 4, had seven turnovers this time, took only four shots and made his only basket with 2.5 seconds remaining.

"After ending it like this, it leaves an empty feeling inside that you are better than that, better than what you showed," Mourning said. "I'd like to start the series from scratch because I know we can play a whole lot better."

Jordan refused to shake Mourning's hand before Wednesday's game and then made his first two shots, a fast-break dunk and a 15-foot jumper, as the Bulls raced to their big lead.

He capped his big first quarter with a 3-pointer as the Bulls went up 33-19 and maintained a double-digit lead the rest of the night.

"It was a very emotional game and we fed off Michael's energy," Chicago's Jud Buechler said. "Michael, during warmups, was the most fired up that I have ever seen him. He was flying, dunking the ball during warmups."

Sports Briefs

BOXING

NEW YORK (AP) - WBC light heavyweight champion Montell Griffin and Roy Jones Jr. will meet Aug. 7 in a rematch of their controversial first bout.

Jones' (34-1) suffered his only loss and relinquished the light-heavyweight title to Griffin (27-0) on March 21 at Atlantic City, N.J. when he was disqualified in the ninth round for hitting Griffin while he was down.

FOOTBALL

PHOENIX (AP) - Jake Plummer, who led Arizona State to the Rose Bowl before being drafted by the Arizona Cardinals, was charged on four felony counts of sexual abuse stemming from an incident in a nightclub.

The charges were announced by Maricopa County Attorney Rick Romley, who has said a settlement Plummer reached with three accusers didn't free him from prosecution.

GULFPORT, Miss. (AP) - The older brother of Green Bay Packers quarterback Brett Favre broke his house arrest agreement, reportedly for a holiday fishing trip, and now must serve his original 15-year prison sentence for felony DUI.

After pleading guilty, Scott Favre, 30, was given one year of house arrest and 14 years suspended in March on the recommendation of prosecutors. The charge stemmed from a July 1996 automobile accident in which Scott Favre's best friend was killed.

Favre was warned he would serve his time in prison if he broke any of the terms of the house arrest.

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - The New Orleans Saints cut wide receivers Michael Haynes and Torrance Small, and agreed to terms with four players, including receivers Andre Hastings and Randal Hill.

Hastings led Pittsburgh with 77 catches last season, while Hill had 21 receptions for Miami.

The Saints also reached agreement with cornerback Mickey Washington from the Jacksonville Jaguars and center Jerry Fontenot from the Chicago Bears.

BASEBALL

SEATTLE (AP) - Seattle second baseman Joey Cora singled in the third inning of the Mariners' 5-0 victory over Texas, setting an AL record for switch hitters by extending his hitting streak to 23 consecutive games.

He broke the old record set by Eddie Murray of Baltimore in 1984, and matched by the Orioles' Roberto Alomar in '96.

BASKETBALL

NEW YORK (AP) - Kansas and Cincinnati, the only schools to be ranked No. 1 last season, and Minnesota, which is coming off its first Final Four appearance, were among the teams picked Wednesday for the Preseason NIT.

Also in the field for the tournament, which begins Nov. 17, are Connecticut and Florida State, both of whom reached the semifinals of the postseason NIT last March, and Rhode Island, which will be led by first-year coach Jim Harrick.

Whiteface Summer Camps continue, basketball next

A series of summer sports camps, sponsored by Whiteface coaches, started Tuesday with a baseball camp under the direction of Pete Rodriguez.

The baseball camp ends today. The Whiteface Camps will continue through the summer with the last camp starting July 14. Costs range from \$20 to \$50, depending on the sport.

The Whiteface Summer Camps include baseball, basketball, football and golf. The Lady Whiteface Camps include tennis, basketball and volleyball.

Six Big 12 gridders listed with 4.0 GPA

DALLAS (AP) - Six student-athletes with 4.0 grade point averages were among 140 players named Wednesday to the Big 12 Conference All-Academic Football Team.

Kansas State's Kevin Lockett, Nebraska's Brian Shaw, Texas' Blake Powers and Mark Schultis, and Texas Tech's Keith Cockrum and Rob Peters were nominated with perfect A averages.

Four first-team All-Big 12 members, including Lockett, Baylor's Ty Atteberry, Colorado's Ryan Olson and Nebraska's Grant Wistrom, also were named to the list.

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Information on the remaining camps:

BOYS' BASKETBALL
June 2-5, Incoming 3rd-5th graders from 9 a.m. to noon; incoming 6th-9th graders from 1 to 4 p.m. Cost \$25. Registration will be at Hereford Junior High School Monday - 9 a.m. for 3rd-5th graders; 1 p.m. for 6th-9th graders. Contact Randy Dean, 363-7634.

FOOTBALL
June 9-12, Incoming 4th-6th graders from 9 a.m. to noon; incoming 7th-9th graders from 1 to 4 p.m. Registration will be held June 9 with 4th-6th graders reporting from 8:15 to 9 a.m., and 7th-9th graders reporting from 12:30 to 1 p.m. Cost is \$20. Contact Craig Yenzen, 363-7626.

GOLF
June 16-20, Incoming 3rd-8th graders from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost \$50. Contact Stacy Bixler, 364-1747.

TENNIS
June 16-19, Junior high and high

school students from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.; elementary students from 1 to 4 p.m. Cost \$25. Open tennis tournament, June 20-21, \$10. Contact Ed Coplen for registration details, 364-6969.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL
June 23-27, Incoming 4th-9th graders from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost \$30. Contact Eddie Fortenberry, 363-7634 or 364-7433.

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL
July 14-18, Incoming 4th-9th graders from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost \$30. Contact Brenda Reeh, 363-7433 or 364-9147.

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Rockets are facing playoff elimination

HOUSTON (AP) - The Houston Rockets are facing elimination once again, and that might not be so bad for them.

"We're backed into a corner again, and maybe this is the best situation for us," coach Rudy Tomjanovich said Wednesday. "We seem to play better in this kind of deal. We've got to come out fighting for our lives."

The Rockets will play host to the Jazz tonight in Game 6 of the Western Conference finals. Houston trails 3-2 and will be eliminated with another loss.

But the Rockets have an 11-2 record in elimination games under Tomjanovich, and they expect to ward off an early vacation.

"You trap a rat in the corner and he comes out fighting," Rockets guard Mario Elie said. "It's going to be guns slinging and come out fighting."

"This team has a lot of character and pride. We've been through this situation before and we know what it's like. If we respond tomorrow, we'll get a chance at Game 7."

The Rockets came away from Tuesday night's 96-91 loss feeling just a few plays could have won it for them. The Jazz felt the same about Game 4 when Eddie Johnson's buzzer shot won for the Rockets.

"I'm encouraged after (Game 5) because that's the best we've played in the series, and now we get to play

at home," Charles Barkley said. "They have the luxury of worrying about Game 7, and we don't have that luxury."

Tomjanovich expects another clutch performance.

"To me, this is what we talked about the first day of preseason at Galveston (Texas)," Tomjanovich said. "I assume that's how we're going to respond. We'll be concentrating and we'll be focused on survival."

The Rockets were forced to depend heavily on Hakeem Olajuwon to stay competitive with the Jazz in Game 5 since their outside shooting was off. They hit only 7-for-24 (29.2 percent) from 3-point range.

UP TO PAR

(This week's Local Highlights and Golf activities)

TOURNEY TO BENEFIT MAKE-A-WISH
The Hereford Open Partnership Golf Tournament, sponsored by Coors and the John Pitman Golf Course Association, will benefit the local Make-A-Wish chapter this year, it was announced Wednesday. The tourney is scheduled July 4-6.

UNITED WAY PARTNERSHIP
The 1997 United Way Partnership Golf Tournament is scheduled June 6-7 at Pitman Municipal Golf Course. Entry fee is \$50 per player. The tourney starts June 6 at 3 p.m. with a two-person best ball format. The second round starts at 9 a.m. June 7 with a partnership scramble. The event is open for all golfers.

UPCOMING EVENTS
Wednesday - Weekly Scramble
May 31 - Ladies Golf Association Scramble
June 6-7 - United Way June Partnership
June 23 - North Texas Junior PGA Tour
July 4-7 - Hereford Open, sponsored by Coors
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Johnson whiffs 15 as Mariners blank Rangers

By The Associated Press
Randy Johnson is, once again, baseball's most intimidating pitcher. "I think this is going to be a year where I need to prove that I'm healthy - to myself and to a lot of other people," Johnson said after striking out 15 in eight innings Wednesday night, leading the Seattle Mariners over the Texas Rangers 5-0. Johnson, making his 11th start since back surgery last September, allowed four hits and set the big league high for strikeouts in a game this season, topping the 13 by

Toronto's Roger Clemens against Minnesota on May 10. "That was pretty much what you call dominant," Will Clark said. "He had the fastball, the slider ... dominant." It was the most strikeouts for Johnson since he fanned 15 Oakland Athletics on Sept. 23, 1995. Johnson struck out 15 or more for the 10th time in his career and struck out 10 or more for the 73rd time. "Other than Pudge (Ivan Rodriguez), Will and Mike Simms, the other guys didn't seem like they

could see the ball very well," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "Hey, that's not the first team he has pitched that way against." In other AL games, New York beat Toronto 6-4, Cleveland defeated Kansas City 10-3, Baltimore crushed Detroit 8-1, Anaheim outlasted Oakland 14-10, Boston beat Chicago 5-3 and Minnesota edged Milwaukee 3-1. Seattle, which has won 21 of its last 27 games against Texas, took advantage of wildness by Darren Oliver (2-6) to score two runs without

a hit in the second. Oliver loaded the bases on walks to Edgar Martinez, Alex Rodriguez and Jay Buhner, and Mike Blowers and Russ Davis followed with RBI grounders. Pinch-hitter Paul Sorrento had a run-scoring single in the seventh off Matt Whiteside, and Martinez and Rodriguez had RBI doubles in the eighth. **Yankees 6, Blue Jays 4** Tino Martinez hit his 19th home run as New York overcame a 4-0 deficit at Toronto to win for just the second time in nine games.

Joe Carter passed Joe DiMaggio on the career home run list, hitting a three-run homer in a four-run third. Carter, who has 362 homers, moved into sole possession of 41st place. David Wells (5-3) allowed four runs and five hits in 7 2-3 innings, and Mariano Rivera got four outs for his 15th save. **Indians 10, Royals 3** David Justice hit a long three-run homer that capped a seven-run eighth inning as visiting Cleveland won for

the ninth time in 11 games. Marquis Grissom broke a 3-3 tie with a two-run single off Tim Lincecum (5-6). Julio Franco followed with a two-run double off the bullpen fence, and Justice connected off Larry Caisan for his 15th homer.



Reds win again, shutout Phillies

CINCINNATI (AP) - The Cincinnati Reds, who still have the worst record in the major leagues, at least now have some company and some hope. The Reds proved that they're not the only contender for the title of baseball's worst team by going 5-2 on a homestand against the Chicago Cubs and Philadelphia Phillies, their closest competition. A 2-0 victory over the Phillies on Wednesday night left the two teams tied for the worst record in the major

leagues at 19-32. Remarkably, it also moved the Reds to within six games of first place in the NL Central, where every team has a losing record. "I always saw the light at the end of the tunnel," manager Ray Knight said. "When you have 110 tomorrow left, you don't worry about it. Elsewhere in the National League, it was the New York Mets 7, Montreal 0; and Pittsburgh 4, Chicago 1. Knight's exuberance is the

byproduct of a bad season. He's been under a lot of strain, with his team off to its worst start in 47 years and his contract up at the end of the season. His players were more restrained, but clearly upbeat after they won for the first time behind starter Kent Mercker (2-5), who got his only previous win in relief. The Reds had lost all of his seven starts. The left-hander gave up four hits in six innings before leaving because of a twinge in his hamstring. Three relievers completed the eight-hitter,

only Cincinnati's second shutout of the season. Barry Larkin completed a sizzling series by picking up two of Cincinnati's seven hits and scoring twice. Larkin was 8-for-12 in the series with five singles, two doubles, one triple and four walks. The Phillies have the misfortune of playing in the same division with Atlanta. Instead of trailing first place by only six games like Cincinnati, they're 16 1/2 back with the identical record. Stephenson gave up only six hits and two runs - one earned - in seven innings, but the NL's weakest offense managed only two scoring threats. **Mets 7, Expos 0** Bobby Jones outduelled previously unbeaten Pedro Martinez to become the NL's first nine-game winner as New York won at Montreal. Jones (9-2) pitched a four-hitter for his fourth career shutout. He matched a season-high with seven strikeouts and retired 13 straight batters over one stretch. Carlos Baerga homered and drove in four runs for the Mets, who won for the 12th time in 17 games and moved a half-game ahead of Montreal into third place in the NL East. **Pirates 4, Cubs 1** At Pittsburgh, Pirates manager Gene Lamont altered his lineup against left-hander Terry Mulholland, and it worked. Emil Brown, one of four rookie starters in an all-right-handed lineup, hit his first major-league homer, and Joe Randa had three doubles and two RBIs as the Pirates moved into a first-place tie with Houston in the NL Central. Mulholland (4-4) was 4-0 with a 2.01 ERA in his six previous starts. His streak ended in part because of his own poor fielding - he mishandled a bunt to set up a rally - and in part because Steve Cooke (4-6) pitched better. Cooke allowed one run and five hits in seven innings for his first victory since May 7.

Seles, Sampras advance

PARIS (AP) - Third-seeded Monica Seles and sixth-seeded Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario scored straight-set victories at the French Open today to move into the third round. Seles, a three-time champion, defeated Sarah Pitkowski of France 6-3, 7-5. Pitkowski put up a spirited battle in the second set, but a tired-looking Seles pulled out the match, breaking her opponent in the final game. Sanchez Vicario, another former champion, easily defeated Ai Sugiyama of Japan, 6-3, 6-1. Also advancing swiftly was American Mary Joe Fernandez, the No. 12 seed, who beat Germany's Andrea Glass 6-1, 6-0.

Pete Sampras was making his problems on clay seem like a thing of the past. The world's No. 1 has made a mission of winning on the red clay of Roland Garros, the only Grand Slam title he hasn't captured. On Wednesday, that mission looked well within reach as he dismantled clay-court specialist Francisco Clavet of Spain 6-1, 6-2, 6-2. Maybe it was Sampras' new strategy of keeping his rackets cold, alongside the soft drinks in the courtside refrigerators, that did the trick. The second-round match was less a contest than a 1-hour, 27-minute tennis clinic taught by Sampras. Afterwards, the teacher pronounced

himself satisfied. He wasn't the only top player to hold course Wednesday. Defending champion Yevgeny Kafelnikov, seeded No. 3, advanced with a decisive victory, over Frenchman Guillaume Raoux. And Steffi Graf looked strong as she dispatched France's Amelie Mauresmo in less than an hour, 6-3, 6-3. The smooth sailing for some players was upstaged by high drama elsewhere in the tournament, thanks to Jeff Tarango, the same American player who walked off the court at Wimbledon two years ago in a highly public tantrum. During a second-round match against Austria's Thomas Muster, Tarango relentlessly mimicked Muster's grunts, his style of walking, and his training regimen. Tarango later said he was just doing whatever it took to win. "Tennis is tough, a cross between chess and boxing," Tarango said. "I don't think you can give anybody an edge." Muster looked as though he wouldn't have minded a couple of rounds in the boxing ring. He won the match in four sets, but later expressed his anger by refusing to shake hands with Tarango.

91-year-old golfer scores second ace

ANSON, Texas (AP) - Hoolie White doesn't remember who was president when he shot his first hole-in-one. It was either Franklin Roosevelt or Harry Truman. Bill Clinton was definitely in office for the second. "It was the same hole as the first one," said White, 91, who last month mimicked his mastery of the No. 6 hole at the Anson Golf Club, a tidy nine-hole course he's roamed since it opened in 1938. White still owns a sizzling course record of 29 on the par-36 layout. The lifelong resident plays every weekday, reserving weekends to clean house and to mow his blocklong lawn in Anson, 22 miles northwest of Abilene. On April 28, White addressed the par-3, 139-yard sixth hole with his trusty 5-wood. Once the ball struck the green, White and playing partners Caffey Welch and Kenneth Herndon watched it roll toward the cup. "Kenneth said, 'Hurry ball,'" White said, "and then the danged thing went in the hole." After a career as theater manager and caretaker of the local school and church, White has become a fixture on the course on fair-weather days. His only concessions to age are a hearing aid and a few yards off his drives. All of White's playing partners are younger. Most are in their 70s, meaning they can barely remember

when White helped build Anson's first golf course in 1929. He knows he probably doesn't have another half-century to wait for his third ace. He still plans a 45-hole weekly regimen just in case, though.

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Entertainment

Interest expense on 'Titanic' money climbs with delay

By JOHN HORN
AP Entertainment Writer
LOS ANGELES (AP) - The added interest expense from postponing "Titanic" is nearly enough to have made "Star Wars." But Paramount Pictures and 20th Century Fox had no other choice but delay by six months the most expensive movie ever made.

The question now: Are the three-hour movie's chances improved or hurt by moving it from July to December? And what happens to the movies that now must face "Titanic" head-to-head?

"I think it only helps the film," said James Cameron, the film's writer-director. "It's a relief to have it settled and announced. As for me, what it means is the difference

between 17-hour days and 16-hour days."

Tuesday's announcement that "Titanic" would voyage from a July 2 opening date to Dec. 19 resolved the worst-kept secret in recent Hollywood history.

From early spring, it was obvious the disaster epic - filled with complicated special effects and costing a reported \$200 million - would not be ready for the Fourth of July weekend.

As Paramount contemplated moving "Titanic" to later in the summer, new problems arose. Harrison Ford warned Viacom entertainment chief Jonathan Dolgen, whose Paramount studio has made millions from Ford's movies, not to

clip the wings of Ford's "Air Force One" by moving "Titanic" to the same weekend.

August, September and October aren't big box office months. In November, 20th Century Fox - which is co-financing "Titanic" - is set to open its first big-budget animated film, "Anastasia," and its high-priced action sequel "Alien Resurrection."

"Thanksgiving has a lot of high-profile films concentrated in a narrow window. So we felt the Christmas holiday was a great launch date," said Rob Friedman, chairman of Paramount's Motion Picture Group.

"Titanic" could rack up as much as \$10 million in additional interest

between now and the end of the year - the entire budget for 1977's "Star Wars."

Some analysts say the December move won't necessarily save the "Titanic."

"In the two weeks before Christmas, movie going tends to dry up," said Hal Vogel, an entertainment analyst with Cowen & Co. "And in the week between Christmas

and New Year's there are a lot of big movies coming out."

The challenge, given the flood of movies released at year's end, is to find enough screens to show a wide release like "Titanic."

The three-hour running time will cost the movie at least one showing a day. It's also unclear who the target audience is, now that the film is being advertised as more love story than

disaster drama. It stars Kate Winslet and Leonardo DiCaprio.

Three major films are now set to open the same day as "Titanic": the next James Bond movie, "Tomorrow Never Dies," "The Mask of Zorro," and "Home Alone 3."

"I have no fear," said David Foster, the co-producer of "Zorro." "The boat sinks. Everybody drowns. The whole world knows the story."

Simpson legal battle continues as lawyer files notice to appeal

By LINDA DEUTSCH
AP Special Correspondent
SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) - O.J. Simpson's lawyer filed a notice Wednesday that the ex-football star intends to appeal his \$33.5 million wrongful death verdict, the first step in challenging the civil jury's decision.

Attorney Daniel Leonard filed the notice to appeal two days before a Friday deadline. He said the new phase of Simpson's legal battle could last from nine months to a year.

Leonard said the actual appeal will be filed sometime this summer and will argue that Superior Court Judge Hiroshi Fujisaki erred by admitting testimony about a lie detector test and

evidence of an unauthenticated call to a women's shelter by a woman named Nicole.

The appeal will also contend that the judge gave erroneous jury instructions and that the \$33.5 million damage award is excessive, Leonard said.

Simpson was acquitted in 1995 of murdering his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman. The families of the victims sued and won, and Simpson was held liable for the 1994 killings in civil court in February.

Plaintiffs in the civil trial have been trying to collect on the damage awards by seizing Simpson's assets. His Brentwood home is in foreclosure

and he has said he has no income.

Leonard says he will file an initial appeal brief as soon as a trial transcript, which must be submitted to the California Second District Court of Appeal in 30 days, is ready.

The plaintiffs will have 30 days to respond, and the defense must file a reply before oral arguments are scheduled.

"There is a chance the case will be heard during this calendar year," Leonard said.

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Area Events

WTAMU

West Texas A&M University Summer Writing Program will begin at 7 p.m. June 3 in Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall on the WTAMU campus.

National Book Award Winner, George Garrett, will present the opening address.

The conference will continue through June 18 with afternoon prose and poetry workshops and evening public readings/panels. Those enrolling for the afternoon sessions can earn three hours of undergraduate or graduate credit or people can attend individual evening sessions that are open to the public without charge.

Others scheduled to make presentations include Dr. Sandra Gail Teichmann, Robert Flynn, Bradley and Scott Yarbrough, Kim Shreffler, Carolyn Meyer, Clay Reynolds, John Erickson and Walter McDonald.

For more details and information about the WTAMU Summer Writing Program, contact Dr. Jerry Bradley, event coordinator, at 806-656-2456.

show will wrap up the season with a July 4th show at the SPC track.

Performances are scheduled June 5, 12, 19 and 26. Show time is 7:30 p.m. and admission is free. Audience members are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs for the informal concerts under the stars.

Jason and Melissa Jones, who perform gospel and western music, will be the special guests for the first performance.

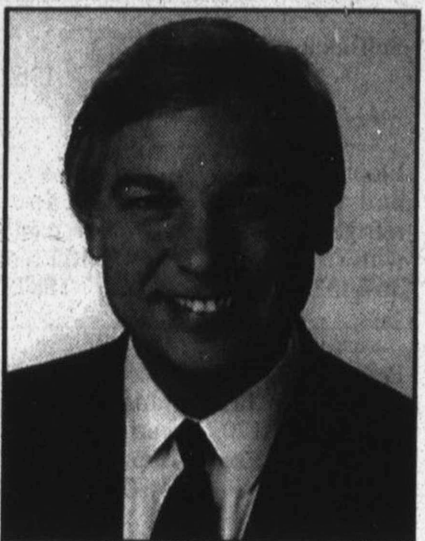
DUMAS

Dumas Noon Lions Club announces its 51st annual Dogie Days June 4-7.

Attractions will include a carnival midway and booths, barbecue in McDade park, a teen dance, a Saturday morning parade, chuckwagon competition and an adult western dance.

For more information, contact Joyce Land, executive director, Chamber of Commerce at 806-935-2123.

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JACK CANFIELD

Interested persons are encouraged to register now to attend a presentation and dinner with Jack Canfield, New York Times best selling co-author of *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, and to participate in the Region XVI

All-Well Conference to be held in the Virgil Henderson Activities Center at West Texas A&M University.

The dinner with Canfield is planned for 7-10 p.m. June 10 in the South Dining Hall at WTAMU. Tickets are \$25. Canfield will also bring the keynote address for the conference, set for 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. June 11, also at a cost of \$25.

Sponsored by Region XVI Education Service Center, West Texas A&M University and the Amarillo Independent School District Mentor Schools - Carver Academy and Pleasant Valley, the conference is the first "All Well" event planned for the area.

Committee members for the All-Well conference include Claudia Stuart, Pat Semnacher, Karen Fangman, Carol Allen, June Rudd, Wynn Bergstreser, Merlee McWethy, Dana Hutnyak, Cruse Messer, Alby Peters, Lynda Queen, Vickie LaGrone, Sandy Carter, Allene Stovall and Kathy Harding.

To register, contact Tere Anderson at Region XVI at 806-376-5512, extension 291.

Amarillo Little Theatre's touring company production of "Always...Patsy Cline" is back in Amarillo.

"Always...Patsy Cline" is based on the true-life friendship between the legendary country singer and her "#1 fan," Louise Seger. The ladies met, quite by chance, and struck up a friendship that lasted until the time of Patsy's untimely death.

The show interweaves two dozen favorite Cline tunes through a 90-minute monologue that covers Cline's musical career as well as offering a rare glimpse of her personal life.

Performance dates are June 12, 13, 14, 19, 20 and 21 at 8 p.m. with matinees scheduled for June 15 and 22 at 2:30 p.m.

The ALT Box Office will open for "Always...Patsy Cline" on June 2. Ticket prices are \$12 for adults, \$8 for students and senior citizens (age 62+) and \$6 for children under 12.

Reservations may be secured by calling 806-355-9991.

OLTON

Olton Main Street Project will hold a dinner fund-raiser at 7 p.m. June 3 in the Olton School Cafeteria.

Jaston Williams, one-time Olton and Crosbyton resident and co-author of "Greater Tuna" and "A Tuna Christmas," will be the after-dinner speaker.

Ticket price for the meal and entertainment is \$50.

Contact Susan Smith at the Olton Main Street Project at 806-285-2611 for ticket information.

All proceeds from the event will benefit the Roxy Theatre Renovation.

LEVELLAND

South Plains Opry, a country music show sponsored by South Plains College, will kick off its third season of performances June 5.

The show will have performances each Thursday evening throughout June on the Courthouse Square in downtown Levelland. The variety



Special quilt

Junior Girl Scout Troop 282/283 made a quilt in honor of the 85th birthday of Girl Scouts and presented it to the Council. Each girl decorated a square with a special memory of Scouting, then placed her hand print in the center square. Pictured making the presentation are, from left, Cassie Morris, Kristi Miller, Amber Pesina, Clarissa Zamora, Jamie Lyons, Jessica Lyons, Jennifer Lee, Laura Jesko and Danelle Harris. Behind the quilt is Stephanie Henson.

Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: I am an 11th-grader at Glace Bay High School in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. My friend and I did a science-fair project on stain removal.

We decided to test three different stain removers. We chose two name brands and a home remedy. This home remedy came from one of your books. It's called Last Ditch Stain Remover and consists of:

- 1 gallon hot water
- 1 cup powdered dishwasher detergent

1/4 cup chlorine bleach

The results of our experiment showed that the home remedy worked better than the two name brands. We are inquiring to find out how successful you or your readers found this method to be. — Amy MacDonald

Amy, I'm thrilled you tested this old-fashioned remedy for yucky stains. When my mother, the original Heloise, printed this in the early 1960s it was a hit, just as it is today. I'd love to hear from my readers.

Have you used this to save a favorite garment? How does this stain-removal solution work for you?

Remember, this solution is also good for brightening most washable whites and bleachable clothing. Don't use it on silk, rayon, wool or other fine materials.

Also, when combining the ingredients, make sure to do it in a plastic, enamel or stainless-steel container. Do not use aluminum! Do not mix with ammonia!

To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am hoping you can supply me with some pertinent information concerning interstitial cystitis. The DMSO instilled via catheter seemed to be a very temporary pain reliever. Diet modification has not helped at all. — M.K.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My last bout with interstitial cystitis was over two years ago. My urologist gave me a number of treatments with DMSO. There is a paperback book by Larrian Gillespie, M.D., on the subject. Perhaps you could pass this information along to any future people with this problem.

ANSWER: Interstitial cystitis is inflammation of the urinary bladder lining along with bladder shrinkage. An affected woman's days and nights are interrupted by frequent trips to the bathroom. Some women must urinate as often as 60 times a day. In addition, emptying the bladder is quite painful.

The symptoms suggest a bladder infection. But infection has nothing to do with interstitial cystitis. Antibiotics are not helpful; they might even worsen the condition.

DMSO, dimethyl sulfoxide, is one approach to treatment. It is instilled into the bladder through a soft tube inserted into the urethra, the tubular passage for excreting urine. It works for some women.

A new drug for interstitial cystitis, Elmiron, has appeared on the horizon. It's in pill form for oral use. It can take three months before its effects take hold.

I have directed this answer to women because interstitial cystitis is primarily a female problem. Men account for about 10 percent of those afflicted with it.

I am familiar with Dr. Larrian Gillespie's superb articles in medical journals, although I have not read her book, "You Don't Have to Live With Cystitis!"

My recently published "Urinary Tract Infections" report touches on the subject of interstitial cystitis. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 48, Box 5539, Riverton, NJ 08077-5539. Enclose \$3 and a No. 10, self-addressed, stamped (55 cents) envelope.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What causes restless leg syndrome, and what can be done about it? Would potassium, selenium and vitamin E help? — Mrs. G.B.

ANSWER: Restless leg syndrome is a creeping, crawling, burning or tingling sensation in the legs. The

sensations appear when the legs are resting, especially at night in bed. The patient can obtain relief by getting up and pacing.

A vitamin B-12 deficiency, iron deficiency, nerve damage and pregnancy have been implicated with restless leg syndrome. But in most cases, no cause can be found. It just happens.

If you're a smoker, stop. Nicotine makes the condition worse.

Avoid caffeine and alcohol, which also aggravate the syndrome.

There is a large list of prescription medicines that have had limited success. They include Sinemet, Permax, Klonopin, Tegretol and Clonidine. You would need your doctor's OK for any of them.

I cannot vouch for the effectiveness of potassium, selenium or vitamin E.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What causes the jerking sensation I have when I'm drifting into sleep? It doesn't happen all the time. Is this a sign of something serious? — P.P.

ANSWER: When you're falling asleep, your brain can lose temporary control over your muscles. The loss of control causes them to jerk.

People of all ages experience the jerks, which are called "hypnic starts." They're harmless and do not indicate any dire underlying condition.

Caffeine, stress and vigorous exercise can make the jerks more intense.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him at P.O. Box 5539, Riverton, NJ 08077-5539.

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Fruit growers yelling calf rope as rain continues

More precipitation than needed reported, causing big losses to this year's crop

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) - Last year, in the midst of a drought, Texas farmers were begging for rain.

Many of them got more than they bargained for.

Recently, nature has dealt some Texas fruit growers more precipitation than they can handle, resulting in devastating losses to the state's crops, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reports.

Fruit growers have generally welcomed this year's wet weather after last year's drought. However, Dr. Lynn Brandenberger of Weslaco, Extension horticulturist, said increased moisture in recent months has allowed fungus to grow on cantaloupe.

"This wet weather has had tremendous impact on the cantaloupe crop," Brandenberger said. "The buildup of gummy stem blight fungus has produced fruit rot on 80 percent to 90 percent of the crop this year."

According to Brandenberger, watermelons and honeydew have not suffered from the fungus. He says

cantaloupe are more susceptible to fruit rot because of their fibrous outer rind.

"This fungus attacks the crown of the melon as it comes out of the ground, and can easily penetrate the net-like rind on cantaloupe," he said.

Onion crops also suffered heavy moisture, Brandenberger said, because cool, wet weather encourages bolting, or flowering.

"The damp weather significantly reduced yields of the onion crop," he said.

Dr. Mark Black of Uvalde, Extension plant pathologist, said rainfall and constant leaf wetness produced purple blotch disease on onion crops in Southwest Texas.

He said, however, that farmers applied fungicide in time to save the onion crops.

"They were able to correct the situation before it got out of hand, and we do not consider it to be a major problem for onion producers this year," Black said.

Although the Southwest region did see an increase in foliar problems, it did not suffer from some of the more devastating problems reported in other regions of the state.

"Fortunately, our rainfall was scattered and we did not get the deluge that the Rio Grande Valley got," Black said.

He went on to say that onion crops in his region were of good quality and yields are expected to be favorable.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: soil moisture adequate. Ranges good, but heavy rains, hail have damaged some parts of the area. Livestock good. Wheat fair to good. Corn planting completed. Sorghum, soybeans, peanut planting under way. Cotton fair due to cool soils.

SOUTH PLAINS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures, ranges in excellent condition. Corn good. Wheat very good; almost completely headed. Cotton, sorghum, sunflower

planting under way. Peanut planting nearing completion. Onion crop in good condition.

ROLLING PLAINS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures, ranges in good condition. Livestock, spring-calving cows in good body condition, but horn flies are a problem. Wheat harvest and cotton planting will be in full swing in next two weeks.

NORTH TEXAS: soil moisture adequate to short. Pastures, ranges poor to good. Cattle in good condition. Some forages greening up, but bermuda growth slow. Some problems with pecans. Tomatoes, other fruits a little behind due to cool weather.

EAST TEXAS: soil moisture adequate. Pastures good. Livestock good. Corn fair. Wheat headed. Cotton planting completed. Ryegrass harvesting under way. Pecan spraying under way. Peaches good. Watermelon fair due to cool nighttime temperatures.

FAR WEST TEXAS: soil moisture short to adequate. Pastures poor to

excellent. Cattle in good condition. Cotton planting near completion. Wheat heading complete. Onion, cantaloupe harvesting under way. Peaches poor due to freeze. Pecan spraying under way.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures in good condition; weeds, winter grasses lush due to cool weather and rains. Rains have helped sorghum crop. Oat stands starting to turn. Pecan crop good, but casebearer eggs found. Peach crop fair.

CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture adequate. Summer grass growth providing grazing. Some small grain fields being harvested for hay. Corn in excellent condition. Grain sorghum good. Peanut planting under way. Pecan spraying under way.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: soil moisture adequate. Pastures in good condition. Cattle market strong, but flies persist. Garden, field crop growth extensive;

stink bug numbers on the rise. Corn in good condition. Peach crop in good condition.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS: soil moisture adequate. Pastures, ranges in good condition due to increased forage and recent rains. Cotton excellent; planting under way. Wheat, oat, onion crops in good condition; harvesting under way. Sorghum, pecans, peaches good.

COASTAL BEND: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures wet; field operations delayed due to heavy rains. Sorghum heading under way. Rice, fields being flooded. Cotton, sunflower, pecan spraying under way. Peaches excellent; some scab and brown rot.

SOUTH TEXAS: soil moisture adequate. Pastures in good condition; Cotton in fair condition; squaring under way. Corn, sugarcane in good condition. Sorghum poor to fair; silking under way. Onion crop lost due to wet field conditions during harvest period.

San Antonio businesswoman completes trip retracing route followed by Earhart

By MARTHA IRVINE Associated Press Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) - Retracing Amelia Earhart's ill-fated 'round-the-world trip, pilot Linda Finch discovered the legendary aviator's appeal is global.

"When I left, I thought Amelia was primarily a role model for young women in this country," said Finch, who crossed 17 countries and five continents. "Now I realize she's admired and respected by nearly everyone, everywhere I went."

The San Antonio businesswoman landed her twin-engine Lockheed Electra, the same model Earhart used, before a cheering crowd at the Oakland airport Wednesday, completing a 26,000-mile journey that took 2½ months to complete.

Earhart mysteriously disappeared on her way to Howland Island in the

South Pacific on July 2, 1937.

While Finch had wanted to focus on Earhart's accomplishments rather than her loss, Finch said she couldn't help but get choked up when she dropped three wreaths over Howland Island in Earhart's memory.

"It was a much more emotional time than I anticipated," Finch said. "It brought her loss to the forefront."

One of the wreaths came from Scott Knoch, the mayor of Atchison, Kan., Earhart's birthplace. Knoch returned to Oakland to present Finch a lei of sunflowers, partly because yellow was reportedly Earhart's favorite color.

She also received countless bouquets of flowers and cards from children and other well-wishers.

A stiff breeze blew as Finch climbed from the plane, wearing a tan

flight suit and looking remarkably alert despite flying for almost 16 hours after her Tuesday departure from Honolulu. She waved and beamed at the hundreds of people gathered to watch her end the flight she had begun from the same field on March 17.

"I feel a little bit like Dorothy from the Wizard of Oz," she told the crowd, many of whom were schoolchildren on field trips. "I

followed my own yellow brick road in the sky, visiting many wonderful countries. But this, for me, is the most wonderful of all."

In the crowd, 10-year-old Julianne Ho, a fifth-grader from Hillsborough just south of San Francisco, said she wouldn't want to take the same trip, but was impressed with Finch's courage.

"We thought it was neat that she could travel around the world," she said. "It takes a lot of guts."

Grand jury to study shooting of teenager

SAN ANGELO, Texas (AP) - A Presidio County grand jury will be asked to investigate the shooting death of a teen-ager who was shot to death by a U.S. Marine assisting the U.S. Border Patrol on a drug-interdiction operation.

District Attorney Albert Valadez said Wednesday at Alpine that he will take the case of the death of Esequiel Hernandez Jr. to the grand jury.

Hernandez, an 18-year-old Presidio High School sophomore, was shot to death near his Redford home last Tuesday by a Marine who was part of a border drug patrol.

"I take all homicides before a grand jury," the prosecutor said. "If it's not a natural death, it goes to the grand jury."

Taking the case to the grand jury doesn't necessarily mean that Valadez thinks it is a murder, he said.

"I don't know what it is yet. But it's always been my policy to take an unnatural death before a grand jury," he told the San Angelo Standard-Times.

Spokeswoman Maureen Bossch of Joint Task Force Six, a Department of Defense agency based at Fort Bliss in El Paso that cooperates with local, state and federal law-enforcement agencies conducting drug-interdiction operations, said the district attorney's action are routine.

"This is not unexpected,"

Maureen Bossch said. "This is standard procedure in a case of this kind. This is not news to us."

"We are cooperating fully with all the agencies investigating this incident."

The grand jury could hear the case in about a month after Valadez receives all forensics reports from the Bexar County medical examiner's office in San Antonio.

Hernandez's body was taken there for an autopsy, and weapons involved in the incident were sent there for examination, he said.

Hernandez fired two shots at four Marines and had raised his .22-caliber rifle to fire a third shot at one of them when a Marine shot Hernandez with an M-16 rifle, Marine Col. Thomas Kelly, deputy commander of JTF-6, said at a news conference in Marfa last week.

However, members of Hernandez's family disputed that. The family lived a short distance from where he was shot, and they said he was looking for better grazing spots for the family's goat herd.

"I'm not reaching a conclusion like the Marine colonel did at the news conference," Valadez said. "Without results, it's just a guess. Their conclusions have been reached before all the evidence is in."

"All the evidence is not in yet."

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On April 1, 1942, I moved to Hereford with my wife, Lucy, and daughter, Wanda, to establish new residency as manager of Rockwell Lumber Co. Over the next few years, I changed occupations at least four times, finally choosing the carpenter trade. The people of this area were most cooperative.

About five years ago, Lucy developed a brain ailment that was hard to diagnose. After much consultation with Dr. Howard Johnson and his referring us to a neurologist in Amarillo, the diagnosis was Alzheimer's Disease with no possible cure.

At this time the people of my church, the Golden K Kiwanis Club and the Senior Citizens Association were praying for Lucy. My prayer was that - if it be in the will of God - that He not allow Lucy to reach the point of not being able to recognize her friends and loved ones.

On the night of May 23, 1997, God answered that prayer. It appeared that she had gone to sleep the night before and did not awaken the next morning. I was instantly relieved of a burden I had been carrying ever since she had been sick.

Lucy surely must have touched a lot of lives. I have never seen such an outpouring of love and sympathy. I would like to thank the people of Hereford and the surrounding area for allowing us to live in your midst for these many years.

You are the greatest people on Earth, and Hereford is the greatest place on Earth to live. May I say, Thank You, again.

Jack Kirksey

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