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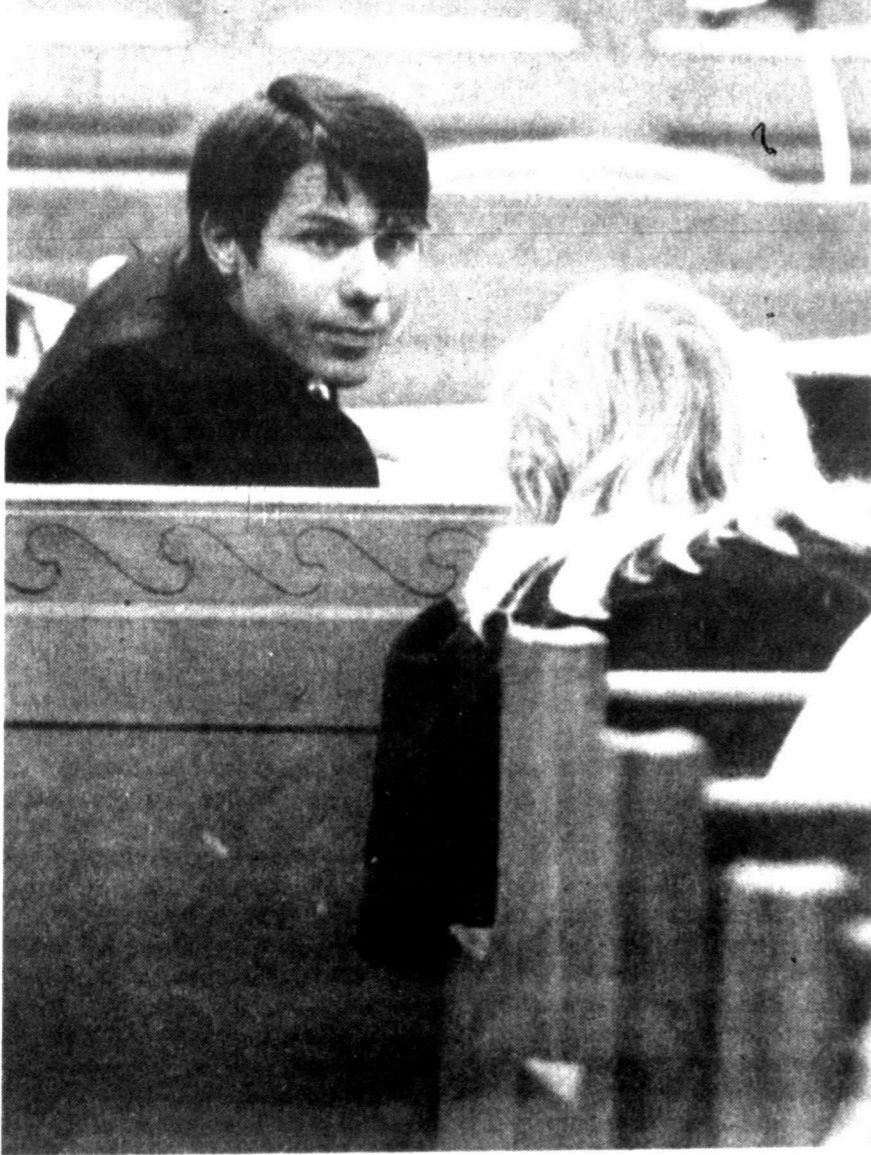
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WEDNESDAY



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Robert Kimberly Blalock, left, talks with his wife Mitzie during a court recess Tuesday.

Blalock denies he set fire that killed youth

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

The defendant in a murder trial testified on his own behalf during the closing day of evidence Tuesday and said he knew nothing about the fire that caused the death of 13-year-old Dale Noble.

Robert Kimberly Blalock, 34, who was indicted in September by a Gray County grand jury, was the only defense witness to offer testimony before the eight-man, four-woman jury in 223rd District Court.

The jury, at press time today, was deliberating on the guilt or innocence of Blalock after the group heard the jury's charge and closing arguments in the case this morning. The jury went into deliberations at 10:20 a.m. after the closing arguments were presented.

Blalock is charged with throwing a Molotov cocktail through the residence of Paulette Noble and her two sons, Terry and Dale, about 11 p.m. on May 21. The fire, which resulted from the device, caused Dale to die of carbon monoxide poisoning. The state alleges that Blalock was seeking revenge on the Nobles after being sued by the Nobles over a used car deal.

Blalock testified about his activities on May 21, the day of the fire at the Noble residence, 1340 Terrace. He said it was a normal Monday and he got up about 6 a.m. and went to his job at IRI International about 7 a.m. and worked an eight-hour shift. He said he got off work from 3:30 to 4 p.m. and ran out of gas on the way home.

A co-worker gave him a ride to get gasoline, Blalock said, and after getting back to his pickup and putting the gas in, he stopped off at Allsup's on the way home and got a quart of beer and also stopped and got gasoline.

He said he sat down in his front yard in a lawn chair when he got home around 4:30 p.m. and was drinking his beer when Precinct 2 Constable Chris Lockridge served him with papers regarding the civil lawsuit filed by Paulette Noble, and her son, Terry, against Blalock.

Noble had initiated the suit in late 1989 after purchasing what she testified was a faulty vehicle from Blalock for \$500. She said he refused to return her money to her. She took legal action through small claims court and was awarded a \$2,450 judgment against Blalock, which she said he never paid.

He said his daughter, Brandee, called him later that evening and he went to his estranged wife's house on Russell Street to try to fix his daughter's vehicle. He said he later went home, took a shower, "goofed around and went to bed about 9 (p.m.)."

After being awakened early on

the morning of May 23, Blalock said he was arrested by Pampa police and charged with murder in the case.

"I thought, 'Man, this is crazy,' you know, why me?" Blalock said Tuesday.

Asked by defense attorney John White, "Kim, did you do this?" Blalock replied, "No, sir, I did not." Asked if he knew anything about the fire, Blalock responded again, "No, sir."

Under cross examination, Assistant District Attorney John Mann asked Blalock, "Did you tell Mitzie (Blalock's wife) on May 21 that the Nobles were going to take your paycheck, all of your paycheck, and she'd be supporting the children on her own?"

Blalock said he did not speak to his wife on May 21 because they had been fighting and were living apart, although he went to her residence to work on his daughter's vehicle.

Mann also asked Blalock, "Do you remember your mother showing you a copy of *The Pampa News* and a picture of the fire and asking if you had committed the arson?"

Blalock said, "No, sir," to the question.

In other testimony Tuesday, Rick Womack, with the state fire marshal's office out of Lubbock, said he was called on May 22 and asked to assist the Pampa arson investigator with the blaze at the Noble residence.

Womack testified that he determined the cause of the fire to be a flammable liquid in a container thrown through a front window of the Noble residence. He said the device is commonly called a Molotov cocktail and creates a "hot and fast fire."

"Our evidence clearly showed there was a glass container that passed through the storm window ..."

He said the top of a glass jug with a red shop rag was recovered on top of the coffee table following the blaze. He said charring spots on the rag indicate the rag was on fire when it was thrown into the residence. He said there was an odor "consistent" with gasoline on the rag, which was passed around to the jury members, who smelled the rag.

Asked by the defense if fire investigators were able to determine who caused the fire from the scientific evidence, Womack said, "No, sir."

The jury also viewed a videotape of the Noble residence following the fire. The videotape was shown by Pampa Police Department Detective Donnie Brown.

Asked by the defense if the Pampa police got Blalock's fingerprints on anything relating to the

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U.S. fighters down four Iraqi planes; amphibious force moving into place

By JOHN KING
Associated Press Writer

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AP) — U.S. jet fighters shot down four Iraqi warplanes in the punishing air war on Iraq, allied officials said today. Iraq said 150 people died in a single air attack on a southern city.

Officials said the Iraqi fighters — among the best in Saddam Hussein's air force — were ambushed as they tried to flee to Iran. Three other Iraqi warplanes reportedly made it across the border.

Also today, a Marine amphibious assault force was moving into place in the Persian Gulf. But allied commanders say any ground war to retake Kuwait will probably follow still more air attacks on Iraqi forces.

Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of Operation Desert Storm, said his greatest concern in the Persian Gulf War is that the Iraqis are "capable of the most heinous acts."

"They have demonstrated that they have absolutely no value on human life," Schwarzkopf said in an interview broadcast today on *CBS This Morning*. "It's sort of the mad dog syndrome ... In a mad dog there is no predictability."

U.S. Air Force fighter jets took out two Iraqi MiG-21s and two SU-25 fighter bombers as they tried to escape to Iran, U.S. military officials said in Riyadh.

Col. Ahmed al-Robayan, the Saudi military spokesman, confirmed the four jets were shot down, apparently in the past 24 hours. He said three other Iraqi warplanes landed safely in Iran, where more than 110 of Iraq's best aircraft have sought refuge.

In Baghdad, meanwhile, officials said the allies carried out 263 air raids and missile attacks overnight, including intensive bombing of residential areas.

The Iraqis said that in the southern Iraqi city of Nassariyah, about 150 people — including 35 children — were killed by the air assault. Many

homes were reported hit.

Travelers arriving in Baghdad from Nassariyah reported the city came under intensive bombardment Tuesday night. They said military and industrial targets were hit.

The Iraqi government daily *Al-Thawra* reported today that 349 people had been killed in the southern port city of Basra since the allied raids began.

It was not clear how the latest casualty reports would alter the previously announced civilian death toll of 428.

Iraqi officials said the allied bombs and missiles rained down on Baghdad overnight, smashing a hospital, bridge, communications center and homes. Iraqi officials said two surface-to-surface rockets landed near a bus station, destroying two movie theaters and about 200 shops.

"Whether by mistake or deliberately, we don't like it, we could have been killed," Baghdad resident Ya'kub Abonna told AP correspondent Salah Nasrawi.

U.S. officials have repeatedly said the air attacks are targeting military and strategic sites. Military officials say efforts have been made to avoid civilian casualties.

The USS *Missouri* was also in action overnight, firing its 16-inch guns at targets along the Kuwaiti coast, the command said. The battleship destroyed a radar site, artillery and a surface-to-air missile position.

A dug-in Iraqi military unit also was hit, but the command said it didn't know how much damage was done.

One allied air raid scored a possible hit on an Iraqi mobile Scud missile launcher, the U.S. command in Saudi Arabia said today. The launchers have been used to lob missiles at Israel and Saudi Arabia, although the attacks have tapered off in recent days.

Iran's official news agency said the roar of attacking allied planes could be heard pounding southern Iraqi cities every few minutes throughout the night and this morning. It said Iraqi air

defenses apparently were silent.

The Iranian news agency said three huge explosions in the Iraqi city of Basra could be heard in the Iranian city of Khorramshahr, 25 miles away. Basra is the site of Iraq's military headquarters for the Kuwait theater.

Anticipating ground fighting to come, the allies are rushing supplies to the desert frontlines. At forward staging areas today, huge Hercules C-130 transports were arriving every 30 minutes, Air Force Capt. Scott Smith said after one such delivery.

With half a million U.S. troops on land, sea and air in the gulf, President Bush is sending his top military men to the war zone to assess the 3-week-old campaign. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will go to the gulf later this week — their first wartime visit to the region.

Bush said the top-level visit did not signal that a ground war was about to begin. But he said he doubted air power alone would drive Saddam Hussein's armies from Kuwait.

That seemed to reflect the thinking in the field. One U.S. Air Force commander, Col. John McBroom of the 1st Tactical Fighter Wing, told reporters in Saudi Arabia a ground assault eventually would be necessary to oust Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

But he said he hoped senior commanders would be patient.

"I would like to think the air war would dictate the ground war," he said. "I'd like the Army to go in and move the last soldier out instead of the last 100,000 ... I would hope we do not go in on the ground until we have almost completely obliterated him from the air."

The cornerstone of any ground offensive may well be an amphibious assault. Pentagon sources said a U.S. Marine task force is maneuvering into position after a practice seaborne attack on the southern shore of the Arabian peninsula.

The task force — made up of about 17,000 Marines — is "slowly working its way north," one Marine Corps officer said Tuesday.

Other victims identified in fatal vehicle crash

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

Police have identified two victims of a fiery crash Monday night on Hwy. 60 West near the city limits.

Authorities named 20-year-old Valmore Franco of Amarillo as the driver of a late model Datsun King Cab that caught fire and exploded on impact with a Mercedes Benz at 9:30 p.m. Monday.

Franco was rescued from the vehicle by witnesses and emergency personnel.

His grandfather, Fabian Franco, 80, also of Amarillo, was a passenger in the truck. He was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Margie Prestidge.

The Franco Datsun was believed

to be traveling west toward Amarillo at the Wells Street intersection with Hwy. 60 when it was struck head-on by a Mercedes driven by Charles S. Drinkhouse, 34, of Pampa.

Drinkhouse was also pronounced dead at the scene by Prestidge.

The younger Franco was still listed in critical condition at North-west Texas Hospital through this morning.

Officials determined the Mercedes that Drinkhouse was driving was owned by Jerry Ward of Pampa.

Ms. Ward was not in the vehicle at the time of the collision.

The Mercedes and Datsun pickup were both destroyed when the vehicles exploded and burned.

Police have still not determined how fast the Mercedes was going at the time the two vehicles collided, but

long skid marks at the scene indicated the Mercedes left the right lane and entered the lane the Franco vehicle was traveling in just before impact.

Funeral services for Drinkhouse are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. A second service will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Bryant Street Baptist Church in Yucaipa, Calif. Burial will follow in Desert Lawn Cemetery in Calimesa, Calif.

Mr. Drinkhouse was born Sept. 18, 1956, in San Bernardino, Calif. He was reared in Yucaipa and graduated from school there. He was a member of Bryant Street Baptist Church. He had been a resident of Pampa since October of 1990.

Survivors include his fiancée,

Jerry Ward of Pampa; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Drinkhouse of Yucaipa, Calif.; a brother, Gilbert Drinkhouse Jr. of Yucaipa, Calif.; a sister, Robin Drinkhouse of Yucaipa; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Learmont of Yucaipa and Mrs. Ramona Drinkhouse of Bloomington, Calif.

Funeral arrangements for Fabian Franco are pending with Blackburn Shaw Martin Road Chapel in Amarillo.

Mr. Franco is a native Guazapa, El Salvador.

Survivors include five sons, Mario of El Salvador, Jose of Amarillo, and Enduardo, Carlos and Nelson, all of Garden City, Kan.; four daughters, Feliscita of El Salvador, Teresa and Salvadora of Garden City, and Leticia of Rosenberg, Texas; and 23 grandchildren.

Unfurling honors



(Staff photo by Bear Mills)

Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657 discuss putting the finishing touches on a new display of six American flags at the Memorial Park on Hobart Street. John Triplehorn, Gray County Veterans Service Officer, second from left, said the flags were donated by families of veterans who died in

combat during previous conflicts. They will fly until the war with Iraq is over, Triplehorn said. Pictured from left to right are Archie Maness, VFW post commander; Triplehorn; E.W. Totty, past post commander; and Lewis Gallimore, a VFW trustee.

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Services tomorrow

THOMPSON, Jason Rolf — 10:30 a.m., First Baptist Church, Alvord.

HENDRICK, R.E. Sr. — 11 a.m., First Baptist Church Chapel, Shamrock.

GOURLAY, Joe C. — 11 a.m., St. Ann's Catholic Church, Midland.

SOUTHARD, Elwin William — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.

DRINKHOUSE, Charles S. — 10:30 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.

Obituaries

JASON ROLF THOMPSON
 DECATUR — Jason Rolf Thompson, 19, grandson of Pampa residents, died Monday, Feb. 4, 1991. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church in Alvord with the Rev. Jimmy Davis, pastor, officiating. Arrangements are by Coker Funeral Home. Services will also be at 10 a.m. Friday at Immanuel Baptist Church in San Angelo with the Rev. James Mitchell, pastor, the Rev. Martus Miley of Southland Baptist Church and the Rev. Charles Grossman of First Baptist Church in Sterling City officiating. Burial will be at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens in San Angelo under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home.

Mr. Thompson was born on Dec. 12, 1971, in San Angelo. He attended San Angelo public schools and moved to Crafton in 1987 with his mother and graduated in 1990 from Chico High School. He was active in sports and named Who's Who of Chico High School in 1988. He was a member of the annual staff and helped coach Little League baseball. He was a student trainer for the Chico athletic team. He worked in retail sales at Wal-Mart in Decatur. He was a former member of the Immanuel Baptist Church in San Angelo and a member of First Baptist Church in Chico.

Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Tana and Mitch Fedric of Crafton; his father and stepmother, Manfred and Lana Thompson of San Angelo; one sister, Amber Thompson of San Angelo; a brother, Joe Don Thompson of San Angelo; his grandparents, Wayne and Margie Scott of San Angelo, Temple and Shirley Ashcraft of Rosenberg, Dale and Leni Thompson of Bronte, Buddy and Avanelle McQueen of Ballinger and Steve and Marjorie Fedric of Pampa; and great grandmothers, La Verta Scott of Carlsbad, N.M.; Karoline Wenderoth of Witzhausen, Germany, and Laura Green of Baytown.

The family requests memorials be made to Immanuel Baptist Church Building Fund.

R.E. HENDRICK SR.
 WHEELER — R.E. Hendrick Sr., 78, died Monday, Feb. 4, 1991. Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in First Baptist Church in Shamrock with the Rev. Mike Chancellor, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery by Richerson Funeral Home.

Mr. Hendrick was born in Vernon and moved to Wheeler County in 1923. He was a welder and a Baptist. He married Thelma Bruce in 1930 at Sayre, Okla.; she preceded him in death in 1975. He married Ida McCormick in 1976 at Shamrock; she preceded him in death in 1985. He was also preceded in death by two sons, Percy Hendrick, in 1980, and Dink Hendrick, in January 1990.

Survivors include three sisters, Curtis Lynch of Porterville, Calif., and Jewel Dayberry and Nettie Faye Vinyard, both of Shamrock; a brother, Dale Hendrick of Spearman; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

JOE C. GOURLAY
 MIDLAND — Joe C. Gourlay, 65, a former Texas Panhandle resident, died Monday, Feb. 4, 1991. Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Ann's Catholic Church with the Rev. Fred Nawarskas officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mr. Gourlay was born Feb. 19, 1925, in Amarillo. He was reared in the Texas Panhandle and graduated from Lefors High School in May 1942. He attended Texas A&M College until enlisting in the U.S. Army in February 1943. He served in Alaska and Europe, engaging in the battles in Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe. After being discharged from the Army, he returned to Texas A&M, where he received a bachelor's degree in petroleum engineering in 1950. He was recalled to active duty in the Korean conflict, where he was company commander of an armored unit.

He began his career in the petroleum industry with the Texas Co., which is now Texaco Inc., in Pampa and Lovington, N.M. In 1953, he went to work as district engineer for Bright & Schiff of Dallas and Midland. In 1962, he became a consulting petroleum engineer with Albritton & Mayer of Midland. In February 1969, he joined Major, Giebel & Forster, predecessor to MGF Oil Corp., where he became senior vice president of engineering and production. He retired in July 1989, although he was a consultant to MGF until January 1990.

He was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church and the Society of Petroleum Engineers, and was a registered professional engineer. He married Barbara Jean Walker on May 25, 1964, in Midland.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara, of the home; and a son, Joe W. Gourlay of College Station.

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Fires
 The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Feb. 5

8:39 a.m. — Structure fire at 509 N. Frost was reportedly caused by children playing with matches. The fire caused heavy damage to living area and smoke damage throughout house. Three units and five firefighters responded.

12:06 p.m. — Investigation was requested for molasses spill at Kentucky and Price Rd. Two units and three firefighters responded.

8:50 p.m. — A car fire at 430 W. Crawford destroyed engine compartment. One unit and two firefighters responded.

Correction
 Jerry Ward's name was incorrectly reported in a Page 1 article on a fatal accident in Tuesday's edition of *The Pampa News*. We apologize for the error and any inconvenience it may have caused.

Obituaries

MARTHA MARIE SUTTERFIELD
 Martha Marie Sutterfield, 75, died Tuesday, Feb. 5, 1991. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.

Mrs. Sutterfield was born June 20, 1915, in Bixby, Okla. She moved to Pampa in 1972 from Etter. She married Charlie Melford Sutterfield on Feb. 15, 1932. He died in 1978. She was a member of Pampa Senior Citizens Center. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include two sons, Charles Sutterfield of White Deer and Raymond Sutterfield of Amarillo; a daughter, Margaret Rose Webb of Dallas; one sister, Bessie Milum of Lubbock; 10 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

ELWIN WILLIAM SOUTHARD
 Elwin William Southard, 78, died Tuesday, Feb. 5, 1991. Services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Dr. Darrel Rains, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Southard was born Oct. 7, 1912, at Buffalo, Mo. He married Gula Clatterbaugh on Sept. 11, 1932. He lived in Pampa 56 years. He was a Mason.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Barbara Wilson of Harlingen and Anita Bell of Pampa; three sisters, Beulah Harrison of Oklahoma City, Marie Cacy of Monahans and Beth Briley of Bandera; four brothers, Edwin R. Southard of Pampa; Don Southard of Lisbon, Iowa; Dale Southard of Altus, Okla., and Larry Southard of Porterville, Calif.; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions	Ovie Tipton, Pampa
Gloria Barboza, Pampa	Ada Whitley, Pampa
Trenton Harris, Pampa	Dismissals
Mandi Luceford, Pampa	Willis Dewey, Pampa
Robin Nelson, Pampa	Imogene Hinkle, Pampa
Marie Omara, Pampa	E.H. Patton, Pampa
Mallorie Parry, White Deer	Eldon Scobee, Pampa
Corey Pasley, White Deer	Anna York, Pampa
Lloyd Rash, Pampa	Winifred Earles (extended care), Pampa
Alice Ross, Canadian	SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
Logan Sparling, McLean	None
	Dismissals
	Katie Ramirez and baby boy, Wheeler

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa:

Wheat	2.32	
Milo	3.94	
Corn	4.18	

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

Ky. Cent. Life	9 1/4	NC
Seafon	59 7/8	NC
Occidental	18 1/8	NC

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Magellan	59.77	
Puritan	12.89	

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa:

Amoco	51 1/4	up 1 1/2
Arco	125 5/8	up 2 1/8

Cabot	30 3/8	NC
Cabot O&G	13 1/2	NC
Chevron	70 3/4	up 1 1/2
Coca-Cola	50 3/8	up 1/2
Exxon	51 7/8	up 1/8
Halliburton	45 5/8	up 7/8
Ingersoll Rand	43 3/8	dn 3/8
KNE	22 1/2	up 1/4
Kerr McGee	44 3/4	up 1
Limited	23 1/2	up 3/8
Masco	42 3/8	up 1 1/4
Maxus	26 3/4	up 7/8
McDonald's	29	up 1/8
Mesa Ltd.	2 1/2	dn 1/8
Mobil	58 1/4	up 1 3/8
New Atmos	16 1/2	NC
Permy's	52 3/4	dn 1/8
Phillips	28 3/4	up 7/8
SLB	56 7/8	up 5/8
SPS	27 5/8	NC
Tenneco	49 1/4	up 1/2
Texaco	60	up 1 5/8
Wal-Mart	34 5/8	up 3/8
New York Gold	360 50	
Silver	3.82	
West Texas Crude	20.65	

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Feb. 5

Martin Brewer, 501 E. Gordon, reported a theft at Frederic and Barnes.

Budweiser, Berger, reported a theft at Foster and Starkweather.

Martha Sluder, 716 Doucette, reported a burglary at the residence.

Optimist Club reported a burglary at 601 E. Craven.

Police reported a theft at 1101 S. Nelson.

Hardee's, 2505 Perryton Pkwy., reported criminal mischief at the residence.

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Police reported possession of marijuana in the 300 block of East Brown.

Lincoln Sumners, 2136 Hamilton, reported a theft at the residence.

Arrests

TUESDAY, Feb. 5

Bonnie Lynn Trantham Irvin, 18, Rt. 1 Box 102, was arrested at 535 W. Brown on five warrants. She was released on payment of fines.

Daniel Jimenez, 17, 833 Denver, was arrested at the residence on a charge of theft.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 6

Luis Alberto Molina, 33, 609 E. Foster, was arrested in the 300 block of East Brown on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 oz.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accident during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Feb. 5

10:35 a.m. — A 1982 Oldsmobile driven by Troy Maness, 1001 Duncan, collided with a 1985 Mac Truck driven by Jerry Hartless, Abernathy, in the 100 block of South Cuyler. No citations and no injuries were reported.

Calendar of events

PAMPA BRIDGE CLUB
 Pampa Bridge Club meets on Thursday at 10 a.m. in Room 11 at Clarendon College, Pampa Center. To arrange for a partner, call Marguerite Ward at 669-7543.

DESERT SHIELD SUPPORT GROUP
 The Pampa Desert Shield Support Group meets each Thursday at 7 p.m. at Briarwood Church, 1800 W. Harvester.

Putting out the flags



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Merchants of Plaza 21 decorated the outside Tuesday afternoon by stringing up American flags across the top of the shopping center and placing bows of yellow and red, white and blue ribbons. Putting up some of the flags are, from left, Frances French, on ladder, and Rita Sewell, whose son Cpl. Ronald G. Sewell is serving with the Marines in the Persian Gulf region. The decorating idea originated with Bobbie Johnson, one of the store owners. Susie Spoonemore made the bows.

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Blalock

fire, Brown said, "No, sir."

A key state witness in the case, Teresa Rodriguez, 16, testified that on the evening of May 21 she was at Mitzie Blalock's residence on Russell Street and saw the defendant on that evening. She said he was using a long rod to push a red rag into a glass jug filled with gasoline. She said when she asked him what he was doing, he told her he was "cleaning his gun."

Rodriguez said Blalock earlier that evening had showed her the lawsuit papers and told her he "wasn't worried about it because he was going to get revenge anyway."

Jimmie Blalock, 15-year-old son of the defendant, was called to testify by the state. Mann questioned the boy about a statement he had given to police on May 22 regarding his father's activities on May 21.

However, on the witness stand, the boy said he could not recall anything about May 21.

"I don't remember anything about what was said," Jimmie Blalock said. Asked if he gave a statement to police, he said, "I'm not sure."

After being given a copy of his statement made on May 22 and asked if his memory was refreshed, the boy said, "No, sir."

According to the statement, read in court, Jimmie Blalock told police the day after the fatal fire that his father had come into the residence that evening and thrown his keys, cigarettes and lighter on the table and then wiped fingerprints off his lighter. He said in the statement his father was wearing gloves and was "growling."

He said in the May 22 statement that his father told him, "I'm walking with the gods, dude," and told the boy that if he was "not back by morning to pack all the stuff and put it in the shop."

Brandee Blalock, 16-year-old daughter of the defendant, called to the stand by the state, said regarding a statement she signed on May 22, that the police put "words in her mouth."

"I didn't tell her anything. She made her own suggestions. She drew her own conclusions," she said of Pampa Police Detective Katie Morse.

Brandee Blalock, asked if she called Teresa Rodriguez before a hearing last year in the case and said, "Don't say anything to get my daddy in trouble," replied, "No, sir, I didn't."

Morse, the last witness to testify, said she had taken statements from Jimmie and Brandee Blalock on May 22. She said she did not threaten either of Blalock's children and took down information they told her. She said a statement is the information provided by a witness to a police officer.

Canadian Chamber of Commerce honors Dr. Malouf Abraham Jr., Mrs. Carol Reid

CANADIAN — Dr. Malouf Abraham Jr. and Mrs. Carol Reid were honored as the 1990 Man and Woman of the Year at the Canadian-Hemphill County Chamber of Commerce banquet held Saturday evening.

Mrs. Reid has been involved in many volunteer activities in Canadian including the Women's Service League, YMCA fund raiser, and Abraham Memorial Home volunteer. She was twice president of Women's Service League.

Dr. Abraham is noted for his continued involvement in the beautification of Canadian and the surrounding area. He earned the distinction of receiving the "Urban Forestry Award" for giving away over 2,000 trees in Canadian.

He is currently involved with the Chamber in the giving away and placement of over 500 flame bushes in the community. The project is funded by the Abraham Trust. Dr. Abraham led the way for many community activities including the annual Tour of Homes and the mapping of scenic locations in Canadian.

The 1990 Real Producer was awarded to High Plains Natural Gas. The company, with Charles Morehead as president, has contributed to the volunteer construction of Hemphill county's new baseball complex and recreation facility, Little League and the re-creation of Lake Marvin and has provided the buyers' dinner for the Hemphill County Junior Livestock Show and Sale for several years.

Dale L. Minnick of Woodward, Okla. was the featured speaker for the 250 guests who attended. The banquet concluded with door prizes, including a five night vacation in Crested Butte, Colo., won by Mrs. Blossom Newell.

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Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Tonight, mostly clear with a low in the upper 20s and northerly winds 10-15 mph. Thursday, clear with mostly sunny skies, a high in the mid 50s and northeasterly winds 10-20 mph. Tuesday's high was 59; the overnight low was 26.

REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas — Fair tonight and mostly sunny skies Thursday. Lows tonight 20s and 30s. Highs Thursday low 50s north to mid 70s south.

North Texas — Mostly clear and cold tonight, sunny and mild Thursday. Lows tonight 30 west to 41 east. Highs Thursday 60 to 68.

South Texas — Fair and cool tonight. Sunny and mild Thursday. Highs in the 60s to near 70 north, in the 70s south. Lows tonight in the 40s except in the 50s extreme south.

EXTENDED FORECAST
 Friday through Sunday
 West Texas — Partly cloudy through Saturday with possible showers Sunday in the Panhandle and Big Bend. Rain expected Saturday and Sunday in South Plains and Permian Basin. Panhandle: Highs from mid 50s to low 60s. Lows from mid 20s to low 30s. South Plains: Highs from upper 50s to mid 60s. Lows from upper 20s to mid 30s. Permian Basin: Highs in the 60s. Lows in the 30s. Concho-Pecos Valleys: Highs in the 60s. Lows in the 30s. Far West: Highs in upper 50s to mid 60s. Lows in the 30s. Big Bend: Highs in mid 50s to low 60s mountains and in mid 60s to low 70s lowlands. Lows from mid 20s to mid 30s mountains and in upper 30s to mid 40s lowlands.

North Texas — Fair with a slow warming trend. Highs in mid to upper 50s through Saturday and in upper 50s to low 60s Sunday. Lows in the 30s.

South Texas — Fair and a little cool Friday and Saturday in most regions, except for Coastal Bend, warmer Sunday. Hill Country and South Central: Highs Friday in the 60s, Saturday in the 50s to near 60 and near 60 Sunday. Lows in the 30s to near 40. Coastal Bend: Highs near 70 through Saturday, in the 60s on Sunday. Lows in the 40s. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Highs in the 60s to near 70. Lows in the 40s to near 50. Southeast Texas and Upper Coast: Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 50s to near 60.

BORDER STATES
 Oklahoma — Fair tonight and Thursday. Lows tonight mid 20s northwest to upper 30s extreme southeast. Highs Thursday 54 to 64.

New Mexico — Few high clouds tonight with lows from 5 to 25 mountains with 25 to 35 lower elevations. Partly cloudy southwest and fair northeast Thursday with isolated showers or thundershowers extreme southwest. Little cooler with highs mostly 40s mountains and north to near 60 lower elevations south.

100 days of school



(Staff photos by Jean Streetman-Ward)



St. Matthew's Episcopal Day School observed its 100 Days of School Celebration on Tuesday. In honor of Support Our Troops Week in Pampa, the students launched 100 red, white and blue balloons, seen in above photo. At left, Tiffani Neef watches the balloons rise in the air as she gets ready to let hers go to join the others. The students also are bringing 100 pennies each, with the money going to the Salvation Army to be used for the soldiers in the Persian Gulf conflict. The extended kindergarten classes are baking cookies for the soldiers; approximately 52 students are involved in this project. Teachers are Mrs. Stowers, Mrs. Hale, Mrs. Long, Mrs. White and Mrs. Arrington.

Study finds winners and losers in U.S.-Mexico free trade pact

By JENNIFER DIXON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — There will be winners and losers under a free trade agreement with Mexico, but on balance the U.S. economy will benefit, according to a study by the International Trade Commission.

The ITC study said there could be losers north of the Rio Grande under the agreement, including retailers on the Southwestern border who depend on Mexican shoppers; fruit and vegetable growers; producers of inexpensive household glassware; cow-calf operators; and segments of the textile industry.

Winners could include grains and oilseeds producers, alcoholic beverage exporters, cement makers, producers of major household appliances and capital goods such as machine tools and industrial equipment. Other potential beneficiaries include industries that manufacture farm and construction machinery, food processing equipment, and pollution control equipment.

The study, however, said word is still out on autos and auto parts, and that the picture is mixed for steel.

"This study reaches a significant conclusion: On balance, free trade with Mexico can produce economic benefits for the United States," Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, said Tuesday in releasing the study.

"An agreement has the potential to provide new jobs and other benefits for Texas and the United States as a whole. But the study also shows that there will be winners and losers," Bentsen said.

The study said a free trade agree-

ment will benefit the U.S. economy overall by expanding trade opportunities, lowering prices, increasing competition and improving the ability of U.S. firms to exploit economies of scale.

But relative to the size of the U.S. economy, those benefits are likely to be small, at least initially, because many trade barriers between the United States and Mexico have already been reduced or eliminated, the study said.

President Bush, however, in announcing Tuesday that Canada would be joining the negotiations, said a free trade agreement would link the three countries' economies in "bold and far-reaching ways."

"A successful conclusion of the free trade agreement will expand market opportunities, increase prosperity, and help our three countries meet the economic challenges of the future," Bush said.

A free trade area encompassing all three countries would create a North American market of 360 million people with annual production of more than \$6 trillion, Bush said.

"The sheer size of that market will increase the competitiveness of the firms of the three countries. At the same time, it will allow for the three economies to complement each other and to combine the power (of) Mexico, a labor-abundant country, and the United States, a more capital abundant country," said Jaime Serra Pucha, Mexico's commerce secretary.

Bentsen, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said the study's findings underscore the need to negotiate an agreement "that is responsive to all American indus-

tries and all American workers. If our negotiators don't bring back that kind of agreement, it is unlikely to be approved by Congress."

The study also cautioned that an agreement would raise the demand for transport, warehousing and other services along the Southwestern border, resulting in additional pressure on already strained border transport system and entry facilities.

The president intends to negotiate the free trade agreement under the "fast track," which means the pact could not be amended by Congress.

Under the fast track, however, are several checkpoints at which Congress can kill the negotiations. The first comes later this month, when a vote by either the House Ways and Means Committee or the Finance Committee could sidetrack the agreement.

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Handicapped customers who qualify for exemption from local Directory Assistance charges under Local Exchange Company Tariff(s), or in the absence of a local Directory Assistance charge plan, receive special rates on other Local Exchange Company Services, are exempted and will continue to be exempted from AT&T's intrastate Directory Assistance charge. This exemption applies only to calls to Directory Assistance which are billed to the handicapped customer's residence telephone number.



Census Bureau report shows one-fourth of Texas Hispanic

By JENNIFER DIXON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Every minority group in Texas grew faster than the state's white population in the 1980s, according to a Census Bureau report that says one in every four Texans is Hispanic.

"Some of the implications of these numbers are that they suggest minorities will play a much more important part in Texas' economic and social and political future," said Steve Murdock, chief demographer for the Texas State Data Center.

"They suggest as well that the need to provide additional socioeconomic opportunities will continue to be an important factor for the state in coming decades," Murdock said from Texas A&M, where he is also a professor of rural sociology.

While all minority groups in Texas grew faster than the white population over the past decade, only the white and black populations grew at a slower pace than the state's overall growth rate of 19 percent.

Murdock said the numbers suggest that predictions of Texas becoming more than 50 percent minority in the first part of the next century will become reality.

In 1990, Anglos accounted for 75.2 percent of the population, down from 78.7 percent in 1980; blacks accounted for 11.9 percent of the population, down from 12 percent; Hispanics accounted for 25.5 percent, up from 21 percent; American Indians, Eskimos and Aleuts accounted for 0.4 percent, up from 0.3 percent; Asians or Pacific Islanders accounted for 1.9 percent of the population, up from 0.8 percent; and other races accounted for 10.6 percent, up from 8.2 percent.

The percentages don't add up because persons of Hispanic origin can be of any race.

Asians were the state's fastest growing minority over the past decade, but are also among its smallest minority groups, increasing 165.5 percent, or from 120,313 in 1980 to 319,459 in 1990.

The Hispanic population is the largest minority population, growing from nearly 3 million in 1980 to 4.3 million in 1990, a 45.4 percent increase.

The black population went from 1.7 million to 2 million, an 18.2 percent increase. The American Indian, Eskimo and Aleut population increased from 40,075 to 65,877, a 64.4 percent increase. The population of other races increased from 1.16 million to 1.8 million, a 55.6 percent increase. And the white population grew from 11 million to 12.7 million, a 14.1 percent increase.

The state's population grew 19.4 percent over the past decade, from 14.2 million to 16.9 million.

"We're seeing Hispanics raising their visibility all over the country. In Texas, you've reached a level where one out of every four Texas is a Hispanic. This has widespread implications for the state," said Robert Paral, spokesman for the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials.

"Are one-fourth of Texas' elected officials Hispanic? Why not?" said Paral. "This raises a whole host of questions — when will this community begin to achieve the political representation that it deserves?"

In 1990, Texas had 1,920 Hispanic elected officials, including four congressmen — more than any other state, Paral said. Most of Texas' elected officials, however, are local elected officials.

One of Texas' Hispanic congressmen, Rep. Kika de la Garza, D-Mission, said the challenge for leaders in the national and Hispanic communities today is to "provide the support which allows young persons of all backgrounds — including Hispanics — to reach their full potential."

"My congressional district ... has the most concentrated Hispanic population of any in the United States, with over 75 percent of its citizens of Hispanic descent. Young doctors, lawyers, teachers and soldiers who began their lives in South Texas are now serving in positions of importance from Austin to Washington to Saudi Arabia. But our success must not give way to complacency as we still have a long way to go to reach our full potential," he said.

Just this fall, voters in Texas elected the first Hispanic to a statewide administrative office — making Dan Morales the new attorney general, although Texas already had a Hispanic supreme court justice.

"We've got a ways to go," Paral said.

GOP offers 'toughest' ethics bill as state legislators discuss issue

By MICHAEL HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — House Speaker Gib Lewis says he hasn't seen an ethics reform plan yet that he couldn't agree to.

"I can live with anything that's been proposed at this point," Lewis said after House Republicans on Tuesday introduced a bill they described as the toughest ethics plan offered to date.

The GOP bill would limit campaign donations, make legislators wait before becoming lobbyists and ban lobby-paid out-of-state vacations by lawmakers.

Rep. Tom Craddick of Midland, leader of the 57 GOP House members, said his fellow Republicans believe the time has come to quit tinkering with ethics reform and overhaul the rules.

"About every 10 years, we have somebody that gets in trouble — either spends too much money or gets caught with their hand in the cookie jar. Then we piecemeal ethics (reform). This bill ... is the thing that's needed to straighten out the ethics problem in the Texas Legislature," Craddick said.

"We are here today to show our willingness to take the bold measures necessary to restore the confidence of the people of Texas in state government that has been lost over the last several years," he said.

A key provision of the bill would impose a two-year wait before legislators or the heads of state agencies could become lobbyists. In the past, many lawmakers and agency leaders have held office one day, then lobbied their old colleagues the next.

Another proposal would ban out-of-state trips for lawmakers with lobbyists paying the bills. In the past, lawmakers have traveled to Europe, Mexican resorts and Las Vegas on lobbyists' tabs.

The GOP plan also would strengthen reporting requirements so lobbyists would have to report spending on an elected official or state agency head, by name, when spending more than \$50 per event.

On campaign financing, the bill would adopt federal limits on donations of \$1,000 per individual and \$5,000 per political action committee; limit to \$250 contributions that could be given to members of regulatory agencies by those with business before that agency, and treat any individual who contributes more than \$25,000 to various candidates as a PAC.

"The people sent us to Austin expecting us to be good stewards for them, and they deserve that kind of treatment," said Rep. Robert Eckels, R-Houston. "This (bill) changes fundamentally the way we look at ourselves as legislators and our role in the community. It makes us more accountable and more the type of

stewards the public deserves."

Eckels, who helped draft the bill, said its reforms are stronger than either the Senate proposal or the Democrat-written House plan.

"This is a lot tougher bill than anybody's come up with," Eckels said.

But he said ethics reform shouldn't be a partisan issue. "There are a lot of Democrats that support this position. The issue is not a Republican-Democrat issue. It's an issue of the confidence in our government."

The speaker, who's currently under a two-count misdemeanor indictment by the Travis County grand jury for alleged ethics violations, said the GOP plan would receive a "full hearing" from the Democratic-controlled House.

"Everybody's on that (ethics) bandwagon. It's good, kind of like apple pie, motherhood, the American flag and (Operation) Desert Shield," said Lewis, D-Fort Worth.

"I've got no problem with any of those issues that has been presented," Lewis said.

Carson County schedules annual Junior Livestock Show and Sale

PANHANDLE — The Carson County Junior Livestock Show and Sale is set for Friday and Saturday at the Carson County Agricultural Building in Panhandle.

Weighing of 198 pigs, 67 lambs and 27 steers will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday. Pig judging will be at 6:30 p.m. Friday and lamb judging will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday, followed by the steers and heifers.

The sale begins at 6 p.m. Saturday.

Lanny Tucker of Memphis will judge pigs. The lambs will be judged by Curtis Preston of Silverton. The steers and heifers will be judged by Lee Howard of Post.

The concession stand opens at 4 p.m. Thursday and will be open at 6 a.m. both Friday and Saturday.

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Outreach Health Services plans open house Friday for its new branch office in Pampa

Outreach Health Services, a licensed home health agency, will be having an open house from 1 to 4 p.m. Friday at its new branch office in Pampa, located at 1224 N. Hobart #10 (NBC Plaza II).

Ribbon cutting ceremonies will be held at 2 p.m.

Outreach Health Services, which offers skilled nursing care, speech therapy, physical therapy and in-home attendant care, has its

parent office in Amarillo. The corporate office is located in Garland.

The company is owned by William E. Ball and Mrs. Bettye Wallace. Charles Gouge is chief operating officer, with his office located in Austin.

Outreach Health Services has licensed agencies in Austin, San Marcos, San Antonio, Abilene, Seymour, Amarillo and El Paso.

Viewpoints

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Louise Fletcher
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Opinion

Volunteer forces are doing the job

U.S. operations in the Persian Gulf should put to rest questions about the all-voluntary military. As President Bush observed in a recent address to the nation, "Ours is an all-volunteer force, magnificently trained, highly motivated."

Chief among the complaints these days against the all-volunteer force is that it puts a disproportionate burden of risk on black Americans because they make up 21 percent of the force, compared to the 14 percent of civilian youth. The complaint is an insult to the blacks who volunteer to defend us (and, by the way, to the military, which is justifiably proud of its record of enlisting and assigning its members without regard to color).

The sterling performance of our troops and pilots in the gulf ought also to put the lie to the common wisdom that the military women — white, black, Hispanic, Asian — have proved they are among society's most able young people, handling the world's most sophisticated electronic equipment. The all-voluntary force boasts a 91 percent high-school graduation rate for those inducted during the first half of fiscal year 1990, compared to a 75 percent rate for all 18- to 24-year-olds.

Volunteers also stay in the military much longer than do draftees, allowing them time not only to learn the skills need to operate high-tech weapons, but also to put them to use on actual duty. Most volunteers enlist for three or four years; many stay in longer. Draftees serve, generally, only two years, many months of which are often devoted only to training.

Perhaps the best argument against a draft is that it encourages the sort of divisiveness that characterized the nation during Vietnam (1973 was the last year young men were drafted). A voluntary military ensures that no one is forced to serve.

An all-volunteer force also acts as a check on government's ability to wage a long, directionless war such as Vietnam. The president and Congress must pursue a war quickly and intelligently or risk not being able to recruit replacement forces. A long, drawn-out war, with a "gradual escalation" that gives the enemy every advantage, can only be prosecuted with draftees forced to serve.

After the 1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, Congress reinstated a registration for the draft. With all the evidence accumulated since on the fairness and efficiency of an all-volunteer force, it is time to repeal registration.

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He doesn't deserve death now

RICHMOND, Va. — The Commonwealth of Virginia is poised to kill Joe Giarratano. Gov. Doug Wilder could yet intervene, but without a grant of clemency Giarratano will go to the electric chair on Feb. 22. It is a terrible thing that is about to be done.

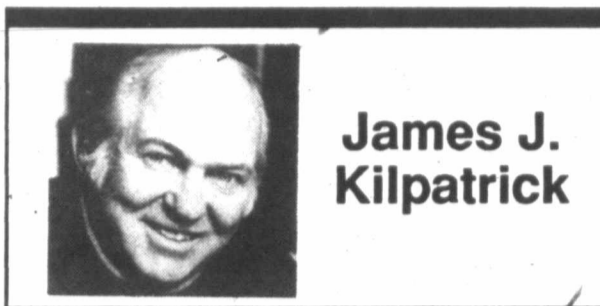
I have written of this deeply troubling case several times before. The story goes back almost 12 years, to the night of Feb. 5, 1979, when 21-year-old Joe Giarratano arrived at the bus station in Jacksonville, Fla. He walked up to Deputy Sheriff Charles Wells and said that he had killed two women in Norfolk, Va. He wanted to turn himself in.

That set in motion a chain of events. The Florida police took a confession. In Virginia he signed three other confessions. In several key respects the confessions were contradictory and inconsistent. On May 22, 1979, at the close of a one-day bench trial, Joe was found guilty of murdering Barbara Kline and her daughter Michelle. In August he was sentenced to death. Now his legal recourses have run out. The executioner awaits.

Under the law, the Commonwealth had to prove Joe's guilt "beyond a reasonable doubt." I have spent hours brooding over the record. I am filled with reasonable doubts.

Other than the confession, the evidence was singularly unconvincing. There was a pubic hair that might, or might not, have belonged to the defendant. There was a fleck of blood on his boot that might, or might not, have come from Barbara Kline. Police never found a weapon.

What of the confessions? They have to be considered in context. Joe Giarratano in 1979 was a worthless drifter. A presentence report found that



James J. Kilpatrick

he had begun taking drugs as a 10-year-old boy in a sordid household. In his teens he experimented with LSD, glue-sniffing and marijuana. He went on to cocaine, speed, Quaaludes, Demerol, morphine and Dilaudid. He drank heavily. Twelve years ago he was a drug addict and an alcoholic, suicidally depressed.

He begged the trial judge to "end my pain" by imposing a death sentence. He had attempted suicide in 1973 and again in 1977. At the time of his arrest he tried again to kill himself.

Were the confessions reliable? A small fund was raised to bring J.A.C. MacKeith and Gisli Gudjonsson from London to Virginia in March of last year. Dr. MacKeith ranks among the foremost forensic psychiatrists in the world. In the field of criminal clinical psychology, Dr. Gudjonsson is as eminent.

They questioned Giarratano for 12 hours. In the prisoner's confused and suicidal condition at the time of the crime, he accepted "plausible scenarios provided by other people." He believed he was guilty. He regarded himself as "evil." He signed the statements presented to him.

Dr. MacKeith: "I concluded that no confidence

can be placed in the reliability of Mr. Giarratano's pretrial self-incriminating statements."

Dr. Gudjonsson: "It is unsafe and unsatisfactory to rely on the incriminating statements he made to the police on Feb. 6 and 8, 1979."

A great many things have happened since that time. During the first three or four years that Joe was in prison, he was a sorry specimen of humanity. Then, as the effects of drugs and alcohol wore off, something better emerged. A truly saintly woman, Marie Deans of the Virginia Coalition of Jails and Prison, befriended him.

Joe began to develop some sense of self-esteem. He plunged into the study of law, so successfully that his name now appears on a leading Supreme Court case having to do with the right to counsel in capital cases. Dr. MacKeith found a "dramatic, significant" change in his mental state.

Before imposing sentence, the Norfolk trial court heard evidence of both mitigating and aggravating circumstances. The mitigating factors, having to do with Joe's boyhood and his later additions, were of no account. These factors might explain; they could not excuse.

A single aggravating factor was decisive. Joe's bad record as a juvenile, coupled with his sullen behavior in court, created "a probability that the defendant would commit criminal acts of violence that would constitute a continuing, serious threat to society."

Every psychiatrist and psychologist who has examined Joe Giarratano in recent years has concluded that this "serious threat no longer exists. Why, then, I would ask the governor, why kill him now? What useful purpose would thereby be served? I have tried, but I cannot think of a single one.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 6, the 37th day of 1991. There are 328 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 6, 1788, Massachusetts became the sixth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

On this date:

In 1778, the United States was officially recognized by France as the two nations signed a pair of treaties in Paris.

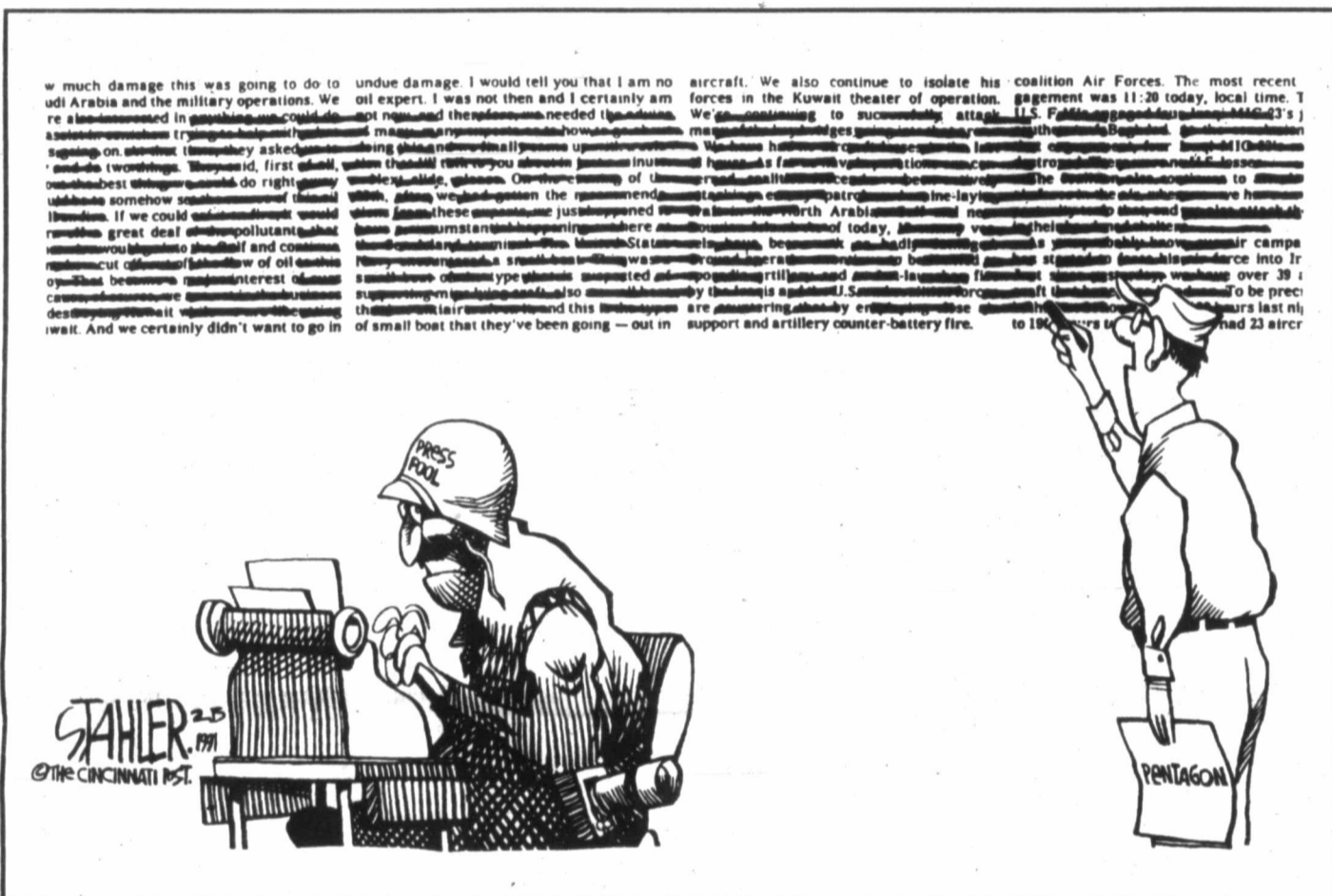
In 1895, baseball legend Babe Ruth was born in Baltimore.

In 1899, a peace treaty between the United States and Spain was ratified by the U.S. Senate.

In 1933, the 20th Amendment to the Constitution — the "lame duck" amendment — was declared in effect.

In 1952, Britain's King George VI died; he was succeeded to the throne by his daughter, Elizabeth II.

In 1959, the United States successfully test-fired for the first time a Titan intercontinental ballistic missile at Cape Canaveral, Fla.



There's another 'war' going on

There is another "war" going on, altogether as significant as anything happening in the Persian Gulf.

Our nation is presently engaged in a "world war" in which Japanese and Europeans threaten us economically as surely as they ever did militarily.

This war is being fought on many fronts. A single but significant battle is for the future of television.

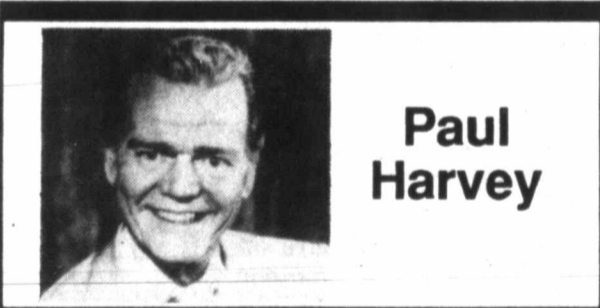
Beginning in the mid-'90s, every television set in the world will start to be replaced and every television transmitter modified.

High-definition TV (HDTV) is the inevitable technology of tomorrow.

Most Americans don't understand the importance of the subject because of the complexity of the technology involved and technicians are singularly inept at translating their language into ours.

Let me try: Imagine yourself seated in front of two side-by-side television sets, today's and tomorrow's.

Your eyes go back and forth from today's set to tomorrow's and back again. The best way I know to describe the comparison is that you see today's set as though you were wearing somebody else's misfit eyeglasses.



Paul Harvey

Tomorrow's set has clear, sharp, crisp definition and bright colors with no shimmering or even the slightest interference distortion.

I visited the labs of the only U.S.-owned TV manufacturer, and I witnessed a demonstration of the digital HDTV system developed by AT&T and Zenith.

This is one of five proposed HDTV systems; one being developed by Europeans, one by Japanese, others in the United States.

For a year starting in April the several systems will be evaluated and compared by an industry committee empowered by our FCC, which will select one as the standard in 1993.

The chosen system could mean a bonanza for

the owner of whichever patents are adopted both for the manufacture of TV sets and the modification of TV stations.

With the Zenith system you would continue to use your present TV set tuned to your present TV stations while each of those stations would transmit a separate high-definition signal on a separate channel that we'll be able to watch on a new HDTV set.

I'm trying to explain this inevitable evolution without the technical jargon necessary for a more thorough understanding. The advantages of the new system, for military as well as civilian applications, far exceed the clarity factor.

The Japanese system now requires a TV receiver costing \$35,000. Zenith claims a better system and expects to offer an HDTV set that cost not more than \$1,000 over conventional. *The Wall Street Journal* says the Zenith system "now has the inside track."

While it would seem that our FCC would tend to favor Americans in this economically important competition, the Japanese maintain a powerful lobby in Washington.

So our understandable anxiety relates to whether it will be a technical decision or a political one.

Reagan arms buildup winning in Iraq

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

The "liberation of Kuwait," led and largely conducted by U.S. forces, is giving Americans their first good look at the current state of the U.S. military machine, and by and large they like what they see.

When Jimmy Carter handed the presidency over to Ronald Reagan in January 1981, even the Democrats admitted that the armed forces were in pitiful shape and badly needed rebuilding. Pay (to take only one example) was so low that warrant officers were qualifying for food stamps. The issue was not whether, but simply how much, defense expenditures had to be raised.

On that subject, Ronald Reagan was way ahead of the Democrats. Critics have sneered that his Defense Secretary, Cap Weinberger, "never saw a defense system he didn't like." But the truth is that the Reagan administration insisted on equipping the United States with a really first-class military machine, and carried the day for it over the bitter opposi-

tion of most congressional Democrats.

That machine was originally designed to defend the West against the Soviet Union. It served that purpose so admirably that the men in Moscow finally gave up altogether their fond dream of conquering the world.

Now we see it assembled in the Persian Gulf, systematically pulverizing Saddam Hussein's forces and preparing to oust them from Kuwait. No military operation ever goes exactly according to plan, but this one seems likely to come far closer to that goal than anything the United States has attempted in many years.

If it succeeds, it will restore to this country something infinitely more precious than an assured supply of Middle Eastern oil: It will restore our confidence in America as a great nation.

For the "lesson of Vietnam," in the eyes of many Americans, was that this country was a punctured balloon, incapable of defeating in battle a gaggle of pajama-clad Communist guer-

las. Even the Korean War, 20 years further back, had ended with a truce on the 50-yard line. Only those whose memories encompassed World War II could recall a major military operation from which the United States had emerged unambiguously triumphant.

Naturally the left — which privately hates this country, and delights in its defeats — has been preparing to do its best to hamstring America in the Middle East too. The usual protesters have crawled out from under their rocks and begun chanting, marching and waving placards.

But the mood of the American people has been wonderfully calm, and wonderfully firm. President Bush's approval ratings have soared into the stratosphere, and the Democrats (for the time being) are lying very low indeed. If, despite the seemingly optimistic prospects, something should go disastrously wrong with the Gulf operation, their hour would strike. For the moment, however, they can only wait.

How ironic that even the one respect in which the war has gone

less than supremely well — our inability to stop Saddam Hussein's Scud missiles, at least until they are almost over their targets — is a by-product of the Democrats' success in crippling Mr. Reagan's Strategic Defense Initiative.

Ted Kennedy sneeringly called it "Star Wars," and led the battle against funding it. But if we had such weapons deployed in space over the Middle East this month, the Scuds would never have reached Tel Aviv, Riyadh or Dhahran.

For the rest, however, the American military performance in the Gulf to date has been spectacular. It is hard to know which deserves greater praise — the formidable high-tech weapons, or the skilled soldiers who wield them.

Both, however, are legacies of the Reagan military buildup. They are part — though only a part — of what he meant by America "standing tall." And they are yet another reason why he has earned the undying gratitude of his countrymen.

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Schwarzkopf says Iraqi 'mad dog' unpredictability is biggest worry

By WILLIAM M. WELCH
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The commander of U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf War, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, says the "mad dog" unpredictability of his Iraqi opponents is his biggest worry.

"They have demonstrated that they have absolutely no value on human life," Schwarzkopf said in an interview broadcast today on CBS *This Morning*. "They fight without conscience."

Schwarzkopf is to meet later this week with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, who are being dispatched by President Bush for a firsthand report on the war's progress.

A senior Pentagon official, speaking Tuesday on condition of anonymity, said the leaders would discuss "the next step" in the allied campaign against Iraq. The official, who requested anonymity, made clear he referred to a ground offensive.

Asked to identify his greatest concern in the war, Schwarzkopf said the Iraqis are "capable of the most heinous acts" and compared them to rabid dogs.

"It's sort of the mad dog syndrome," he said. "In a mad dog there is no predictability."

In the past, Schwarzkopf and other U.S. officials have denounced the Iraqis for spilling oil into the Persian Gulf, for preparing to use chemical and biological weapons and for firing Scud missiles at cities in Israel and Saudi Arabia.

In today's interview, which CBS

said was taped Tuesday night, the general said allied bombing of Iraq's Scud missile sites has been effective. "We have got some of them right on the launchers when they were about to launch," he said.

Bush, in announcing Cheney and Powell's mission to Saudi Arabia on Tuesday, said he doubted the air war would be sufficient to push Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's forces from Kuwait. He said he was prepared to make the decision to commit troops to a ground war that is expected to be bloody on both sides.

"I have very able people to depend on, and it is a decision that I am perfectly prepared to make upon recommendation of these people in whom I have so much confidence," Bush told reporters at the White House.

Powell and Cheney also were meeting with lawmakers in closed sessions. Bush said they would leave for the gulf "late this week."

The president was flying to New York tonight for a dinner speech to the Economic Club of New York and returning to the White House, his second trip outside the Washington area since the war began three weeks ago.

Vice President Dan Quayle was heading to Fort Bliss, Texas, to speak to family members of soldiers in the Persian Gulf and to visit a Patriot missile training site.

At the Pentagon, the official who discussed Cheney and Powell's visit said the officials speak regularly with Schwarzkopf on secure telephone lines. But he said the two have made it a practice to see the field commander face to

face at key decision points.

Powell visited Schwarzkopf in October before Bush decided to more than double the U.S. troop strength in the region. And, the official noted, Powell and Cheney both flew to Riyadh a few weeks before Bush ordered the start of air strikes against the Iraqis.

"You don't start a ground war on the basis of a phone chat," the official said.

Lt. Gen. Thomas Kelly said at a Pentagon news briefing, "The commanders involved and the leadership is going to have to make the decision when we feel that the forces in ... the Kuwaiti theater of operations have been softened sufficiently to go on to another phase, whatever that phase may be."

Bush said Powell and Cheney's visit was to obtain "a firsthand status report" and return immediately to brief him.

He dismissed the latest Iranian peace feelers but pointedly made conciliatory remarks about Iran, which has declared itself neutral in the war between its two enemies, Iraq and the United States.

He said he takes Iran at its word that it will impound Iraqi fighter planes that have sought safe haven there.

Bush said "it would be a lot easier to see a successful conclusion" if Saddam were ousted or killed, but that the U.S. objective was still simply to drive Iraqi forces from Kuwait. He said any other world leader would have yielded by now rather than submit his country to relentless bombings and missile attacks.

Famed comedian Danny Thomas dies

By MICHAEL WHITE
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Danny Thomas, called "America's favorite television comedian" in the late 1950s and early '60s, and the benefactor of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, died today. He was 77.

Thomas was pronounced dead at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center about a half hour after he suffered a heart attack at his Beverly Hills home, said hospital spokesman Ron Wise.

Best known as the star of the popular television series *Make Room for Daddy*, Thomas had appeared to be in good health and recently completed a tour promoting his new book, *Make Room for Danny*, said Norman Brokaw, chairman and chief executive officer of the William Morris Agency.

"It's hard to believe. He really wasn't sick," said Brokaw, Thomas' longtime agent.

Born Amos Jacobs in Deerfield, Mich., the comedian grew up in a large Lebanese family in Toledo, Ohio. After a number of odd jobs, he moved to Chicago with the aim of becoming a radio actor.

"I was going to play nightclubs on the weekends, but I really thought I was going to be a character actor," he recalled in 1986. "That's why I went to Chicago — to get jobs on the soap operas. My ambition was to get a station wagon, a house in the suburbs, commute to work and lead a nice, normal, happy life."

Amos Jacobs was making a good living as a radio actor when he married Rose Marie Cassaniti in 1936. Their lives changed when Jacobs took a \$50-a-week job as emcee at the Northside 5100 Club. He stayed three years, adopted a new name from brothers Danny and Thomas. He moved on to the prestigious *Cheez Parée* in Chicago, then national fame.

Another turning point in Thomas' career came after his success in nightclubs and radio. Movie studios wanted to sign him, but there was one problem, as Thomas remembered:

"Louis B. Mayer said I had the qualities to become a great dramatic actor. He said I could be another David Warfield. I didn't even know who David Warfield was but apparently he was a Broadway star who also had a swarthy complexion.

"Then Mayer told me how Americans go to the movies to live in a dream world, leaving their own humdrum lives behind. They wanted to see beautiful



Danny Thomas

people with perfect faces. So he wanted me to have my nose fixed.

"Afterward my agent, Abe Lastfogel of William Morris, said, 'Danny, this is one thing I can't advise you on.' That night he called me at 11 and told me 'Yes, I can advise you. You don't have to change your nose. There'll be plenty of work for you anyway.'

Lastfogel was right. Danny Thomas starred at MGM and Warner Bros., then moved smoothly into television. His series: *Make Room for Daddy*, *The Danny Thomas Hour*, *Make Room for Granddaddy*, *The Practice*, *I'm a Big Girl Now*.

Another family comedy, *One Big Family*, brought Thomas back to series TV in 1986, but only for two seasons. He played an oldtime vaudevillian who inherited five children after his brother and sister-in-law died.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, known around the world for its work on leukemia and other childhood cancers, is in Memphis, Tenn.

may not get everything it wants. But he predicted Congress would enact meaningful reforms this year and said he would be gratified if passage came by midsummer.

"I think we've got a problem and Congress will deal with it. ... This is common sense stuff that, if enacted, is going to put America back on the map as a leading banking power," Brady said.

Three senior Democrats on the House Banking Committee — John LaFalce and Charles Schumer of New York and Doug Barnard of Georgia — declared their support for the restructuring.

Bush's banking overhaul plan gets cool reception on Capitol Hill

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration's proposed landmark overhaul of the banking system already is running into stiff opposition from key members of Congress.

Lawmakers generally praised the Treasury Department's recommendation, sent to Congress on Tuesday, for tightening regulators' supervision of banks and slightly shrinking the government's deposit insurance commitment.

But they vowed to fight attempts

to break down the traditional walls between banks and other businesses, comparing that to deregulatory moves that worsened the savings and loan crisis.

Longstanding laws barring commercial and industrial companies from owning banks would crumble under the administration plan, as would the division of banking from the insurance and securities industries.

Customers, for instance, would be able to get a car loan, shares in a mutual fund and a life insurance policy at their bank, which could be owned by a department store chain.

"This is a program sufficiently similar to the savings and loan deregulation that I am compelled to ask whether the good folks who brought us that success are seeking to inflict a second success on society," said Rep. John D. Dingell, chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

"These administrations proposals are bad medicine for banks and poison for the American public," he said.

Dingell expressed fear that huge Japanese and European companies would buy up the nation's banks if provisions mixing banking and com-

merce were approved.

"Corporate America loaded up its balance sheets with debt in the 1980s. It does not have the capital to buy our banks," he said.

The chairmen of the House and Senate Banking committees said they favored tightening oversight of the banking industry first and delaying consideration of proposals to restructure the financial system.

"The barriers between banking and commerce have served the nation well," said Sen. Donald W. Riegle Jr., D-Mich., chairman of the Senate banking panel. "I personally am inclined to think it may be better

to wait to consider these portions of the administration's proposal until we actually have reformed the deposit insurance system and improved the way we supervise the nation's banks."

Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, chairman of the House Banking Committee, said the administration package exhibits "the same cart-before-the-horse mentality which plagued the deregulation of the savings and loan industry."

Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady, in an interview with a small group of reporters Tuesday, acknowledged the administration

Seven Arizona lawmakers, others indicted in political bribery scandal

By LARRY LOPEZ
Associated Press Writer

PHOENIX (AP) — Seven lawmakers and seven others targeted in a police sting have been indicted on bribery and other charges, making Arizona the third state with a legislative corruption scandal in recent months.

A grand jury Tuesday charged that the elected officials accepted tens of thousands of dollars in cash from a flamboyant figure who said he was trying to get the votes needed to legalize casino gambling in Arizona.

The sting by Phoenix police resembles FBI efforts that resulted in lawmakers' arrests in South Carolina and California.

In Arizona, the seven lawmakers and the seven others — including political activists and lobbyists — were charged with conspiring to bribe public officials, launder money and file false campaign statements.

"We all have our prices," the indictment quotes Senate Majority Whip Carolyn Walker as saying as she allegedly accepted \$5,000 from a man she who called himself J. Anthony Vincent but whose real name is Joseph C. Stedino.

Stedino, who was not further identified, wore flashy clothes and looked like a movie version of a mobster, according to those who met him.

He also handed out bundles of cash, according to the indictment, including \$55,000 to House Judiciary Chairman Don Kenney, who allegedly stuffed it in a gym bag.

Rep. Bobby Raymond, who allegedly took \$10,000, was quoted in the indictment as saying: "I sold way too cheap."

Phoenix police and Maricopa County prosecutors refused to answer any questions about the 146-page indictment, the result of a 13-month investigation that began Jan. 1, 1990.

It was not immediately clear whether more people would be charged.

However, the indictment said some lawmakers approached by Stedino or others working for him took only a legally allowable \$220 campaign contribution. Still others refused any money and contacted authorities, the indictment said.

The indicted lawmakers included Mrs. Walker, Raymond and Rep. Sue Laybe, all Phoenix Democrats; Republicans Kenney and Rep. James Meredith, also of Phoenix; Democratic Sen. Jesus "Chuy" Higuera of Tucson; and Republican Rep. James Hartdegen of Casa Grande.

Walker did not return calls seeking comment, but Raymond's lawyer, Ken Freedman, said his client will fight the charges and will be "addressing each and every issue in a fair forum."

He also said that Raymond was upset that no investigator ever asked for his side of the story and wondered whether politicians who have urged curbs

on the power of prosecutors are being singled out.

"This is a political indictment hatched for political reasons," said Ms. Laybe, who is accused of taking \$20,000 in cash and promising to co-sponsor a bill on Stedino's behalf. Her attorney, Gary Peter Klahr, accused police of entrapment.

"I was just sucked in," Kenney said before the indictment was announced. "I'm just a victim. If I did something wrong, it was just stupidity, not consciously."

"I don't have any comment," Higuera said.

Hartdegen and Meredith had previously declared their innocence.

The others charged were: George Stragalas III, Ronald Tapp, Shirree Foster, Ernie Hoffman, David Horwitz, David Manley and Rich Scheffel.

Stragalas is the state Democratic Party's former executive director; Tapp is a bail bondsman; Ms. Foster is a staff assistant for the Arizona Chamber of Commerce; Hoffman and Scheffel are independent lobbyists; Horwitz is a lobbyist for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; and Manley chairs the Maricopa County Democratic Party.

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A variety of vegetables for Mediterranean soups

NEW YORK (AP) — Mediterranean cooking brings together three popular food trends — quick and easy cooking, all-natural ingredients and health awareness.

Mediterranean cuisine refers to the culinary creations of Italy, Spain, southern France, Turkey, Israel and the North African countries that border the sea.

Nuts, grains, spices, herbs, flavorings, olive oil and seafood are typically used in Mediterranean dishes. And because meat is scarce in the Mediterranean basin, this cuisine characteristically depends on an abundant variety of vegetables, including meat-textured vegetables.

Mediterranean cooking is healthy because it is high in complex carbohydrates and soluble and insoluble fiber. Mediterranean food is also low in saturated fat and contains moderate amounts of animal protein.

The following recipes for Basque Bisque and Mediterranean Minestrone are simple, healthy dishes designed to bring a taste of the Mediterranean into the home. The recipes are provided by the Frozen Vegetable Council:

puree into the casserole. Stir in the chicken or vegetable stock and half-and-half, and let the mixture simmer for 2 to 3 minutes.

Stir in the remaining corn, shrimp, salt, pepper and chives, and gently simmer until the shrimp are just cooked through. Do not overcook the shrimp. Taste for seasonings, then ladle the soup into bowls. Makes 4 servings.

MIGHTY MINISTRONE IN MINUTES

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/2 small green cabbage (about 1/2 pound), shredded
- 1 cup frozen onions
- One 9-ounce package frozen Italian green beans
- One 10-ounce package butter or lima beans
- One 10-ounce package sliced carrots
- One 16-ounce can peeled tomatoes, undrained
- One 16-ounce can cannellini, undrained and pureed or mashed until smooth
- 2 cups water
- 2 teaspoons dried basil
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

In a large casserole, heat the oil until hot. Stir in the cabbage and onions, and saute them over medium-high heat until the cabbage is wilted, about 8 to 10 minutes.

Add the green beans, butter beans and carrots. Pour in the tomatoes and chop them with a wooden spoon. Add the cannellini, water, basil, salt and pepper. Cover and bring the mixture to a boil. Reduce the heat and let the soup simmer for about 30 minutes. Taste to adjust the seasoning.

Serve with grated Parmesan cheese. Makes 4 servings.

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Add variety to Lenten meals

By THE CULINARY INSTITUTE OF AMERICA
For AP Newsfeatures

HYDE PARK, N.Y. (AP) — For those who observe it, the season of Lent approaches. During this 40-day period typically marked by fasting and abstinence, many people choose to sacrifice a certain type of food. For this reason, Lent is a perfect time to get creative in the kitchen by tackling some new recipes.

To begin with, Lent means no meat on Fridays. Joseph DiPerri, a chef-instructor in the Culinary Institute of America's Caterina de Medici Restaurant, which serves regional Italian cuisine, says too many people consider Lent a boring time for food.

"I grew up in an Italian family and I can remember well the time of Lent," DiPerri says. "The menus in my house were always different during Lent. They ranged from pancakes to grilled cheese to smelts to polenta."

DiPerri says the following recipes will add variety to Lenten meals. (And there's no reason why they can't be enjoyed year-round.)

PASTA E FAGIOLI (Pasta and Beans)

- 1 pound uncooked cannellini beans
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 3/4 cup minced onion
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 quarts vegetable stock or water
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary, or 1 teaspoon dried rosemary
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh marjoram, or 1 teaspoon dried marjoram
- 1 pound dry pasta, such as tubetti or ditalini
- Salt and pepper to taste

Place beans in a large pot or bowl and add enough cold water to cover beans. Soak beans overnight. Drain.

Heat olive oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add onion and saute until tender. Add garlic and saute briefly. Add beans, vegetable stock or water, rosemary and marjoram. Simmer, uncovered, until beans are tender, about 2 hours.

When beans are almost done, cook pasta according to package directions. Drain and add to beans. Adjust consistency with additional vegetable stock or water if desired. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Makes 6 main-dish or 10 appetizer servings.

BAKED STUFFED COD

- 3 tablespoons butter
- 1 medium onion, minced
- 2 stalks celery, minced
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, melted
- 2 1/2 cups seasoned bread crumbs
- 2 tablespoons sherry
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Six 5-ounce cod fillets
- Lemon wedges

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Place 3 tablespoons butter in a skillet over medium heat. Add onions and celery; saute until tender. Cool. Brush a baking pan with a little of the melted butter and reserve.

Combine bread crumbs with onion and celery mixture. Stir in the remaining melted butter and 2 tablespoons sherry. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Pack the crumbs on top of the cod fillets and place fillets in buttered pan. Bake in a 350-degree F oven until fish is just cooked through and crumbs are browned. Serve with lemon wedges. Makes 6 servings.

VEGETABLE STIR-FRY WITH SEAFOOD

- 1/4 cup peanut oil
- 1 1/2 pounds scallops
- 1/2 cup sliced onion
- 1/2 cup sliced red bell peppers
- 1/2 cup sliced green bell peppers
- 1/2 cup celery, sliced thin on the bias
- 1/2 cup mushrooms, quartered
- 1/2 cup snow peas, cut on the bias
- 1/2 cup sliced zucchini
- 1/2 cup scallions, sliced on the bias
- 1 1/2 teaspoons minced garlic
- 2 teaspoons minced ginger
- 3/4 teaspoon hot bean paste
- 3 teaspoons sweet bean paste

Heat peanut oil in a wok until it begins to smoke. Add scallops, half at a time, so as not to crowd the pan, and stir-fry until half cooked. Remove from pan and reserve. Stir-fry vegetables until crisp-tender. Return scallops to the pan with vegetables. Add garlic, ginger, hot bean and sweet bean pastes. Toss to blend. Serve with boiled or steamed rice. Makes 6 servings.



Celery Victor originated at San Francisco's St. Francis Hotel during the Victorian era. Lightly braised celery ribs are served cold with a tarragon-mustard dressing. The dish is garnished with pimiento strips, anchovy fillets, capers, and celery leaves.

Celery Victor reminiscent of cuisine of Victorian age

NEW YORK (AP) — During the Victorian era, celery was famous in a dish called Celery Victor, created by Victor Hirtzler, chef at the St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco. Celery Victor is still served at the hotel today.

Celery Victor is easy to prepare. Lightly braised celery ribs are served cold in a dressing seasoned with scallion, tarragon, mustard and black pepper. For authenticity, garnish the dish with pimiento strips, anchovy fillets, capers and celery leaves. Serve as an appetizer or salad. The following recipe is provided by the American Celery Council.

CELERY VICTOR

- For the celery:
- 6 large celery ribs, halved crosswise
- One 14 1/2-ounce can chicken broth
- 2 bay leaves
- 2 cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon tarragon leaves, crushed
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper

- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper
- For the dressing:
- 1-3rd cup olive oil
- 2 tablespoons white-wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon minced scallion (green onion)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon tarragon leaves, crushed
- 1/4 teaspoon dry mustard

In a medium skillet place celery, chicken broth, bay leaves, cloves, tarragon, black pepper and red pepper. Bring to a boil; reduce heat and simmer, covered, until tender, about 10 minutes. Let cool slightly; transfer to a bowl. Cover and refrigerate in broth until cold, about 2 hours.

Combine all dressing ingredients in a small bowl. Cover and refrigerate until serving time. Makes 6 servings.

To serve: Drain celery, discarding broth and spices; place in a serving dish; spoon dressing over celery, coating well. Garnish with celery leaves, pimiento strips, anchovy fillets and capers, if desired.

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Lifestyles

Newsmakers

Barry Gene Cadenhead of Pampa graduated from Texas Tech University at the end of the fall semester. He received a bachelor of science degree in agricultural economics.

Candy K. Thompson was named to the fall 1990 Dean's List at Arapahoe Community College, Littleton, Colo., where she is a sophomore elementary education major. She and her husband, Kevin, reside in Aurora, Colo. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Crouch and a 1983 graduate of Pampa High School.

Lefors resident, Jeffery West, is enrolled for the spring trimester at Oklahoma State University, Okmulgee. West plans to study diesel and heavy equipment technology.

Several Pampa residents qualified for the President's List for the fall 1990 semester at Texas Tech University. To qualify, the student must be enrolled for at least 12 hours of class work and score a perfect 4.0 grade point average. Those students were: Jason Becker, Ronnie Berry, Matthew Walsh, Kelly Wood, and Kambrina Winningham.

Students qualifying for the Dean's List which

requires a 3.5-3.9 grade point average and 12 hours of class work were: Donnie Berry, David Goode, Lisa Lindsey, Kelly Loter, Mark McKay, John Phillips, Joel Pratt, Chris Sumpter, Amy Turner, and Arvel Andrew Wilson.

Qualifying for the Dean's List from McLean was Danna Lynn Watson.

The 1990 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges includes Pampa resident Jane Heiring, a student at West Texas State University. For consideration, the nominees had to be full-time students, junior standing and a minimum grade point average of 2.75. Additional criteria included a demonstrated record of participation and leadership in academic extra curricular activities, service to West Texas State University and potential for future achievement.

Ms. Heiring is a senior elementary education major. She has been involved in S. O. S. (Students Offer Support), Dean's Round Table, Texas Student Education Association, Alpha Chi, plus Returning Students Organization.

Ware/Patterson on Thursday



Ware/Patterson will perform Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. at M. K. Brown Auditorium as part of the Community Concert series. The duo is internationally celebrated on flute and guitar, playing a wide variety of music.

Home inspection good for buyer and seller

WASHINGTON (AP) — You usually want an inspector's opinion of a house when you're considering buying, but an inspection can help you as a seller, too.

A pre-sale inspection can alert you to problems that could complicate a potential sale. "Correcting these problems early not only makes the property more attractive and desirable, it also simplifies the negotiation process when the time comes for the buyer's pre-purchase home inspection," says Rick Heyl, president of the American Society of Home Inspectors.

A buyer primarily wants assurance that the house is structurally sound and its electrical and mechanical systems are in good

condition, according to ASHI. And in a buyer's market, the prospective owner can be choosy, picking a home that doesn't require a lot of time and money to repair.

ASHI estimates that about half of all homes on the resale market have at least one significant defect, and nearly all homes need some maintenance and repair work.

Priority areas for repair are: — Improper grading and drainage around the house — the leading cause of foundation water penetration. ASHI inspectors term this the "Number One Problem." — Electrical systems with insufficient service to the house, inad-

quate overload protection, and amateur and potentially dangerous wiring connections. ASHI says these problems are relatively inexpensive to fix.

— Roofs that are worn or have improper flashing.

— Heating and ventilating systems without proper controls.

— Trees and shrubs that touch or overhang the house and need trimming.

— Windows and doors that need new caulking and weatherstripping.

— Gutters that need cleaning and repair or replacement, including downspouts and extensions for proper drainage.

— Bathroom caulk or grouting that is crumbling and needs replacement to prevent seepage and improve appearance.

The organization points out that looking after even minor problems can improve a prospective buyer's impression of the house. Sellers should remember to repair leaky faucets, tighten loose doorknobs, replace damaged screens and broken window panes.

Other items that will make your house more saleable include smoke detectors on every level, Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters in "wet" areas like kitchens, bathrooms and exterior outlets, and keeping flammable products away from heaters, water heaters and fireplaces.

Honor Roll

ST. VINCENT'S SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

First grade- A honor roll-Barbara Blaylock, Christopher Lewis, Andrew Persyn, Heather Ponce, Toby Meeks.
Second grade-A honor roll-Emily Hartman, Reece Hartman, Ashley Kimball, Isaiah Manzanera, B. J. Schuneman, Benjamin Williams, Timothy Williams. A-B honor roll-Ramon Hernandez, Braden Suttle.
Third grade-A honor roll-Rebecca Nolte. A-B honor roll-Carolyn Blaylock, Windy Wagner.
Fourth grade-A-B honor roll-Jeanette Silva, Kevin Persyn.
Fifth grade-A honor roll-Jason Cirone, Joshua Cummings, Micah Nolte, Brandon Richards. A-B honor roll-Amanda Sigala, April Martinez.
Most improved-David Sigala, Ashley Kimball, Ramon Martinez, Pamela Teakell, Amy Pyle.

Optimist Club barbeque raises funds for youth programs

Members of the Pampa Optimist Club will be conducting a fundraiser in association with their annual B-Team Basketball Tournament to be held Feb. 9, at the Optimist Park Gym located at 601 E. Craven. Club members will be selling barbeque sandwiches, hot dogs, chips, drinks, and goodies in an effort to raise money for repairs to the gym. "The money we take in for the player fees doesn't cover the additional gas and electricity expense we have during the 13 weeks of practice and games each year," stated Jim Davis, youth activities chairman. He also said, "The club strives to provide the best possible program while minimizing the player fees, however, this is becoming more difficult without the addition of fundraisers to supplement the funds needed to maintain the program." This year the Optimist Club has over 175 boys and girls participating in the basketball program. "This program, like many others, has relied on supplemental funding from the baseball program fundraisers," stated Garry Moody, program director. He went on to say, "We are trying to get each program to independently fund themselves and in doing so, we hope to increase the benefits each young person gets out of the program. The primary concern is to keep each program alive with the proper equipment and adequate facilities without the need to increase player fees which would eliminate the possibility of some students being able to participate."

The barbeque fundraiser will be held in the main meeting hall next to the gym, and will start at 11 a.m. The members will serve continuously throughout the day until the end of the last tournament game or until all the food is gone.

Texas Tech recruiting on February 9.

A recruiting representative from Texas Tech University of Lubbock, will be in Pampa on Feb. 9 at 6:30 to show films of the campus, university activities, and highlights of the Texas Tech football season of 1990.

All junior and senior high school students interested in attending Texas Tech should plan to attend the hamburger supper at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce recreation room. Texas Tech alumni and friends are also invited for the Dutch treat. Make reservations by calling Dr. Joe Donaldson at 665-1655 or Don Babcock at 665-8421.

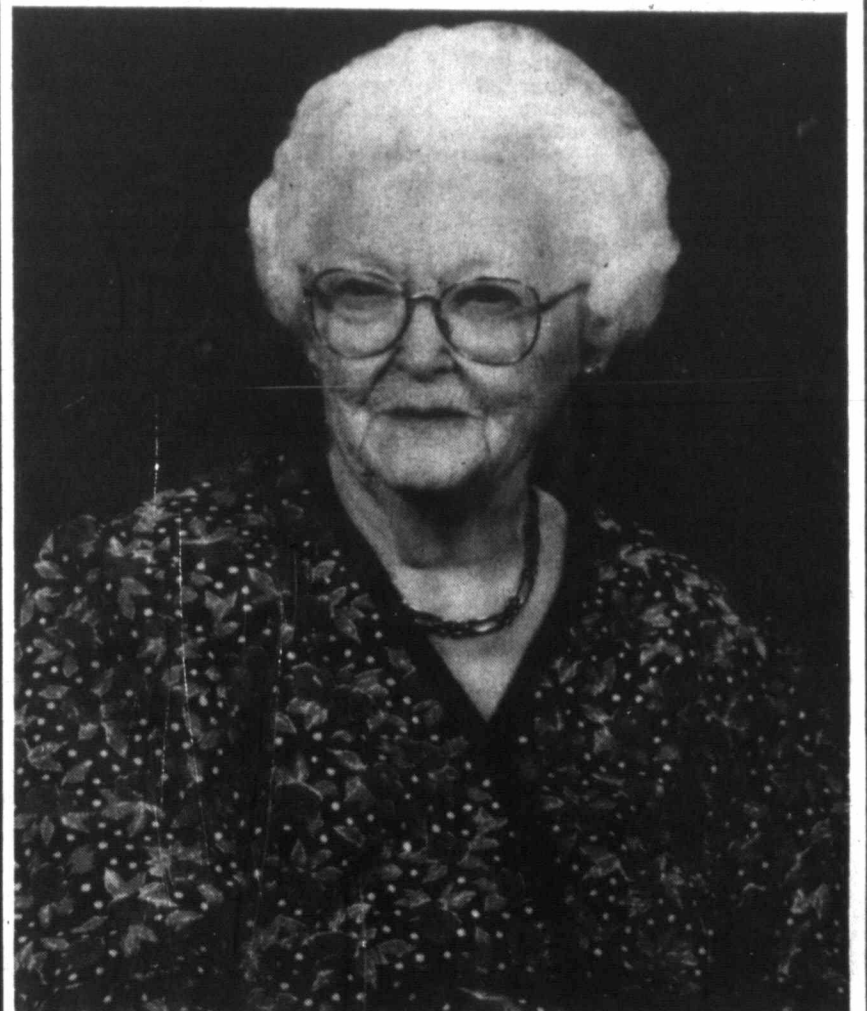
Versatile cocoa is low fat product

NEW YORK (AP) — Cocoa yields a deep, delicious flavor in brownies, cakes and cookies, says Eating Well magazine, with a lower fat content than unsweetened and semisweet chocolates.

Cocoa is also simpler to use and easier to store than chocolate, the magazine says.

Eating Well says almost all cocoa powder sold for home use has a fat content that ranges from 10 to 24 percent. Unsweetened chocolate is about 52 to 56 percent fat, the magazine says, while semisweet chocolate is about 36 percent fat.

Happy birthday to you



Mrs. Mattie Scott celebrated her 90th birthday on Jan. 24. She was born in 1901, in Mobeetle to Oliver C. and Martha Mayfield Elliott. She is the mother of three, George Gatlin and Anna Beth Carlin of Amarillo and Zelma Mikolajczyk of Houston. Mrs. Scott lived in Pampa from 1935 to 1975, and worked at the Pampa Airbase.

Piercing children's ears is cruel form of child abuse



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: You hear and read so much about preventing child abuse, yet one of the most common and blatant forms of child abuse goes on daily without comment.

I refer to the practice of piercing the ears of infants and small children who have no say in the matter, which is a terrible thing to do to a child. I have walked past shops in malls where this is being done, and heard little girls screaming. Forcing children to have a hole punched through a tender part of their bodies is cruel and barbaric.

I've seen children not yet 3 or 4 with several earrings in each ear, with a hole for each earring! There is no doubt in my mind that a small child experiences a trauma from this abuse at the hands of the one who is supposed to love and protect them. Americans laugh at pictures of Africans with bones in their noses, but parents who inflict a similar (though lesser) disfigurement on their own children are no better. Please comment.

JAMES R. NEWBY, VAN BUREN, IND.

DEAR MR. NEWBY: I agree. I, too, am opposed to putting a hole in a child's ear. And yes, I am aware that in some cultures it is a traditionally accepted practice. But in my view, children should not be subjected to this until they are old enough to make that decision for themselves. (And please, dear readers, don't

anybody bring up circumcision.)

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend surprised me with a diamond engagement ring for Christmas. It wasn't cheap by any means, but I hated it. Now the problem. I went to the jewelry store it came from and exchanged it for the kind I wanted—a solitaire.

I've been married before and I hated my first engagement ring, so this time I wanted one I really liked, so I got a solitaire. I love my boyfriend with all my heart, and I wouldn't hurt his feelings for the world, but I'm afraid I did. I could see the disappointment in his eyes when I told him I had exchanged my ring for a solitaire. He admitted he felt hurt, but he never brought the subject up again.

Was I wrong to have exchanged the ring? I've been put down by family members. What do you think?

PUT DOWN IN CANADA

DEAR PUT DOWN: To have exchanged your engagement ring without first discussing it with your fiance showed bad manners, poor judgment and a blatant disregard for his feelings.

(Problems? Write to Abby. For a personal, unpublished reply, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069. All correspondence is confidential.)

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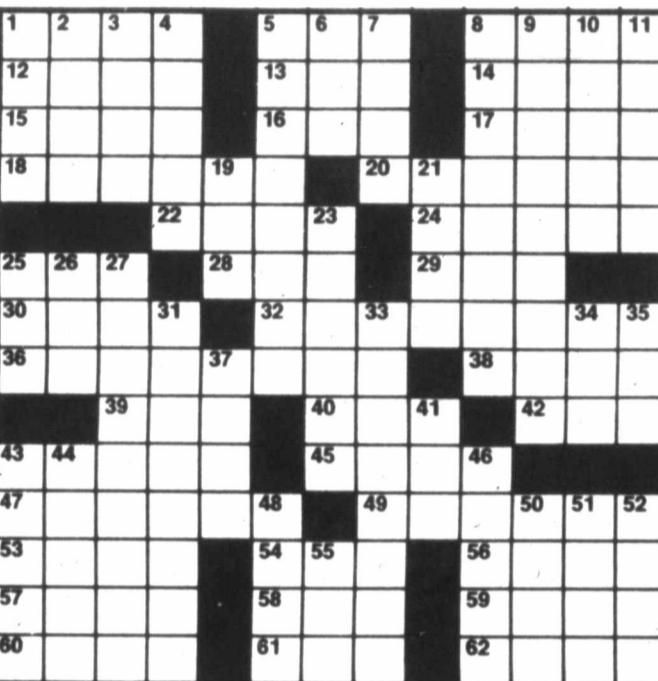
The World Almanac® Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- Drinks slowly
 - Actor —
 - Voight
 - Hissing sound
 - Precipitation
 - Yoko —
 - Hooklike parts
 - Not pretty
 - Garage contents
 - Holy image
 - Type of sword
 - Ripe
 - Float upward
 - Makes docile
 - Make brief note about
 - Wire measure
 - Coarse wool
 - Boorish arms
 - Hereditary makeup
 - Adam's
- DOWN**
- Close
 - Shakespeare

Answer to Previous Puzzle

PEPO	FUTURE
UTILE	EURASIA
GOLDA	ENDLESS
NEWTON	USEE
OSE	BAS
BUR	ROIL
WILLA	YOUNGER
ERUDITE	MILLS
BRA	DARN
OAT	OAR
PEAR	BREACH
EMBARGO	OTHER
EMULOUS	NEEDY
PATIENT	STIVE

- ACROSS**
- Compass pt.
 - Cunning
 - Young child
 - Aromatic seed
 - North Carolina college
 - Candid
 - Intention
 - Heating chamber
 - Comparative suffix
 - Father
 - Soldiers' meal
 - Stain
 - Soviet Union (abbr.)
 - If not
 - So far
 - Pierce with knife
- DOWN**
- Medicine pellet
 - More crafty
 - Jolliness
 - Clear
 - Day
 - Natural
 - condition
 - Appropriate
 - Currently in office
 - Tally
 - Trigonometry ratios
 - Blur
 - Rat —
 - Slip by
 - Container for cream
 - Unclose (poet)
 - Poor sound quality
 - Foolishness
 - Wine cabinet
 - Canal system in northern Michigan
 - Fast aircraft (abbr.)
 - Golf pegs
 - Over there
 - ... —
 - where the buffalo roam
 - New
 - Effort
 - Orderly
 - Haze
 - Celestial bear
 - Slav
 - Face part



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Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) It's best to keep things on a purely social basis with friends today. Make it a point to stay out of their commercial affairs and bar them from entry into yours. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Don't throw in the towel if you are confronted by a formidable obstacle today. You're much more clever than you may realize in circumventing obstructions that block your path.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) It may be necessary for you to review your options and revise your plans today in order to accommodate current developments. Minor changes can be handled constructively.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You should be able to skillfully manage arrangements which serve your personal interests today. However, if they are of a financial nature, the trade-off may leave you breaking even.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your judgment will be reasonably good today but, perhaps, not up to that of your mate's, particularly in regard to an important issue that your partner is more familiar with than you are.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This could be a very productive day for you, provided you do things at your own pace and with a minimal amount of supervision. Try not to call too much attention to yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Fun activities will be very helpful today in refreshing your outlook and attitude. If you get involved in something social that is competitive, don't make winning too important.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) The concerns of those for whom you are responsible should take precedence over your other interests today. However, it might be hard to keep priorities in order.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your possibilities for fulfilling hopes and expectations look very good today, provided you don't make impulsive changes once events are on a smooth track.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) When it comes to negotiating something of a material nature, you should be in your element today. Outside of the commercial arena, your judgment may be less dependable.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be extremely selective of associations today, because detractors will not differentiate between their behavior and yours. All will be tarred by the same brush.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It will give you greater feelings of gratification if you help where you know you are needed today — without being asked. Good things happen to good people.

MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong



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By Brad Anderson



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PEANUTS

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GARFIELD

By Jim Davis



Sports

Mason carries Mustangs past TCU Horned Frogs

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer
DALLAS (AP) — It took Tim Mason three days to redeem himself for "the rock."
On Saturday in Lubbock, Mason made a bonehead play that would give a junior high school coach nightmares.

Then he came back on Tuesday night to hit 8 of 14 shots and 3 of 4 free throws for 19 points to carry the Southern Methodist Mustangs to a 71-57 Southwest Conference victory over the Texas Christian Horned Frogs.

In the only other game involving a Southwest Conference team, Rice whipped Texas Wesleyan 80-66 in a non-conference game.

Mason said he and the Mustangs had to bounce back after they blew an 80-77 loss in double overtime to Texas Tech on Saturday.

Mason was the goat of that game as he got a technical foul for stepping out of bounds to intercept a Tech pass with one-second left.

Coach and the players said it (Moody Coliseum) was a hard place to play and they were right," Moton said.

dropped to 14-6 and 5-4.
SMU coach John Shumate said it was a gratifying victory.
"This group came back from a devastating loss Saturday with a lot of character," Shumate said.
"Timmy Mason had one breakdown but it was magnified because of the time of the game. You make a thousand mistakes in a game. Timmy will give you a lot more positives than negatives."

Shumate said he tried to turn the loss into a positive.
"Later that night I called each one on the team and just said 'let it go,'" Shumate said. "We had to regroup. We have a philosophy-yesterday prepares us for today, today for tomorrow and nothing is wasted."

SMU's tough defense held TCU to only 33 per cent shooting from the field, second lowest of the year for the Horned Frogs, ironically, the lowest field goal percentage this year was 317 against SMU in Fort Worth in January when the Frogs won 63-59.

Reggie Smith, TCU's high-scoring center was held to 5 of 15 shots from the field although he got a career-high 18 rebounds.
"SMU did a good job defensively," said TCU coach Moe Iba. "There are not many games Reggie plays like this."

Mark Moton led TCU with 16 points.

Bryson paces Villanova past St. John's, 61-51, in Big East battle

By JIM O'CONNELL
AP Basketball Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — It may not have been as big as his pregame speech before Villanova won the national championship in 1985, but Rollie Massimino used another of his motivational talks to get a big victory.

The Wildcats beat No. 8 St. John's 61-51 Tuesday night behind the 21 points of sophomore center James Bryson, seven times his scoring average for the season.

"I actually talked to James this morning and told him we want you to have a big game if you get into the ball-

game," Massimino said. "Then I told him I'd chew him out as soon as we got home and see if you respond accordingly."

That may not be quite what Massimino came up with before Villanova pulled the upset of the decade in beating Georgetown for the national championship six years ago, but it worked.

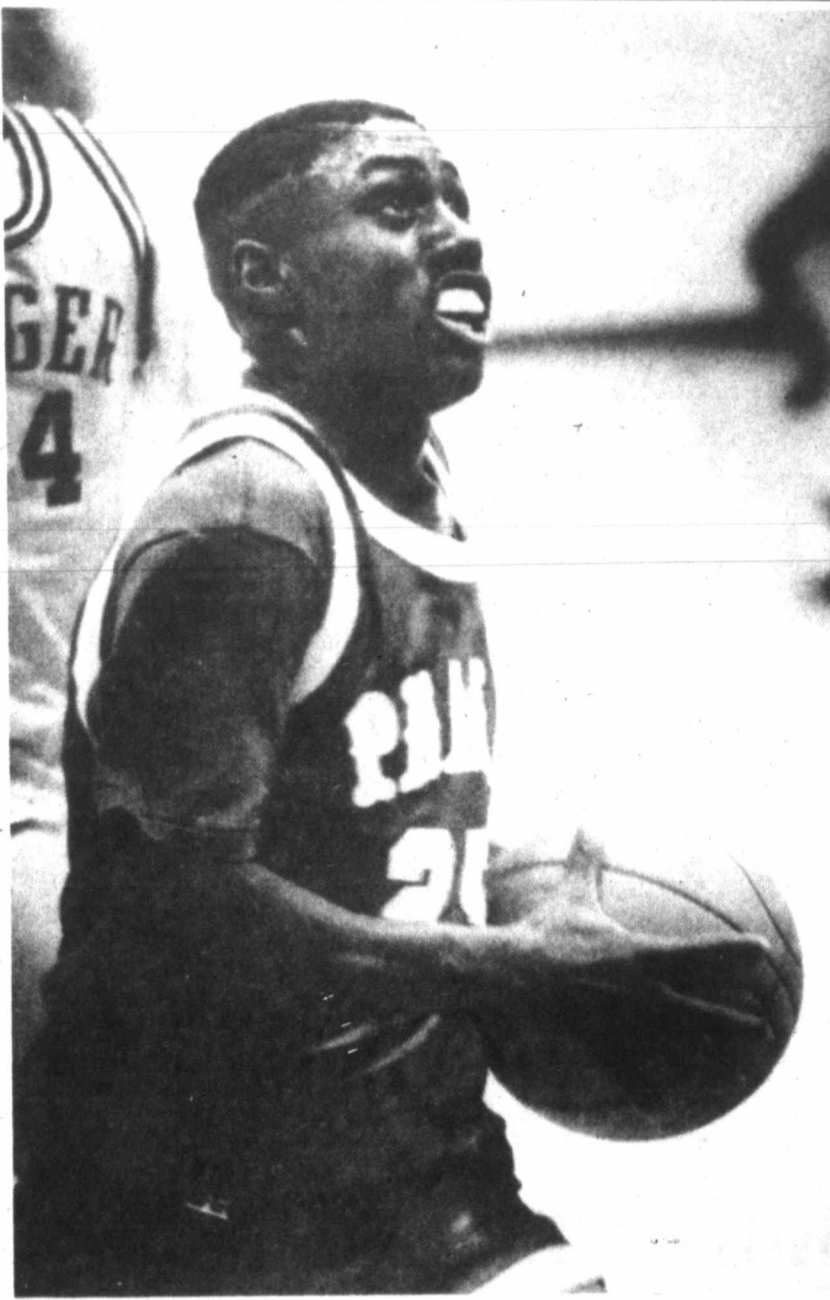
"They asked me to play aggressive and play hard, and that's what I did," said the 6-foot-10 Bryson, who had 57 points for the season entering the St. John's game and only seven of those in Big East games.

In other Top 25 games, No. 19 LSU beat Kentucky 107-88 and Kansas State trounced No. 23 Oklahoma 95-70.

As things fell for Villanova (12-9, 5-5), they didn't for St. John's (16-4, 7-4). The Redmen shot 34 percent (18-for-53) with leading scorer Malik Seal held to 16 points on 4-for-17 shooting.

St. John's looked in control with a 39-33 lead with 11:02 to play as both teams played the tenacious defense the Big East has become famous for.

The Wildcats then went on an 18-4 run over the next 6:34. The run started with six points on offensive rebounds and ended with 6-for-6 free throw shooting. In between, St. John's managed only a 3-pointer and a free throw.



Cederick Wilbon led Pampa's scoring attack with 22 points. (Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa boys nab 4A playoff berth

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

BORGER — Three weeks ago, Pampa whipped Borger by a whopping 34 points in the first half of District 1-4A play.

Pampa won again Tuesday night to clinch a playoff spot for a third consecutive season, but Borger turned out to be a much scappier bunch the second time around.

"Borger has a good ballclub," said PHS head coach Robert Hale after watching his Harvesters down the Bulldogs, 70-55. "Anytime you can win 18 games, you've got a good team."

Pampa led by only two, 18-16, in the first quarter and stretched that lead to seven (40-33) at half-time.

The Harvesters starting pulling away in the third quarter and built a 13-point bulge going into the fourth quarter.

"It was a pretty fast-paced game by both teams and that probably favored us a little bit," Hale said. "We did a pretty good job of rebounding and I think that helped us win."

Cederick Wilbon of Pampa and Bubba Newman of Borger shared scoring honors with 22 points each. Wilbon hit 10 of 17 shots from the floor and was 2 of 2 from the foul line.

The Harvesters shot well from the floor, downing 30 of 56 attempts from the floor for a 53.8 shooting percentage. The Harvesters were 8 of 14 from the line for 57.1%.

Borger connected on 24 of 57 tries from the floor for 42.1%, The Bulldogs were 6 of 14 from the charity stripe for 42.8%.

David Johnson and Jeff Young added 11 points each for the Harvesters, who are now 27-3 on the season and a perfect 8-0 in the district standings.

Jeff Isom added 17 points for Borger, which is 18-10 for the season and 5-3 for the season.

Pampa also won the junior varsity game, 65-46.

Chad Augustine had 17 points and Sammy laury 13 for the Shockers.

Miller led Borger JV with 14 points.

Pampa's next outing is Friday night at Amarillo Caprock with the game tipping off at 8 p.m.

Pampa	18	40	58	70
Borger	16	39	45	55
P — Cederick Wilbon 22, Jeff Young 11, David Johnson 11, Quincy Williams 8, Jayson Williams 8, Handy Nicholas 6, Paul Brown 2, Daniel Trejo 2; B — Bubba Newman 22, Jeff Isom 17, Danny Hart 8, Leroy Jones 7, Nathaniel Brown 1; Records: Pampa (27-3, 8-0), Borger (18-10, 5-3)				

Pampa, Borger girls tie for second in league race

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

BORGER — The Pampa and Borger girls' teams will have one more showdown.
Borger outscored cold-shooting Pampa, 22-7, in the second quarter enroute to a 60-47 win Tuesday night.

Pampa edged Borger, 55-54, in the first round of District 1-4A play on Jan. 19, and a win last night for the Lady Harvesters would have clinched a playoff spot.

Now the two teams must meet in a one-game playoff to decide the district's No. 2 seeded team.

Both teams finished the season tied for second in the district standings at 7-3. The playoff site has not been determined yet.

Pampa led 12-11 at the end of the first quarter, but Borger ran off 12 straight points to close out the first half with a commanding 33-19 lead.

"Playing Pampa is so scary because they have such a talented team. We were fortunate to catch them when they weren't at their best and our girls just played real well," said Borger coach Jill Rankin Schneider.

The Lady Bulldogs shot 43.1% (22-51) from the floor and were 9 of 13 (69.2%) from the foul line. A 46.8% (15-32) first half helped Borger jump out to a big lead.

Borger finishes the season with a 23-7 record.

The Lady Harvesters, going for their first playoff berth in school history, are 17-11.

Pampa lost the junior varsity game, 57-44, to Borger, but the local JV girls had already locked up the district championship going into last night's game.

According to coach Larry Dearen, it is the first time a Pampa girls' basketball team has ever won a district title.

Pampa JV team members include Veronica Santa Cruz, Latonya Jeffery, Kasey Bowers, Tamara Dreher, Alana Ryan, Crystal Mercer and Mandi Morris.

They finished the season with an 8-1 record.

Borger	11	33	45	60
Pampa	12	19	29	47
B — Susan McGregor 21, Melinda White 17, Erica Scott 7, Tiffany Robinson 7, Angela Becher 4, Tiffany Smith 4; P — Nikki Ryan 24, Amber Seaton 13, Kristen Becker 6, Christa West 2, Sheila Reed 2; Three-point goals — Borger: McGregor 4; Pampa: Becker 2; Records: Borger (23-7, 7-3); Pampa: (17-11, 7-3)				



Pampa's Nikki Ryan scored 24 points in losing effort. (Staff photo by L.D. Strate)

Scoreboard

Tennis

Feb. 8-9 — Wichita Falls Tournament; 15-16 — Abilene Tournament; 21 — Amarillo High JV, 4 p.m. away; 25 — Perryton, 4 p.m. home.
March 2 — Carrock and Tascosa, 9 a.m. home; 8-9 — Borger Tournament; 12 — Canadian, 4 p.m. away; 15 — Perryton Tournament; 19 — Borger, 3:30 p.m. away; 21 — Borger JV, 3:30 p.m. home; 29-30 — Hereford Tournament.

April 5-6 — Amarillo Relays; 12-13 — District 1-4A Tournament, at Pampa; 22-23 — Class 4A Regionals, at San Angelo

Football

By The Associated Press
Here are Wednesday's Southwest Conference football signings to national letters of intent.

BYLOR — Donnie Lawrence, lb, 6-3, 225, Kerrville-Tivy; John Turner, ol, 6-3, 255, Coppell; Louis Fite, rb, 5-7, 180, Waco; LaCurtis Jones, lb, 6-1, 200, Waco High; Kendrick Bell, db, 5-10, 175, Tyler Chapel Hill; Chad Boyd, de, 6-4, 215, Tyler Chapel Hill; Sherman Christor, de, 6-4, 220, Dallas Carter; Earnest Crowner, de, 6-4, 250, Ranger JC; Chris Dull, lb, 6-3, 225, Houston Northbrook; Raynor Finley, db, 5-10, 165, Houston Willowridge; Ricky Heard, ol, 6-5, 255, Forney; Phillip Kent, db, 5-8, 165, Houston Willowridge; Justin Still, db, 6-2, 200, San Antonio Clark; Jimmy Talbot, rb, 6-0, 200, Jersey Village; Byron Thompson, de, 6-6, 220, Killeen Ellison; Shawn Cravens, lb, 5-11, 235, Tyler JC; Albert Fontenot, de, 6-4, 240, Navarro JC.

TCU — Marcus Allen, lb, 5-10, 196, Aldine; Mitch Ashley, p, 6-0, 190, Nacogdoches; Angel Alvarez, wr, 5-8, 160, Mission; Joshua Coldiron, ol, 6-4, 270, Citrus (Calif.) JC; Derrick Cullors, rb, 5-11, 180, Richardson Lake Highlands; Marvel Hayes, db, 5-10, 175, Bay City; Duke Lamb, lb, 6-0, 227, Irving MacArthur; David Lewis, wr, 5-10, 165, Ellsworth (Indiana) Community College; Scott McLeod, qb, 6-1, 184, Jackson, Miss.; Steve Reed, db, 6-0, 177, Coffeyville (Kansas) Community College.

SKU — Shawn Couch, ol, 6-5, 255, Deer Park; Bryan Craig, dl, 6-3, 270, Norman, Okla.; Isaiah Nelson, db-rb, 5-11, 175, Orange; Kevin

Shepard, rb, 5-11, 180, Norman, Okla.; Brian Whitehill, lb, 6-1, 215, Saginaw.

TEXAS TECH — Jamie Gibbs, rb, 5-10, 180, Balingier; Larry Starr, lb, 5-9, 213, Coffeyville Community College (Kansas); Byron Baker, wr, 6-3, 190, Dallas Bishop-Dunne; Derrick Mitchell, wr, 6-0, 185, Joliet (Ill.) JC; Jay Clark, ol, 6-4, 260, West Texas State transfer; Mark Bounds, p, 5-11, 180, West Texas State transfer; Terry Bell, lb, 6-2, 190, Waco; Quincy White, de, 6-2, 230, Trinity Valley JC; Chris Kenney, db, 6-0, 175, Blinn JC; Derrick Johnson, lb, 6-2, 226, Temple University transfer.

APRIL 5-6 — Amarillo Relays; 12-13 — District 1-4A Tournament, at Pampa; 22-23 — Class 4A Regionals, at San Angelo

Transactions

BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE
BOSTON RED SOX — Agreed to terms with Luis Rivera, shortstop, on a one-year contract.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Agreed to terms with Jack Morris and Willie Banks, pitchers, on one-year contracts. Designated Chip Hale, second baseman, for assignment.

NEW YORK YANKEES — Named Glenn Sherlock manager, Ted Uhlander third base coach, Mike Brown pitching coach and Darren London trainer of Fort Lauderdale of the Florida State League.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
CHICAGO CUBS — Agreed to terms with Steve Wilson, pitcher, on a one-year contract.

CINCINNATI REDS — Agreed to terms with Norm Charlton, pitcher, on a one-year contract.

HOUSTON ASTROS — Named Ricky Peters manager of Auburn of the New York-Penn League.

NEW YORK METS — Agreed to terms with Darryl Boston, outfielder, and Chris Donnels, infielder, on one-year contracts.

Assistants taking over head coaching jobs in National Football League

By BARRY WILNER
AP Sports Writer

Bill Belichick is in at Cleveland. Rich Kotite has the job in Philadelphia. Richard Williamson is the man at Tampa.

Once again, the guys behind the scenes on the sidelines have risen to the apex of their profession as NFL head coaches.

Four head coaching jobs were available after the 1990 season, and three were filled by assistants. The other, with New England, went to Syracuse's Dick MacPherson, a former pro assistant.

two coaches with the Los Angeles Raiders since retiring, was elevated to the top during the 1989 season.

Anybody spot a trend?
"I think the key thing that anyone or any group has to do when hiring a head coach for any sport is to get the person who is right for that specific situation," said Eagles president Harry Gamble, who elevated Kotite from offensive coordinator when Buddy Ryan's contract was not renewed last month. "And while it might sound trite, that's the truth."

New York Jets GM Dick Steinberg, who chose Bruce Coslet off the Cincinnati Bengals staff after the '89 season, believes most teams follow a checklist on coaching candidates.

"The thing I see as a trend is that

people want coaches with NFL experience," he said, noting that before MacPherson only Jimmy Johnson of Dallas in recent years went from college right to a head coaching spot in the pros. Before that, John Robinson had the most success with the transition.

"If you put together a list of available people with NFL head coaching experience, it's a pretty short list. Bill Walsh obviously does not want to coach anymore, Dick Vermeil has been asked a bunch of times. Other guys have gotten a shot and didn't do it."

"Everyone would like to hire a highly successful NFL coach who has been a head man and they just are not available.
"Next, you might look at a col-

lege coach who has had NFL experience, knows the workings of the league and the style of the league and has proven he can handle the responsibilities of head coach.

"Next is a very bright assistant who you are rolling the dice on as far as his ability to handle the total scope of the head coaching job, but who has shown skills with Xs and Os," added Steinberg, who took that gamble on Coslet.

For the hotshot assistants, timing is everything. Belichick is a perfect example.

On Tuesday, he became the youngest coach in the league. At 38, Belichick made the big jump.

The interest in Belichick was strong enough that he also was interviewed by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. But they chose to stick with Williamson, who was 1-2 as interim coach after Ray Perkins was fired.

"It's not like I'm coming into a place completely new because I've been here for four years," said Williamson, hired by Perkins as a receivers coach in 1987.

Kotite couldn't have dreamed he was one year away from becoming a head coach when he was fired by the Jets after the 1989 season. But the Eagles players liked him, and when Ryan was released, the team desperately needed some cohesion and car-



Bill Belichick



Warriors' guard Tim Hardaway tries to get around the Spurs' Clifford Lett in NBA action Tuesday night. The Warriors won, 112-106.

Magic recovers quickly, leads Lakers to 16th consecutive win

By DICK BRINSTER
AP Sports Writer

NBA roundup

It will take more than a knock on the head to make Magic Johnson lose his effectiveness. And it will take more than 16 victories in a row to make the Los Angeles Lakers lose their perspective.

"It was no problem, and now it's back to playing basketball," Johnson said after scoring 22 points and handing out 13 assists as the Lakers beat the Los Angeles Clippers 116-102 Tuesday night.

Johnson showed no ill effects from a mild concussion sustained Sunday when he tripped and was accidentally kicked by Chicago's Horace Grant. Johnson, rendered unconscious for about a minute by that blow, took slightly less than that against the Clippers to show he was ready to play.

He sank a 3-pointer on his first shot 58 seconds into the game.

Then, when the Clippers threatened late in the game, he made quick work of them, scoring five straight points to put the game out of reach.

Despite their run, the Lakers are 17 victories short of tying their own NBA record set 19 seasons ago. And they're being realistic about it.

"We're not thinking 33 in a row because teams are too good now," Johnson said. "It will be tough for any team ever to do that."

James Worthy, who added 24

points, agreed.

"It's a great accomplishment to win 16," he said. "We must play one game at a time or we're in trouble."

Elsewhere, it was Atlanta 118, Cleveland 114; Detroit 107, Philadelphia 98; Orlando 118, New York 116; Minnesota 94, Utah 93; Dallas 114, Indiana 109; Golden State 112, San Antonio 106, and Phoenix 126, Denver 103.

Byron Scott added 21 points for the Lakers. Ken Norman had 23 for the Clippers.

Pistons 107, 76ers 98
Mark Aguirre came off the bench to score 10 of his 21 points in the fourth quarter as Detroit rallied to beat slumping Philadelphia.

Vinnie Johnson, starting for the injured Isiah Thomas, also had 21 points.

Charles Barkley, playing despite a sprained left ankle, had 23 points to lead the 76ers.

Hawks 118, Cavaliers 114
Dominique Wilkins scored 14 of his 40 points in the final 7:50.

Duane Ferrell's driving layup with 8:25 remaining broke a tie at 87 and gave Atlanta a lead it never relinquished.

It was the fourth road loss in a row and 22nd in 27 games overall for Cleveland, which got 28 points from Darnell Valentine.

Magic 118, Knicks 116

Scott Skiles sparked a 16-6 fourth-quarter burst and Greg Kite hit a layup with 37 seconds remaining as Orlando won for the third time in four games.

Skiles scored 23 points. New York got 28 points from Kiki Vandeweghe.

Timberwolves 94, Jazz 93

Sam Mitchell's 15-foot jumper with 11.4 seconds left capped a 22-point performance. Tyrone Corbin had 18 points and Tod Murphy 15 rebounds for Minnesota.

Thurl Bailey missed a 20-footer at the buzzer for Utah.

Karl Malone scored 29 points and Blue Edwards a career-high 25 for the Jazz.

Mavericks 114, Pacers 109

Derek Harper scored 24 points, and had a key steal and offensive rebound in the last 30 seconds as Dallas rallied in the second half.

Harper stole the ball from George McCloud at midcourt and fed Herb Williams for a decisive dunk and a 111-106 lead with 20 seconds left. Harper got his key rebound with 11 seconds left, and Dallas sank three free throws to hold on.

Warriors 112, Spurs 106

Chris Mullin had 32 points, including Golden State's first seven in the final period.

San Antonio was playing without point guard Rod Strickland and forward Terry Cummings.

Garner hits midcourt shot at buzzer to lift Kelton past Wheeler

Area basketball

By J. ALAN BRZYS
Sports Writer

A buzzer-beating three-pointer from mid court by Rodney Garner gave the Kelton boys a dramatic 61-60 win over Wheeler highlighting Tuesday night high school basketball games.

The game-winning shot was the second trey of the night by the senior point guard.

Kelton coach Mike Underwood, in a telephone interview this morning, said it was more than a nail-biter.

"We chewed it (our fingernails) clear off to the elbows," exclaimed Underwood as he described the heart-stopping finish.

The Wheeler girls handily defeated their Kelton counterparts 67-51 as Wheeler coach Jan Newland made liberal use of her reserve players.

The White Deer Bucks led by Allen Mercer (25 points) defeated a

fired up Clarendon team 59-53 in a contest marred by injury and foul trouble.

Clarendon point guard Lee Gage, driving for a layup with 3:05 left in the contest, broke a leg in a collision with White Deer's Rusty Gortmaker. Clarendon, already hampered by the loss of three players to fouls, was forced to finish the game with four players.

"When you play with four people, you can't expect to hold them off for very long," said Clarendon coach Monty Chapman. He said Gage is expected to be out for 8-10 weeks.

White Deer coach Clay Richerson described the game as "pretty physical," and said, "I hate that he broke his leg, he had 14 points to that point. We were down by five at that time, but I'd like to think we would have won anyway."

White Deer Does coach Doug Porter, speaking of his charges' loss to Clarendon, said the game was close until the last few minutes.

The Does were ahead 30-27 with five minutes to go in the game.

"They put a box-and-one defense on (Tracy) Lemons and it was effective," said Porter. He said poor free-throw shooting also led to the team's demise.

Canadian boy's coach Robert Lee explained a 72-66 to Panhandle, saying the team's 11 successful three-pointers wasn't enough to stop Panhandle's big man (Laramore 42 points).

"Everything he threw up went in," said Lee.

The Canadian Lady 'Cats "couldn't match up in speed and quickness" with the Panhandle girls, losing 64-47, said Canadian coach Don Drinnon.

Boys
Wheeler 14 31 47 60
Kelton 12 32 49 61

W - Brandon Chick 20, Rudy Rivera 14, K - Brian Walden 18, Bobby Buckingham 15, Brian Kirkland 13,

Rodney Garner 8. Records: Kelton (12-14, 3-6). Wheeler (6-13, 4-5).

Briscoe 20 42 60 80

Mobeetic 6 15 22 35

B - Daniel Gilmer 21, David Hale 21, M - Jackie May 20, Destrly James 9. Records: Briscoe (21-2, 9-0).

Panhandle 12 28 42 72

Canadian 19 27 42 66

P - Laramore 42, Howes 11 C - Joel Robbins 23, Nick Hiemstra 19. Records: Canadian (11-13, 2-2).

Panhandle (19-7, 4-0).

White Deer 8 24 34 59

Clarendon 10 26 43 53

WD - Allen Mercer 25, Brandon Carpenter 14. C - Lee Gage 14, Jonathan Stewart 13. Records: White Deer (9-17, 1-3). Clarendon (8-16, 0-3).

Lefors 8 12 23 44

McLean 29 43 56 73

L - Daniel 15, Cox 15. M - Sherman

17, Sullins 12, Northcutt 12. Records: Lefors (0-19, 0-9). McLean (8-6, 5-4).

Groom 11 36 57 74

Sammorwood 9 12 27 53

G - Mike Conrad 31, Jeff Fields 11. S - Hogan 24, Thompson 14. Records: Groom (20-5, 7-2). Samnorwood (7-16, 2-7).

Miami 12 32 55 75

Allison 16 30 39 51

M - M. Neighbors 27, D. Howard 11. A - Scott Dyer 16, Jody Powledge 13. Records: Miami (16-9, 8-1). Allison (9-15, 3-6).

Girls

Wheeler 25 35 55 67

Kelton 6 17 32 51

W - Bobby Kuehler 19, Lori Vanderpool 14. K - Susan Davidson 19, Lori Ray 16. Records: Wheeler (18-9, 9-0). Kelton (10-14, 5-4).

White Deer 7 14 26 32

Clarendon 4 14 26 38

WD - Tracy Lemons 13. C - McAner 10. Records: White Deer (6-19, 1-8). Clarendon (4-19, 1-8).

Groom 13 33 49 73

Sammorwood 7 15 24 45

G - Shannon Fields 32, Lesa Sweat 19. S - Lemley 19, Darrow 9. Records: Groom (22-4, 7-2). Samnorwood (10-15, 1-8).

Panhandle 19 31 46 64

Canadian 12 24 31 47

P - Ogletree 17, Link 16. C - Dondra Barker 10, Pam Goodwin 7, Kendra Harper 7. Records: Panhandle (18-6, 3-1). Canadian (12-13, 1-3).

Lefors 8 22 41 51

McLean 16 39 66 84

L - D. Davis 20, S. Davis 20. M - Melton 24, Magee 23. Records: McLean (16-8, 4-5). Lefors - (12-15).

Miami 12 23 31 42

Memphis 4 15 32 44

North Dallas girls' basketball program hangs on despite numbing losses

By BART HUBBUCH
Dallas Times Herald

DALLAS (AP) — The margin of defeat on this Wednesday night is 35 points, yet another loss to an opponent whose coach agrees to a running clock and benches his two best players.

Patricia Rodriguez is a three-year veteran of the North Dallas High School girls basketball team, so she knows the post-loss routine well. She tugs at her bright orange uniform and shakes hands quickly on the crowded floor of Forester Fieldhouse.

Walking toward the locker room, Rodriguez spots teammate Christina Herrera and breaks into a wide smile. The two girls hug as they run off together, giggling hysterically.

At North Dallas, they've learned to ignore the scoreboard.

"When it gets out of hand, you just want to laugh," Rodriguez says afterward. "I'll usually sing

something so I don't have to think about it. I never remember the scores anyway."

Basketball's version of ground zero has found a home these days in a cramped, second-floor gym at the corner of McKinney and Haskell.

Six girls make up North Dallas' varsity basketball team, including three who had never played before. Getting the ball past midcourt is an effort; rarely does the team score more than one or two baskets in a game.

The results, of course, are ugly and predictable. The Lady Bulldogs have lost 52 consecutive games by one count (school officials aren't sure of the total) and have not scored 100 points this season — in 20 games.

The losses, which come with numbing regularity, have grown progressively worse: Madison, 69-9; Carter, 63-2. Last weekend, Samuelli posted a 71-0 shutout.

With three games remaining, even their coach says a third win-

less season is unavoidable. Yet the North Dallas girls keep coming back for more.

"They're amazing sometimes," said John Heizelman, 42, the Lady Bulldogs' first-year coach. "They simply believe in the essence of sport, which is to compete. I wonder sometimes where they get their resiliency."

The reasons for North Dallas' futility are no mystery. The school of 1,400 students was moved from Class 4A to 5A this season, a year after four of the team's best players walked off the team after a dispute with the former coach.

The players later were suspended from spring sports and didn't return for basketball this season. Heizelman was left scouring the halls, trying to convince girls to try out.

"You could tell the first day we weren't going to win any games," said Herrera, a sophomore guard who played last season. "When I came out and saw

what we had, I just said 'Oh my God, this is going to be terrible.'"

She was right. The season started with the loss to Madison and nearly ended Dec. 27, after the Lady Bulldogs suffered through the opening day of the annual Dr Pepper Tournament. In one six-hour stretch, North Dallas played two games and was outscored 183-17 by Wilmer-Hutchins and Skyline.

"We played Wilmer-Hutchins in the morning, and I didn't want to go back out after halftime," Herrera said of the 128-7 loss.

The Wilmer-Hutchins loss continues to haunt Heizelman, mostly because he can't remember a more frustrating or humiliating moment in his coaching career.

North Dallas looked helpless against the Wilmer-Hutchins press and trailed 51-2 after the first quarter. Heizelman considered forfeiting at halftime but was convinced otherwise by tournament officials.

Arkansas has successful recruiting period despite 3-8 football record

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Arkansas may be coming off a 3-8 season, but the former Southwest Conference champs have attracted oral commitments from about two dozen high school football players.

However, two of the top linemen in Arkansas are going out of state.

Arkansas has also landed commitments from four junior college players, including a running back who broke several of O.J. Simpson's records. Three of the four don't count against the one-year limit of 25 signees because they're already enrolled at Arkansas.

Today is the national signing date but oral commitments aren't binding.

"There's a need at every posi-

tion," UA recruiting coordinator Harold Horton said. "We don't have a place on our team that we're two-deep by any means."

The Razorbacks, a charter member of the Southwest Conference, begin playing football in the SEC in 1992.

Quinn Grovey took virtually all the snaps at quarterback during 1990 and Horton said quarterback was a particular emphasis during recruiting.

The Razorbacks were close on Ryan Huffman of Houston Clear Lake and Kordell Stewart of Marrero, La. But Huffman has committed orally to Louisiana State University and Stewart is reportedly going to Colorado.

The Razorbacks have received commitments from quarterbacks Wilson Scott of Houston Madi-

son, Doyle Preston of Mount Vernon, Texas, and Kotto Cotton of North Little Rock, although Cotton could wind up at another position.

Inside Arkansas, offensive lineman Robert Woodus of Pine Bluff says he will sign with Miami and defensive lineman Leslie Ratliffe of Newport says he is going to Tennessee. Woodus is 6-foot-4, 268 pounds and Ratliffe is 6-9 1/2 and 280. Both were highly recruited.

The Razorbacks' junior college commitments include Freddie Bradley, a 6-foot, 207-pound tailback with 4.38 speed in the 40. At Moorpark College, Calif., he broke Simpson's national junior college records with 55 touchdowns, 342 points and 4,317

all-purpose yards.

He was contacted by about 50 schools and narrowed his choices to Arkansas, Arizona State, Houston, Washington State and Iowa. Bradley will not enroll until the fall so he counts against the Razorbacks' limit of 25.

The other junior college players are on campus. They are:

—Darren Cooley, noseguard, 6-3, 260, Coffeyville, Kan., JC.

—Tony Jeffery, running back, 5-8, 195, Coffeyville, Kan., JC.

—Jerry Freese, linebacker, 6-3, 220, Trinity Valley, Texas, JC.

The Razorbacks have also received oral commitments from:

—Raymond Baylor, linebacker, 6-0, 220, South Grand Prairie, Texas.

—Harry Brooks, lineman, 6-3, 255, Bay City, Texas.

—Brian Brown, wide receiver, 5-9, 172, Grand Prairie, Texas.

—Carlton Calvin, fullback, 6-2, 220, Keller, Texas.

—Kotto Cotton, quarterback, 6-1, 170, North Little Rock.

—Del Delco, defensive back, 6-1, 190, Katy, Texas.

—Lance Ellison, kicker, 6-6, 205, Conway.

—Oscar Gray, fullback, 6-3, 240, Houston, Texas.

—Eric Hobbs, linebacker, 6-0, 205, Pine Bluff Dollarway.

—Carl Johnson, wide receiver, 6-2, 210, Pine Bluff Dollarway.

—Willie Johnson, linebacker, 6-1, 205, Lufkin, Texas.

—Trent Knapp, linebacker, 6-1, 195, Sugar Land, Texas.

—Oscar Malone, running back, 5-8, 175, Gadsden, Ala.

—Verl Mitchell, lineman, 6-4, 245, Greene County Tech.

—Tony Nagy, lineman, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

—Ramon Okoli, lineman, 6-4, 285, Pulaski Robinson.

—Doyle Preston, quarterback, 6-2, 185, Mount Vernon, Texas.

—Jerry Pryor, fullback, 6-1, 205, Barton.

—Wilson Scott, quarterback, 6-2, 190, Houston.

—Gary Turner, running back-wide receiver, 5-10, 190, Fort Worth, Texas.

—Robert Williams, linebacker, 6-0, 207, Dallas.

—Vernon Wade, lineman, 6-4, 270, Lufkin, Texas.

—Waylon Wishon, lineman, 6-5, 225, Rogers.

—Tony Woods, linebacker, 6-2, 235, Thomasville, Ala.

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Colorado couple searches Mexico for missing child

By CHRIS ANGELO
Associated Press Writer

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The flyer Gil and Bernice Abeyta are passing out on their trip through Mexico carries a photograph of their son Christopher as a wide-eyed baby. The picture next to it, of him now as a 5-year-old, is a computerized projection. It's all they have.

The Abeytas haven't seen Christopher since he was abducted from their bedroom in Colorado Springs, Colo., on July 14, 1986, when he was seven months old.

Armed with the pictures and tenuous leads that he might be in Mexico, they embarked on a three-month journey of hope.

Near the end of their trip, the leads hadn't produced new clues about where their son might be. But they believe their meetings with Mexican officials may have spurred creation of a Mexican agency that could speed up location of missing children from both countries in the future.

"They already were thinking about it and had a plan," Abeyta said. "I think we did become a sort of catalyst, to stir up what they already knew."

With two years of savings and donations from friends, the Abeytas left Colorado in November, following up reports that there might be information about Christopher in the northwestern border state of Chihuahua and looking for other children from the United States.

What they found were many Mexicans who had lost their own children.

"Everyone we talk to has someone who has this problem," he said. "In Mexico there hasn't been an agency to work with and everyone is afraid to speak out."

Some of the Mexican children end up in the United States, he said, but there is no clearing house for information from the two countries as there is with Canada, and no bilateral agreement on finding and returning the children from either country, he said.

A study of 3,200 to 4,600 abductions of children by people not related to them found 200 to 300 were not returned within a short period, the National Center for Missing Children in Washington said. The study of 1988 abductions was released in 1990.

There's no corresponding figure for Mexico.

"There isn't a person in Mexico

who can tell us that and that's part of the problem," Abeyta said.

Mexican newspapers and radio stations regularly carry reports of missing children and adults. Photos and letters or short notices seeking for information about someone who left for school, work, the store or a bus and never returned appear in newspapers almost daily. But police, the only agency to deal with the problem, may ask a fee to search and offer little hope, the Abeytas were told.

After traveling through much of Mexico, they believe that "every half hour a child is either kidnapped, exploited or killed in Mexico. That's conservative," Abeyta said.

Working their way down the west side of Mexico with two other couples and joined by a doctor from Chihuahua, the Abeytas stopped in state capitals and other cities, met with governors, mayors, police chiefs and family welfare officials and had newspaper and television interviews.

In Mexico City, they met twice with District Attorney Ignacio Morales Lechuga and talked with other officials before leaving to cover the southern and southeastern part of the country.

Even if there is no official action, they are leaving behind a network of people to contact when there's a report that a missing child has been seen, what's known as a "sighting," or simply a tip about where one might be.

"They're sensitive people who have lost children themselves," he said of the contacts. "At least we're building a small network of people. Later on, hopefully, what we're going to have is a toll free number."

The network, he said, could keep families from making long trips into Mexico only to find they were chasing false tips.

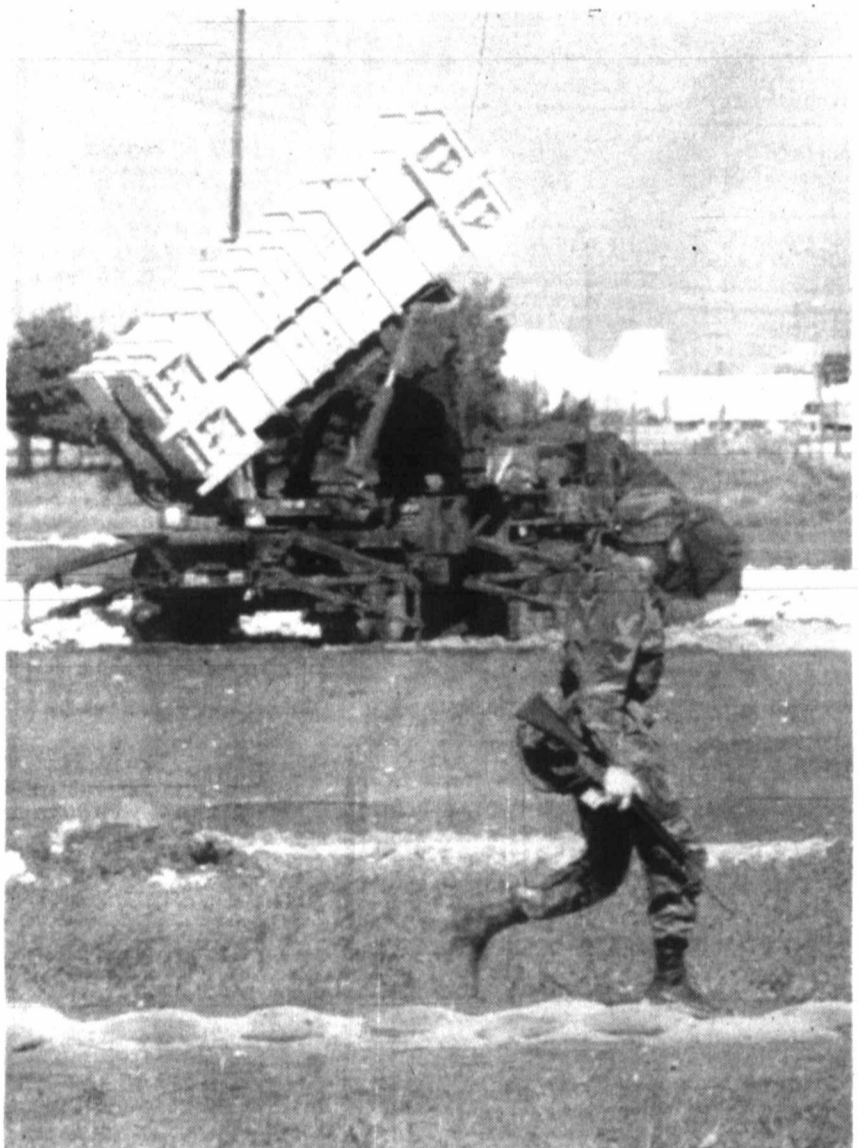
The drawing of Christopher used computerized projections from his baby pictures and physical characteristics of the Abeytas and their six other children, aged 19 to 27.

Used to noises from the other children, they were sleeping soundly when he was taken from their bedroom.

Abeyta, who has worked in administration and personnel for the Labor and Transportation departments in Colorado Springs and California, took a leave from his job to look for Christopher.

"A job I can always get, a son I can't," he said.

Scud watch



(AP Laserphoto)

A U.S. soldier walks past one of the Patriot missile batteries protecting the Tel Aviv, Israel, area against Iraqi Scud missiles. The exact location of the batteries cannot be given because of censorship regulations preventing revealing the location to the Iraqi forces.

Energy Department clears way for initial digging on tunnel at super collider site

WASHINGTON (AP) — Construction of a 54-mile tunnel around Waxahachie will not harm the environment, the Energy Department announced Tuesday in a study that allows digging for the superconducting super collider to begin.

Although the final environmental impact statement has been signed by Energy Secretary James Watkins, actual construction of the oval tunnel is months away, a congressman said Tuesday following DOE's announcement that the review had been completed.

Rep. Joe Barton, R-Ennis, said completion of the study "is the major green light for the project to begin serious construction."

Although construction of surface buildings had been allowed prior to completion of the study, the review was necessary to clear the way for digging the tunnel, Barton said.

"This record of decision actually says all planned construction of ... the entire SSC does not have an adverse impact on the geology, hydrology, air quality, radiation, vegetation, every aspect of the environment," Barton said.

"It is a major milestone ... I consider this the most significant decision to date on the project, other than the decision to build the SSC, and to build it in Texas."

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