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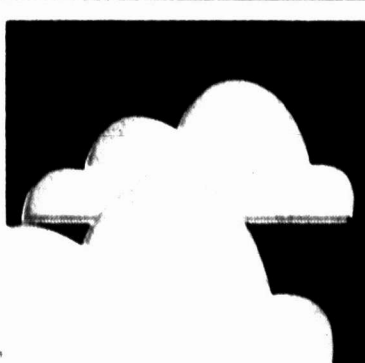
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**PAMPA** — The traffic light at the intersection of Highway 60 and Highway 70 was reported damaged Saturday when a motor vehicle struck a pole, according to Jerry Raines, area engineer with the Texas Department of Transportation. Raines said a new pole has been ordered to replace the one destroyed in the incident. Until the pole is replaced, stop signs have been placed at the 4-way intersection. Motorists are urged to be cautious at the intersection. An accident report regarding the incident was not available.

**LUBBOCK (AP)** — A West Texas man died in a weekend car crash along Interstate 27 in Lubbock.

Craig Stuart Flynn, 33, died Sunday after the car in which he was a passenger smashed into a guard rail along the interstate.

Flynn was in the back seat of a 1992 Toyota Tercel as the driver, Karl James Marsh, 24, traveled west on a flyover onto South Loop 289 shortly after 2 a.m., police said.

The car struck the southeast guard rail, and the vehicle's entire left side was torn away, police reports stated.

Flynn, of Lubbock, died in surgery at University Medical Center shortly after he arrived.

Marsh was also taken to UMC, where he remained in satisfactory condition. Police noticed two empty beer cans on the car's floorboard. Alcohol may have been a factor in the wreck, report said.

- Omagene Grogan Blake, 91, retired nurse.
- Elden Dan Cassetty, 69, retired farmer.
- Abbie 'Happy' Kennon, 82, homemaker.

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## White Deer board oks teacher pay cut

### New hires only will be affected

By KEITH ANDERSON  
Staff Writer

The pay of incoming White Deer ISD teachers will be cut in the wake of financial problems fueled by declines in enrollment and tax revenues.

That was the unanimous vote Monday night of the White Deer ISD board which met in regular session before a standing-

room-only crowd.

Business Manager Jack Back told the board White Deer ISD will operate at a \$300,000 deficit this school year. The projected budget of \$3,591,000 exceeds the projected revenues of \$3,296,000.

In cutting the pay of incoming teachers, the board approved paying them \$1,500 above the state minimum, whether the incoming teacher has a bachelors degree or a masters degree.

Currently, teachers with a bachelors degree are paid \$2,000 above the state minimum, and teachers with a masters degree are paid \$3,000 above the state minimum.

The annual state-mandated minimum

pay for a first-year teacher for the current school year is \$25,000.

Substitute teacher pay for the next school year was increased by \$5 a day.

In other action, the board approved Option 3, meaning that if the district is labeled a Chapter 41 district — a wealthy district — then the district would send money to the state, rather than sending money to the Groom ISD, as it did in the past when the state labeled WDISD a rich district. The option actually allows WDISD to keep more money.

The board approved a May 6 board election date and named Walt Barnett of Skellytown, and Linda Kalka of White Deer election judges.

The board approved an extra \$500 for a student senior trip, bringing the total the district will pay to \$1,500.

The calendar for the 2000-2001 school year was approved.

The board extended the contracts of WDHS Principal Danny Ferrell, WD Elementary Principal Jeff Nicklas, and Skellytown Elementary Principal Kay May.

Breakfast and lunch prices were increased for the 2000-2001 school year at least 25 cents. The regular student breakfast went from 45 cents to 65 cents. The regular student lunch for grades K-4 went from \$1 to \$1.25, and the regular student (See WHITE DEER, Page 2)

## Jury renders \$143,000 award for ranch blaze

"Everybody's happy and unhappy with the verdict," Southwestern Public Service attorney Marty Jones said.

A six-man, six-woman Roberts County jury found that SPS was not negligent, that is, that SPS was not responsible for the Feb. 22, 1996 fire that burned 5,353 acres in Roberts County, but that SPS did "trespass" the Payne Ranch.

"Trespass is causing a thing, in this case a fire, to go onto somebody's property without permission," Jones said.

The jury awarded the owners of the Payne Ranch — Eddie, Salem, and Jason Abraham — \$143,500. The figure was much less than the \$615,000 the Abrahams were asking.

"It was a strange verdict," Jones said. "I don't know what the judge [31st District Judge Steven Emmert] will do with it."

Jones was making reference to the possibility the judge could alter the jury award.

"I'll tell you this, though," Jones added. "Both parties have agreed to sit down and discuss a settlement."

The Abrahams contended that power lines were improperly secured to a utility pole, that SPS (now New Century Energies) did not follow its own specifications.

Officials ruled downed, arcing power lines as the cause of the fire.

## Sober enters plea of not guilty to DWI

Justin David Sober, awaiting trial in the intoxication manslaughter death of a Pampa girl, pleaded not guilty today to charges of driving while intoxicated.

Sober, 23, was charged with driving while intoxicated - subsequent offense after being stopped by Pampa police Friday night, Jan. 21, in the 2100 block of North Nelson.

Officers said Sober was stopped for having a faulty tail light. Sober was also cited for driving with a suspended driver's license and having an open container of alcohol in the vehicle.

Authorities said officers smelled alcohol when they approached the GMC pickup Sober was driving that night. A juvenile girl in the pickup was not detained, officers said.

Sober also faces charges of intoxication manslaughter in connection with a traffic crash that killed a Pampa girl on May 30. He has been held in the Gray County jail since his arrest Jan. 21, after being denied bond, District Attorney John Mann said.

(See SOBER, Page 2)

### Flags a-flappin'



(Pampa News photo by Keith Anderson)

Pampa wind suits peddler Arnold Morse of Amarillo just fine. Morse brought his flag and rug business here this week. Meanwhile, an American Flag near Freedom Museum pays tribute to President's Day Monday.

## PISD, city candidate filing open

Applications are now being accepted for places on the ballot for Pampa City Commission and Pampa Independent School Board.

The positions now held by Jeff Andrews, commissioner of Ward 2, and Faustina Curry, commissioner of Ward 4, will be on the city commission ballot.

The terms of school trustees, Sue Fatheree and

Lee Porter are expiring. Fatheree represents Place 4 and Porter, Place 5.

Applications in the city commission race may be obtained by contacting City Secretary Phyllis Jeters. Personnel Director Jack Bailey should be contacted for an application in the PISD race.

Deadline for filing a candidate application is March 22. Both elections will be May 6.

## Quite frankly... With gasoline prices so high, have you cut back your driving?



"I haven't. It still needs to be done."  
— Ann Franklin



"No. Until the price gets a whole lot more, I wouldn't consider limiting the use of vehicles."  
— Robert Henderson



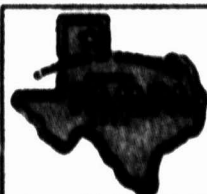
"No. I still have to get back and forth to work."  
— Gaye Mears



"No. Oil has been too cheap anyway."  
— Charles Matson



"No. I just charge it."  
— Toni Engle



Mark your calendars now for the Chamber's first Prayer Breakfast to be held March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000 at 7:00 a.m. -- It will be held in the M.K. Brown Room at the Chamber of Commerce Building. Please RSVP at 669-3241. Open to the Public.



# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**CASSETTY**, Elden Dan — 10:30 a.m., First Baptist Church, Vega.

## Obituaries

### OMAGENE GROGAN BLAKE

**SHAMROCK** - Omagene Grogan Blake, 91, died Sunday, Feb. 20, 2000. Services were to be at 10:30 a.m. today in First United Methodist Church with Joe G. Jernigan, pastor of Calvary Christian Fellowship Church, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mrs. Blake was born in 1908 at Marietta, Okla., to Thomas Luther Daniel and Yola Sadler Daniel. She moved to Shamrock as a child and graduated from Shamrock High School in 1927. She attended nursing training at Baptist General Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

She married Tom Blake in 1963 at Pampa; he died in 1989. She was a nurse at Shamrock General Hospital and worked for Dr. Hammer in Shamrock prior to retiring in 1963. She moved to Abilene in 1987.

She belonged to First Baptist Church of Shamrock and joined First United Methodist Church in Abilene.

Survivors include a daughter, Margaret Grogan of Clyde; a son, Dan Grogan of Rancho Atascadero, Calif.; a sister, Clifene Hiatt of Tulsa; a brother, T.M. Daniel of Amarillo; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Windcrest Alzheimer's Care Center, 6050 Hospital Dr., Abilene, TX 79606; or to a favorite charity.

### ELDEN DAN CASSETTY

**VEGA** - Elden Dan Cassetty, 69, father of a Pampa resident, died Sunday, Feb. 20, 2000. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. James Peach and the Rev. Mark Phillips, a United Methodist minister, officiating. Burial will be in Vegas Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Vega Funeral Home.

Mr. Cassetty was born at Whitewright. He married Wilma Darlene Pierce in 1953 at Hale Center; she died in 1983. A Vega resident since 1961, he was a retired farmer, a past master of Vega Lodge #899 and a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Brenda Linn of Vega and Cindy Cassetty of Pampa; two sons, Randy Cassetty of Vega and Dan Cassetty of Bushland; four sisters, Mildred Biffle, Vera Choat and Betty Clark, all of Lubbock, and Thelma Comrie of Murrieta, Calif.; three brothers, Leon Cassetty of Princeton, George Cassetty of Vega and Bill Cassetty of Broken Arrow, Okla.; and four grandchildren.

The family will be at 404 N. Main and requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176-0001; or to Memorial Park Cemetery, P.O. Box 496, Vega, TX 79092.

The body will be available for viewing until 7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

### ABBIE 'HAPPY' KENNON

**MEMPHIS** - Abbie "Happy" Kennon, 82, mother of a Pampa resident, died Sunday, Feb. 20, 2000. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in First Baptist Church with Tom Posey officiating and the Rev. O.K. Bowen assisting. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Memphis Funeral Home in Memphis.

Mrs. Kennon was born May 10, 1917, at Quanah, to Thomas Louis Gober and Alice Tennessee Long Gober. She married Lawrence Kennon on Aug. 11, 1934, at Memphis; he preceded her in death. She had been a Memphis resident for the past 66 years. She was a homemaker and belonged to Rebecca Lodge and First Christian Church.

She was also preceded in death by two sisters and a brother.

Survivors include five daughters, Betty Jarrel of Memphis, Jo Ann Williamson of Panhandle, Patsy Youree of Pampa, Shirley Dunn of Clovis, N.M., and Carolene Young of Blackfoot, Idaho; a son, Lawrence Kennon of Perryton; 13 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be in lieu of flowers to Fairview Cemetery Association or to a favorite charity.

## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following offenses for the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Sunday, Feb. 20

An individual was assaulted in the 1100 block of South Wells. A scratch to the right side of the face, a bruised area under the left eye, a cut in the left portion of the upper and inner lip, and hair pulled from the top of the victim's head, were among the injuries reported in the offense report. A suspect was arrested.

### Monday, Feb. 21

Taylor Mart at 600 E. Frederic reported a gas drive-off. The gas was valued at \$17.89. Allsups at Wilkes and Faulkner reported a gas drive-off. The gas was valued at \$10.

## Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

## Fires

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

### Monday, Feb. 21

8:34 a.m. — One unit and a total of seven personnel responded to the city landfill for a standby.  
4:15 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to a grassfire behind three residences in the 1100 block of Prairie Drive.  
5:53 p.m. — One unit and two personnel again responded to a grassfire in the 1100 block of Prairie Drive when it reignited.  
11:15 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 400 block of Red Deer for a CO check. None was detected.

## Ambulance

Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Monday, Feb. 21

9:26 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Baptist St. Anthony West and transported one to a local nursing facility.  
9:50 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1700 block of Aspen and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.  
2:00 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to BSAW and transported one to a local nursing facility.  
2:53 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1600 block of Hamilton and transported one to PRMC.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atchafalaya Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	2.23
Milo	2.96
Corn	3.40
Soybeans	4.25

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

Occidental	17 5/16	up 1/16
Fidelity Magell	126.96	
Puritan	17.87	

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

Amoco	45	dn 1/8
Arco	66 1/8	dn 2/16
Cabot	22 3/8	up 5/16
Cabot O&G	14 9/16	up 1/16
Chevron	75 3/4	dn 7/16

## Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	1-800-750-2520
Water	669-5830

# Galileo's computers still working after flyby.

**PASADENA, Calif. (AP)** — NASA's aging Galileo spacecraft today swept closer than ever before past Jupiter's volcanic moon Io, surviving the intense radiation without the computer shutdowns that marred previous encounters.

The 2 1/2-ton, \$1.4 billion orbiter flew within 124 miles of Io's surface at 6:32 a.m. PST, taking images and measurements of what is believed to be the most volcanically active world in the solar system.

"It looks like it went pretty well," said Jim Erickson, Galileo's project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. "We don't see any issues, and everything seems to have been done fine. This is one of the lucky ones."

Controllers had received much of the telemetry data within two hours of the flyby, and there were no indications that the radiation in the area of Jupiter's nearest

moon affected the probe. It takes 42 minutes for a signal from Galileo to reach Earth.

"No 'safings'," he said today, meaning that the computers didn't close down into safe mode. "No nothing. It did the job right."

Scientists are hoping to see how the moon has changed since two previous Io encounters in October and November, said Duane Bindschadler, Galileo's manager for science planning and operations at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

"We are looking at some areas we haven't seen at this high a resolution before," he said earlier. "The other thing we're doing is targeting the particularly active volcanoes, and hoping to see active lavas on the surface."

Using a myriad of instruments, scientists aimed to measure the temperature and potentially the composition of the lava on the fiery moon, he said. The readings and images will be returned over

the next several weeks.

Galileo is now on its second extended mission since completing its primary goals in 1997. Fuel for maneuvering is running low, navigation equipment is failing and the probe has encountered twice as much radiation as it was designed to withstand.

Mission officials, acknowledging that their plucky probe will not last forever, are incrementally increasing the danger of its encounters in an effort to squeeze it for as much scientific information return as possible.

"The possibility that there is going to be a failure is always there," Erickson said earlier. "We're way past warranty and we're incrementally pushing our luck, but that's a good thing to do."

Galileo, which was launched in 1989, flew within 380 miles of Io in October, revealing more than 100 volcanoes, some of which spewed 2,700-degree lava and vented gases miles into space.

## White Deer

lunch for grades 5-12 went from \$1.25 to \$1.50. "A" honor roll students from WD were recognized, as well as Skellytown and WD science fair

winners. Band student Tiffany Britten was recognized for placing 26th out of 40 of the best clarinet-players in the entire state of Texas. Skellytown Elementary/Junior High School was recognized for outstanding academic performance for Title I schools.

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## SOBER

Sober was indicted by a Gray County grand jury on July 6, in connection with a one-vehicle crash that killed Stacey Kaye Sehorn, 19, on her Pampa

High School graduation weekend. Sober was free on \$75,000 bond in connection with the manslaughter case when he was arrested in January. Judge Steven Emmert denied bond today on the driving while intoxicated charges.

# Pampa teen's condition is continually improving

By NANCY YOUNG  
Managing Editor

Ski accident victim Montana Farnum is steadily improving in University Hospital in Albuquerque, N.M. from injuries he sustained in a Feb. 6 skiing accident near Red River, N.M.

Doug Pritchett, who is a family friend and Montana's employer, visited the teenager over the weekend at the Albuquerque hospital.

An active rodeo competitor, Montana also works part time for Pritchett at Circle C Feed Store.

He said Montana is now walking and talking, and continues to make steady improvement from the head injuries he received in the fall he took on the Red River ski slopes.

"His right side is not working as well as the left, but it is not

paralyzed," said Pritchett. He said as the swelling on the brain continues to go down, more functions are returning for the young man, and he remembers more.

"His recovery is not going to be fast, but he is coming along faster than they expected. We have to remember that he doesn't get everything back at once," said Pritchett.

He said Montana is working steadily in physical therapy, and will be swimming in rehabilitation this week. "His spirits are good, and he enjoys reading letters from all of you," he said. He said they saw improvement in the 24 hours they visited with him.

"He made jokes while we were there, and is doing really well," he said.

He said the doctors are steadily reevaluating Montana. "We are unsure how long he

will be in Albuquerque, but are hopeful he'll be back home in a few weeks."

Montana's sisters, Kim and Kristi, returned to Pampa with the Pritchett family for a few days. His mother, Deborah Farnum, remains in Albuquerque with her son.

Montana celebrated his 17th birthday in the New Mexico medical facility on Feb. 17. He is currently in a hospital rehabilitation center connected with University Hospital.

Cards and letters may be mailed to him at the Carrie Tingley Rehabilitation Center, Attn: Montana Farnum, Room 172A, 1127 University Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, N.M. 87102-1715. Pritchett said Montana has really appreciated the cards and letters, and has been very encouraged by the support from the people in Pampa and the area.

# Odds and Ends....

## Ballooning wants to circle world alone

**LOVES PARK, ILL. (AP)** — After several delays, balloonist Kevin Uliassi finally hit the cloudless Illinois sky, his hopes high of becoming the first to circle the world alone.

Uliassi, 36, lifted off in his 160-foot hot air balloon from a quarry about a mile northeast of Rockford just before 1 a.m. on Tuesday. He hopes to complete the journey in 14 to 20 days.

For Uliassi, a mechanical engineer and architect, completing the trip is simply an experience he doesn't want to miss.

"It's not so much why I want to do it again," he said, "but if I didn't do it, how could I live with myself?"

Uliassi was sidelined a year ago by bad health, bad weather and international politics when Bertrand Piccard of Switzerland and Brian Jones of Britain circled the globe in 19 days. He also was foiled in 1997 and 1998.

This year, Uliassi said, he's received clearance to fly over every country likely to be on his route. He plans to cross the Atlantic Ocean, fly over Europe and then head south over north Africa before continuing east.

## Free pastries mistaken as bomb at post office

**WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. (AP)** — A former employee caused a stir at his old office by dropping off a box of pastries for his ex-boss.

For a while on Monday, the box of sticky buns was mistaken for a possible bomb.

Officials said the man had been fired from the Lunaire Ltd. factory, and took no chances by clearing the area for two hours as a bomb squad rolled to the scene.

When police located the man, he told them his mother was starting a bakery business. No ill will was intended, he explained; he was just trying to give some free samples to his former employer.

Officers took him back to the factory and had him open the box. The man's name was not released.

Lunaire, which makes environmental testing chambers, sent its

factory workers home for the day and also called of its night shift due to the scare.

## Fifth grader starts petition for playground equipment

**VICKSBURG, Miss. (AP)** — Taking a cue from a recent social studies lesson, a fifth-grader started a petition to campaign for playground equipment.

Tyler Barrett went from class to class last week at Warren Central Intermediate School with notebook paper in hand. "We the people" was scrawled in pencil atop each page.

"We had just had some questions on petitions in social studies, but I already knew what a petition was," said Tyler, 10.

The school and a nearby elementary school opened in August without any playground equipment because construction ran behind schedule. School board members had said the classrooms were more important to finish before a playground.

Six months later, children are still playing on a few barren yards of dirt and brown grass.

"We have to play in this real small space right now," Tyler

said, "and all we can do is run around."

The boy collected 300 signatures. School board members praised the effort, but haven't promised any action.

## Bad drivers urged not to drive in Colorado Springs

**COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP)** — The sheriff's office has a request for the county's worst drivers: Don't drive.

Officials are working with the driver licensing bureau in Denver to get a list of all habitual traffic offenders in El Paso County, said Sgt. Bill Haragan.

"We hope to pick the worst of the worst and make contact with them," Haragan said.

Officers will then contact the worst drivers by phone or in person and ask them to stay off the roads.

Since last summer, officials say their overall efforts to target dangerous motorists have resulted in more than 700 arrests.

"Our hope is that we won't have to write another ticket for people driving under suspended licenses," Haragan said. "If we can get these people off the road in any way, that's our goal."

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## Weather focus

**PAMPA** — Clouds today with shower possibilities and a high of 68 with west winds at 25-35 mph. Tonight, fair and cooler with a low of 38. Tomorrow, a high of 62 and northwest winds at 10-20 mph. Yesterday's high was 50.

**STATEWIDE** — Warm temperatures were reported across much of Texas this morning, and much-needed rain began to fall.

Cloudy skies shrouded South Texas with temperatures ranging from the upper 50s to the upper 60s. Winds were generally out of the south to southeast at 5 to 15 mph. It was 54 at Houston's Intercontinental Airport and 70 at Laredo.

A trough of low pressure followed by a Pacific front will move across West Texas today. Skies were mostly cloudy at 5 a.m. with temperatures in the 50s. Wind was generally south-easterly to south at 10 to 15 mph but gusty near thunderstorms. Gusts

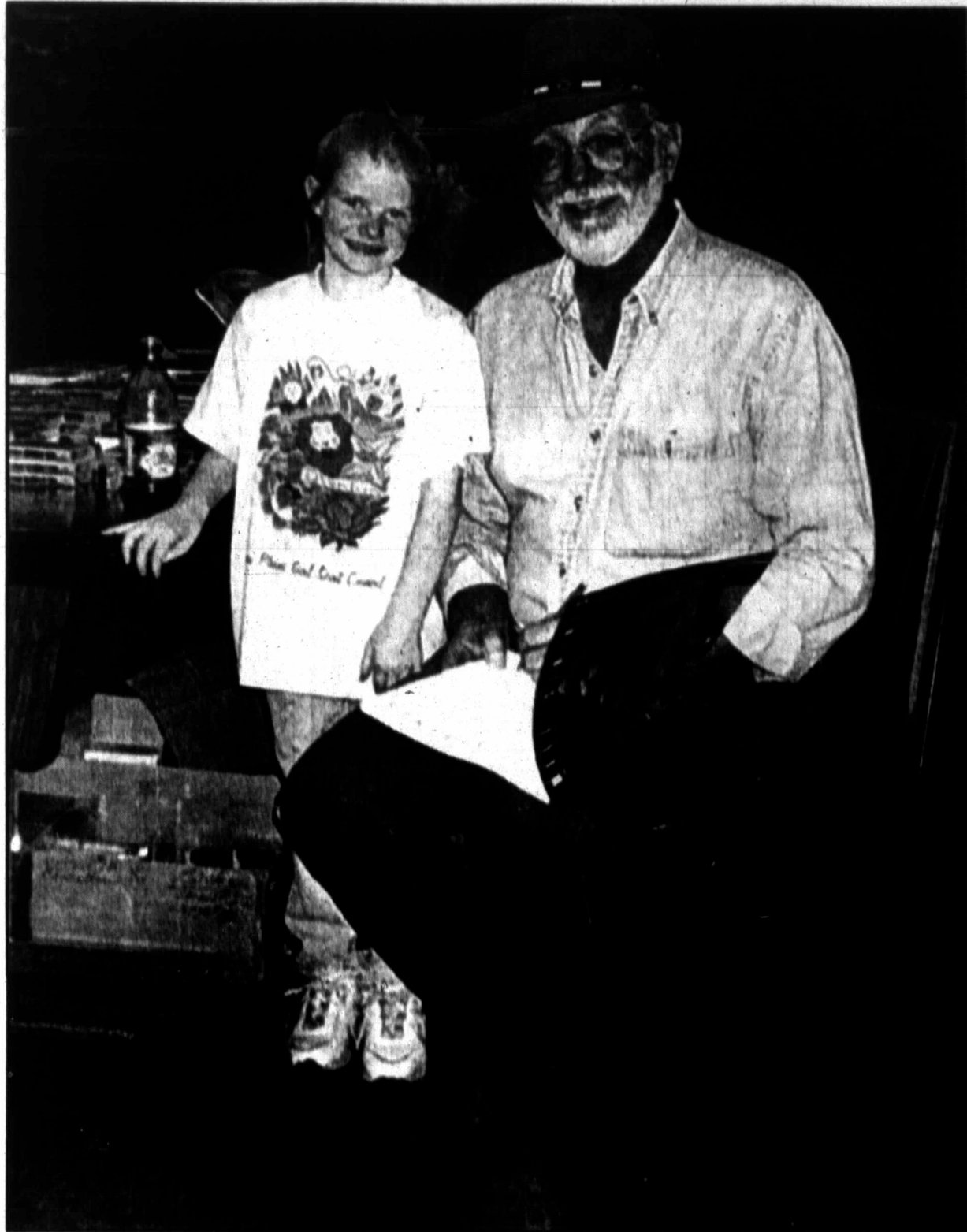
to 45 mph were recorded as a thunderstorm moved across Lubbock International Airport.

Low clouds were in place over much of the western half of North Texas late this morning. Most stations reported readings in the mid- to upper 50s. Thunderstorms were rumbling across portions of the low Rolling Plains.

Warm weather was expected to continue the rest of the day with temperatures rising to near 80 in the state's southernmost points.



### PCCA membership drive



(Special photo)

Elysa Clements, 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Clements, receives an autograph from folk singer Bill Staines at a recent Pampa Community Concert Association concert. Elysa, a second-grader at Spring Creek School, has attended PCCA performances all her life. The association's annual membership drive is currently underway. To join PCCA or to renew a subscription, call Lilit Brainerd at 665-4579 or Nancy Coffee at 669-2144. A "Workers Kick-Off Brunch" is slated at 10 a.m. March 4 in the parlor of First Baptist Church.

### 'Golden Anniversary Sweethearts'



(Community Camera photo)

Furr's Family Dining recently held its 12th annual "Golden Anniversary Sweethearts" celebration. Each year, couples celebrating 50 years or more of marriage are invited to enjoy a complimentary dinner for two on Valentine's Day. "This event becomes more and more popular every year. Reservations were full at many of our restaurants prior to Valentine's Day. It is an honor to recognize so many of our lifetime customers," said Danny Meisenheimer, vice president of marketing for Furr's/Bishop's, Inc. Fifty couples attended the celebration at Furr's in Pampa. Door prizes were donated by Coronado Center merchants — Alco, Albertson's, Beall's, The Copper Kitchen, Dunlap's and Sheila Webb's State Farm Insurance. Above: (top) Furr's Assistant Manager Linda Palmer with Helen and Kent Philpott, married 68 years; (middle) Palmer with Lambert and Cornilia Bertram, married 68 years; and (bottom) Palmer with Mr. and Mrs. Callan, married 66 years.

### Club news

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication. Thank you.

#### Highland Hobby Club

Highland Hobby Club met recently in the home of Johnnie Rohde with President Gloria Norris presiding.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Minutes from the previous meeting were read by Secretary-Treasurer Mairlyn Kirkwood.

—The hostess was presented a bathroom item from each member.

—Birthday funds were collected. Norris won the door prize.

The next meeting will be in March at the home of Mildred Salsman.

#### Heritage Art Club

Heritage Art Club met Feb. 7 at Lovett Library with Cona Mays and Pearl McBroom serving as hostesses. Thirteen members were present.

The meeting was called to order, roll was called and minutes were read from the previous meeting. Meeting dates for the coming 2000-01 club year were discussed and Frances Hall gave a demonstration on clay beads.

Bonnie Schaub won the door prize.

The next meeting will be March 6 at Lovett Library.

#### Progressive Club

Family and Community Education Progressive Club met Feb. 10 at Pampa Senior Citizens

Center with President Eva Dennis presiding. Twelve members and a guest, Joan Gray, Gray County Extension agent, were present.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Mary Ann Bailey gave the program "From the Heart," handing out American Heart Association "Be a Heart Saver" fact sheets.

—Lenny Howard reviewed the Council budget proposal which was passed.

—Buelah Terrell presented the treasury report and a monetary donation was made to the senior citizens center from the club.

—Future activities and dates include: 4-H Style Show, March 27, Annex; and District meeting, March 28, Hereford. The Gray County Extension Clubs will host the silent auction at the district meeting.

—Terrell and Polly Benton will head the Achievement Party planning committee.

Bailey hosted the meeting. The door prize was won by Terrell.

The next meeting will be March 9 at the home of Ruth Barrett.

### Calendar of events

#### TOASTMASTERS

The Toastmasters will meet every Wednesday night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at the Furr's Cafeteria.

#### PAMPA PRISON MINISTRY

The Pampa Prison Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month at Central Baptist Church located at Francis and Starkweather at 7 p.m. sharp. For further information call Bob Andersen 665-4252 or J.B. Walker at 669-2266.

#### PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

#### ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star, has changed their meeting nights from the first and third Tuesdays to the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 420 West Kingsmill.

#### OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule — seven days a week — two meetings a day — noon till 1 p.m. no smoking, and Tuesday

and Thursday 8-9 p.m. call 665-9702 for information.

#### TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Womens Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

#### PPQG

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 24 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. For more information, call (806) 779-2115. Visitors are welcome.

#### SKELLY-GETTY-TEXACO RETIREES CLUB

Skelly-Getty-Texaco Retirees Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

#### ART SHOW FUND-RAISER

A "Spring Art Soiree" will be held beginning with a cocktail buffet at 6 p.m. followed by a live art auction with Tim Assiter on March 10 at Amarillo Civic Center. Show hours will be 11 a.m.-5 p.m. March 11 and 12-4 p.m. March 12. The Art Committee has established four levels of sponsorship. Host couples are assigned to an artist for the event to assist as needed. The proceeds will benefit High Plains Epilepsy Association.

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## Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from around Texas:  
 Waco Tribune-Herald on fighting food bigots:  
 It was the United States against the world at a United Nations-sponsored conference in Montreal that attempted to resolve an international food fight over genetically altered foods and free trade.

The United States is the world's leader in food production and bioengineering. That's no coincidence. Bioengineering boosts food production.

Because much of the world has been smitten by a pandemic of paranoia over bioengineered products, U.S. officials at the contentious conference were properly fighting for America's producers of food and fiber who could suffer crippling losses due to unwarranted trade barriers.

As a result of a week of hard bargaining, the U.S. officials were able to forge an agreement with the 37 other nations at the conference that goes a long way toward assuring continued free trade of American food and fiber products.

The U.N.-sponsored "Biosafety Protocol" now must be signed by 50 nations. That process, which normally could take two or three years, should be put on a fast track to protect U.S. interests.

American scientists and biotechnology companies have been genetically modifying crops, seeds, animals and plants for years to make them more productive, more resistant to diseases and to enhance flavor, color or nutrition.

In recent years some U.S. companies began to make trans-species genetic alterations. Foreign radio talk shows, tabloids and eventually many government officials began to tag U.S. imported food products as Frankenstein food, or Frankenfood.

U.S. scientists and trade officials have been forced to defend the health and safety of U.S. food products and fight off threatened trade embargoes.

The proposed Biosafety Protocol requires exporters to label shipments that might contain added genetic material with "May contain living modified organisms." It does not require exporters to separate conventional and genetically altered crops.

Unfortunately, the protocol also allows nations to ban the importation of genetically modified crops, seeds, animals or microbes even though there is no proof of harm.

In the United States, nearly half of all cotton and soybeans are bioengineered. About 35 percent of the corn produced in the United States is genetically altered.

Besides genetically altered cotton to make the plants withstand attack by boll weevils or other plants resistant to fungus or other diseases and pests, bioengineering also allows the use of a gene from a daffodil to enhance the vitamin A properties of rice to cure night blindness or other diseases.

Bioengineering offers hope to provide food to feed the world's exploding population. It offers hope to cure a variety of diseases. Proper labeling of bioengineered food poses no problem. But trade embargoes should be based on science, not scare tactics.

Corpus Christi Caller-Times on protecting a Texas treasure:

Work will begin soon on restoring miles of Texas beaches courtesy of a fund dedicated to the purpose. Eight of the 27 projects now in the planning stages are in the Corpus Christi area.

Texas is years behind in protecting its valuable beaches. Other states, notably Florida and Louisiana, spend millions more than the \$15 million Texas has allocated for beach restoration for the next two years.

And there's a good reason why beach restoration is well worth the money spent. Beaches are a valuable tourism resource, drawing in millions of dollars each year to the state's economy and generating millions more in hotel and motel occupancy taxes. But the fund, the Coastal Erosion Planning and Response Act, is evidence that the Legislature is just beginning to understand the value of Texas beaches.

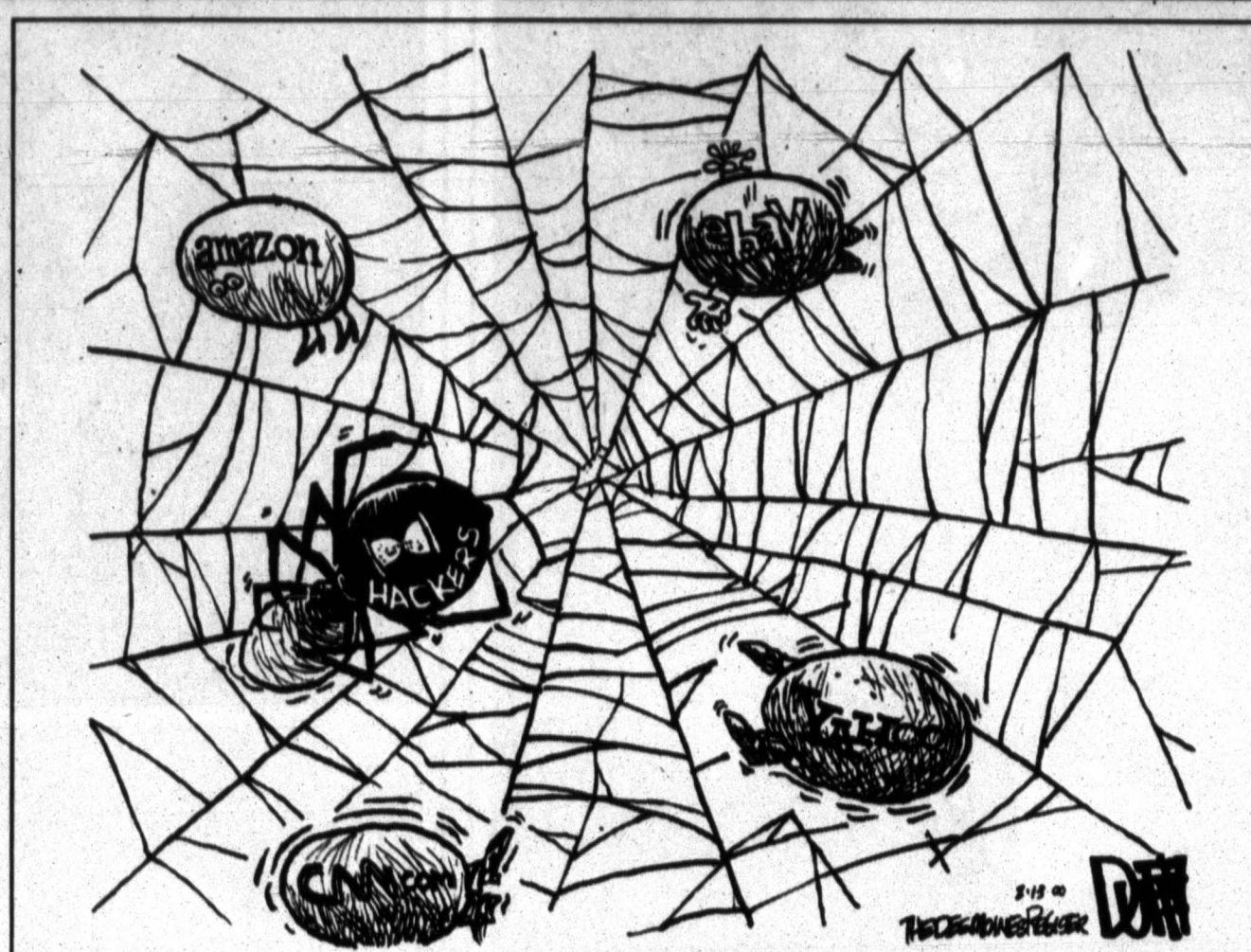
The job now is to demonstrate that the money the state has set aside for beach restoration has an immediate payback.

The biggest project in the area is work on Corpus Christi Beach, a \$2 million project. The rate of erosion on the section of beach to be restored, about a mile, is up to four feet per year, a significant amount of loss for a beach that is a major tourist attraction for the city.

Other projects included in the area are on the south shore of the Corpus Christi Ship Channel near the Port Aransas ferry, at Kauffer-Hubert Memorial Park in Kleberg County, at Key Allegro at Rockport, at the city park in Bayside, and wetland restoration projects.

Land Commission David Dewhurst is taking the right approach on pursuing completion of the projects, taking the easiest projects first in an effort to demonstrate the value of beach restoration before legislators meet again in Austin.

The \$15 million in the fund is just a start on the work to be done. Dewhurst is right in attempting to show that more is needed.



## Nothing is ever perfect in this world

If I had infinite patience ... But I don't. Keith, marshal has only one I. I've never seen a marshal in real life. One is reared, not raised. Crops are raised. What do you know, reared.

I was reared. Though not by a marshal. Yup, I was reared. Does "couple" take a singular verb or a plural verb? The questions come at you, and at you, and at you.

Each couples was ... Couples were ... what's the difference? I was reared by a couple. Of Marshals. No, kidding. No couples reared my marshal. I mean, no couple marshaled me.

No, that's not it. Its ... I mean, it's just that I get so confused, you see, don't you?

If I had infinite patience, I'd learn to spell. Stupe-fac-tion. Ori-en-ta-tion. Fait ac-com-pli.

Fat-u-ous. Really, slipping, sliding, reality biting. Smelling, no, I mean spelling, this wondrous wide world of words.

Babel. You're wrong. Don't get ahead of me, you Clarendon College profs. Saroyan. Ah, remember him? The Daring Young Man on the Flying Trapeze. What a dreamy beginning. What a dreamy death.

I, too, would write my application for permis-



**Keith Anderson**  
Staff writer

sion to live. Star-va-tion. Why do we not pay writers?

If I had infinite patience, and money to live on, I'd write something meaningful. Or meaningless. A Perfect Day for Banana fish. Or both. anyone lived in a pretty how town. Pampa.

I studied Poetry under William Wenthe. It rhymes. If you say it right. Wen-the, at Texas Tech, teaches the po'try. Poultry. He marshals the poultry with a couple of Pampans.

Udpike adores the alliteration. Why?

"Stated shouldn't be used at all; it is the instant mark of a wooden writer," AP writer Rene J. Cappon stated woodenly.

Wooden writer. Alliteration, bonus points.

How is one to write? What is one to write? If I had infinite jest ... I mean, infinite patience ... but I don't.

"Why are there so many grammar mistakes in *The Pampa News*?" He asked me.

Because we are a newspaper, how 'bout that answer? Or how 'bout "to err is human," or how 'bout why are there potholes? Why don't cars last forever? Why do businesses sell faulty products? Why does religion have some bad apples in it?

Why does mankind wage war?

Why isn't everything perfect. Prat-tle. Di-atribe. Alas.

Cogito ergo sum. Je pense donc je suis. I think therefore I am. I think therefore I am thinking about being. I think therefore I am thinking about being a marshal. Of poultry. In Pampa.

"Much madness is divinest sense," said a female poet.

"Use the active voice whenever possible," said Cappon.

Ever sense the unwieldiness of language? Like running with ankle-weights.

Why did the chicken cross the playground? To get to the other slide, of course.

## AIM leader should be granted clemency

For those of you who were in diapers 25 years ago, Leonard Peltier, who has been rotting away in Leavenworth Prison the past 24 years, was one of the leaders of the American Indian Movement. He was convicted of murdering two FBI agents during a gun battle involving 30 Indians and about 150 FBI and other law-enforcement officers.

All indications are that Peltier is innocent and is, in fact, a victim of a federal government vendetta. There is a petition for clemency on the president's desk, and supporters of Peltier want people to write the president urging him to grant it. Peltier is now 54 and in poor health.

The best evidence of his innocence is a statement in the record made by the man who prosecuted him during a hearing on appeals. He said flat-out that the U.S. government did not know who killed the agents. At Peltier's trial, he had looked the jury in the eye and said Peltier killed the agents. The jury that convicted Peltier was not told that two other Indians who were also charged with the agents' murders but tried separately were acquitted after evidence of FBI misconduct was brought to light.

There is plenty of evidence that the FBI disgraced itself by suborning perjury and concealing evidence from Peltier's defense. For example, he was extradited from Canada on the basis of an affidavit from an Indian woman who said she



**Charley Reese**  
Syndicated columnist

was Peltier's girlfriend and had been at the scene of the shooting. She later admitted that she did not even know Peltier and was not present at the scene. She said she had been terrorized by the FBI. The U.S. government, however, refused to let her testify to this at Peltier's trial on the grounds that she was mentally incompetent.

Testimony by a ballistics expert was found, through the Freedom of Information Act years later, to have been inaccurate. The tests did not tie the rifle alleged to have been Peltier's to the murder. There were no witnesses who could testify that they saw the murders committed. No one could place Peltier near the agents until after the murders. In short, as the prosecutor belatedly admitted, the FBI doesn't know who killed the agents. But government lawyers convicted Peltier and have continued

to vigorously oppose clemency or parole.

I used to have great faith in the FBI, but it has squandered its trust by its misbehavior not only in this case, but in several cases since. Even today, the FBI continues to refuse to release 6,000 documents concerning Peltier's case, though there is certainly no danger to national security 25 years after the fact. Unless the next president cleans house and insists on reforms, Americans are going to have to reconcile themselves to the fact that the United States, like other authoritarian governments, has a political police.

Peltier has become an international celebrity, and his release has the backing of, among others, Amnesty International and Nobel laureate Bishop Desmond Tutu. "In the Spirit of Crazy Horse," by Peter Matthiessen, is a book about Peltier.

But a fat lot of good that does. Peltier is suffering the results of a botched prison surgery. He was put in an isolation cell infested with roaches in which to recover.

The issue for us is plain: No American can sleep securely if the U.S. government is allowed to abuse the law, suborn perjury, doctor evidence and lie to cover it up just to seek vengeance. If you're inclined to help, drop Mr. Clinton a line. If he can pardon his own behavior, he can pardon an innocent man.

## Today in history

By The Associated Press  
 Today is Tuesday, Feb. 22, the 53rd day of 2000. There are 313 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
 Twenty years ago, on Feb. 22, 1980, the United States Olympic hockey team upset the Soviets at Lake Placid, N.Y., 4-3. (The U.S. team went on to win the gold medal.)

On this date:  
 In 1732, the first president of the United States, George Washington, was born at his parents' plantation in the Virginia Colony.

In 1819, Spain ceded Florida to the United States.

In 1865, Tennessee adopted a new constitution abolishing slavery.

In 1879, Frank Winfield Woolworth opened a five-cent store in Utica, N.Y.

In 1889, President Cleveland signed a bill to admit the Dakotas, Montana and Washington state to the Union.

In 1892, "Lady Windermere's Fan," by Oscar Wilde, was first performed at London's St. James's Theater.

In 1924, Calvin Coolidge delivered the first presidential radio broadcast from the White House.

In 1934, the romantic comedy "It Happened One Night," starring Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert, opened at New York's Radio City Music Hall.

In 1973, the United States and Communist China agreed to establish liaison offices.

In 1987, pop artist Andy Warhol died at a New York City hospital at age 58.

Ten years ago: Former President Reagan's videotaped testimony for the trial of former national security adviser John Poindexter was released in Washington; in his deposition, Reagan said he never had "any inkling" his aides were secretly arming the Nicaraguan Contras.

Five years ago: France accused four American diplomats and a fifth U.S. citizen of spying, and asked them to leave the country. Security forces in Algiers crushed a prison uprising by Islamic extremists, resulting in 96 deaths by official count.

One year ago: Levi Strauss, falling victim to a fashion generation gap, announced it was closing 11 plants.



# Taylor joins Office of Business Resources at WT

■ Dr. John Cooley, dean of the Pickens College of Business, said Taylor's vast expertise and national celebrity made him a perfect fit for the newly created OBR post.

WTAMU launched the OBR on campus in June 1999 to provide an option for businesses that wish to out-source portions of their training programs. With the addition of Taylor, the OBR will now offer both corporate training — its original function — and specialized business services, not limited to but including feasibility studies, mentoring programs and high-level business consulting.

Dr. John Cooley, dean of the Pickens College of Business, said Taylor's vast expertise and national celebrity made him a perfect fit for the newly created OBR post.

"This is an exciting move for the university and for the Pickens College of Business," Cooley said. "The addition of Don Taylor to the Office of Business Resources gives us unlimited potential, certainly here in the panhandle and in other parts of the country as well. We are positioned to take care of opportunities as they present themselves locally, and, ultimately, in other parts of the country. We believe that the resources we now have at our disposal, including our doctoral-level faculty, put us in a position to best meet specific needs that fit individual corporate environments. And it

gives Don a great opportunity to make the best possible use of his vast entrepreneurial expertise."

Taylor joined the SBDC in 1988. The SBDC provides free professional counseling services and training programs to individuals and small businesses in the northernmost 25 counties of the Texas Panhandle. The center, located in Amarillo, is part of a nationwide network of SBDC programs and is affiliated with and receives financial support from the university, the U.S. Small Business Administration, the state of Texas and other public and private agencies.

"I've enjoyed the 12 years I've been director of the Small Business Development Center, and I'm extremely gratified with the success that many of our clients are experiencing," Taylor said. "But the challenges and opportunities we face with the new Office of Business Resources are even more exciting."

"We realize that there are needs within the business community, both here at home and well beyond the confines of the panhandle, and they can be addressed effectively through the Pickens

College of Business. I think we can be a national player in both corporate training and business services, and that will shed a very positive light on the Amarillo area."

Taylor, an accomplished writer and lecturer, authors a syndicated business column that is published in more than 100 newspapers. The first edition of his best-selling book "Up Against the Wal-Marts," which he co-authored with Jeanne Archer, sold out in seven days. Taylor is frequently utilized as a business analyst and "survival" consultant on national television and radio. He has been a guest on CNN's "Managing with Lou Dobbs," CNBC's "Mind Your Own Business," "The Phil Donahue Show," "The Bloomberg Business Forum," PBS's "Perspectives" and more than 200 radio stations in the United States and Canada.

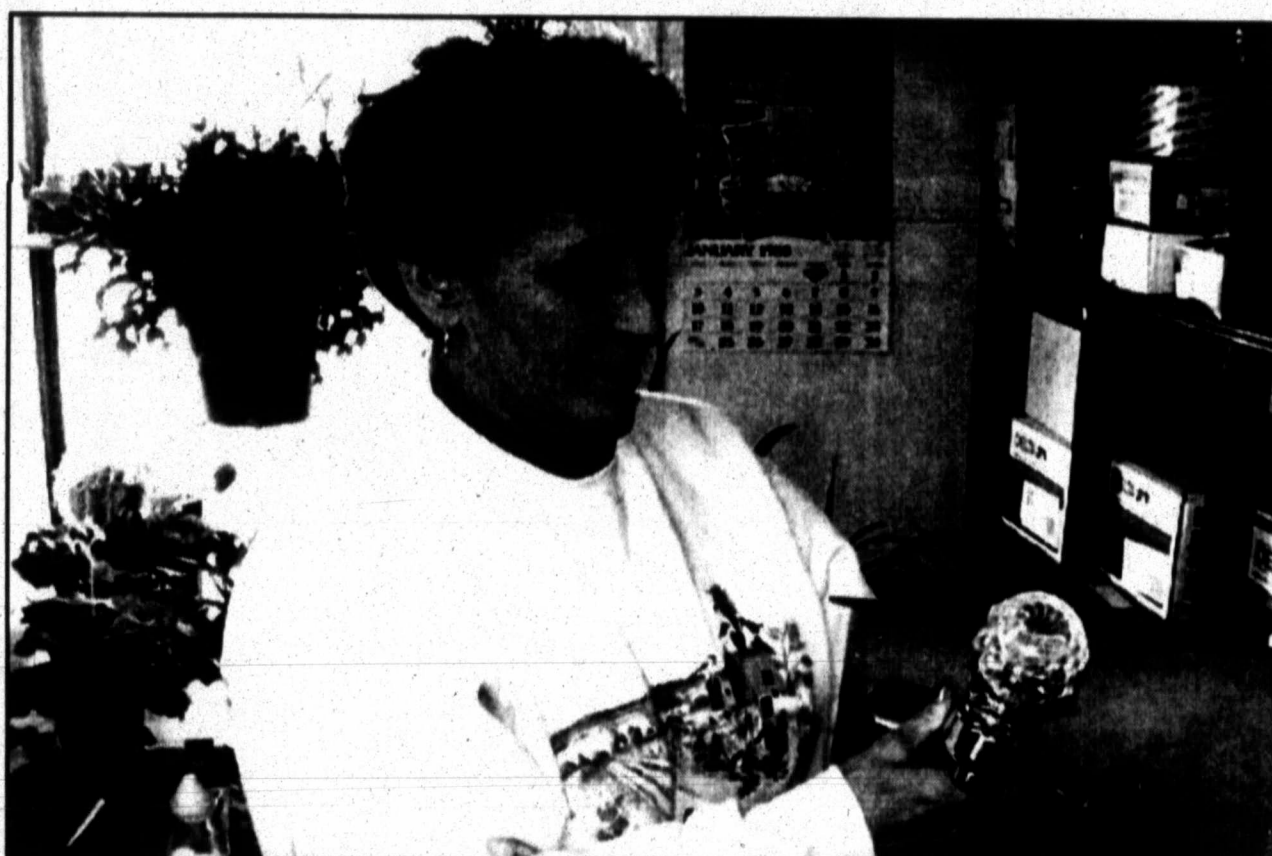
As interim director of the SBDC, Harrington said Taylor will be missed but that the center will continue to operate at peak efficiency.

"Our intent is to continue to offer the high level of services that the SBDC has always offered under Don's leadership," Harrington said. "We do not expect anything to change."

CANYON — The T. Boone Pickens College of Business at West Texas A&M University recently announced Don Taylor, longtime director of the Small Business Development Center, has left that post to join the Office of Business Resources. Both the SBDC and the OBR are components of the Pickens College of Business.

Taylor is the first director of Business Services at the OBR. SBDC Assistant Director Bill Harrington has been named interim director of the SBDC until a replacement for Taylor is found.

## ~ Business Review ~



Heidi Phelps examines a Delta Faucet. She is standing in front of her cactus garden, a remnant of her New Mexico roots. Heidi said the Phelps store is known for its "Friendly, helpful atmosphere, and experience."

### Phelps Plumbing, Heating, and Air-conditioning ...

The small plumbing, heating, and air conditioning business at 522 S. Cuyler may not have a fancy neon sign, but it does have a cactus garden. Visitors to Phelps Plumbing, Heating, and Air Conditioning notice not just shelves of top-name parts, but a garden of cactus plants that sits basking in the sun in the front window. And a cat, that is, that has earned its own sign — "Cat bites."

"I tell people the cat bites," Co-owner Heidi Phelps said, "I finally just made a sign."

Heidi and husband Steve run the business. Steve Phelps has had the S. Cuyler store since 1982. He has 25 years experience in the plumbing, heating, and air conditioning business, Heidi said, and he is a member of Refrigeration Service Engineering Society, which is a continuing education society. Steve and Heidi were married in 1995; Heidi was working at a competing plumbing business in Pampa. They met through a salesman.

Together, Steve and Heidi have six children: Norine Franco, who now works as a safety supervisor for Poole Roustabout in Denver City, Texas. Shayline Jones, who works as a registered nurse in Abilene. Maxine Watson, who works at M&H Leasing, in Pampa. Irene Shaller, who runs the Pampa beauty salon All About You. Brian Phelps,

who is a pre-med student at Texas Tech University. And Brent Phelps, who is majoring in engineering at TTU.

Heidi also runs her next-door business Past Reflections Antique Store.

"I run back and forth," Heidi said. "Some people don't know all that Phelps does, Heidi said."

"From Faucets and water heaters, to heating and air conditioning systems installation, we do it all," Heidi said. The store is a retail parts store, as well as a service and installation business.

But Heidi isn't all business. She also serves as the disaster chairperson and board secretary for the Red Cross in Pampa. And when she's not at work or at the Red Cross, she's singing and teaching Sunday school at Briarwood Full Gospel Church.

Or playing with her grandchildren. She has five grandchildren, "and one on the way," Heidi said. She said she keeps her daughter Maxine's two children on Thursdays so Maxine can go to kickboxing classes, and on Wednesdays she takes Irene's child to her church.

What does Heidi want Pampa to know? "Just that we appreciate your past and future business," Heidi said.

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# Frank Talk With Daughter Gives Mom Peace of Mind

DEAR ABBY: Will you please reprint this letter? My wife and I have saved it for many years. If it helps some young ladies, we will be happy.

ROBERT KLIPPEL, SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR ROBERT: The letter you sent appeared in my column on Dec. 11, 1991, and I'm pleased to run it again.

DEAR ABBY: I wrote you in June about my 13-year-old daughter. (I told you she was getting dangerously close to the boyfriend she had been seeing morning, noon and night.)

I took your advice and spoke to her about sex. I purchased at the local drugstore several forms of birth control (condoms, contraceptive sponge and vaginal suppositories). I also bought something called a "teen pack." It contained several trial-size items introducing young females to such things as tampons, mini-pads, maxi-pads, shaving lotion and razors for shaving legs. When I got home I invited my daughter to join me at the kitchen table. My husband was working late that night, so it was a perfect opportunity for girl talk.

I lined up the contraceptive devices on the table. I gave her the teen pack, telling her that all the items in that package were things that we had previously discussed. Then I pointed to the other items that we needed to talk about. I carefully explained to her that



**Abigail Van Buren**

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

now she had become a young woman having a monthly period, she could become pregnant if she had sex. I then told her that I was in no way condoning sex in someone as young as she, but that I wanted her to be informed. I then took each product and explained how it was used, and showed her the directions and how to check the expiration date on the product. After that, I opened each package and let her touch the device, examine it and ask questions.

I made sure that she was aware that even if she was on the birth control pill, it would not prevent sexually transmitted diseases such as AIDS. I told her that safe sex with condoms could not guarantee the prevention of pregnancy and disease, and the only way to ensure not getting pregnant or contracting a sexually transmitted disease was to not have sex.

I then took the remaining products and placed them in a box in her bathroom closet. I told her I would not check the box, but if she ever felt a need to experiment, they would be there. I stressed that she

could always come to me before making any decisions that would change her life forever.

I made some important points to her that truly hit home: I pointed out that she was too young to obtain a driver's license, too young to drink, too young to get a job, and too young to be responsible for the life of another human being. I reminded her that if she were to have a child, her education and social life would cease until such time that she could afford a baby sitter.

Abby, I realize this letter is long, but I wanted you to know how I dealt with this issue. After our talk, my daughter has been a different person!

I trust my daughter, and your advice was a big help in dealing with a very difficult situation. I realize that I have a long way to go in completing the journey through her teen years, but I believe that we, as a family, will survive.

NORTH DAKOTA MOM

DEAR MOM: Thank you for writing. Every daughter should have a mother like you!

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merges with magnetism. By the time you are done, no one will be able to resist you. Tonight: Zero in on what you want. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Talk through ideas and review recent developments. You might discover that another is far more docile than he has been for a while. Do not force an idea; let it roll around in another's imagination. Family plays a large role in a decision. Tonight: Take a loved one out. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Financial questions seek resolution. Though you might think you know the answer presently, you need to evaluate. Think through vacation plans: nothing is etched in stone. Use your lunch break to drop in on a travel agent or surf the Net. Tonight: Fantasize about getting away. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* You can beam in what you want, but decisions will not be made easily. That might be totally OK with you, however! Others are drawn to you and will do everything in their power to make the attraction mutual. Tonight: Let another indulge you. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* You learn a lot by saying little, at least during the first half of the day. Operate on established beliefs, take a stronger stand and move on what you feel you must. Recognize that, even though others might agree, they still might not follow yet. Tonight: It's your pleasure. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* Friends play a significant role in your plans. Be aware of your natural social orientation. How you view another could change in the near future. Don't

worry; stay focused, make meetings and network. An important conversation takes place in the late day. Tonight: Confidentiality is a necessity. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\*\*\* Others always think you will carry the ball when they won't. Is this what you want? Think before assuming more responsibilities. Recognize what you ultimately want from your life, and aim for that. Remember, you need to take care of yourself, too. Tonight: Let the good times roll. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\*\*\* Take an overview, especially when listening to office gossip! Nothing is as it seems. Gaining a perspective and being willing to research your own information can make or break you. Assume responsibilities. Tonight: Act on your leadership qualities. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Everyone seems to demand your undivided attention; giving it will take talent. Maintain eye contact and demonstrate good listening skills. You can make decisions based on information you gather. An overview is the way to go. Tonight: Where the music is.

**BORN TODAY**  
Singer Howard Jones (1955), baseball player Bobby Bonilla (1963), actor Peter Fonda (1940)

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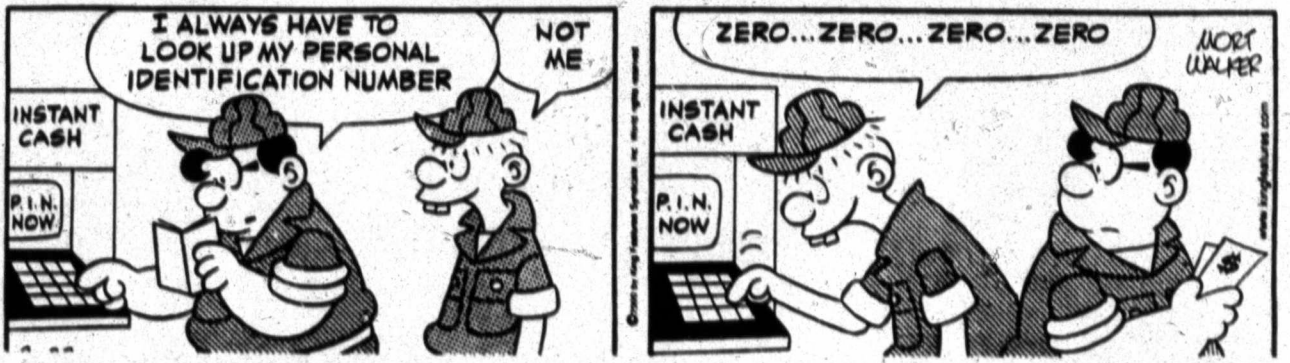
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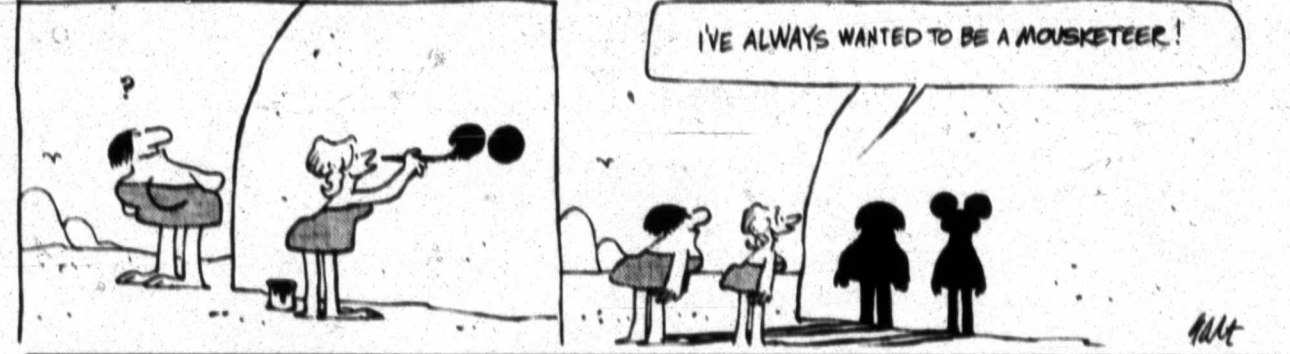
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Mallard Fillmore



## Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\*\*\* Mellow out and make it an easy day. You might not be able to change anyone's mind about a recent decision, but you will enjoy interpersonal relationships. Another clearly decides that now is the time to indulge you. By all means, say yes! Tonight: Togetherness recharges both of you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\*\* On some level, all you feel you are doing is shuffling papers and taking up time. Realize that everyone needs some of this, especially under the current hectic planetary energy. Take a long walk or an exercise break at lunch. Use spare time to think. Tonight: Midweek fun.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\*\* You certainly are focused on the more enjoyable parts of your life, like brainstorming, using your wit and flashing your charm. While little may be gained, you feel good and need this time-out. Work will eventually beckon, so count on this being a late day. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

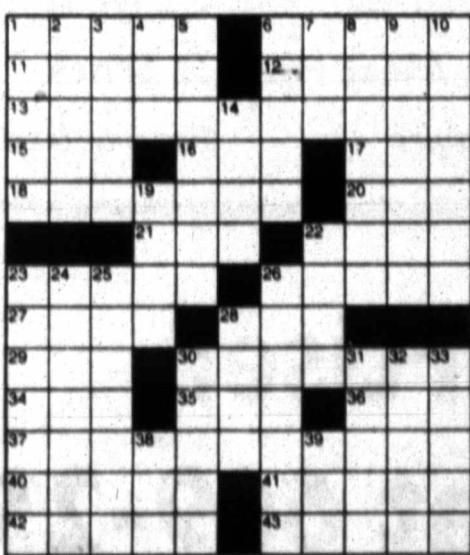
\*\*\*\*\* Family and home demand your focus, but it is your pleasure. This part of your life is high-priority, and you cannot avoid problems anyway. Creativity

## Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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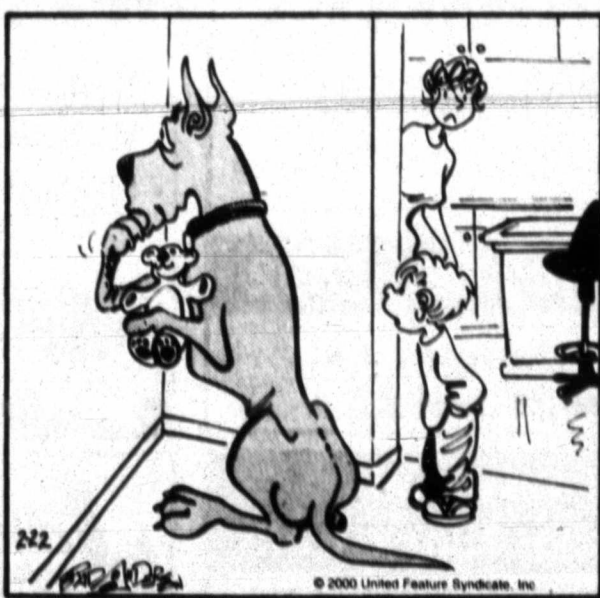
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## Marmaduke



"Aren't you afraid holding a stuffed teddy bear and sucking your paw will hurt your image?"

## The Family Circus



"I cannot tell a lie. I ate some cherry pie."



# SPORTS

## Notebook

### SOFTBALL

**BORGER** — Pampa lost a 12-6 decision to Amarillo in the Borger Winter Classic last weekend.

Each team had six hits, but AHS put together a nine-run third inning to make the difference.

Dumas shut out Caprock 15-0 to win the tournament championship.

The Lady Harvesters are entered in the Graham Tournament Thursday and Friday.

### BASEBALL

**SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP)** — Though winning a World Series remains Barry Bonds' ultimate goal, the chance to surpass the career homer total of his godfather, Willie Mays, will provide inspiration for the next few years.

If Bonds averages a little more than 30 homers for seven more seasons, he'll reach the 660 homers hit by Mays — whom he has admired and known well since childhood.

"It's a good motivating factor to keep playing baseball," Bonds said Monday after arriving at the San Francisco Giants' spring training camp. "I just started playing around with it, something to push myself a little harder. It was just something I dreamed about as a child."

Bonds, 35, ranks 22nd on the career list with 445 homers. The three-time NL MVP is the only major league player to surpass 400 homers and 400 stolen bases.

But he's coming off perhaps his toughest season.

Bonds had left elbow surgery, right knee inflammation and a groin injury that limited him to 102 games, the fewest he's played since breaking into the majors with Pittsburgh in 1986.

He managed 34 homers and 83 RBIs despite the shortened season, but his .262 batting average was his lowest in a decade.

"For the first time, I went back this offseason and looked at what ifs," Bonds said. "I looked around in the offseason and something motivated me to play until I'm 42 years old if I can make it that far."

That something was the goal of reaching Mays' homer total, the third-highest in major league history behind Hank Aaron (755) and Babe Ruth (714). Bonds was just 4 years old when he began to play catch at Candlestick Park with Mays, then a teammate of Bonds' father, Bobby Bonds.

But Bonds said his goal of catching Mays should not be overemphasized.

"I don't want to make these big headlines that Bonds wants to beat his godfather. That's not my quest. It's just an incentive for me," he said. "It's a motivating factor to keep the fire alive. You need something to say, 'I can do it, I can do it.'"

Bonds has several statistical milestones within reach this season. He needs 108 RBIs to pass Robin Yount for 50th on the career list, 21 homers to pass Dave Winfield for 20th on the career list, 40 stolen bases for 500 and 70 walks for 1,500.

Bonds was on the disabled list from last April 18 to June 8 after surgery to remove a bone spur and repair a damaged triceps tendon. It was only the second time he has been on the disabled list.

He pulled his right groin in early July and missed the last few games of the season to have arthroscopic surgery on his right knee.

Bonds, who was not required to report to camp until today, spent his first day of spring training doing running drills Monday with fellow outfielder Marvin Benard and said he was feeling fine.

"If I'm not broke, don't fix it. Right now I don't have to fix anything at this time," he said.

## Pampa tennis team captures dual victories

**PAMPA** — The Pampa High tennis team posted wins over Lubbock High and Plainview in dual competition last weekend. Pampa beat Plainview 9-4 and Lubbock High 6-3.

Several PHS players were undefeated against both schools: Michael Cornelison-Bryce Jordan, doubles; Emily Curtis-Emily Waters, doubles; Ashley Stucki-Michelle Lee, doubles.

The Harvesters travel to Elk City, Okla. this weekend to play Altus, Vernon, Lawton and Eisenhower.

### Pampa 6, Lubbock High 3

**Singles**  
Ashat Letrasian (L) def. A.J. Smith 6-2, 2-6, 6-4; Michael Parks (L) def. David Philips 6-4, 6-4; Helen Orr (P) def. Heather Garth 4-6, 6-3, 6-1; Jennifer Muns (P) def. Heather Wid 6-2, 6-1; Ashley Stucki (P) def. Millie Smith 6-4.

### Doubles

Cornelison-Jordan (P) def. Oller-Hill 6-1, 7-5; Rigdon-Holmes (L) def. Rains-Mills 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; Curtis-Waters (P) def. Mansouri-Williamson 6-3, 7-6; Stucki-Lee (P) def. Evans-Ward 6-0, 6-0.

### Pampa 9, Plainview 4

### Singles

Matt Boedecker (PL) def. A.J. Smith 7-5, 6-4; David Philips (P) def. Tim Eaves 6-4, 6-1; Heather McMahan (PL) def. Helen Orr 6-2, 7-5; Chelsea Cartwright (PL) def. Jennifer Muns 6-2, 4-6, 6-0; Heather McMahan (PL) def. Emily Waters 8-4.

### Doubles

Cornelison-Jordan (P) def. Price Griffins 6-1, 6-2; Mills-Rains (P) def. Tibbets-Stone 6-1, 6-0; Cornelison-Jordan (P) def. Tibbets-Stone 8-0; Lee-Orr (P) def. Cannon-Williams 8-2.

## McNeely Fieldhouse is site of bi-district playoffs

**BRISCOE** — The Fort Elliott girls basketball team was eliminated from the playoffs last week.

The Fort Elliott boys take up the cause tonight when the Cougars meet Booker at 6:30 tonight in Class 1A bi-district action in Pampa's McNeely Fieldhouse.

In a second game tonight, Canadian goes against White Deer in a Class 2A boys' bi-district clash in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Fort Elliott dropped a hard-fought contest to Nazareth 55-48 in the Area round of the girls' playoffs last week. Carissa Dukes had 14 points

and Kyleigh Trimble 11 to lead Fort Elliott.

Cassie Birkenfield scored 24 points to pace Nazareth's scoring attack.

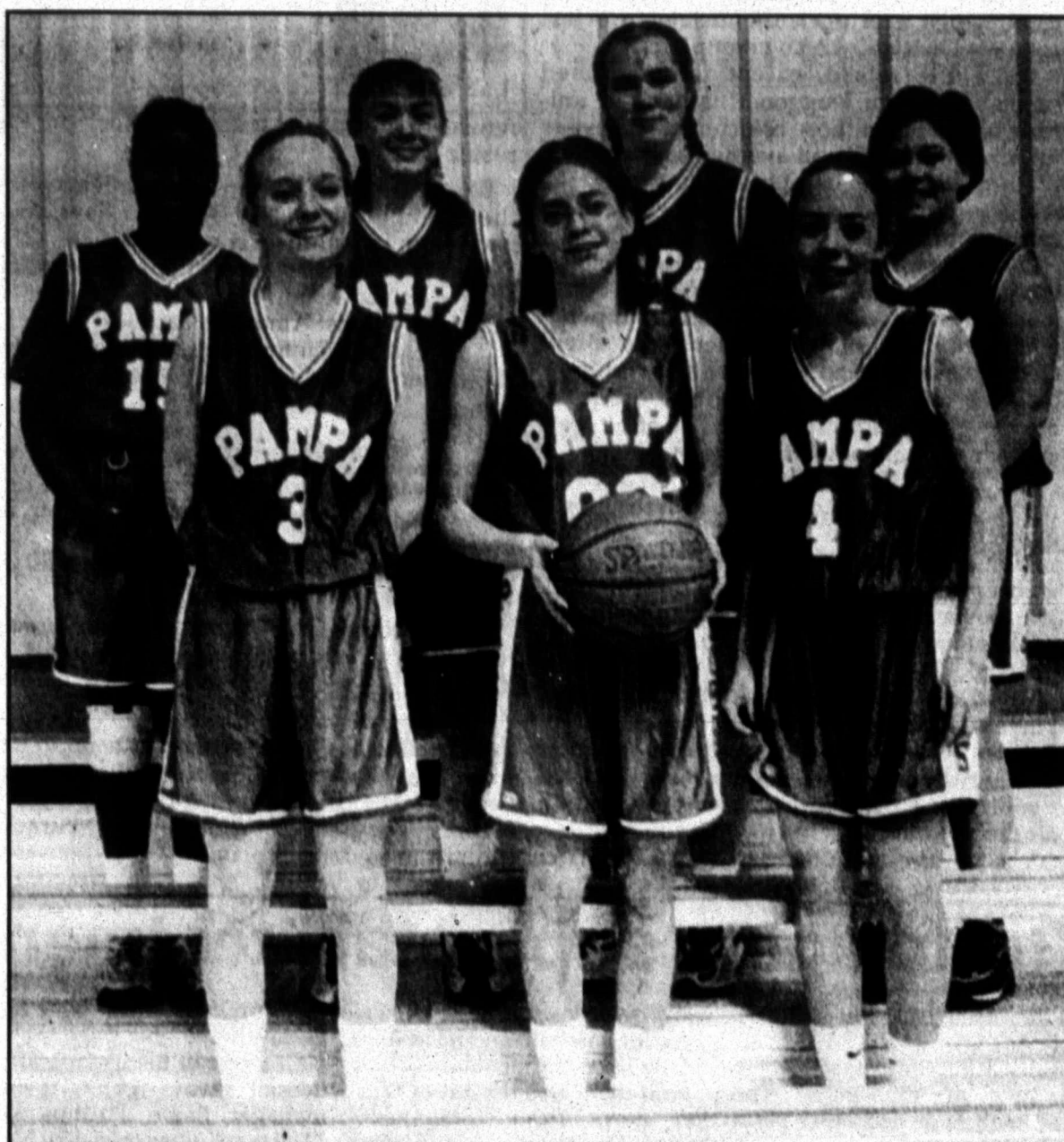
In other area activity, the Canadian girls are still alive in the Class 2A playoffs after disposing of Abernathy 59-47 last weekend.

Lori Francis had 15 points and Jana Francis 13 to lead the Lady Wildcats in scoring. Kathy Lee followed with 12.

Top scorer for Abernathy was Meredith Tulus with 20 points.

Canadian meets Clarendon tonight in Borger in the regional quarterfinals.

## Going to state



(Photo by Judy Elliott)

The Lady Pacers of Pampa Academy of Christian Education will compete in the TCAL (Texas Christian Athletic League) State Basketball Tournament later this week in Galveston. Team members are (front row, from left) Heather Perry, Rainy Hopson and Shay Chapman; (back row, from left) Courtney Echols, Kendra Raber, Erin Raber and Kellie Mullican.

## Kareem making strong bid for freshmen honors in Big 12

**KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)** — Kareem Rush has talent. Just wait 'til Missouri's freshman smoothie gets an attitude. That's the way Quin Snyder

sees it after a couple of sensational games that earned Rush Big 12 newcomer-of-the-week honors in the Big 12.

"He really does have a calm demeanor," said Snyder. "That's been the knock on him, too. I'm encouraging him to play with more emotions."

The 6-foot-6 Rush spent all his life playing in the shadow of his older brother JaRon Rush, who enrolled at UCLA two years ago. But now Kareem seems to be coming into his own and people are wondering if he, not JaRon, is the family's biggest talent.

In victories last week at Texas Tech and Kansas State, Rush averaged 25 points per game, including an eye-popping 68.3 percent from the 3-point line.

Putting more emotion into his game will help the still-developing kid raise his game to a much higher level, Snyder believes.

"Not that he has to be jumping up and down and cheer-leading," he added. "I'd just like for him to be a little more extroverted."

Oklahoma State coach Eddie Sutton, preparing to take his team to Missouri for a Big Monday game, was impressed with the freshman sharpshooter.

"He's definitely one of the bright young players we have in college basketball," he said. "We looked at film, and he has a chance to become a great basketball player."

The Big 12 is actually brimming with outstanding freshmen.

Kansas has Drew Gooden, Kirk Hinrich and Nick Collison, who have all started at one time or another.

And, among the others is Texas A&M's Bernard King who leads all conference freshmen in scoring.

Coach Melvin Watkins knew King would have no trouble adjusting to college "the first day he walked on campus."

"Sometimes his shot selection — we've continued to work on that," said Watkins. "We've asked him to be a scorer and a leader, and that's quite a big assignment to ask of a freshman. He's been amazing that way."

Not surprising, however, is the fact that the three teams tied

atop the conference standings — Texas, Iowa State and Oklahoma State — are all counting mostly on non-freshmen to take charge.

Two of the finest, Iowa State's Marcus Fizer and Texas' Chris Mihm, will clash Tuesday night at Ames in what's shaping up as possibly the most pivotal game in the Big 12's regular season.

The Longhorns and Cyclones were tied atop the league standings with Oklahoma State at 10-2 prior to the Cowboys' game Monday night at Missouri.

Mihm, a 7-0 junior, and the 6-8 Fizer are probably the best two big men in the Big 12 and two of the leading contenders for conference player of the year.

"That's going to be a war," said Watkins.

"You know what Mihm is capable of doing, you know what Fizer's been doing. Both of those kids come out and play hard. It's going to be a battle of wills."

"That will certainly be worth the price of admission," said Colorado coach Ricardo Patton.

"You're talking about two future NBA players going at one another. Both have shown the ability to step up and make big time plays when their teams need it."

So who has the upper hand?

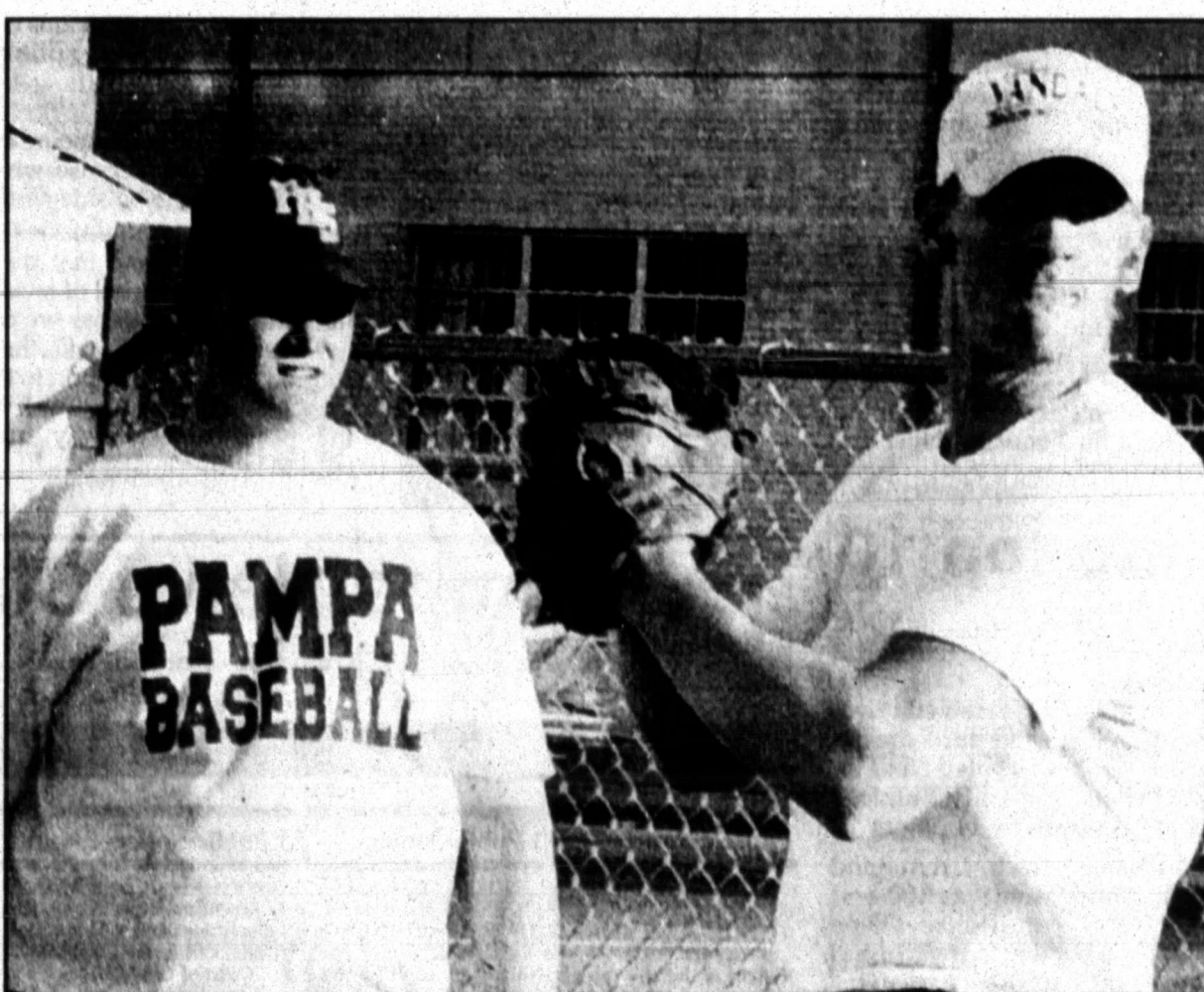
"It's hard to say. The first 5 minutes and flow of game will probably dictate that," said Watkins. "If Mihm's got his low post game working, it's going to be a problem for them. But Fizer can step out on the floor, hurt you a lot of different ways."

There was no mystery as to who was the Big 12's player of the week.

It had to be Colorado guard Jaquay Walls, who had 42 points in a victory Saturday over Iowa State, including a running 35-footer at the buzzer that tied it in regulation. Against Texas A&M earlier in the week, Walls had 21 points.

"It was a pretty phenomenal performance," agreed Patton. "We certainly needed him to step up and play big. It came right at the right time."

## Getting ready



(Photo by Lacy Ptunk)

Harvester senior Greg Lindsey warms up on the mound while teammate Cody Shepard looks on during Monday's practice. Pampa opens the baseball season Thursday at home against River Road, starting at 4 p.m.

## Suns come from behind against Spurs

**SAN ANTONIO (AP)** — Taking advantage of an injury to Tim Duncan, Rodney Rogers scored 22 points to lead the Phoenix Suns to a 98-89 comeback victory over the San Antonio Spurs on Monday night.

Duncan left the game with 11:08 to play in the second quarter with a lower abdominal strain. Duncan, who has never missed a game in his NBA career, ended the night with four points and three rebounds in 13 minutes. He has played in 184 consecutive games.

Tom Gugliotta added 21 points

for Phoenix, which extended its winning streak to six games.

David Robinson led San Antonio with 31 points and 18 rebounds, while Malik Rose chipped in 17 off the bench.

After trailing by as many as 13 points in the third quarter, Phoenix opened the fourth quarter with an 8-0 run to lead 73-71 on Clifford Robinson's jump shot with 8:52 to play.

The Suns increased the advantage to 81-74 with 6:21 left on a free throw by Penny Hardaway.

After San Antonio rallied to 81-80 on Terry Porter's 3-pointer

with 5:44 to play, Phoenix answered with a 10-4 run and took a 91-84 lead on a dunk by Gugliotta with 3:02 remaining.

San Antonio would get no closer than four points the rest of the way as Phoenix outscored the Spurs 33-18 in the fourth quarter.

The Spurs opened the third quarter with a 20-8 run to lead 63-50 on a driving layup by Avery Johnson.

Phoenix closed the quarter with an 11-4 run to pull to 71-65 on a 3-pointer by Randy Livingston at the third quarter buzzer.



# Baseball season is upon us

Baseball is once again upon us. The Major Leaguers have hit the spring training camps in Florida, and on the high school scene the Pampa Harvesters have already had four scrimmages.

There's high expectations for the PHS team, which returns a solid nucleus from last season's District 3-4A co-champions.

The entire infield, except for graduated catcher Jonathan Waggoner, is back in uniform and three of those returning Harvesters hit for both power and average a year ago.

Third baseman Greg Lindsey hit over .500 while second baseman Kaleb Snelgrooves and first baseman Casey Owens broke .400.

Owens sparkled on the mound, finishing with an 8-2 record.

Last season the Harvesters were hampered going into the playoffs when lefty Brent Coffee was sidelined with an elbow injury.

Coffee was rolling along with a 6-2 mark before going out. A senior, Coffee gets another shot at completing the season.

The Harvesters finished with a 19-14 record and advanced as far as the regional quarterfinals in 1999.

With all the returning talent, Pampa could go deeper into the playoffs this time around. The district season, however, could be tough. Like Pampa, many schools return their better players.

Palo Duro outfielder Ricky Acosta, 3-4A's player of the year in '99, was a junior. Besides Acosta, the Dons return two other all-district performers. Dumas, which shared the district crown with Pampa, returns two all-district picks.

The Harvesters have three all-district



**L.D. Strate**  
Sports Editor

returnees (Owens, Lindsey, Coffee) on the roster.

Borger could be a team that challenges for the championship. The Bulldogs have four back from the all-district squad.

The Harvesters open up at home Thursday against River Road. The district opener is March 28 against Amarillo Caprock.

It should be an interesting, but look for the Harvesters to have another successful season.

This season, senior guard Jesse Francis finished as the Harvesters' leading scorer in basketball with 242 points.

Francis finished fast, scoring 10 points or better in four of his last five games.

Junior guard Gary Alexander, the team's top scorer a year ago, was right behind at 236.

Speaking of basketball, former PHS coach Robert Hale has his Weatherford team in the playoffs. Weatherford won its district and finished the regular season with a 25-6 record. They meet Wichita Falls Hirschi tonight in bi-district play.

# Scoreboard

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New York	32	19	.627	—	Charlotte	29	22	.569	5 1/2						
Miami	32	20	.615	1/2	Toronto	27	24	.529	7 1/2						
Philadelphia	28	24	.538	4 1/2	Milwaukee	27	25	.509	8 1/2						
Orlando	25	27	.481	7 1/2	Detroit	26	26	.500	9						
Boston	22	31	.415	11	Cleveland	22	31	.415	12 1/2						
New Jersey	21	31	.404	11 1/2	Atlanta	20	30	.400	14						
Washington	15	38	.283	18	Chicago	12	38	.240	22						
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Utah	32	19	.627	1	L.A. Lakers	41	11	.788	1						
Minnesota	28	23	.549	5	Phoenix	32	19	.627	9 1/2						
Denver	24	28	.462	9 1/2	Seattle	33	21	.611	10						
Dallas	22	30	.423	11 1/2	San Antonio	31	22	.585	11 1/2						
Houston	21	32	.396	13	Golden State	14	37	.275	27 1/2						
Vancouver	16	36	.308	17 1/2	L.A. Clippers	11	43	.204	32						
Sunday's Games															
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Toronto	22	31	7	1	42	137	183	N.Y. Islanders	17	36	7	1	42	137	183
Montreal	18	25	16	4	56	151	172								
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Ottawa	29	21	9	2	61	150	151	Colorado	28	24	9	1	66	167	158
Buffalo	25	27	9	2	61	150	151	Calgary	25	29	6	5	61	152	180
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Phoenix 4, Atlanta 2					Phoenix 4, Atlanta 2										
Monday's Games															

# Griffey gets superstar treatment

By The Associated Press

Ken Griffey Jr. just wanted to be one of the guys. The Cincinnati Reds had other plans for Junior.

While Griffey could have done without the superstar treatment — the featured news conference, the golf cart ride, the photo shoot on a balcony — his new team couldn't give him enough of it Monday in Sarasota, Fla.

Griffey sat atop the first base dugout, the very spot where Michael Jordan was seated six years earlier for his introduction to minor league baseball.

"I don't consider myself any different than anybody else on our team," he said. "I just want to go out there and play and hope this ballclub will win a championship. I'm just one of 25 guys."

Wearing a complete Reds home uniform for the first time, Griffey pumped his right leg during a half-hour news conference.

"Nervous? Not at all. My legs aren't shaking," he said tongue-in-cheek, prompting everyone to look at his twitching leg.

A day after he slipped unannounced into the clubhouse to unpack his belongings, the Reds formally welcomed him to spring training.

About 200 fans, a much larger crowd than the day before, watched pitchers and catchers work out. Griffey's first practice will be Wednesday.

"Obviously, the fans of Cincinnati have fallen in love with the idea of bringing Junior back home," general manager

Jim Bowden said. "It's tremendous for baseball, and baseball is finally back in Cincinnati."

And there was this bit of fashion news from Cincinnati's camp: Six years after former owner Marge Schott suggested that "only fruits wear earrings," the Reds have given permission for players to wear them during games.

Griffey wears a small stud earring in his left lobe, and he had it on Monday. Bowden said the decision to drop the ban was made before the club acquired Griffey from Seattle in a trade Feb. 10.

"We felt it was an archaic rule," Bowden said. The Boston Red Sox, meanwhile, are still waiting for Pedro Martinez to arrive, and the New York Mets are looking for Rickey Henderson.

For the second straight day, Martinez was a no-show in Fort Myers, Fla.

"He'll be ready when the season starts," general manager Dan Duquette said.

Martinez lives in the Dominican Republic, and Sunday was his father's birthday. Last season, the AL Cy Young winner also arrived in camp later than the other pitchers and catchers so he could be home for that occasion.

"He'll be here. Don't worry about Pedro," Red Sox manager Jimmy Williams said. "It's OK. Everything's all right. Don't get too excited here."

Henderson was the only no-show as the Mets began full-squad workouts in Port St. Lucie, Fla. The mandatory reporting

date for the Mets isn't until Friday.

"It's part of his history. Rickey doesn't always report," general manager Steve Phillips said. "There are other guys like Nolan Ryan who didn't show up the first day."

Cal Ripken and Andres Galarraga opened some eyes in camp.

Ripken, who has never played a position other than shortstop or third base, briefly manned first base during drills for the Baltimore Orioles in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

"I don't plan on playing Cal there regularly. I really haven't talked to him about it," new manager Mike Hargrove said. "But Cal's a good enough athlete to carry that off without a hitch. ... That's a kind of a bridge we'll cross at some point in time."

Galarraga, who missed all of last season while he underwent treatment for cancer in his back, took part in batting practice on the main field for the first time in spring training.

Galarraga faced 33 pitches from two of Atlanta's best starters, hitting one over the left-field wall against Greg Maddux and hitting several line drives against John Smoltz in Kissimmee, Fla.

"Man, you ain't sick," Maddux told Galarraga.

The Big Cat couldn't stop smiling after he left the batting cage.

"Believe me, I'm really happy," Galarraga said. "When I got inside the cage against these guys, I didn't expect to touch the ball. But I hit a couple of line drives."

# Complaints send NASCAR to tunnel

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — NASCAR has heard the complaints and will head to the wind tunnel to test its cars.

The decision comes with General Motors teams griping and the Daytona 500 producing only four on-track passes for the lead in 200 laps.

Even before Dale Jarrett led a top-five sweep by Ford on Sunday, the Chevrolet and Pontiac teams contended that the aerodynamics leave them at a disadvantage.

Kevin Triplett, NASCAR's operations director, said Monday the sanctioning body is trying to reserve testing time at Lockheed's wind tunnel in Marietta, Ga.

NASCAR measured horsepower on six cars after the race, then impounded three of them. Jarrett's Taurus, the Grand Prix of eighth-place finisher Ward Burton and the Monte Carlo of 16th-place Mike Skinner will go to the wind tunnel.

"Availability is the key," Triplett said. "We're not quite sure when it will happen."

Although Sunday's race had good moments, including Jarrett's dramatic pass on Johnny Benson to take the lead four laps from the end, the 190,000 fans spent most of the day sunbathing and yawning.

Whether it was the complaints from competitors or the evidence on the track, NASCAR knew something had to be done.

Asked if the wind tunnel tests could lead to a rule change before

Friday, when practice begins for the race in Rockingham, N.C., Triplett said: "I think it would be a little quick to do something before Thursday. I think it's still possible, but I don't think right now it's probable."

The following two races are in Las Vegas and Atlanta and Triplett thinks it's possible changes could be in place by then.

"But Daytona's a different animal than anything else we do, other than Talladega," he said.

Daytona and Talladega, NASCAR's longest and fastest ovals, are the only tracks where a carburetor restrictor plate slows the stock cars. The teams build special engines and cars for those races.

Typically, the restrictor plate races are wild shootouts, with passing from start to finish and, usually, at least one big wreck.

With a combination of redesigned cars and a new shock absorber rule that limits what the teams can do to the shocks and springs, Sunday's race was anything but wild.

"From a driver's standpoint, it's a lot easier racing because we're not three-wide, side-by-side all the time," Jarrett said Monday.

"But we understand that these fans pay to see that kind of racing. I think there's some things we can do with these cars to make them better. ... We've got this sport to the highest level right now and we don't need to take away from that."

The defending series champion led a race-high 89 laps. But he said his third Daytona 500 victory wasn't as easy as it looked.

"It was just difficult to pass the leader," Jarrett said. "That was the main thing. You had to kind of stay in line. When I was running second behind Mark (Martin) and even behind Benson I was having a hard time trying to make a move."

Triplett pointed out that behind the leaders the race was very competitive.

"First through fifth had a difficult time getting around each other," he said. "What the difference was from sixth back we don't know. But once you got further back, there were guys passing all over the place."

Jarrett's car was put into Daytona USA, a display outside the main gate at Daytona International Speedway. The team must give up the winning car for a year in exchange for \$100,000.

But Triplett said the No. 88 car still will be taken to the wind tunnel. The car will be returned to the display in the exact condition as it won the race.

This is the same car that won at Talladega in the fall of 1998, won at Daytona last July and finished second in both Talladega races in 1999.

"I know you can build more cars," said Todd Parrott, Jarrett's crew chief. "But it's hard to come up with race cars that drive like that one does."

# Texas Tech women surge into top 10

By CHUCK SCHOFFNER  
AP Sports Writer

After winning the last two Big 12 championships, a third seemed unlikely for Texas Tech when it lost its first two conference games this season.

No more. The Lady Raiders have won 10 of their last 11 to pull into a four-way tie for first place in the league. On Monday, they jumped five places to seventh in The Associated Press women's basketball poll.

"That is a big jump," Texas Tech coach Marsha Sharp said. "Sometimes that's a good thing and sometimes it's not. We'll take it and run with it and see what happens."

Connecticut remained a solid No. 1 in the voting by a national media panel, and the top six stayed the same for the third straight week. But after that, every team except one changed places, and Kansas returned at No. 25, the second time this season the Jayhawks came back in the week after they fell out.

Texas Tech (21-3) made its big move after an 86-81 victory over Oklahoma that left those two, plus Iowa State and Kansas, tied for the Big 12 lead. But the Lady Raiders' start in league play wasn't at all

promising. They shot only 24 percent in a 62-37 loss at Iowa State in their conference opener, then lost 82-76 at Oklahoma. Lately, Tech has been playing more like the teams that went 15-1 in the league two years ago and 14-2 last season.

"Our shot selection and decision-making on the offensive end are much better now," said Sharp, who returned just two starters from last season. "I think we're probably more confident now than early in conference play and that helped on the offensive end."

"We've continued to be very solid on the defensive end and we're starting to create more offense with our defense."

If Texas Tech wins its last three games, it would get no worse than a tie for the title. Tech plays at Texas and Oklahoma State this week, then finishes at home against Baylor.

"It's going to be great for the fans in these last 10 days," Sharp said. "I don't think it's that special for the coaches, but for the fans, it's a great race and it's a great thing for women's basketball in the Big 12 to have that many big games left, so many games with impact."

Connecticut (24-1) continues to make an impact on the voters. The Huskies, who have been No. 1 all season, received 34 of 45 first-place votes after decisive victories over

St. John's and Syracuse and had 1,110 points — 50 more than No. 2 Tennessee.

Tennessee (23-3) received three first place votes and third-ranked Georgia (26-2) was voted No. 1 on eight ballots. The Lady Bulldogs trailed Tennessee by 14 points.

Louisiana Tech remained fourth, Notre Dame was fifth and Penn State sixth. Notre Dame (23-2) got a big win in overtime at Rutgers on Saturday and owns the longest Division I winning streak at 19.

After Texas Tech in seventh, it was Rutgers holding at No. 8, Duke climbing five spots to ninth after beating North Carolina State, and UC Santa Barbara moving from 11th to 10th, its first appearance in the Top Ten.

Auburn moved up two spots to 11th and was followed by LSU, Iowa State, North Carolina State, Old Dominion, Virginia, Boston College, Tulane, Marquette and Mississippi State.


Purdue, UCLA, Arizona, Oklahoma and Kansas held the final five places.

Kansas, which dropped out last week following a loss at Nebraska, returned after beating Iowa State and Kansas State. A victory over Iowa State also got the Jayhawks back into the poll after they dropped out the first time in late January.


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Vanessa Gail Arthur  
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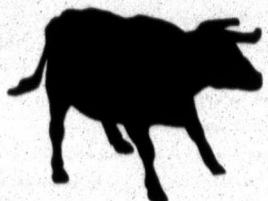
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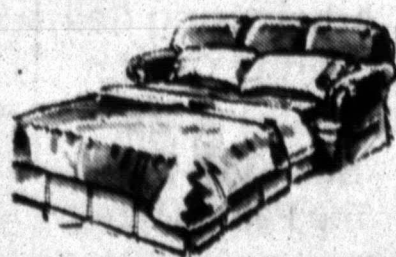
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# Texas round up ...

## Guard released, inmates in custody as death row standoff ends in Texas

LIVINGSTON, Texas (AP) — A female prison guard was released early today after being held hostage for nearly 13 hours by two death row inmates who demanded better living conditions and a moratorium on executions.

The inmates — who tried to escape more than a year ago — surrendered without incident shortly after 5 a.m. after being allowed to speak with a group of Houston death penalty opponents. One of the inmates faces a March 15 execution date.

Prison officials said guard Jeanette Bledsoe, 57, was not injured during the standoff, which began at 4:15 p.m. Monday. She was undergoing a routine examination at a prison infirmary early today.

"It was a tense situation that ended happily," Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said.

Deloyd Parker, executive director of the Houston-based SHAPE Community Center, said, "They wanted to bring forward issues about the conditions. Everything from crafts being taken to no mirror to shave."

## Mapping mission complete, shuttle preps for landing

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — After poring over the Earth's surface with a state-of-the-art mapping system for more than a week, the astronauts aboard space shuttle Endeavour turned to more mundane weather radar to see where — or if — they will land today.

A forecast of high crosswinds and low clouds at Kennedy Space Center in Florida could force the shuttle to land at Edwards Air Force Base in California, where high winds were also possible. If Endeavour can't land on any of its three tries later today, NASA will keep it in orbit for another day.

In that case, NASA may try to land the shuttle at White Sands Missile Range, N.M., on Wednesday, since forecasts for both Kennedy and Edwards appeared unfavorable.

Only Columbia has touched down at White Sands, in 1982 after the third shuttle flight. The last landing at Edwards was in 1996.

The crew of six completed their radar mapping mission Monday, surveying three-quarters of the Earth's terrain over nine days and six hours. After reeling in the 197-foot radar mast, the astronauts began testing the shuttle landing systems.

Early today, everything appeared to be going well, though pilot Dom Gorie reported a malfunctioning instrument light. Mission Control told him not to worry about it.

## Semiconductor maker says its technology will improve hand-held

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Instruments is expected to announce its latest computer chip advancement today, rolling out a family of processors the company hopes will power the next generation of wireless Internet devices.

The Dallas-based semiconductor company says the new technology could deliver 10 times the performance of its existing processors, depending on how quickly the chips are incorporated into the latest hand-held products.

TI chairman and chief executive Tom Engibous, who is slated to meet with investors and analysts to talk about the digital advancement, was also to appear at the New York Stock Exchange this morning to ring the opening bell.

The company said a hand-held device embedded with the new digital signal processors could operate like a combined cell phone, digital music player and camera, according to The Dallas Morning News.

Such a multipurpose gadget might be available to consumers within a year, depending on industry trends, the newspaper said.

## Elsewhere:

**TORTURE SLAYING:** Jurors in Fort Worth deciding the fate of convicted murderer Michael Wayne Hall spent most of Monday outside the courtroom as attorneys haggled over a defense plan to show he is "mentally retarded" and doesn't deserve the death chamber. Hall, 20, faces either life in prison or death for torturing 19-year-old Amy Robinson, who had a genetic disorder called Turner's Syndrome. ...**RESERVOIR-PAPER MILL:** Lowering water quality standards for a paper mill on Sam Rayburn Reservoir near Lufkin would hurt the sport fishing industry, anglers and environmentalists said Monday. The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission is considering a request from Donohue Industries, which owns the mill, to allow the plant to continue dumping water and other byproducts into a stream north of the reservoir. ...**TROUBLED INFORMANT:** The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration has suspended an informant it has paid \$2.2 million over 16 years, during which time he is accused of lying about his own criminal record, the Houston Chronicle reported Monday. The DEA took the action this month on Andrew Chambers, pending a background review and the agency is also reviewing its own procedures regarding the issue. ...**GALVESTON WATER:** Residents of the state's largest island city should be able to let their taps flow free for the first time since Thursday if repairs are successful.

# Fox scraps 'Multimillionaire' rebroadcast, new programs

ENCINITAS, Calif. (AP) — The honeymoon is over for "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire."

Fox had already canceled tonight's scheduled rebroadcast of last week's hit show after learning abuse allegations against the bridegroom. A restraining order was issued in 1991 against Rick Rockwell because an ex-girlfriend accused him of hitting and threatening to kill her.

Fox has now scrapped the program. "This is the end for this show. We are not doing another one," Mike Darnell, a Fox executive who devised the marry-a-millionaire concept, said in today's New York Times.

Rockwell, who returned to his house alone after his Caribbean honeymoon, angrily denied the abuse allegations.

"At no time have I ever struck any of my girlfriends, ever, for any reason," Rockwell, 42, told KGTV on Sunday night outside his home in Encinitas, a coastal city 25 miles north of San Diego.

"You know, relationships have ups and downs, but getting physical for me is not an option," he said.

Rockwell emerged again Monday evening with a considerably brighter demeanor, laughing with reporters as he passed out 10 large cheese and pepperoni pizzas.

"I would love to talk about all this stuff but I'm so busy. I have to feed all of you," a jovial Rockwell said.

He declined to say where his wife, Darva Conger, 34, was or what their situation was.

"She's doing great. We talked a couple of minutes ago," he said.

Asked about the future of their marriage, he replied: "I don't know what's going to happen about that, but I think she's a great person."

Conger could not be reached Monday. A phone message left at her home was not returned and a receptionist at the Thousand Oaks hospital where she worked as an emergency room nurse said she was no longer employed there.

More than 22 million people tuned in to "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire?" on Feb. 15. Fifty women competed as if they were in a combination of "The Dating Game" and a beauty pageant, parading in bathing suits and wedding gowns and answering questions about their tastes.

After the group was pared down to five finalists, Rockwell selected Conger, a Gulf War veteran, to be his wife. A Las Vegas judge married them on the

spot. "Asked about the future of their marriage, he replied: 'I don't know what's going to happen about that, but I think she's a great person.'"

In the ensuing week, critics have blasted the show as tasteless and demeaning.

Also, people who know Rockwell, a real estate investor and former standup comedian, have questioned just how rich he is and whether the whole thing was a publicity stunt.

Fox executives denied that the pair were acquainted before the program. Rockwell also denied to KGTV that he knew Conger and that the marriage was a stunt.

"False rumors," he said.

When Rockwell spoke with a reporter from KGTV, he read from a statement to address abuse allegations leveled in a 1991 restraining order application filed in Los Angeles County by Debbie Goyne.

She described herself as his former fiancée and said she lived with Rockwell for 18 months. Goyne accused Rockwell of shoving and slapping her, twice entering her home without permission and vandalizing her car after she broke off their engagement.

"Recently, he said he would find me and kill me," her court papers alleged.

A judge issued a restraining order prohibiting Rockwell from coming within 100 yards of Goyne for six months. It was unclear whether Rockwell was in court to defend himself when the order was issued.

Rockwell said that the relationship with Goyne "ended poorly" but that he would never hit a woman. He acknowledged that he didn't tell Fox about the restraining order.

"I considered it a closed chapter in my life," he said.

Darnell said the production company did a security check of Rockwell and "he came up clean."

"He was actually specifically asked if there was anything else we should know about his past," Darnell told the Times. "He signed an affidavit that everything he told us was true."

## Regis Philbin wouldn't mind more money

NEW YORK (AP) — Maybe it's Regis Philbin who wants to be a millionaire now, if he isn't already.

The host of television's most popular show, "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire," isn't happy that ABC hasn't rewarded him for the work.

He didn't exactly pick a quiet place to let this be known: he mentioned it during a guest slot on David Letterman's first "Late Show" since heart surgery.

"How's your little quiz show doing?" Letterman asked Philbin. "Are you making a lot of dough?"

"No, I'm not," Philbin replied.

"Those partywasts at ABC are not paying you what you're worth?" Letterman said.

"I don't think so," Philbin said, then quickly tried to change the subject back to Letterman's bypass operation. There was no immediate reply to a phone message

and a page left for ABC representatives on Monday. The show aired Monday, but was filmed Friday.

Philbin signed on as "Millionaire" host last year, when it was supposed to be a limited summer replacement series. He even privately campaigned for the job after being intrigued by the British version of the game show.

It quickly became a television phenomenon that now runs three times a week in prime time, sometimes more. "Millionaire" is single-handedly responsible for ABC's leap past CBS and NBC into first place in the prime-time ratings this season.

During an interview in October before "Millionaire" became a regular series, Philbin said he had signed a five-year contract to be host. At the time, he said he had not sought to renegotiate with ABC.