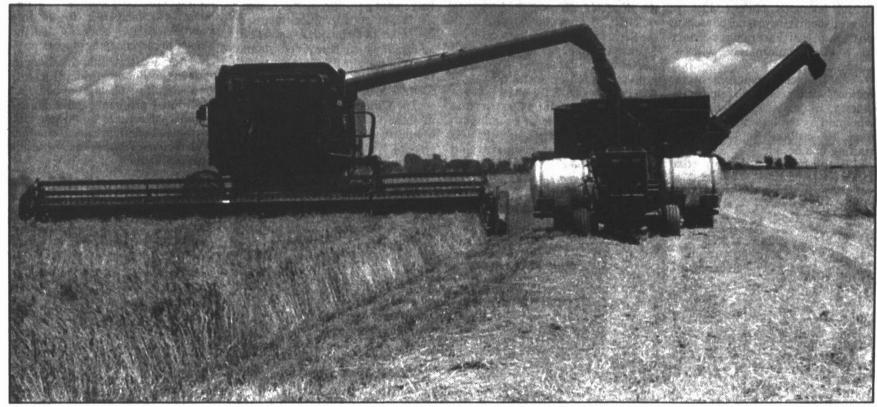
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Spacecraft stable; astronauts conserve power



Harvest time

they worked this week to harvest wheat on their farm south Yields on this farm were running about 70 bushels per acre. of Hereford on FM 1055. A.J., who owns the farm catches the

It's that time of year again for A.J. and Greg Urbanczyk as product being transferred from the combine operated by Greg.

Court ruling draws fire from Congressmen, religious groups on religious freedom issue

By RICHARD CARELLI

Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON (AP) - In a Congress and enraged religious groups, the Supreme Court on Wednesday struck down a law that practice their faith.

The court voted 6-3 to invalidate ment. the Religious Freedom Restoration Act making important statements on immediate but those opposed to the religious freedom and the competing court's ruling seemed more inclined state or local law imposing a powers of Congress, federal courts to seek new legislation than a and the states.

The ruling in a dispute between a

and promising to revive the protecti-

"This decision is a catastrophe for landmark decision that rebuked religious liberty in America, but it is more than that," said Kevin Hasson down the gauntlet, and we intend to of the Becket Fund for Religious pick it up. Liberty. "It is a classic conflict made it harder for government to between the courts and Congress over has no role in protecting religious interfere with how Americans the allocation of power. It sets the freedom, but concluded that its stage for a constitutional amend-

> Reaction in Congress was and the states. constitutional amendment.

small Texas city and the local Roman will be forced to choose between their in the least intrusive way. Catholic church left religious groups government and their God," Rep. worrying about government intrusion Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., said as he ment protect public health and safety

pledged renewed efforts to enhance but also would give religious protection for religious expression. Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, added,

"The Supreme Court has thrown The justices did not say Congress

sweeping 1993 law went too far and usurped authority from federal courts

The law required that any federal, "substantial burden" on someone's religious beliefs must serve a "Sadly, with this ruling citizens "compelling" government interest

That standard would let govern-

minorities far more legal clout. Marc Stern of the American Jewish Congress said that throwing out the law "means that there's no realistic federal protection for

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American, two Russians said to be in no danger

By MARCIA DUNN

AP Aerospace Writer Desperate to conserve power, the three men on Russia's crippled space station Mir worked in the dark today with all non-essential equipment turned off after the worst orbital collision ever.

"Things are stable up on the Mir," NASA spokesman Rob Navias said this morning. "The crew has spent most of the day reviewing inventory, what they think they need for potential recovery scenarios."

An unmanned cargo ship crashed into Mir on Wednesday, leaving a gash about the size of a postage stamp in the pressurized vessel, knocking out half the power and raising questions again about how long the aging spacecraft can function before omeone gets killed.

NASA astronaut Michael Foale, whose experiments and personal belongings are inside the ruptured, sealed-off module, asked that a shaver, toothbrush and toothpaste be sent up on a supply ship scheduled for launch no earlier than the July 4 weekend.

'Maybe three tubes of toothpaste," Foale radioed down. "That would do it.'

It was unclear how much longer Foale and his two Russian crewmates could remain on board, but they were said to be in no immediate danger. Mir has an attached Soyuz capsule that can bring the crewmen home in an emergency.

Russian space officials are loath to pull the crew off Mir. Without people aboard, the sprawling, 100-ton-plus station almost certainly

could not remain stable and would tumble out of control.

"They just don't think they can mothball this thing and have it be in a position to control attitude any more," Navias said.

Mir had no crew for five months in 1989, when it was much smaller and required much less power, Navias said. It now has six large modules and one small shuttle docking port that are linked, each with its own hatch.

"It's a serious situation," said astronaut Jerry Linenger, who returned from Mir in May after battling a blaze and other life-threatening problems aboard the 11-year-old outpost. "Fire aboard a spacecraft and decompression are the two most dangerous things that can happen on an orbiting vehicle.'

The three men were forced to work in darkness with much of their equipment turned off to save energy. Unless more power is restored soon how soon, NASA couldn't say - they may not be able to operate their life-support systems, such as the primary oxygen generators and the carbon dioxide removal system.

They also were urged to move slowly to conserve oxygen.

Four of the space station's solar panels weren't working after the accident, which knocked the station away from the ideal sun angle for the remaining solar panels to keep charging.

This morning, the crew used precious fuel to fire thrusters to turn the station so its solar batteries could recharge. The solar battery on the main module is running at about 60 percent to 70 percent of normal levels, Russian Space Agency chief Yuri Koptev said.

"This gives us a prospect of restoring normal operations and functions of the station," Koptev said from Russia's Mission Control outside Moscow.

A cargo ship was supposed to be launched Friday with supplies, but the

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Probation given teen on charges

An attempted aggravated assault charge drew a probated sentence in a plea bargain agreement for an offender who admitted in 222nd District Court Wednesday that he sprinkled iodine on food to be eaten by his mother.

Seventeen-year-old Juan Jose Torres, under questioning by Deaf Smith County Criminal District Attorney Roland Saul, Torres said he tried to poison his mother with iodine.

Torres was in court on two charges. In addition to the assault charge, he was under indictment for engaging in organized criminal activity. He entered guilty pleas on both charges.

Judge David Wesley Gulley accepted plea bargain agreements on both charges, assessing concurrent seven-year sentences, probated for seven years. Torres also was ordered to make restitution of \$14,027 in the criminal activity conviction.

A plea of guilty to assault was entered in court by Antwan D. DeLeon. A felony charge was reduced to misdemeanor. He was giving a one-year term in Deaf Smith County jail, probated one year.

During the court session, terms of probation of three offenders were modified by Judge Gulley.

An agreed order modifying terms of Jose Javier Davila will be entered. He was convicted of sexual assault in 1990 and assessed a 10-year

Juan Ruiz Jr., previously granted deferred adjudication for criminal non-support, was ordered to serve a two-year state jail sentence, probated five years.

On a motion to revoke probation of Pete Longoria Jr., Judge Gulley accepted an agreed order modifying probation. Longoria will be required to enter a substance abuse felony punishment facility. His probation period also was extended one year.

Congress reaches halfway mark in drive toward balanced budget

By JIM ABRAMS Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Congress

is halfway home in its mission of putting together the key parts of a balanced budget plan, completing work on a \$140 billion savings measure and moving right on to a giant tax cut bill.

The two bills set legislative directions for how Congress will carry out the deal worked out with President Clinton last month to balance the budget by 2002. Republicans in particular were jubilant that their goal was in sight. "The Berlin Wall of big govern-

ment is falling, there will be tax cuts and it's all going to happen because we stuck to principle," said Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, the House Budget Committee chairman.

Democrats were less pleased, accusing Republicans of slanting the budget agreement to impose their political agenda on health care

"breaks the deal" with Clinton, said to finish work by Friday. House Democratic Whip David past century.'

minutes of each other Wednesday deal. approved legislation to trim nearly \$140 billion from the federal budget over five years by overhauling Medicare, selling slices of the broadcast spectrum and trimming other federal benefits. The vote was 73-27 in the Senate and 270-162 in the House.

The debate was likely to be more contentious on the tax cut part of the package, which aimed to reduce taxes by a net \$85 billion over five years by means of a \$500 a child tax credit, incentives for education and retirement, and cuts in capital gains and estate taxes.

The House planned to vote on the

County farmers may apply for emergency farm loans

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by excessive have suffered at least a 30 percent snow last winter are being accepted physical loss to be eligible for an FSA at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices in Hereford according to Rodney L. Baker.

counties in Texas eligible for loans determining their loss. to cover part of the actual physical of Agriculture Dan Glickman.

actual physical losses. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must emergency loan," Baker said. Farmers participating in the Federal crop Insurance program will have to figure Deaf Smith County is one of six in proceeds from those programs in

"Applications for loans under this losses resulting from the excessive emergency designation will be snow. The emergency farm loans accepted until Feb. 6, 1998, but were recently announced by Secretary farmers should apply as soon as possible," Baker said. "Delays in Baker said farmers may be eligible applying could create backlogs in for loans of up to 80 percent of their processing and possibly (carry) over into the new farming season.'

The FSA offices in Hereford are commercial lenders, the interest rate open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

reforms and tax cuts. The bill tax bill today, and the Senate hoped

House Democrats said a dispropor-Bonior, D-Mich., and "will spawn tionate share of the benefits in the the worst economic inequality GOP plan would go to the rich, and Americans have experienced in the that the White House didn't get the \$35 billion in education-related tax The House and Senate within breaks it was promised in the budget

> Senate Democrats wanted to target the capital gains reductions to small businesses and middle-class families, with the savings used to expand the child tax credit to low-income

The Senate version did contain tax credits to help welfare recipients get

Both the White House and GOP leaders played down differences, emphasizing that problems could be worked out as the House, Senate and the administration conferred over the next month on a final compromise.

Clinton wrote House leaders Wednesday that "We certainly understand that we need to improve the legislation further." At the same time he urged Democrats, with limited success, to support the GOP budget bills, saying it would enhance administration clout during future negotiations.

The proposed \$140 billion in savings breaks down to \$115 billion from Medicare, \$14 billion from Medicaid, \$5 billion from civil service benefits, plus other savings. The bills also would increase spending in some areas, including expansion of children's health-care coverage and food stamps.

The Senate added two provisions to Medicare that faced an uphill battle in future negotiations: gradually raising the age of eligibility for Medicare benefits from 65 to 67 and raising premiums for wealthier Americans.



Super slide

While two other bathers watch from the edge of the pool, one of their friends prepares to enter the water as she nears the bottom of the slide at Hereford's water park. Hot weather has brought out dozens of swimmers this week.

Local Roundup

Hot and windy

Yesterday we reached a high of 89 and a low of 61. Tonight, expect partly cloudy skies with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms and a low in the lower 60s. We'll have a south wind 10-20 MPH. Friday expect more partly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of late afternoon thunderstorms and a high around 90. The winds will be south to southwest at 10-20 MPH. Friday night, we'll have partly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of late afternoon thunderstorms and a high of 90 to 95. Monday expect it to be mostly clear and hot. Low in the middle 60 and a high near 100.

Double blood drive scheduled

The Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a double blood drive from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at the Community Center. The Women's Division, in conjunction with Coffee Memorial Blood Center, is hosting the double drives in anticipation of an increase in the need for blood due to the long 4th of July weekend.

Alliance to hold meeting

Hereford Beautification Alliance will hold its annual membership meeting tonight, Thursday, at 7 p.m. in the Hereford Community Center.

News Digest

REGIONAL

LUBBOCK - Contrary to police speculation that he probably succumbed to the rigors of the wild, Republic of Texas fugitive Richard Keyes III said in an Internet interview that he's alive, well and angry.

AUSTIN - Keeping a watchful eye on the sky, Lower Colorado River Authority officials were cautiously predicting that Lake Travis flood waters would begin receding as early as today if there's no additional rainfall.

TYLER - A man who wanted to get back at his wife for leaving him and taking their three children, allegedly recruited two men to murder his in laws, authorities said

FORT WORTH - Robin Baldridge found out her 15-year-old daughter's corneas had been transplanted into a Fort Worth police officer this week, five weeks after the girl committed suicide along with her boyfriend. It was a shock, however, since Baldridge never gave permission for doctors to remove the girl's corneas and she only found out after someone put a thank-you notice in the newspaper.

AUSTIN - State Sen. Jerry Patterson was scheduled to announce his bid for Texas land commissioner today. The 50-year-old Republican from Pasadena was elected to the Senate in 1993. He sponsored the state's 1995 concealed handgun law.

NATION/WORLD

WASHINGTON - Facing heavy turbulence from key elected officials opposed to the shutdown of the National Weather Service's Southern Region, Commerce Secretary Richard Daley is temporarily delaying the

WASHINGTON - Texas Sens. Phil Gramm and Kay Bailey Hutchison have teamed together to roll back \$100 million in proposed Medicaid cuts for Texas over the next five years.

EL PASO - Police are holding a 19-year-old man on a murder charge after discovering the body of his mother, missing for more than a month, buried in the family's backyard.

AUSTIN - Spurred by reports that lawmakers were failing to use cost-saving measures for travel, the House Administration Committee

has unanimously approved new rules regarding travel reimbursement. DALLAS - When 90-year-old Ramon Rodriguez refused to sell his house to make room for a bank, the bank decided to go ahead with the project anyway and simply wrap the building, horseshoe-style, around the old man's home.

AUSTIN - The state agency overseeing alcohol and drug abuse programs has worked to resolve findings of gross fiscal mismanagement and improve operations, but more can be done in several areas, the state auditor says.

Emergency Services

Activities reported by law enforcement agencies:

POLICE DEPARTMENT

-- A 35 year old man was arrested in the 200 block of Avenue E for public intoxication.

-- A prowler was reported at a residence in the 300 block of Blevins. -- Charges of theft were filed

against two men for stealing beer at a convenience store on South Main. --\$150.00 worth of damage was done on the old Stanton School building.

-- Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of Willow Lane. -- A building in the 400 block of Ranger was burglarized.

-- Sexual assault of a child is being

investigated. -- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 800 block of South

Texas. -- Harassment was reported in the 100 block of Avenue A.

-- Domestic disturbance was reported in the 200 block of Avenue

-- A man was reported as trying to start a fight on Avenue I.

-- A disturbance was reported at a residence on the 100 block of Beach

-- Officers were sent to a residence located in the 600 block of Union in reference to cattle in the backyard. -- Child abuse investigated. No charges filed.

-- 8 traffic citations issued -- 3 raffic citations without injuries.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT -- A 25 year old female was arrested for violation of probation,

Her original charge was evading

-- A 30 year old female was arrested on a warrant for theft by

-- A 25 year old male was arrested for violation of probation. His original charge was DWI.

Obituaries

JUANITA BATSON June 24, 1997

Juanita Batson, 76, of Anton, formerly of Hereford died Tuesday. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in First United Methodist Church of Anton with the Rev. Wendell Leach, pastor, officiating. The Rev. Rush Coffman, pastor of First Baptist Church in Anton, will assist.

Burial will be in Anton Cemetery under direction of Hammons Funeral Home of Littlefield.

She was born June 10, 1921, in Hereford. She married Wyatt L. Batson on Oct. 11, 1941, in Tucumcari, N.M. They moved to Anton in 1953. She was a member of the Anton Art League and First United Methodist Church in Anton.

She was a bank cashier for Citizens State Bank in Anton for 23

Survivors include her husband; a son, Wyatt Ray of Flagstaff, Ariz.; a daughter, Delores Mae Biffle of Houston; two sisters, Katherine Kelly of Kingman, Ariz., and Mae Stokes of Moab, Utah; three grandchildren; Breyer dissented. and three great-grandchildren.

Putting higher Medicare premiums on wealthy citizens to be uphill fight

By ALICE ANN LOVE **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) - Senators voting to make wealthy senior citizens pay higher Medicare premiums and to raise the eligibility age said they knew the plan would be unpopular and were not counting on the House to embrace it easily.

R-Texas.

The Senate's bipartisan agreement Wednesday to include the proposals in its balanced budget package showed there is increasing consensus on Capitol Hill that dramatic change to Medicare ultimately will be

The financial resources of the nation's health care program for the elderly are expected to be overwhelmed by the retirement of more than 70 million Baby Boomers starting in a decade.

Plaque presented

mission was postponed for at least 10

days to load the craft with repair

equipment. Russian space officials

want to send up power cables to

The officials said it could become

necessary to evacuate the crew if

Mir's power is not restored to a level

that would allow docking with the

Koptev said the repairs would

require a spacewalk, but not until the

necessary equipment arrives on the

next cargo ship. The spacewalkers

By KELLEY SHANNON

Associated Press Writer

the old twin bell towers of St. Peter

parish priest lamented the U.S.

Hoping to get around a landmark--

preservation squabble with city

leaders, the Archdiocese of San

Diego invoked the law when it sued

in federal court in an attempt to triple

City officials responded with a

the size of the 74-year-old church.

sweeping constitutional attack on the

law. And on Wednesday, the Supreme

Court ruled that the Religious

Freedom Restoration Act of 1993

a religious freedom law.

BOERNE, Texas (AP) - Beneath

repair solar batteries.

Club as a typical Lions Club member.

this crisis is going to come," Gramm

House Republican leaders, however, continued to hedge on how much change is warranted this year. They went about the business of passing their own spending bill Wednesday without taking up the Senate's changes.

"Obviously we have a lot of work to do," said Sen. Phil Gramm, when House and Senate differences "We will hear their arguments" are resolved by a conference committee in July, said Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Calif., a chief architect of the House Medicare provisions.

The higher premiums approved by the Senate would affect the wealthiest 5 percent of seniors. Premiums would begin to increase for elderly individuals whose incomes exceed \$50,000 and be fully phased in for those earning \$100,000. At that maximum income level, an individual's annual premium would be \$2,160 next year when the changes would "People have come to realize that take effect, instead of \$540. Higher

Boss Lion L.J. Clark presents Lion Sid Shaw with a plaque for being voted by the Lions

would try to seal the hole, which, in

about two weeks. Koptey said.

While still trying to determine the

extent of the damage, NASA said it

will rethink its program of sending

astronauts to Mir. Even before the

latest accident, some experts and

Washington officials had argued that

Mir was too old to fly safely.

Supreme Court ruling is attack

favor of government.'

on religious freedom, say critics

premiums would begin for couples earning \$75,000 and be fully phased-in at \$125,000.

Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio, said he and other members the House leadership are also prepared to hear out those opposed to the Senate's proposals - particularly the president.

"It's a three-way conference," said Boehner.

Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala said she is afraid that raising the Medicare eligibility age to 67 from 65 will leave younger retirees vulnerable.

"What we would not want to do is ... take away health insurance for adults for which there is no insurance market. If you're 65-years old, what's the market for health insurance?" Shalala said.

The Clinton administration also intends to fight against higher Medicare premiums for wealthy seniors, White House officials confirmed, since the change is not budget by 2002 or keep the program afloat for the next 10 years.

"We are concerned that the proposals passed by the Senate contradict the carefully crafted balance in the budget agreement by excessively shifting the burden to beneficiaries," said Chris Jennings, Clinton's senior health policy adviser.

The American Association of Retired Persons is urging retirees as well as working-age people to contact their members of Congress - soon to be in their home states for the July Fourth holiday - and ask that the Senate proposals be scrapped.

The bill also would allow senior citizens to choose from a menu of new health plans beyond the traditional program, and a limited number of retirees could get their Medicare benefit in cash to combine with their own money in tax-exempt medical savings accounts.

Fugitive interviewed on Internet

By MARK BABINECK **Associated Press Writer**

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) -Contrary to police speculation that he probably succumbed to the rigors of the wild, Republic of Texas fugitive Richard Keyes III said in an Internet interview that he's alive, well and

"I'm past the point of no return," Keyes told a freelance writer for Mother Jones magazine, according to the magazine's online edition, The MoJo Wire. Keyes' comments were posted Wednesday night on the World Wide Web.

"We are people with nothing to lose. If the United States is comfortable with going to war with people who have nothing to lose, then so be it," Keyes said.

The writer, Joel Dyer, says Keyes contacted him on June 17 and would not say where he was hiding except to say that he is "out of the country."

Keyes bolted from the separatist group's mountain hideout on May 3, the day Richard McLaren and five followers surrendered to state troopers after a weeklong standoff. Keyes is wanted on charges stemming from the brief hostage-taking of a neighborhood couple that be stalemate on April 27.

Another separatist, Mike Matson, fled with Keyes and was killed in a gunbattle with troopers two days

Officials hunted for Keyes until May 7, then called off the search. They speculated he was probably dead in the remote, sparsely populated region.

"Now I'm in a place that's armed to the teeth," he told Mother Jones. "If we have to make a stand, we

Keyes said militia members from New Mexico helped him escape.

'They sent in a special operations team and extracted me from the area," he said. "They moved me from safehouse to safehouse. I was in a total of six. Eventually they were able to get me out of the country."

Jeff Davis County Sheriff Steve Bailey, who has tangled with militia members over the years and helped search for Keyes and Matson, said he was skeptical that the man who called Dyer was indeed Keyes.

.ottery

By The Associated Press No ticket correctly matched all

six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials A winning ticket would have

been worth an estimated \$21 The numbers drawn Wednes-

day night from a field of 50 were 10, 15, 19, 31, 48 and 49. Saturday night's drawing will

be worth an estimated \$31 million. AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

(eight, two, zero)

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Justice Anthony M. Kennedy wrote for the court that the law imposed "a considerable congressional intrusion into the states' traditional prerogatives and general authority to regulate for the health and welfare of their citizens.'

He said the law also unduly interfered with past Supreme Court rulings on the scope of the Constitution's protection for religion.
"It is this court's precedent, not

(the 1993 law), which must control," Kennedy said.

He was joined by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Justices John Paul Stevens, Clarence Thomas, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Antonin Scalia. Justices Sandra Day O'Connor, David H. Souter and Stephen G.

Congress was reacting to a 1990

the Apostle Catholic Church, the passed the law aimed at preventing Supreme Court's ruling striking down government interference in Americans' spiritual lives.

In a 6-3 ruling, the justices said

Congress usurped the powers of

Boerne city leaders didn't want any of the church's stone walls knocked down and refused to issue a building permit in 1994 because the sanctuary is in the city's historic

San Antonio. The church has more than 2,000 members but its sanctuary can only hold about 230 people. The growing parish, which serves an estimated

"I'm disappointed," the Rev. 1,100 families, sought the permit to Tony Cummins said as he sat beneath expand the sanctuary to hold about the church's bell towers. "It affects 700 people. Since 1995, the church

COURT-

religious believers anymore. States Supreme Court ruling when it passed

Boerne, Texas, invoked the 1993 law after the city thwarted its attempt to tear down part of a 70-year-old sanctuary and build an addition. The church sued and argued that Boerne's refusal to issue the permit was an

> An architectural imitation of a Spanish mission, the building in Boerne's historic district was deemed worthy of preservation by the city. The church has more than 2,000 members but its sanctuary can accommodate fewer than 250 at one

> other challenges to the city's action.

the law. That decision declared that laws that otherwise were neutral toward religion could be valid even if they infringed on some people's religious beliefs.

The St. Peter Catholic Church in example of governmental action banned by the law.

The case will go back to a federal trial judge, and the church will pursue

leave intact the sanctuary's distincfederal courts and the states when it tive front facade, but the city wanted at least 80 percent of the structure saved. The resulting court battle became

Church officials had planned to

senior citizen's center.

generator sparked a 14-minute fire that

system leaked, oxygen generators failed

The collision happened as the

Russian cosmonauts practiced docking

the Progress supply ship by remote

control. Commander Vasily Tsibliyev

could not slow the ship, which was

moving five times faster than normal,

turn, would allow them to restore sent chunks of molten metal flying.

normal pressure inside the Spektr lab In the weeks afterward, the cooling

In February, a defective oxygen and it slammed into Spektr.

the balance on the playing field in has held Sunday services in a nearby

The entire operation would take and the carbon dioxide removal system

broke down.

a rallying point for religious groups nationwide and one of the most closely watched religion cases of the Mayor Patrick Heath praised the district, about 30 miles northwest of ruling, saying it confirmed that

Congress "may not single-handedly amend the Constitution. Meanwhile, he wants the city and church to resume talks that stalled last year and reach agreement to accommodate the city's desire to keep

the church's desire to grow. "We're ready to try those negotiations again," Heath said.

most of the sanctuary standing and

Phillip Bell, chairman of the Boerne Historic Landmark Preservation Commission, also called the decision a victory.

"We made a historic district, so everything in that area falls under the ordinance regardless of its vintage," Bell said. "They (the church) should not be exempt.

Others bemoaned the decision as threat to religious freedom.

Marc Stern of the American Jewish Congress said that throwing out the law "means that there's no realistic federal protection for religious believers anymore. States and local governments can intrude, as long as they don't single out any

The lawsuit is still in federal court, and Cummins said the church likely will move forward with expansion

"It really is difficult to ask people to financially support this building that they cannot use simply because people who pass by want to look at he said, gazing up at the old

Lifestyles

Ann Landers

Aunt of Amarillo reader gets 'wish'

Dear Ann Landers: Please print this letter. It might prevent someone else from making the same mistake.

We have all heard the expression, "Be careful what you wish for. You might get it." When I was a little girl, my aunt was expecting her fifth child and was extremely large. As she and my uncle were about to leave the house, my mother asked, "What are you going to do if it's twins?" I overheard my aunt say jokingly, "I would hope one of them dies.

My aunt gave birth to identical twin boys, and you guessed it, one of them was born dead, just as she had "wished." My aunt never showed any emotion or expressed any sorrow about this boy she lost.

My surviving cousin grew up to be a handsome, wonderful young man. He often talked about the twin brother who died and how much he wished the boy had lived. Mom made us promise never to tell him that his mother had said she hoped only one child would survive. We kept that promise, but we never felt close to my aunt after that. -- Amarillo, Texas

Dear Amarillo: I suspect your over the death of her child. But as a for a person who is "cold all the twin, I am appalled by the comment time" to warm up with an extra she made. Our mother made us feel blessed to have one another and reminded us often of how lucky we were. What a wise woman she was.

Dear Ann Landers: I have a problem that has been bugging me for years. I am cold all the time. I exercise and eat properly and take medication for an underactive thyroid, which helps, but not enough.

My husband is hot all the time. There is no compromising. As soon as the weather warms up, he turns on the air conditioning in the house, and I am miserable. I also freeze in restaurants, grocery stores and even when I visit relatives in their homes. The cold air blows on my head and ANN LANDERS (R) COPYRIGHT 1997 neck, and it goes right to the bone. CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

People who are hot all the time can turn on the air conditioner, and everyone thinks that's fine. If you're too cold, however, people just say, "Put a sweater on." It just doesn't work that way. I often get summer colds because of that frigid air blowing on my head. The worst part is that no one, and I mean no one, cares. Why can't we turn on the air conditioning at a reasonable level so the hot-blooded ones can cool off, and the rest of us can still be comfortable?

I love hot weather and like to wear summer clothes, but this is never possible for me. At work, I have to bundle up as if it were winter. Our beautiful summers are being destroyed by this obsessive air conditioning. Why does it have to be 55 degrees inside? Do you have any suggestions? -- No Name in Sacramento, Calif.

Dear Sacramento: When was the last time you had a complete physical checkup? Also, have you evertalked to your doctor about this problem? You might be anemic.

I hope you will not think I am aunt was really quite grief-stricken. unsympathetic, but it is much easier sweater than for the person who is 'too warm'' to cool off.

> Dear Ann Landers: When I was young, it was considered proper manners to leave a few bites of food on your plate when you had finished a meal. Now, people seem to think it's OK to eat everything when dining out or at the home of friends. Please comment. -- H.B., Canon City, Colo.

> Dear Canon City: A clean plate is always a compliment to the cook. In fine restaurants, the chef pays attention to what comes back uneaten. If a certain food comes back frequently, he will change the recipe or take it off the menu.



Cited for 35 years of service

David Castillo, board chairman of the Tri-County chapter of the American Red Cross, presents a framed certificate of appreciation to Betty Henson in recognition of her 35 years of service to the Deaf Smith and Tri-County chapters during the annual Red Cross membership meeting here June 24.

Today in History

By The Associated Press Today is Thursday, June 26, the 177th day of 1997. There are 188

days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On June 26, 1945, the charter of the United Nations was signed by 50

On this date:

countries in San Francisco.

In 1870, the first section of the famous boardwalk in Atlantic City, N.J., was opened to the public.

In 1894, the American Railway Union, led by Eugene Debs, called a general strike in sympathy with Pullman workers.

In 1900, a commission that included Dr. Walter Reed began the fight against the deadly disease yellow fever.

In 1917, the first troops of the American Expeditionary Force arrived in France during World War

In 1925, Charlie Chaplin's classic comedy, "The Gold Rush," premiered at Grauman's Egyptian Theatre in Hollywood.

In 1959, President Eisenhower joined Britain's Queen Elizabeth II in ceremonies officially opening the St. Lawrence Seaway.

In 1963, President Kennedy visited West Berlin, where he made his famous declaration: "Ich bin ein Berliner" (I am a Berliner).

In 1975, citing what she called a "deep and widespread conspiracy" against her government, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi declared a state of emergency.

In 1977, 42 people were killed when a fire sent toxic smoke pouring through the Maury County Jail in Columbia, Tenn.

In 1990, African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela addressed the U.S. Congress, asking for "material resources" to hasten the end of white-led rule.

Ten years ago: Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr. announced his retirement, leaving a vacancy that was filled by Anthony M. Kennedy.

Five years ago: Navy Secretary H. Lawrence Garrett III resigned, accepting responsibility for a "leadership failure" that resulted in the Tailhook sex-abuse scandal. Willie L. Williams was sworn in as Los Angeles police chief, succeeding Daryl Gates.

One year ago: The Supreme Court ordered the Virginia Military Academy to admit women or forgo state support. Former White House counsel Bernard Nussbaum took the blame for the FBI files controversy; White House security chief Craig Livingstone resigned. President Clinton and leaders of the world's other industrial powers gathered in Lyon, France, for their annual economic summit.

Thought for Today: "When I was a young man I vowed never to marry until I found the ideal woman. Well, I found her - but, alas, she was waiting for the perfect man." -Robert Schuman, French statesman (1886-1963)

Henson recognized for years of service

Members of the Tri-County chapter of the American Red Cross recognized service on the part of local volunteers and approved a slate of directors and officers at their annual meeting June 24 at the Hereford Community Center.

Betty Henson, long-time chapter executive, was presented a framed certificate recognizing her 35 years of service to the local chapter and her "compassion, practicality in problemsolving, and generosity of spirit" in carrying out the local mission of the Red Cross.

Mrs. Henson first served as a youth representative with the local chapter and began her executive duties with the Deaf Smith County chapter in 1977. She has worked extensively with water safety, lifeguard training, CPR and first-aid instruction throughout the years. When a directive from National

Red Cross headquarters mandated the local chapter merge with chapters in surrounding communities, Mrs. Henson was instrumental in forming. the Tri-County chapter that now serves not only Deaf Smith, but neighboring Castro and Parmer counties as well.

Businesses presented with certificates of appreciation for their support of local Red Cross efforts included West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative, KPAN radio, and The Hereford Brand.

Other individuals presented certificates of appreciation included David Castillo, board chairman, Lisa Formby, Friona board member, Marlene Drake, retiring Hereford board member Jerry Walker, who has served the maximum-allowed six

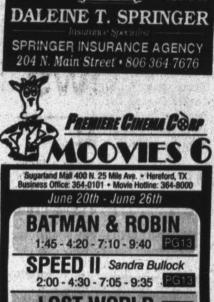
Hospital **Notes**

Report from Hereford Regional Medical Center on June 26: Admitted: Juanita Bennett, Eliseo

Gomez, S.G. Kilpatrick. Discharged: Dovie Axe, Doris years as a director, and Sandra Kilanowski, who received a health and safety commendation.

Members present unanimously approved nominees and officers to serve on the chapter board for the 1997-2000 period. Incoming board members include Genevieve Miller, Dawn, Rhonda West and Marshal Young, Dimmitt, Lois Norwood, Friona, and Nancy Buchanan, Sarah Lawson and Bob Murray of Hereford.

Serving as second-term board officers are David Castillo, chairman, Chris Stroud, vice-chairman, Jim Steiert, secretary, and Genevieve Miller, treasurer.



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Building for a bunny

Chad Dollar (left) and Ryan Kerr (right), put the finishing touches on their summer project, a rabbit hutch. The boys are hoping to find a hopping pet to house before the summer is

Truth must necessarily be stranger than fiction; for fiction is the creation of the human mind and therefore congenial to it. -G.K. Chesterton





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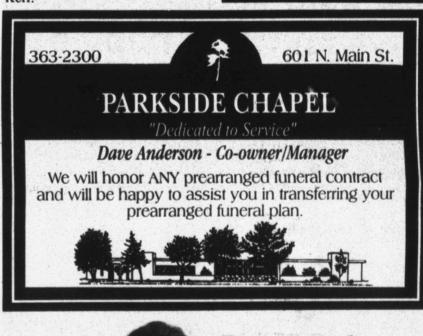
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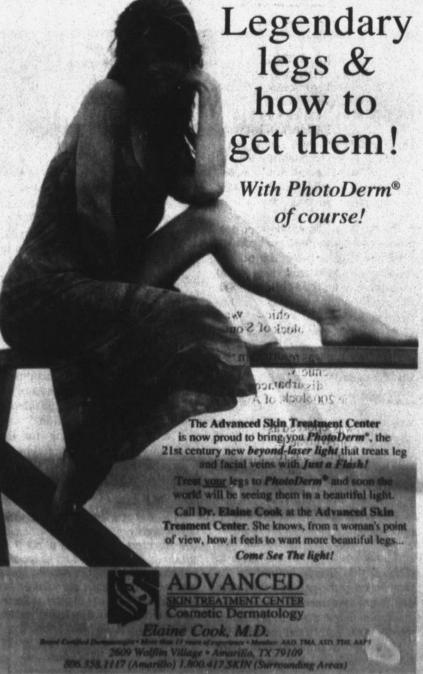
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Sports

Billups leads list of 6 Big 12 players taken in NBA draft

By DOUG TUCKER

AP Sports Writer
The Big 12's most versatile player turned out to be the one most highly valued by NBA scouts.

Point guard Chauncey Billups, who led Colorado to its first NCAA tournament berth in 28 years, was the first of five Big 12 players taken Wednesday in the first round of the

Only six Big 12 athletes were taken altogether. After five went in round one, Nate Erdmann of Oklahoma was selected with the next-to-last choice in the second and final round.

Two picks after Boston selected Billups, the Denver Nuggets took Texas Tech center Tony Battie.

With the 15th choice in the first round, the Dallas Mavericks went for Kelvin Cato, Iowa State's 6-10 center who led the Big 12 in blocked shots with 3.4 per game and set Iowa State's record with 189 blocks in just two seasons. A short time later, the Mavericks traded Cato's rights to Portland for the rights to Portland's first-round pick, Chris Antsey.

Battie only Texan taken in NBA draft

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) - Texas Tech junior center Tony Battie was the first and only Texas college player taken in the NBA draft Wednesday night when he was selected fifth overall by the Denver

Battie, who had been projected to go as high as second, is a 6-foot-11 center who weighs only 230 pounds and may end up playing power forward.

Then again, Battie could end up as Denver's center if rumors concerning the imminent departure of Ervin Johnson via a trade turn out to be

Battie was the second Big 12 Conference player drafted. Colorado point guard Chauncey Billups went

Detroit, with the 19th choice in the first round, made Scot Pollard the first member of the Big 12 champion Kansas Jayhawks to be drafted. The 6-11 Pollard, a free-spirited defensive specialist, surprised most observers by going ahead of teammate Jacque Vaughn, the Big Eight's all-time assists leader.

Vaughn, known for his intelligence and floor leadership, was picked by the Utah Jazz with the 27th pick in the first round. He leaves Kansas with a 3.7 cumulative grade point average.

Billups will be playing in Boston for Rick Pitino, who almost recruited him to Kentucky before he decided to stay home in Colorado.

"I had a conversation with him when I visited Boston," said Billups. "He just expressed his interest in me, and I expressed my interest in him because I love his style of play. I think he's a guard-oriented coach and it's a perfect fit."

Billups finished fourth in the Big 12's inaugural season in scoring with 20.2 points per game, second in free throw percentage (.851), third in assists (116) and third in steals (2.3

"It's going to be a big adjustment. But I matured in college and I think I'm ready to make that next step," Billups said.

The 6-9 Battie, the first Texas Tech player to be drafted in the first round, led the Big 12 with almost 13 rebounds per game.

"It's been a long process," Battie said. "My family's been by my side the whole way. The Texas Tech basketball has been by my side the whole way. It's been a great experience.

Cato did not even play high school

"I just worked real hard. And I just did what coach (Tim) Floyd asked me to do, play as hard as I could," said Cato. "I'm glad and I'm blessed that I'm here."

Pollard, known for his playful antics and outlandish hair coloring. missed eight games last year with a as the third pick to the Boston Celtics. stress fracture in his foot. He

Coaches face public in golf scramble

The Whiteface Booster Club is providing a chance for anyone to meet the Hereford Independent School District coaches at a nine-hold golf scramble, Thursday, July 17, at Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

The scramble begins at 5:30 p.m. with hot dogs and refreshments provided to participants.

Cost is \$17.50 per golfer with proceeds going to the Whiteface Booster Club which supports all HISD sports.

Winning team in the scramble will receive \$20 per player (based on fourplayer teams), second place will be awarded \$17.50 each and third place teams will receive \$12.50 per golfer.

Memberships in the booster club will be given as the longest drive and closest to the pin awards.

Entries or additional information may be obtained by calling the Pittman Pro Shop at 363-7139.

Mavericks go with Cato; trade for blazers' Anstey

DALLAS (AP) - Don Nelson has always been fond of big men, risky trades and foreign players. In his first draft for the Dallas Mavericks, Nelson pulled off the trifecta.

Nelson took Iowa State center Kelvin Cato at No. 15 in Wednesday night's draft, then sent him to Portland for Chris Anstey, a 7-foot, 250-pound Australian taken 18th by the Trail Blazers, some salary-cap relief and cash.

"Nellie the Fox" rounded out his first Dallas draft by taking Austin Peay sharpshooter Bubba Wells at No. 35, fulfilling his wish of adding a scorer and some frontcourt help to his rebuilding club.

Mavericks coach Jim Cleamons, who had input but little decision-making power while Nelson ran the show, was pleased with the

"We came away with two players who can be solid players down the line," Cleamons said. "We're going to emphasize getting the ball up and down the floor, and both of these guys can help us. They both have qualities that we need.'

Dallas had the No. 6 pick, but gave it to Boston as part of an ill-fated trade for Eric Montross last summer. The Celtics took Kentucky guard-forward Ron Mercer with the choice, getting exactly the type of player the Mavericks needed most.

Olivier Saint-Jean and Austin Croshere were two more players Dallas wanted, but both were gone by No. 15, the pick Dallas received from Minnesota as part of a 1994 trade. So Nelson made a deal with

Portland, agreeing to take whoever the Blazers wanted - provided it wasn't the guy the Mavericks wanted. When Portland said Cato, Dallas gladly took him, then sweated out the next two picks.

"We weren't sure he was going to be there at 18," Nelson said. "We took a gamble. We rolled the dice a little and he was there, so we got the guy we really wanted.'

Nelson was asked why he would put himself under the duress of waiting out two picks if Anstey - the first Aussie drafted since Luc Longley in 1991 - was his man all along.

Good question," he said. "The

intrigue, maybe." By moving down, the Mavericks will pay Anstey \$118,800 less next season than they would've had to spend on Cato under the NBA's

rookie wage scale.

Anstey, 22, didn't play organized basketball until he was 17, after growing too tall for tennis, his first love. He joined the National Basketball League of Australia at 19 and helped the Melbourne Magic to the semifinals, although he scored

just 3.1 points per game. He averaged 11.8 points and 7.8 rebounds two years later when the Tigers were league champions and he was voted the NBL's most improved player. He's currently in the middle of another season with Melbourne.

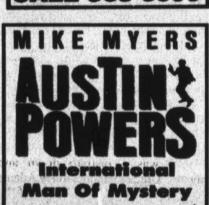
"As he gets stronger, he can play some backup center, some power forward and some small forward against some of the bigger threes in the league," Nelson said. "He has a lot of skill, a lot of ability and he's just scratched the surface.

Nelson said Wells had the ability to be a first-round pick, but his stock fell because of injuries that have left him with steel rods implanted in each leg. He also didn't do well at pre-draft camps

But the 6-foot-5, 230-pound Wells is a proven scorer, averaging 21.6 points per game over four years at Austin Peay and 31.7 as a senior. That figure would've led the nation had he played enough games to qualify.

"We were looking for outside shooting and scoring," Nelson said. "I think he's a real good pick in the second round.'





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Rockets make Rhodes their number 1 choice

in the first round of the NBA draft carried an added bonus for Southern California's Rodrick Rhodes.

rebounds for the Jayhawks, who spent

most of the season ranked No. 1 and

went into the NCAA tournament as

A four-year starter for Kansas,

He holds the Big Eight's all-time

"Of course, I would have liked to

have gone earlier," said Vaughn, who

was at his family's home in Califor-

nia. "But that is the way the draft is.

You can never predict what is going

to happen. To be drafted by such a

quality program as Utah, I'm glad to

went for Erdmann, a 6-5 guard who

averaged 41 percent from three-point

Utah, with the next-to-last choice.

Vaughn averaged 10.2 points and 6.2 assists last year after missing the first 10 games with a wrist injury.

the overall No. 1 seed.

issists record with 804.

be a part of that."

"I grew up watching Hakeem, Clyde and Charles Barkley play and to be able to actually crack heads with the in practice is great," Rhodes said Wednesday night after the Rockets made him the 24th pick of the first

"It's one thing to be an NBA player but it's another thing to get to play with three future Hall of amers."

The Rockets also had the first pick in the second round and chose 7-3 center Serge Zwikker of North Carolina, a member of the Tar Heels' NCAA Final Four teams in 1995 and

"I think I'm a good one-on-one player and I make good passes," Rhodes said. "I think I can play defense and I'll bring youth and athletic ability to the Rockets organization.

Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich watched Knodes work out in pre-draft camps and liked what he saw.

'A lot of people might say he isn't the kind of player that will fit our system because we are in and out." Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich said of Rhodes. "But we want to

HOUSTON (AP) - Being selected become more athletic. He's a guy who can get in the paint and make the beautiful pass.

Rhodes played three seasons for the Kentucky Wildcats before transferring to Southern California, where he averaged 14.0 points as a senior.

"I have a good feeling about this kid," Tomjanovich said. "Now it's up to us and him to get it done in training camp. That's where it all

The last time the Rockets had a first-round pick was 1993 when they chose guard Sam Cassell. Cassell played for the Rockets until last season, when he became part of the trade that brought Charles Barkley to the Rockets.

The Rockets took forward Othella Harrington and guard Randy Livingston in last year's draft and both players made the team. Harrington saw playing time as backup at center.

What does Tomjanovich like about Zwikker?

"Being big, that's what I like," Tomjanovich said. "He's 7-3 and he can really shoot the basketball. What attracted us to him was the way he talked about working with an assistant coach to improve his game.

Comets star Swoopes gives birth to baby boy LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Former 30. Swoopes has said she expects to Olympian and current Houston return sometime in August.

Comets star Sheryl Swoopes has given birth to a baby boy, hospital spokesman Eddie Owen said. Jordan Eric Jackson was born Wednesday afternoon at St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock. He weighed 7

long.

Both baby and mother were listed

Wednesday, Owen in good condition Wednesday, Owen said.

pounds, 9 ounces and was 21 inches

Swoopes and husband Eric Jackson, her high school sweetheart whom she married in 1995, weren't available for comment.

The Comets' WNBA season began last weekend and runs through Aug.

Swoopes, a 6-foot forward, scored a record 47 points in Texas Tech's 1993 NCAA championship victory over Ohio State. She led the NCAA in scoring that season at 28.1 points per game, and she averaged 23 points in the 1993-94 season with Bari.

The Comets have started 2-0 without their top attraction and lead the eight-team league in attendance.

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT SPECIAL ELECTION **AUGUST 9, 1997**

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 4 proposes a constitutional amendment which would increase the school property tax residence homestead exemption from \$5,000 to \$15,000. The amendment would also authorize the Legislature to limit all or part of the exemption to political subdivisions that are the principal providers of elementary and secondary education within their boundaries.

In addition, the amendment would authorize the Legislature to allow the transfer of all or part of the age 65-and-over tax freeze to another homestead. Specifically, the Legislature would be authorized to provide that the current limitation against increasing school property taxes on the residence homesteads of persons age 65 or older, or their surviving spouse who is eligible to receive the exemption, may be transferred if the person establishes a different residence homestead.

The amendment would also allow the \$10,000 additional amount for the standard exemption to be used to lower the tax rate of persons cur-

rently receiving the 65-and-over tax freeze. Specifically, for a homestead affected by this limitation in 1996 or in an earlier tax year, the Legislature must provide for a reduction in the school property tax limitation in the 1997 tax year and subsequent tax years in an amount equal to \$10,000 multiplied by the 1997 school property tax rate.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment providing school property tax re-lief by increasing the residence homestead exemption by \$10,000 and providing for the transfer of the tax limitation to another qualified homestead for persons over 65 and a reduction in taxes subject to the limitation."

Este es el informe explanatorio sobre la enmienda propuesta a la constitución que aparecerá en la boleta el dia 9 de agosto de 1997. Si usted no ha reci una copia del informe en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8683 a por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711

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Injury may keep Griffey out of All-Star game

McLemore's single gives Rangers win, snaps losing streak

By The Associated Press
For the third consecutive year,
baseball's All-Star game could be missing its brightest star.

Ken Griffey Jr. pulled up lame after hitting a run-scoring, first-inning double Wednesday night and could be out for up to three

"I saw him limping into second and I hoped it was a cramp," Seattle manager Lou Piniella said. "It wasn't a cramp.

The All-Star game will be played in Cleveland on July 8.

Griffey, who leads the majors with 29 home runs and the American League with 64 runs and 79 RBI, is currently the leading vote-getter for this year's All-Star game. He has missed the last two because of injuries.

He fractured his left wrist crashing into the center field wall on May 26, 1995, and missed 73 games. He broke a small bone in his right wrist while batting on June 19, 1996, and missed 20 games.

Griffey's condition was to be re-evaluated today by the Seattle Mariners' team physician, Dr. Mitchel Storey. Storey expects injury responds well to treatment, but a three-hitter.

2-3 weeks if the hamstring is stiff and

With Griffey gone, Edgar Martinez led the power display as Seattle pounded four home runs in a 9-4 victory over the Oakland Athletics.

"This was a good win for us, but it could be a costly one," Piniella said. "We'll find out tomorrow."

Martinez homered twice, while Paul Sorrento and John Marzano added homers to complement Bob Wolcott's 7 2-3 innings of strong pitching.

"We hope Junior won't be out long," Martinez said. "But if he is, we have a lot of guys swinging the

Jason Giambi went 0-for-4, ending a 25-game hitting streak - the longest

for any A's player since the team moved to Oakland.

Oakland's Rafael Bournigal finished with a career-high four hits, including an RBI double in the seventh and a two-run homer in the ninth, his first career home run.

Wolcott (4-4) allowed nine hits and struck out five.

Orioles 9, Brewers 1

At Milwaukee, Mike Mussina lost no-hitter in the eighth inning on Griffey to be out only 3-5 days if the Jose Valentin's single, and settled for

season-high 12 and walked one. The right-hander gave up a sacrifice fly to Dave Nilsson in the ninth. Before Valentin hit Mussina's first

pitch of the eighth inning to right field, the Brewers hadn't come close to getting a hit off the Orioles right-hander.

Jeffrey Hammonds hit a pair of two-run homers off Cal Eldred that helped stake Mussina to a 6-0 lead after three innings. David Dellucci and B.J. Surhoff also homered as Baltimore matched its season high with four home runs.

Yankees 3, Tigers 1

Charlie Hayes hit a two-run homer in the ninth inning as New York completed a three-game sweep at Detroit and moved 11 games over .500 for the first time this season.

Tino Martinez hit a solo home run his third homer in two games - for the Yankees, who have won seven straight at Tiger Stadium.

Martinez, who went 8-for-12 with four homers and six RBIs in the series, led off the ninth with a walk and scored when Hayes hit his fifth homer into the upper deck in right off Justin Thompson (7-6).

Mike Stanton (4-0) pitched one inning for the win, and Mariano

Mussina (9-2) struck out a Rivera pitched the ninth for his 25th

Red Sox 13, Blue Jays 12

At Toronto, Nomar Garciaparra homered on Pat Hentgen's first pitch one of five Boston homers off him and the Red Sox outlasted the Blue Jays for a wild win to sweep the three-game series.

Hentgen (8-4) had not given up an carned run in 21 innings before Garciaparra connected for his 12th homer. Hentgen was charged with season-high 11 runs and 13 hits in eight

Mike Stanley hit a three-run homer off the 1996 AL Cy Young winner, and Reggie Jefferson, Troy O'Leary

and Darren Bragg hit two-run shots. Knuckleballer Tim Wakefield (3-7) gave up six runs, five carned, and four hits in 5 2-3 innings. After the Blue Jays scored three times in the ninth, Heathcliff Slocumb struck out Carols Delgado for the final out and his 10th

White Sox 8, Royals 7

At Chicago, the White Sox rallied for five runs in the eighth and got a pinch-hit RBI single from rookie Mario Valdes in the 10th to reach .500 for the first time since April 2.

Chicago has won five straight and seven of eight to even its record at 37-37. The White Sox started the year

Albert Belle led off the 10th with a ngle off Jeff Montgomery (0-2), and Jorge Fabergas sacrificed. Harold Baines was intentionally walked, and one out later, Valdes blooped his single

to shallow center as Belle scored easily. Harold Baines hit a three-run homer n the eighth for Chicago. Matt Karchner (2-0) got the win

n relief.

Rangers 5, Angels 4 Mark McLemore's bases-loaded RBI single with one out in the bottom of the ninth enabled Texas to snap a seven-game losing streak. The Angels lost for the first time

in seven games.
Pinch-hitter Mickey Tettleton opened the ninth with a weak grounder that pitcher Mike Holtz (2-2) fielded, but threw away. After a sacrifice, Anaheim manager Terry Collins had Shigetoshi Hasegawa intentionally walk two batters before McLemore lined his single to

Eric Gunderson (1-0) got the win.

Gaetti fixes swing, leads Cards to win

Houston overcomes Pirates 5-1 behind Kile pitching, homer

By The Associated Press The tinkering could be over for Gary Gaetti.

"When you struggle, and I've struggled most of the season, you do different things," Gaetti said. "You tinker with your swing. You try different things in batting practice. You try to get things that work in the

Gaetti apparently fixed whatever was broken. He capped a 3-for-4 night with a two-run homer in the bottom of the ninth inning Wednesday night, giving the St. Louis Cardinals a 3-1 victory over the Chicago Cubs. He also had a run-scoring single and a double.

"It was a fastball down and away," Chicago pitcher Terry Adams said of the pitch Gaetti hit out of the park. "It's the pitch I try to throw and

"I can't say it was a bad pitch," Gaetti said of the ball he hit into the

Top cowboys in competiton

By The Associated Press **Through June 22**

TEAM ROPING (HEADING) 1, Speed Williams, Sanderson, Fla., \$31,578. 2, Steve Purcella, Hereford, Texas, \$25,420. 3, Bobby Hurley, Ceres, Calif., \$21,465. 4, Matt Tyler, Corsicana, Texas, \$20,902. 5, Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., \$19,734. 6, Tee Woolman, Llano, Texas, \$19,121. 7, Kevin Stewart, Glen Rose, Texas, \$18,345. 8, Rube Woolsey, Dewey, Ariz., \$17,527. 9, Joe Beaver, Huntsville, Texas, \$15,472. 10, Walt Rodman, Galt, Calif., \$15,362. 11, Kermit Maass, Snook, Texas, \$15,215. 12, Randy Polich, Aztec, N.M., \$14,872. 13, Todd Arthur, Waller, Texas, \$14,510. 14, Paul Griemsman, Worland, Wyo., \$14,161. 15, Bret Boatright, Mulhall, Okla., \$13,664.

Springs, Calif., \$13,244. 18, J.D. Yates, Pueblo, Colo., \$12,584. 19, Jimmy Tanner, Tifton, Ga., \$12,268. **ALL-AROUND COWBOY**

1, Cody Ohl, Orchard, Texas, \$60,570. 2, Chad Hagan, Leesville, La., \$37,078. 3, Rope Myers, Van, Texas, \$36,388. 4, Tee Woolman, Llano, Texas, \$31,007.

16, Turtle Powell, Alpine, Texas, \$13,356. 17, Daniel Green, Valley

Cubs' bullpen in right field for his sixth homer. Then he remembered Tuesday night when Adams struck him out on three straight pitches.

'He made me look silly last night on three pitches and I got him tonight.

Gaetti came close to giving St. Louis the lead in the seventh inning. But he was thrown out by Cubs center fielder Brian McRae when he tried to score on a short fly ball, completing a double play.

In the Chicago ninth, John Mabry singled off the Cubs' Bob Patterson (1-3). Adams came on and, on his first pitch, Gaetti ended the game.

"That's why it's the big leagues," St. Louis manager Tony La Russa said. "You expect to see heroics. You just hope you have the last hero." Dodgers 2, Rockies 0

At Los Angeles, Dodgers pitcher Ismael Valdes gave up four hits in 8 1-3 innings and retired 19 of the first 20 batters he faced.

Mike Piazza hit a two-run homer in the first inning to help Valdes (4-8) improve his career mark against

Colorado to 5-0. The victory followed a slump in which the right-hander surrendered 19 earned runs in 262-3 innings and had a televised dugout confrontation with manager Bill

Russell was booed when he removed Valdes after giving up a one-out, ninth-inning infield single. Three more pitchers followed, each pitching to one batter, before the Dodgers got the final out.

Astros 5, Pirates 1 At Houston, Derek Bell's homer snapped an eighth-inning tie and Darryl Kile (9-3) pitched eight strong innings, striking out seven and

walking two. Hitless in three previous at-bats, Bell broke a 1-1 tie in the eighth with his fourth homer, a shot over the left-field fence off reliever Clint Sodowsky (0-1).

Following Bell's go-ahead homer, pinch-hitter Bill Spiers hit a one-run double and James Mouton doubled in two more runs in Houston's four-run eighth.

Marlins 7, Phillies 5

John Cangelosi went 4-for-5 with three RBIs as Florida moved 15 games over .500 for the first time in franchise history.

Alex Fernandez (8-6) recovered

after a shaky first inning - four runs, three hits - and held the Phillies to three hits over the next five for his third straight win. It was the hottest day of the season

at Veterans Stadium. An hour before Sometimes that happens." the 1:05 p.m. EDT starting time, a thermometer on the artificial field registered 165 degrees. The game time air temperature was 92, and 75 fans were treated for cramps or heat exhaustion.

Braves 14, Mets 7

At New York, Chipper Jones homered twice, including his first grand slam in the majors, and Atlanta battered Bobby Jones in the worst start of his

Tom Glavine (8-4) stopped the Mets' six-game winning streak and improved to 9-3 against New York. He overcame a snaky first inning and wound up allowing three runs and five hits in seven innings.

Jones hit a solo homer in the fourth that put Atlanta ahead 6-3. He hit the grand slam an inning later.

Jones (12-4), who won nine of his previous 10 starts, was pounded for a career-high 10 runs and 11 hits in 4 1-3 innings.

Giants 14, Padres 7

At San Francisco, J.T. Snow matched a career-high with four RBIs, and Barry Bonds scored four times.

Snow's three-run double in the second was a popup that dropped between left fielder Rickey Henderson and shortstop Chris Gomez. He added an RBI double during a six-run eighth.

Bonds went 3-for-5 with a walk and Darryl Hamilton also went 3-for-5, including a triple, as the Giants won for the eighth time in 11 games. The 17 hits and 14 runs were both season-highs for San Francisco.

Rich Rodriguez (3-3), the third of the Giants' seven pitchers, got four outs for the win. Andy Ashby (3-4) took the loss.

Tony Gwynn went 2-for-3 with two walks for the Padres to raise his average

Reds 2, Expos 1

Mike Kelly's two-out, 11-inning homer gave Cincinnati its second straight extra-inning win at Montreal.

Kelly hit his second homer off reliever Anthony Telford (2-1) as the Reds handed the Expos their fourth loss in six games. Montreal had won 11 of 12 before the recent slide.

Mike Remlinger (3-3) got the win in relief, working out of a bases-loaded jam in the ninth. Jeff Shaw got three outs for his 14th save.

Montreal starter Pedro Martinez allowed one run and five hits in nine innings, lowering his major league-leading ERA slightly to 1.58. He walked three and struck out 11.

Top teams tied in weekly scramble

The weekly scramble at Pittman Municipal Golf Course ended in another tie and all prizes will be carried over until the next scramble.

The top two teams tied with scores of 30 while there were two other teams with scores of 31, three teams scoring 32 and two more teams with

The top two teams were comprised of John Robinson, N.D. Kelso, Dave Anderson, Ed Sanders and Wally Castillo on one team with Jerry Stevens, Rosondo Gonzales, Marin Rivas, Ken McClain and Don Tardy on the other.





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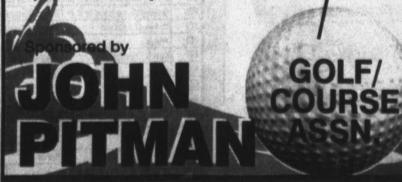
Two teams tied in the Wednesday scramble which means all prizes will be carried over for the new scramble. All interested golfers may enter the scramble. To register, call the Pitman Municipal Golf Course at 364-7139 to sign up for a team.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAYS......Weekly Scramble .. Hereford Open, sponsored by Coors, Make-A-Wish Benefit JULY 26-27.....VFW/Crown of Texas Hospice Tourney SEPT. 6-7.....Couples Tourney, Make-A-Wish Benefit

CLOSED TOURNAMENTS

June 26--Hereford Veterinary Clinic. Course closed after noon. June 28-- Meredith Ireland Birthday Scramble. Tee times available. July 17--Coaches' Booster Club Scramble. Course closed after 5 pm. July Ja-WT Rural Telephone. Tee times available.







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New hunting, fishing license troublesome

By MIKE LEGGETT

Austin American-Statesman AUSTIN - Texas Parks and Wildlife officials thought last year's 28 percent price increase for a 1996-97 combination hunting and fishing license would stir up some major-league complaints.

There was some grumbling, of course, but for the most part hunters and anglers took the change in stride, just another part of doing business in an increasingly expensive world.

The roundhouse punch that Parks and Wildlife never saw coming, however, was the look and configura-

tion of its new, highly trumpeted electronic license. Everyone knew going in there would be some logistical and computer problems that would crop up in the beginning, but the physical license itself turned out to be one of the biggest screw-ups in

As one chagrined Parks and Wildlife commissioner recently observed: "We asked the license vendors what would work for them. We asked the staff what would work for them. We asked G-Tech (the license vending network contractor)

anglers, our customers, what would alternatives during their regular work for them."

Among the bombs that might have been defused before they went off miracles.

- A license that looks very much like a grocery receipt. Hundreds of-people threw them away by accident. - A new license that was not water and tear proof like the old documents.

- Vendors were forced to issue plastic, adhesive-lined sleeves that were difficult to use. If the license wasn't placed perfectly inside the sleeve, the glue could wind up stuck to the license buyer or some other piece of paper.

- A license that was a separate document from the customer's tags, meaning - the buyer had to carry two documents in the field. In addition, the plastic sleeve around both was bulky when folded, which was necessary for carrying them in the field. Commissioner Nolan Ryan likened the sensation to "sitting on a phone book."

- A series of tags printed consecutively down a single piece of receipt-like paper. If the first tag used appened to come from the middle of the series, the licensee then had two sets of tags to handle, plus the license, making three pieces of plastic-wrapped license to keep up with. Each succeeding use of a tag often meant multiple pieces of license material.

It truly was a bureaucratic nightmare and when Parks and Wildlife finally woke up to the problem, things got no better in the naked light of day. Possible solutions to some of the problems with durable paper or tag configurations were unwieldy and expensive, so much so that at their last meeting commissioners voted to table the idea for another

Chief financial officer Jayna Burgdorf, however, has continued to

We sell 50 percent of our

the paper the old licenses were made from." That would do away with the cumbersome plastic sleeves.

But, the tags would have to be pre-printed on the back of the paper before it goes into the computer's printer. Some tag information would then appear on the back of the actual license document. It's possible some users would confuse their license receipt for a tag and tear it into pieces, Burgdorf said.

In order to head off some of the disasters before they occur, Burgdorf plans to create a focus group to look at design and configuration. Marketing and design consultants may also be used to set up any new

licenses before they are sold to the

"There are tradeoffs in whatever we do," Burgdorf said. "We have to look at the most important elements of a license and decide which are the most important features.

"I don't want to jump into anything and then have to change it again in another year," Burgdorf said. "Texas should have the best and we should look for that. We're going to find something that works better."

Licenses for the 1997-98 hunting and fishing year will go on sale in early August. The license year runs Sept. 1, 1997-Aug. 31, 1998. Distributed by The Associated Press

Sports Briefs

DEERFIELD, Ill. (AP) - The Chicago Bulls were willing to deal Scottie Pippen, but couldn't get a knockout offer and decided to keep the All-Star forward.

After weeks of media speculation and fan panic, Bulls general manager Jerry Krause rejected numerous

proposals. NEW YORK (AP) - Michael Jordan signed an agreement with CBS SportsLine that will put him on the World Wide Web for the next 10

Under terms of the contract, from which Jordan reportedly could earn \$10 million in addition to an undisclosed advance cash bonus, he will answer E-mail, conduct interviews on a monthly basis, appear in radio and TV commercials and provide exclusive content for CBS SportsLine and his on-line fan club. BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) - The New York Yankees and Adidas asked a federal judge to keep their antitrust suit against baseball in Tampa, Fla., rather than move it to New York.

The team and the sportswear

company also asked U.S. District Judge Henry Lee Adams Jr. to reject seball's request that the court order the Yankees to arbitrate their case in front of baseball's ruling executive council.

DETROIT (AP) - New York Yankees outfielder Darryl Strawberry will be out four to six more weeks after arthroscopic surgery on his left

PHILADELPHIA (AP) -Philadelphia Phillies right-hander Reggie Harris was suspended for five games and fined \$1,000 for comments he made after hitting Atlanta's

Andruw Jones with a pitch Sunday. BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (AP) -Hideki Irabu, the hard-throwing Japanese star of the New York Yankees, nearly unhittable in his first three minor-league outings, was rocked for five earned runs and nine hits - five for extra bases - in five innings of work by the Binghamton HORSE RACING

NEW YORK (AP) - Jockey Chris Antley was suspended for seven days by Belmont Park stewards for careless riding aboard Asset Allocation in the fifth race on June

what would work for them. Nobody look at the problem and plans to brief ever thought to ask hunters and commissioners on other possible August meeting. But even then, her first response is don't expect any

> licenses in August and September," Burgdorf said. "That's not the best time to change what we do. It's best to implement the changes at non-peak periods, possibly in October or November, where we can adjust to problems.

One possible change would be the paper itself, Burgdorf said: "We have vendor willing to pre-print the licenses and tags on Tyvek, which is

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New officers installed

Hereford Masonic Lodge #849 held an open installation of officers Tuesday. New officers installed for the coming year were, front row from left, Gary Chadwick, senior deacon; Dennis Newton, junior warden; Bill Shore, worshipful master; Don Lawson, senior warden; Gary Billingsley, junior deacon; back row from left, Cliff Jones, chaplain; Doug Crouch, secretary; Fred Ruland, treasurer; Keith Hacker tiler; and Robin Ruland, senior steward.

Royal 'rags' pull in \$3.26 million for charity in auction at Christie's

By BETH GARDINER **Associated Press Writer**

NEW YORK (AP) - They swished past dignitaries in Paris, brushed against princes in London, sashayed with film stars at the White House, and came out of the closet for charity.

Seventy-nine of Diana's gowns and cocktail dresses sold for an average of \$41,250 at an auction at Christie's on Wednesday night, raising nearly \$3.26 million for AIDS and cancer charities.

Dresses in ivory satin, black taffeta and forest green sequins set bidders' paddles waving, but none generated Wednesday night fever like the midnight blue number Diana wore celebrity auction since Jacqueline when she danced with John Travolta at the Reagan White House.

The elegant, form-fitting velvet gown was bought by an anonymous American garment executive for

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\$222,500, making it the highestpriced royal castoff.

The bid was a record for a costume at auction, surpassing the \$145,000 paid in 1995 for the white disco suit Travolta wore in the film "Saturday Night Fever," according to Christie's International chairman Charles

'We are thrilled with the results. ... It was more than we expected to raise," Hindlip said. "We were in new territory with this sale and we didn't know how generous the audience would be.

The sale of the princess' pricey discards was the most talked-about Kennedy Onassis' heirlooms were offered to bidders in April 1996. The Onassis auction, sales of its catalog and two benefit receptions raised \$5.76 million for charity, Hindlip

It was not immediately clear how many buyers actually intended to wear Diana's castoffs. The gowns were custom-made and have no formal sizes, but are roughly equivalent to an American size 6 or

Bidding proceeded quickly during the 2-1/2 hour sale, held before an audience of 1,100 at Christie's auction hall. The first gown, a wraparound white silk chiffon evening dress by Gina Fratini, sold for \$85,000.

A lilac silk crepe sheath that Diana wore in 1992 in South Korea on her last official trip with then-husband Prince Charles sold for \$51,750. A one-sleeved floor-length silk chiffon dress embroidered with glass beads and crystals brought \$75,100. Diana wore the dress, made by Hachi, on several occasions, including during a state visit to Japan.

The last outfit, a white satin strapless gown complete with bolero jacket and covered with sprays of faux pearls, went for \$90,500. Diana wore the Fratini design to a 1988 state banquet in the Elysee Palace in Paris. Lot No. 80 (they skipped lot 13) was bought by Romance Classics, a new cable channel.

The short, sexy black number Diana wore to her first high-profile appearance after Charles acknowledged his infidelity sold for \$74,000. Designed by Christina Stambolian and known in Britain as the "Up Yours" dress, it was sold to an unidentified man in the audience.

Among the charities that will benefit from the royal closet-cleaning are Britain's AIDS Crisis Trust, the Royal Marsden hospital for cancer patients in London and several American charities. Christie's planned to donate all its profits to the AIDS and cancer charities.

The auction was the first such sale of royal discards. Used dresses usually are passed on discreetly to upper-crust friends.

The princess, who is divorced from Charles, sued a London weekly newspaper that said she would profit personally from the sale. Her 1996 divorce settlement forbids her to make money from her position with commercial deals.

Diana's most celebrated gown the ill-fated white wedding gown seen by a global television audience in 1981 - remained in the closet.



To See: Jerry Shipman, CLU (806) 364-3161

Area Events

DIMMIT

The Retail Merchants Committee of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce has announced that July 3 will be the date of the annual July Jubilee

Activities will be held at Centennial Plaza on the Courthouse square and will begin with flag raising ceremony at 11 a.m.

The First United Bank will serve 50 cent hot dogs and soft drinks, the Fair Association will serve homemade ice cream and the Holy Warriors Christian rock band will perform from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. At 1 p.m. a variety of kid's games

will be held with prizes awarded. This event is held annually to celebrate Independence Day and anyone is welcome to attend.

AMARILLO

During the month of July, The Don Harrington Discovery Center will offer a science discovery day eamp for area children ages five to ten years old. The weekly schedule will run Monday through Friday from 8:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for full day Flexible scheduling includes either a morning or afternoon half-day program.

Camp Discovery will give children the opportunity to experience a guided look and hands-on science activities and fun physical fitness games. Lunch is provided for the full day campers. Activities are designed to accommodate the specific grade and age levels of the campers.

Week one of the summer camp, Get Physical with Science, begins July 7. Children will explore the science behind rockets, airplanes, automobiles, telescopes, binoculars, trains, space travel, bubbles, twins, mistaken identities and lots of nt parks, and mor

Week two, Earth, Wind and Fossils, begins July 14. Learn how to find fossils, build dinosaurs, identify rocks and minerals, make weather predictions and many more earth science activities.

Week three, Discovery "In the Dark", begins July 21. During this last week of the camp, children will explore the summer exhibit "In The Dark". They will build ant farms, test soil, learn about bats, create working model submarines, explore the night sky and other dark environments of the world.

Cost to attend a half-day of camp is \$30 a week for members and \$35 week for non-members. The cost for a full day is \$60 a week for members and \$70 a week for non members.

For more information, please contact Stacy, Programs Assistant at 334-9548 ext. 20.

The Amarillo College Arts Festival will feature "Comedy of Errors", "Chess" and "Sylvia".

"Comedy of Errors" will run June 27 through June 29. Chris L. Lusk will direct this Shakespearean comedy which includes two sets of

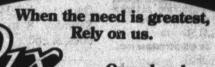
"Chess" will run July 11 through 13, 17 and 19. The cold war never looked or felt so hot in this moving and mesmerizing piece of musical theatre. The collaborators on "Chess" are giants of rock music and rock musicals and they have created a complex rock opera that played to full broadway houses.

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Mediterranean is focus of art exhibit

Paintings by Claude Monet on view in Fort Worth museum

By SYLVIA LEE WINGFIELD

Associated Press Writer FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - At the middle of his life, Claude Monet traveled to the Mediterranean. He was captivated by the intense sunlight, exotic plants, luminous mountains and the ever-changing sea.

Monet, the French artist obsessed with painting light, discovered fabulous new opportunities and frightening challenges that changed his work.

"When surrounded with such dazzling light, one finds one's palette rather poor. Here art would need tones of gold and diamonds," Monet wrote to his dealer in 1884.

That visit to the Italian and French Riverias in 1884, a trip to Antibes, France, four years later, and one to Venice in 1908 are the focus of "Monet and the Mediterranean," which opened at the Kimbell Art Museum on June 8.

The show includes 70 works of about 125 Monet (1840-1926) did in the Mediterranean. Many are privately owned and have never been exhibited or reproduced in color.

"To see them together is mesmerizing," said exhibition creator Joachim Pissarro, the great-grandson of Monet's impressionist contemporary Camille Pissarro. Pissarro has been the Kimbell's chief curator since 1994 and becomes curator of European and contemporary art at the Yale University Art Gallery in July.

"They are important because historically Monet is at a point where he is leaving impressionism behind," Pissarro said of the early works in the

in the impressionist movement in the 1870s were branching out in the 1880s. "They were all trying to forge a new language, a new style purely their own," Pissarro said. "Monet did that by going to the South."

It was the perfect place, Pissarro says. "Monet finds his own truth glaring him in the face. Monet is all

To capture its transitory effects, he worked on serial paintings that became a focus of his later work.

"The idea of the series transformed painting, the idea that more than one picture told a story,"

Charles F. Stuckey, who organized the Art Institute of Chicago's 1995 Monet retrospective, says the Mediterranean brought Monet a "sense of otherworldiness" that carried him beyond his earlier

"What we think of today as the grown-up, fully developed Monet really began down in the Mediterra-nean. Yet those works have never been looked at," said Stuckey, curator of paintings at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts who will succeed Pissarro at the Kimbell.

Monet spent most of his three-month 1884 trip in the Italian fishing village of Bordighera. He was excited by the tropical vegetation, but struggled in a dramatically different environment.

"It is too thick with dense foliage, and all you can find are motifs with lots of detail, jumbles terribly difficult to paint, and I, in contrast, am the man of isolated trees and large spaces," he wrote his mistress, Alice

The artists who had collaborated the impressionist movement in the 170s were branching out in the 180s. "They were all trying to force near."

Monet's bold paintings of olive trees, which may have influenced similar works by Vincent Van Gogh five years later, have never been exhibited together before. Four are in the Kimbell show.

"It's a mystery why they were not exposed," Pissarro said. "It is a

major rediscovery."

Monet carried his obsession with plants home to Giverny. He began his own famous garden, creating the water lilies and other subjects that absorbed him later.

In 1888, Monet spent three months in Antibes, painting the bright water, the glittering Maritime Alps, and even capturing the mistral wind.

"These wonderful pictures did not come easily to him. He sweated physically and morally," Pissarro said. "He walked miles daily. He never made it easy for himself. The more impossible the task seemed to be, the more he wanted to tackle it."

Monet would set out at dawn with several canvasses, painting in the same place all day to catch the changing light. A group of paintings in the exhibit show the old town of Antibes as shadows and reflections evolve, again framed by trees.

A few of Monet's Mediterranean paintings were exhibited in the 1880s. and the works received favorable reviews from Monet's supporters. But the paintings did not sell well and received little attention.

Twenty years later, in 1908, Monet

an international success, but again questioning his work.

They spent the autumn in Venice. Monet explored the effects of light and

He painted variations of a single scene, working from the same viewpoint, at the same time every day. Then he would move to the site he had been looking at and begin another motif from the new perspective, Pissarro

Money worked from a gondola in the middle of a canal to get a closer view of the Doges' Palace. From that series, a pair with subtle color differences are in the exhibit.

Five of the six paintings Monet did of the Grand Canal with the Church of Santa Maria della Salute are in the

of Santa Maria della Salute are in the exhibit. He used variations of the same blues, purples, pinks and yellows to show how the city's hazy atmosphere

affected the view.
"He plays with very simple data and sees how far he can go. It tells you how much he was able to innovate on himself," Pissarro said.

Venice was Monet's last painting trip away from Giverny, where he had become almost a recluse. Stuckey believes it had lasting impact.

"When he comes back to the water lily paintings in 1908 they are altogether different from the way he painted the earlier water lily paintings. That really is the beginning of his late style," Stuckey said.

Monet painted until his death 18 years later, still experimenting and self-critical, and still influencing colleagues.

"We don't easily understand he returned to Italy with Alice, whom he had married in 1892. He was by then in the 20th century," Pissarro said.

Bank erects building around man's home

By CHRIS NEWTON **Associated Press Writer**

DALLAS (AP) - Ninety-year-old Ramon Rodriguez thought a stubborn "No!" and a stern look might discourage construction of a bank where his modest little house stands.

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dispense cash 15 feet from where Rodriguez sleeps. (He does not have an account at Overton and doesn't plan to get one, either.) Drive-through customers will idle in front of his kitchen window. If he wants to know the time or temperature, he can poke his head out and check the 20-foot

"I've lived here for 50 years, so why do they think I'd move now?" Rodriguez said as he rested in a rickety rocking chair on his front what they're building - I'm not going anywhere." Suburban sprawl and expanding

business districts are forcing more people, often elderly, to choose between staying in the family homestead and getting out of progress' way. In Atlantic City, N.J., an elderly widow is fighting to keep her home from Donald Trump, who wants to build a casino on her land.

In Rodriguez's case, more than

decision to leave the home where he and his late wife raised four children.

"They just haven't offered me enough money," said the former chauffeur. He said the bank's best offer was \$68,000 - "a joke."

"I know the house may not be worth much, but I know that the land, being right off this big road, must be worth a lot," he said.

The home, on one-tenth of an acre, was appraised at \$86,350 in 1996. Jim Johnston, president and porch, less than 50 yards from the division manager of Overton, said the busy Dallas Tollway. "I don't care | bank offered more than \$68,000, but

he would not say how much more. He said the bank even offered to let Rodriguez live there for the rest of his life and pay his taxes, too, if he agreed to sell the land and let the

bank have it upon his death.
"We knew before the blueprints were done that he might not move. We're not losing any money because of this and we hope to be good neighbors," Johnston said. "He'll be at the top of our guest list for the memories stand in the way of his ribbon-cutting ceremony."

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LAMESA, Texas (AP) - When word came down that accommodations were being prepared for another 650 new residents of this West Texas cotton town, folks knew what to

expect: A housing crunch.
"We feel like we're back to the same situation," City Manager Paul

None of the incoming residents will be moving here of his own volition. They'll join the other 1,330 prisoners at the Preston Smith Unit, one of the 76 new penitentiaries built in Texas since 1988.

Over the past 10 years, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice has added about 94,000 beds. While the state provides room and board for its burgeoning criminal population, the more than 40,000 staffers who tend to the new facilities must fend for themselves.

James Black, the warden at the Smith Unit, was part of TDCJ's westward building boom after 140 years of concentrating prisons in the eastern half of the state.

"When we opened up the first (West Texas) unit in Snyder in 1989, that broke away from the tradition of hubs in Huntsville, the Houston area and Palestine," said Black, who grew up in the latter. "When we went to these areas, we found that rental

property was not available."
TDCJ has built units in 41 cities under 30,000 population over the last 10 years. While the jobs help the tax base and stimulate growth and commerce, housing shortages became epidemic in virtually all those towns.

"In many cases the rent is unreasonable and there's a shortage of apartment-type housing," Black said. "I guess some of these places thought (prison employees) would come in and buy vacant housing instead of being renters. But they rent, because they're so mobile."

The Smith unit employs about 300 in this city of 11,150. By comparison, it would take a sudden infusion of 28,000 new jobs to have the same impact on a city the size of Dallas.

The situations vary by location. Tiny Kyle, for instance, is tucked between San Marcos and Austin, where apartments abound for the multitudes of college students. Conversely, there's hardly any multi-family housing within 70 miles of Dalhart, a farm town in the northwestern Panhandle.

Some employees have taken to a makeshift barracks in Dalhart. One unidentified guard said the scant

Outgoing Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock once remarked that it was "embarrassing" that prisons had become such a growth industry in Texas. Still, cities from Amarillo to Woodville have jockeyed to reap the jobs and economic stimulation penitentiaries

bring.
"Wherever there's an air base built, military people live on base and buy groceries, clothing, gas and other tax exempt amenities on base," TDCJ spokesman Larry Todd said. "Our employees live in the communities and spend money in the communities. The prison system is a little more stable than the military."

Civic leaders in Lamesa and elsewhere are taking great pains to deliver that message of stability to builders. Dallas-based Corplan Inc. was one of the few to answer the call.

"The fact is, traditional lenders get nervous when you start talking about less than 100,000 people," said Keith Cecil Jr., Corplan's president. "It's tougher to deal in Lubbock or Waco, and you can forget it if it's truly rural."

Corplan is working with a number of cities, including Lamesa, to develop multi-family housing through a unique public-private financing mix using tax exempt revenue bonds.

The model is working in Spur, a town of east of Lubbock that's home to a growing private prison. Cecil's group made a deal with the regional council of governments to bring affordable apartments to the city of 1,300 that was dying before a private prison went online.

"We grouped Idalou, Post, Slaton and Spur. By doing a regional issue, you lower the transactional cost,' Cecil said. "You couldn't do 24 units in Spur by themselves, but you can if you do a 150-unit issue in the

The housing is public only in terms of financing. There are no low-income requirements and the properties will be privately managed.

Resistance to such projects comes from oldtimers who fear government intervention and the existing landlords seeking to protect their interests, Cecil

"If the private sector can satisfy demand, they should get after it," said Cecil, who added that successful examples might prompt banks to back further construction.

Still, mortgage companies don't like working without a net.

else there to take up the slack," said Lubbock apartment developer Mark McDougal. "Lubbock just lost Reese Air Force Base, but with some telecommunications businesses coming in, we're able to absorb those 2,500 or so jobs a little easier than Lamesa

could absorb their jobs. "You'd be in trouble if you had

a 30- to 40-unit complex."

Todd believes that lenders and others will see over time that prison-pumped economies are long-term affairs.

'Wouldn't it be nice if we could reduce the number of prisons because of a reduction in crime? It's not realistic, though," Todd said from his Austin office. "We do have impact in smaller communities, and that's the reason they're so competitive in getting prisons to locate in their areas."

The private Dickens County Correctional Center in Spur is primed to expand beyond its 489 beds, meaning more pressure on the area's housing situation. Already, workers travel from more than an hour away to this outpost just off the rugged Caprock formation.

For Spur, which has lost more than a quarter of its population since 1980, a housing deficit is a nice problem to

"Dickens County was so broke in 1988, we had to borrow \$10,000 just to finish out the year and propose a tax increase to keep us going," County Judge Woodie McArthur, who spearheaded the effort to build the private prison in 1990. "Today we have 119 employees and Dickens County has not raised taxes in the last

four years and we don't anticipate

doing so in the foreseeable future.
"We have several stores that have come online that we feel wouldn't be there without it."

Hiring locals is another way to ease housing pressure. Black said he's encouraged out-of-luck oil and farm workers to join the prison system, even if they have to start their

careers at faraway units.
"Four of my five lieutenants are home-grown Lamesans. A majority of my officers were born and raised in Lamesa," Black said. "We try to recruit local people who aren't going anywhere anytime soon. We find the attrition level slows down eventual-

As for Black, he's one naturalized West Texan who plans to stay for awhile. "You don't need trees to have a

nice place to live," he said.

Some lawmen violent at home

Reynolds was someone who'd ride to the rescue if you were in trouble. Unless you were his wife, Charlotte.

He whacked her. He wrenched her wrists. He twisted her arms so hard and so often, her elbows still bother her. Twice, he split her scalp with the butt of a revolver, then stitched her up himself.

Like many victims of family violence, she was too frightened to call police. But Charlotte Reynolds

had an extra reason not to call.
"Most of the time," says her
husband, "if she called for help, she would have gotten me.'

He was a small-town Texas police Eventually, he got help and came to was not just something private, not just a marital problem - it was a crime dismissed from the force. 'from the first time I hit her to the last."

secrets is how many police officers commit the crime of domestic violence, and how slightly they get punished, if they are punished at all.

SHERMAN, Texas (AP) - Bob thousands of police batter the ones difficult to measure. they love and yet remain on the job, guns strapped to their hips. Often, they are shielded from the consequences of their actions by fellow officers, sympathetic judges and the silent terror of their victims.

> "You got to understand where we stand," Deputy Sheriff Donnie Mohler, a Meigs County, Ohio, dispatcher, told a reporter. "You go home and beat the crap out of your husband, it ain't the end of your career."

Most police do not commit domestic violence, of course, and many would not give an abusive colleague a break. But even in police officer, sometimes a police chief. departments that make a special effort to confront the problem, cases of understand that what he did at home domestic abuse by officers sometimes escape detection; seldom are abusers

That means the officer who is beating his or her spouse may be the In the secretive world of American same one who answers a domestic law enforcement, one of the darkest violence call at your neighbor's house, or yours. And when the abuser wears a badge, the victim can be the most helpless one in town.

Because domestic violence by There is strong evidence that police remains largely hidden, it is

But The Associated Press looked at departments of varying sizes, in various regions, and found evidence of it in 911 dispatch records showing emergency calls from officer's homes, in department personnel records, in divorce files and in criminal proceedings.

The AP's findings support the observations of more than 40 experts on policing interviewed for this story. They include police chiefs and patrol officers, psychotherapists who work with police, academics who study them, advocates for victims of domestic abuse, judges and prosecutors. Overwhelmingly, they say that domestic violence by police is a significant problem that has not received sufficient

"The majority of police departments still don't handle it correctly," said Anne O'Dell, a former San Diego police sergeant who trains police worldwide in domestic violence prevention. "They're ignorant about the dynamics of this issue." Abusive officers "deny, deny, deny, deny, "fooling colleagues and bosses, she said.

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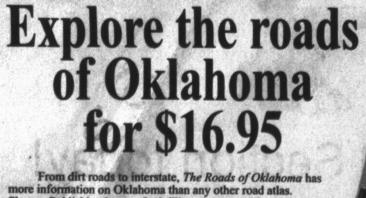
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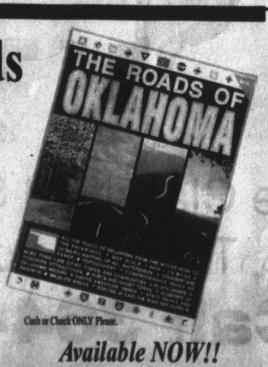




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