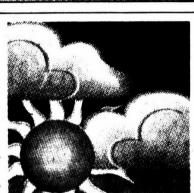
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Court delay granted for Baylor baseball player in cat killing

WACO (AP) — The attorney for one of two Baylor University baseball players accused of killing, skinning and decapitating a stray cat says a judge on Wednesday delayed the player's court

appearance until next year. Baylor outfielder Clint Bowers was scheduled to appear in McLennan County court Thursday. But his attorney, Rod Goble, said Bowers' case was moved Wednesday from the plea docket and placed on the judge's trial docket for sometime in January,

The setback, a routine procedure, was requested to give parties more time to reach a plea bargain, Goble said.

"If we had been able to reach a plea bargain, we would have disposed of the case today," he said. "I am hopeful we can reach an agreement and anticipate we will based on our kid's char-

"Clint is an outstanding young man who made a foolish mistake.'

Sources close to negotiations say intense media coverage, which has helped spark a flurry of protests and a barrage of e-mails from animal lovers across the nation, has hindered efforts to reach an agreement

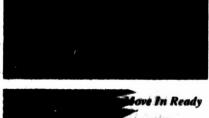
Pitcher Derek Brehm, also charged in the case, had a court appearance postponed.

- · Donald 'Don' Doughty, 82, former meat market owner.
- Ann McCarley, 93, former Lefors school teacher.

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Citizens: Don't cut fire, police services

By KATE B. DICKSON **Associate Publisher**

If citizen speakers at Tuesday's night's public hearing are representative of their neighbors, most Pampans will accept higher city property taxes if that's what it takes to keep fire and police services at current levels.

About 260 people filled the Heritage Room at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium, some coming two hours early to attend the Pampa City Commission work session that was followed by the meeting.

Big crowd turns out for tax public hearing

to vote on the tax increase proposal of up to 8.8 cents per 100 valuation at their next meeting. The new budget must be in place by the Oct. 1 start of the fiscal

In order to balance the budget, public hearing and the regular, city commissioners have been considering such cuts as closing missioners to make fewer cuts

Commissioners are expected. Fire Station No. 2 and laying off six firefighters, stopping participation in the regional drug task force and laying off a narcotics police officer, laving off an animal control officer, cutting staff and hours at the library as well as other cost-reduction moves.

A tax increase will allow com-

additional revenue some cuts will be made. In all, there were three chances to speak before the commissioners last night, at the public hearing, during citizen comment time

prior to the regular meeting and also before specific agenda items were addressed. Some of those speaking and

their comments were: Marilyn Powers, Comanche Trail - "I think we should consider safety first. My husband and I own a business and the police caught the burglar in the act. With fewer officers there is going to be more crime and fewer crimes solved. The maximum number of police officers on patrol now is four. And the same goes for animal control. If that means more taxes then so

but it's expected that even with be it.'

R.R. Hipkins, 2533 Aspen Drive - "Don't close the fire station. A year ago Sept. 4th I was at death's door and the firemen and paramedics got me out of the house and to a hospital. It may be you next time ... you can call somebody from the golf course."

Archie Maness, 431 N. Sumner - "I had the misfortune of having a major fire. The people from the fire department did an extra good job or I'd have lost everything I have."

lim Terry, 2119 Christine - "Put first things first. How to do it without a tax increase I'm not smart enough to know. I don't think we need to fund non-essential services. I'm speaking specifically about (the city-owned) golf

(See CITIZENS, Page 3)

PISD board ok's tax hike

By NANCY YOUNG Managing Editor

Property owners in the Pampa Independent School District will pay an increase of \$01.7 cents per \$100 valuation on their properties during the next fiscal year as the trustees adopted a budget and tax

PISD Board of Trustees approved a \$20,193,509 budget for the 2001-2002 school year during Tuesday night's meeting. The budget will reflect an increase from \$19,428,599 in 2000-2001.

Kendra Talley, the only person to address the board at the budget and tax rate public hearing, said she is grieved that school personnel are getting an increase in pay when private businesses are experiencing a drastically decreasing economy. "We are not making any more money, but we are having to pay more in taxes," said the selfemployed single mother of three.

"I am very grateful to the school district for the education my three children are getting," she said, "but these increases are a big deal to

Talley said she has always volunteered at school, but she will have to cut back because she will have to work more to pay the increased taxes. She said her children are in fifth, eighth and ninth grades.

Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr said he received one phone call from a resident who could not be at the meeting, and he quoted her as saying the taxes are too high and said county and city taxes are

The Pampa News received several phone calls Tuesday asking why the City of Pampa and PISD set their public hearings at the same time. Dr. Orr said PISD set the hearing time during its Aug. 7 meeting and was unaware the city's meeting was at the same time.

(See PISD, Page 3)



A Pampa police officer thought he'd be writing a traffic ticket when he tried to stop a Cadillac Tuesday afternoon. Instead, he ended up with a drug arrest and almost five grams of crack cocaine.

Randy Dewayne Cox, 31, 1032 Huff Rd., remained in Gray County Jail today following a bond hearing conducted by Joe Martinez, Justice of the Peace Precinct 1. Judge Martinez set bond at \$7,500 for possession of a controlled substance over four grams. Cox is also being held on four municipal warrants, police records

After Cox was transported to Grav County Jail for booking, the lock apparently jammed on the handcuffs, officials said today. Pampa Fire Department firefighters were called to the scene to cut the handcuffs from his wrists.

Cox's arrest followed an attempt by Officer Heron Garcia to stop a 1972 Cadillac for a traffic violation at Varnon and Neel roads about 2 p.m. Tuesday. According to police reports, the vehicle didn't stop but continued to a driveway at 1024 Neel Road, parking beneath an attached carport.

Rescue at sea involves locals

Two Pampa residents were involved in a rescue at sea over the weekend.

Firefighter Scott Reaser,

flanked by other Pampa

firefighters, explains why

they believe closing Fire

Station No. 2 and laying off

six men will be detrimental to both citizens and fire-

fighters. At right, Mayor

Lonny Robbins, right, and

City Commissioner Jeff

McCormick, talk before the

(Pampa News photos by Kate B. Dickson)

start of the public hearing.

Petty officer 2nd class Tausha Stich and Ollie Wilson Lowe were aboard the USS Boxer LHD-4, a Navy amphibious carrier, when the ship rode to

the rescue of eight Taiwanese fishermen Sunday. The Boxer was east of Guam on its way to Hawaii when it received a distress call from a Taiwanese fishing vessel. The 808-foot long amphibious assault ship was 145 miles from the fishing boat that reported it was on fire and flooding, but she launched her helicopters and turned toward the endangered vessel.

The Boxer's helicopters dropped two life rafts into the water along with swimmers to help the

Navy Lt. Nancy Talbot, aboard the Boxer, said some of the fishermen apparently could not swim. She said the Taiwanese boat master and seven fishermen who live in mainland China are all reported to be safe and in good health.

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The 59-foot fishing vessel, the Ji Moon Chun 21, was last reported listing about 650 miles east of Guam, still taking on water.

Talbot said the fire apparently started in the vessel's engine room, disabling the boat and allowing water on board. The Boxer remained near the sinking boat late

Homeported in San Diego, the Boxer is due to return to its California home Sept. 14, after a stop

Former Pampan dies in wreck

Patrol troopers today continue to investigate a fatal wreck Saturday that claimed the life of a former Pampan

Graveside services for J.D. Mize, 67, are set for 10 a.m. Thursday in Memory Gardens Cemetery here. Mr. Mize died Aug. 25, when his car section of two Caddo County roads. One of the crashed into a pickup at the intersection of two roads was paved and the other was graveled, county roads, two miles east of Albert, Okla.

Trooper Glen Zink of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol (OHP) said he has not completed his ving a 1986 Mercury cast on the paved road and investigation, but preliminary results indicates

FORT COBB, Okla. - Oklahoma Highway speed and high weeds contributed to the wreck "I'm still investigating, but looking at the skid marks, it looks like Mr. Mize was going in excess of the 45 mile per hour speed limit by greater

than 20 miles per hour," Zink said this morning. The wreck occurred at 11:13 a.m., at the inter-

According to the OHP report, Mize was dri-(See WRECK, Page 3)

Setting sheriff's, clerk's fees top county agenda

Considering the clerk's filing fees and setting sheriff's fees for 2002 will be among the items the Gray County Commission considers when they meet in special session at 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 31, in the temporary courthouse facilities at 315 Ballard.

A resolution protesting the redistricting changes made by the Legislative Redistricting Board will also be considered. Gray County was removed from the 31st Senatorial District of Sen. Teel Bivins when the LRB drew the new boundaries.

Also to be considered will be District Clerk Gave Honderich's request to replace employee after Sept. 15, 2001, OmniBase Contract with Texas Department of Public Safety, challenge cost share agreement at Lake McClelland, change orders related to courthouse restoration demolition/abatements, and 2002 watershed membership.

Transfers as recommended by the County Auditor, act upon intrabudget transfer requests and July Treasurer's Report will also be considered at the Friday county commission meeting. Pay bills and salaries as approved by the County Auditor is also on the agenda.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

DOUGHTY, Donald "Don" - 2 p.m., Emmanuel Baptist Church, Weatherford, Okla. McCARLEY, Ann — 3 p.m., Lefors United Methodist Church, Lefors.

MIZE, J.D. — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

Obituaries

RUBY EPPERLEY

Ruby Epperley, 92, of Pampa, died Thursday, Aug. 23, 2001. Services were held recently in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of

Mrs. Epperley was born Dec. 12, 1908, at Stigler, Okla., and was a long-time resident of Borger and the surrounding area.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a son, R.L. Babb; two husbands, Virgil Babb and Lilburn Epperley; five sisters, Ida Young, Grace Reynolds, Edith Platter, Lilly Hulsey and Addie Cain; three brothers, Jess Hulsey, Bill Hulsey and Charles Hulsey; and a grandson, Larry Elliott.

Survivors include a son, Demas Babb of Pampa; a daughter, Velma Wilson of Lubbock; two sisters, Clemmie Tackett and Lucille Attaway, both of Pampa; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a great-greatgrandchild.

Ambulance

Rural Metro Ambulance Services responded to the following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Aug. 28 2:14 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Doyle and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Fires

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

Wednesday, Aug. 28 2:56 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters

responded to Gray County Jail, 200 N. Russell, on a request to cut handcuffs off a prisoner.

Stocks

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Chevron91.96 up 0.84	West Texas Crude	27.17

Police report

Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Aug. 28

Randy Dewayne Cox, 31, 1032 Huff Rd., was arrested for possession of a controlled substance over 4 grams and on four municipal capias pro

Kimmell Ronald Gatson, 30, 416 Magnolia, was arrested on a warrant for theft of services.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of South Dwight. A carton of cigarettes was stolen from the vehicle.

Child custody dispute and assault was reported in the 1400 block of West Somerville. No

injuries were listed in the report. Domestic assault - verbal was reported in the 1400 block of East Browning.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 400 block of North Russell. The vehicle was returned.

A runaway was reported in the 2200 block of North Wells. Fraud was reported in the 300 block of North

Assault by threat was reported in the 1100

block of South Finley. Criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block of Huff Road. A 1995 Nissan received approximately \$300 damage.

Accidents

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

Monday, Aug. 27 7:26 a.m. - A 1991 Chevrolet Malibu driven by Mikki Lynne Davis, 26, 1825 N. Hamilton, and a 1992 Ford Ranger pickup driven by Paul Norman Smith, 32, 2310 Evergreen, collided at the intersection of Kentucky and Sumner streets. No injuries were reported at the scene. Davis was cited for failure to yield right of way.

Sheriff's Office

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

Tuesday, Aug. 28 Shelly Renee Reed, 37, 928 Jordan, was arrested

for public intoxication. Marvin Neal, 55, 928 Jordan, was arrested for public intoxication.

Kenneth Lovejoy, 22, Skellytown, was arrested on a warrant for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and bond surrender for public intoxication.

James McKinney, 36, Plainview, was arrested for violation of probation and possession of a controlled substance and a grand jury indictment for delivery of a controlled substance.

Christopher A. Sturgeon, 31, St. Louis, Mo., was arrested for violation of probation for possession of a controlled substance.

Wednesday, Aug. 29 Gustavo Blanco, 30, no address listed, was arrested for public intoxication.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	1-888-Energas

Weather focus

of afternoon showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 90. South to southeast winds 10 to persistent low-pressure system. 20 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy chance of showers and thunder- kept conditions mild but humid. storms. Highs in the upper 80s. showers and thunderstorms. Paris. Lows around 65. Friday, partly

and thunderstorms. Highs 85 to STATEWIDE - An unseason-

PAMPA - Today, partly ably mild and wet summer cloudy with a 30 percent chance week continued across much of Texas, with more showers and thunderstorms expected from a Rainfall began developing

with a 30 percent chance of early Wednesday in parts of showers and thunderstorms. North Texas, but most of the sig-Lows around 67. Southeast nificant precipitation was winds 5 to 15 mph. Thursday, expected south of the area as a partly sunny with a 30 percent moist and unstable air mass

Scattered showers and isolat-South winds 10 to 20 mph. ed thunderstorms started near Thursday night, partly cloudy Athens, moving into area with a 30 percent chance of including Sulphur Springs and

Showers and thunderstorms

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Houston, San Antonio and Brownsville, although the strongest storms remained well offshore.

Widespread rain and a few thunderstorms affected Corpus Christi and Matagorda Bay, inland to Pleasanton.

Skies were mostly cloudy across the Concho Valley and Edwards Plateau.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from 62 degrees at Guadalupe Pass to 74 degrees at El Paso. Marfa was in the upper Other readings included 69 at

Austin and 81 at Galveston.

Winds were mostly southerly to southeasterly at 5 to 15 mph except for north winds across cloudy with a chance of showers were also scattered between the far west and mountains.

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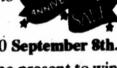
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Texas Round Up

Prosecutor says Rivas is chronic liar who killed rather than return to prison

Irving police officer, is a merciless killer who lies to juries to save his own skin, said a Dallas County

Prosecutor Toby Shook said officer Aubrey Hawkins was ambushed by Rivas, who led a gang of violent escapees from a South Texas prison and on a spree of armed robberies.

"Aubrey Hawkins was shown no mercy this last Christmas Eve, was he?" Shook said to Rivas, who took the stand Tuesday during the penalty phase of his capital murder trial.

Rivas, 31, said he only wanted to disarm Hawkins by shooting him in the shoulders.

He was to be questioned more Wednesday, when the case could go the jury. Rivas, the first of the escapees to be prosecuted, faces a sentence of lethal injection or life in prison.

Rivas said that while he lied to juries that convicted him for two 1993 robberies in El Paso, he is being honest now.

Prosecutors have said five weapons were used to shoot Hawkins, who was hit 11 times and then run over with a vehicle driven by Rivas. The officer misdemeanor. was responding to the armed robbery of an Oshman's Sporting Goods store.

Rivas said Donald Newbury also shot at the car, and Michael Rodriguez pulled the officer from the represents Brehm, have said that their clients

He added he didn't know he had run over Hawkins until it was stated in court.

Akins: political establishment wants him out

HOUSTON (AP) — Democratic gubernatorial withdrawing from the race, reportedly rejected a request to run for another office from a key ally of come at the expense of Social Security. the businessman regarded as the party's front-run-

ker a deal with Akins in which the former to work next week. University of Texas quarterback would quit the Democratic leadership in a race for Texas land after 26 days away from the White House. commissioner.

multimillionaire Laredo banker and oilman A.R. politically perilous test. 'Tony" Sanchez Jr. — was not acting in good faith.

Barnes, who once employed Sarchez as a legisla- enues.

tive aide, had invited Akins to his Austin office on Monday to discuss the possibility of the Marble DALLAS' (AP) - Convicted murderer George Falls lawyer seeking the land commissioner's posi-Rivas, who claims he never intended to kill an tion. Barnes also invited former Land Commissioner Garry Mauro to explain the office's operations to Akins.

Court delay requested in cat killing

WACO (AP) — The attorney for one of two Baylor University baseball players accused of killing, skinning and decapitating a stray cat says he will ask a judge to delay the player's court appearance until next year.

Baylor outfielder Clint Bowers is scheduled to appear in McLennan County court Thursday. But his attorney, Rod Goble, said he planned to try Wednesday to get Bowers' case removed from the plea docket and placed on the judge's trial docket

Goble said he is still discussing the disposition of the animal cruelty case with the district attorney's

Pitcher Derek Brehm, who is also charged in the case, had a court appearance postponed earlier this month and reset for Jan. 9.

Both players are charged with animal cruelty, a Prosecutor Crawford Long said disposition of

the cases hasn't been determined. Goble and Russ Hunt, the Waco attorney who would accept a plea bargain if prosecutors would

Bush takes message of more defense spending to American Legion

offer deferred adjudication.

CRAWFORD (AP) - President Bush draws his candidate Marty Akins, who denies reports he is monthlong vacation to a close confronting new economic data that suggest his budget priorities

Bush was speaking Wednesday in San Antonio at the American Legion's 83rd annual convention, Several sources familiar with the exchange told where aides said he wanted to relterate his demand the Houston Chronicle in Wednesday's editions that Congress approve big spending increases for that former Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes attempted to bro- defense and education when lawmakers get back

It is his last bit of business before he and first lady governor's race in exchange for the backing of Laura Bush fly back to Washington on Thursday

The budget landscape has shifted dramatically The sources said Akins considered the offer since Bush has been away. New economic projec-Monday, but decided to stay in the race for the gov- tions by the nonpartisan Congressional Budget ernor's mansion after incidents later in the day Office put one of Bush's central campaign promismade him believe Barnes — a former employer of es — not to spend Social Security reserves — to a

The CBO forecasts that the government will tap "To paraphrase the legendary Mark Twain, the story of my demise has been greatly exaggerated," because Bush's tax cut and the general economic Akins said in a prepared statement issued Tuesday. slowdown have shrunk the surplus in general rev-

Names in the News

NEW YORK (AP) - The first night show at the First Union touring since June with the prorelease from Michael Jackson's Center. Her promoters said she is duction, which is now in Los long-awaited new album has hit trying to shake a case of influen- Angeles. The New York engagethe airwaves. 🤲

"You Rock My World," an updian Chris Tucker. The song has been receiving heavy airplay since it was released to radio stations over the last few days.

The single is the first new material Jackson has released since his poor-selling 1997 remix album, "Blood on the Dance Floor." It will be featured on his upcoming disc "Invincible," due out Oct. 30. "Music lovers around the

world will be surprised and delighted by the power, depth and range of 'Invincible," said Tommy Mottola, chairman and chief executive officer of Sony Music Entertainment.

Jackson has been shooting a video in Los Angeles and has also been in rehearsals for his Sept. 7 and 10 concerts at New York's Madison Square Garden celebrating the 30th anniversary of his solo career. Performers at those concerts will include Spears, Whitney Britney Houston, Destiny's Child, Lenny Kravitz, Usher and the Jackson Five.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — For the fifth time in two months, Janet Jackson has postponed a show on her "All for You" tour.

The 35-year-old singer post-

poned her sold-out Tuesday-

and author, returns to Broadway with "Sexaholix," his latest oneman show. It opens Oct. 9 at the Royale Theatre.

York-raised Leguizamo has been

"Janet is having some recurbut may be extended.

Freundlich, a spokesman for Jackson. The show has been resched-

Jackson's tour has been plagued by postponements since it began in July. An Aug. 21 date at New York's Madison Square Garden was rescheduled so the WNBA's New York Liberty could have a playoff game. She has also been sidelined previously dental surgery and the late own albums. arrival of stage equipment.

of the shows. Her U.S. tour continues through October.

was "Mambo Mouth" and "Spic- touring and almost daily appear-O-Rama," done off-Broadway in ances at radio stations, Phifer the early 1990s. Then "Freak" on says. Broadway in 1997, which received a Tony nomination for best play.

The Colombian-born but New movie "O."

ment is scheduled for six weeks

tempo dance tune, features a ring respiratory problems. She The 37-year-old performer has spoken introduction from comences to rest," said Paul described the piece, which toured under the title "John Leguizamo Live," as dealing with four subjects: the history of uled for Friday, and some additional tickets have been put on Dummies: From Montezuma to Me"), families, relationships and

> NEW YORK (AP) - Mekhi Phifer, who did his own rap work on MTV's hip-hop version of the opera "Carmen," says he's pleased that the music industry liked his work on the soundtrack because of the flu, emergency - but won't be putting out his

"I love rap and hip-hop. I love Jackson has rescheduled most being a consumer. I don't want to be a music artist," Phifer told The Associated Press.

One drawback of being a NEW YORK (AP) — First there recording artist is the constant

But, he adds, as he did in "Carmen," he would tap into his musical talent if it would help Now John Leguizamo, actor him with an acting role. That's a possibility, considering Phifer says he'd love to portray Marvin Gaye on film. Phifer, 26, stars in the new

Correction

A front page article Tuesday about two missing dogs that had been found dead under an overpass listed the address of Nicholas Brookshire incorrectly. His address is 816 N. Wells, according to a Pampa Police Department report concerning the incident.

City Briefs

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CITIZENS

Dr. Louis Haydon, 111 E 28th - "In the last 12 months how many of you have attended a PEDC (Pampa Economic Development Corporation) meeting and studied their financial reports. They have given millions to strangers and made some very questionable deals. Don't you think the \$700,000 (in yearly sales tax funding) the PEDC gets could be put to better use in our city budget?"

Shirley Waller, 2300 Evergreen - "I certainly feel we need all the fire and police protection we can get. Why do we even have a PEDC? For years we operated without a PEDC. When the voters first approved (the PEDC tax) we were sort of misled with what would happen with this money. They said they didn't support the pig farm but they paid the bill at Northgate Inn and the money for the meeting at M.K. Brown. There's \$2,040 to the country club and they give a membership to new businesses for one year. I'd like to be put on the agenda for the next meeting. If there is the possibility of taking (the PEDC) back to the voters I'd like to." Later in the meeting Waller spoke again saying she'd like to see more people attend regular commission meetings. "I'm in favor of the tax increase ... but there needs to be a fee increase for golf. We've got the lowest green fees around.

Steve Phillips, 1817 Lynn - "If you read the bylaws of the PEDC you'll realize (the commission) is the controlling party. If you go and see the PEDC then you can stop some of these things.

Chris Romines, 1809 N. Christie - "I've got several complaints about this tax business. There are things that can be cut out besides the fire and police. I think some salaries should be cut. Another thing that has really burned me up ... I pay for my recreation and they (golfers using the city course) should pay for it, not me. If the golf course can't make its way, then do away with it. Not only are you raising our tax but you are raising our appraisals. So it's raising them twice. Like the fellow said, that PEDC ought to be run out of town.

Greg Kurtz, 2109 N. Wells - "With further study, y'all can find a way to do this without raising taxes

over 50 years and I've never had to have the fire shift to eight on a shift and it would drop to six if department or the police but I really appreciate you cut No. 2."

them being here. I don't want to see them cut. I find the library will have to close on Wednesday nights and Sundays. I have been on the library board for 18 years and I encourage you to give us a good community to live in and if it takes more taxes that's OK.

Mike Day, 2525 Christine - "We do not need to cut fire and police. I don't know what it took to get us in this shape. Your (commission) back is against the wall. Do not cut fire, police and animal control.

Safety is priority one. Firefighter Scott Reasor, 1224 Mary Ellen - "Our job is mostly about saving lives," he said while flanked by a group of other firefighters. "That's what we live and breathe. We would all like to see an increase in staff ... it scares me to see what happens with a decrease. If there are any more cuts it is going to result in tragedy ... we can't quickly, safey and effectively make rescues. It will increase response time which means more damage and more danger. We ask you to find a way to maintain current staff levels. We don't like higher taxes any more than any one else but this is an investment in

Mike Rummerfield, 2139 Beech - "The first responsibility should be to health, safety and animal control. Without those basic services there is no reason to live in a city. The cuts are all slanted to the bottom ... the ones out there doing the work. I'm for the tax increase but you need to look at everything at the top.

life and that's worth it.'

Keith Fisher, 2236 Dogwood - "I own nine properties in the city. With a tax increase I'll have to raise rent ... that's fine. I want to keep the services and will pay the taxes. I am for the golf course but I

think you should cut there first. Sandra Bronner, Loop 171 - "I agree with some that's been said. What I want to know is do the swimming pools make money? ... All these cars the city employees drive. They could be cut. I'm not for cutting down the fire department."

Sheila Winton, 2128 N. Wells ... "We'd much rather pay higher taxes and keep Station 2 open," All they have done is take us for our money. Now the wife of a firefighter said. "Closing Station 2 will we're going to get that hog farm. What's that going cut some response times by two-and-a-half to three minutes. A fire can double in size every minute. This means more firefighter injuries and deaths and more property loss for citizens. The city has gone from 36 men on the line in 1989 to 24 now. It Betty Henderson, 419 E. Foster - "I've lived here" would be 18 with the cuts. It's gone from 12 on a

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the other driver, Dekota Cagle, 52, of Hinton, Okla., had just pulled his 2001 Ford pickup into the intersection after stopping on the graveled road.

The Mercury struck the pickup in the driver's side door, Zink said. The point of impact was in the paved roadway, he said.

Mize, who was not wearing a seatbelt, died of his injuries at the scene, the trooper said. Cagle

was taken transported to a Weatherford, Okla., hospital and then transferred to Mercy Hospital in Oklahoma City. Zink said Cagle has since been released from the hospital.

The trooper said excessive speed caused the accident, adding that "neither one was able to see

each other for high weeds." Mr. Mize left the Pampa area in 1986. While living here, he was employed with Tinney Lumber Company, Parsley's Sheet Metal and Roofing, and as an independent contractor.

Report: U.S economy weak

ly moved forward in the spring, growing at an anemic rate of just 0.2 percent, the weakest performance in eight years, the government reported

The Commerce Department's latest reading of gross domestic product in the April-June quarter recession. represented a big downward revision to the estimate one month ago of a 0.7 percent growth rate.

GDP is the country's total output of goods and services and is considered the broadest measure of the economy's health.

Though the economy was clearly ailing in the rate of 1.3 percent. second quarter, some economists took comfort that it didn't slip into negative territory as some had feared. "Psychologically, I think this is a good thing — the fact that the economy did keep its head above water," said Ken Mayland of ClearView

On Wall Street, investors were not impressed by er growth rates in the second half of this year. the slim gain. The Dow Jones industrial average lost 95 points and the Nasdaq index dropped 19 GDP figures paint a troubling picture but "the

points in morning trading. The new, lower estimate largely reflected businesses were doing a better job of working off excess work for future growth." inventories of unsold goods than previously esti-

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. economy bare- thing that would bode well for economic growth down the road.

While second-quarter growth remained positive, the rate of expansion was the weakest since a 0.1 percent rate of decline in the first quarter of 1993 as the country was struggling to emerge from the last

The new GDP figure underscores how dramatically the economy continued to weaken into the spring and marked the poorest showing in the country's yearlong economic slowdown. In the first three months of this year, the economy grew at a

The Bush administration and many private economists predict the second quarter will prove to be the point of maximum danger for the economy. The administration is counting on nearly \$40 billion of tax rebate checks and the aggressive credit easing by the Federal Reserve to lift the economy to high

Commerce Secretary Don Evans said the revised rebate checks will bolster consumer spending and the marginal rate cuts establish the right frame-

.To fight off a possible downturn, the Fed has mated. While this process subtracts from GDP, slashed interest rates seven times this year, totaling economists say excess inventories must be whittled 3 percentage points. The most recent cut, one-quarbefore companies can ramp up production, someter point, came last week.

"Maggie"

This tri-colored Australian Sheppard

cross is 7 months old.

She's current on all

vaccinations. Maggie

is **GREAT** with

children and is very

Payroll costs are 81.5 percent of PISD's 2001-2002 proposed budget. Local revenue estimates in the general operating fund are estimated to be \$10,837,274, and the state's contribution is \$9,242,985, while federal and other revenue is expected to be \$113,250 during the upcoming

"Next year, and over the course of this year, I am going to be proposing to the board some restructuring of the district in terms of administrative positions - the costs, staffing and staffing patterns that we have, said Orr. "We are going to bring that comparative data to the board and involve our campuses in looking at that.

"We know we have a declining enrollment," he said. "We will be bringing that information to you, and we know we have some difficult decisions that need to be made.'

He said some hard decisions will have to be made on how to address the situations.

Dr. Jay Johnson, who is a board representative on the Facilities Committee, said committee members recently discussed applying for grants to be used for facility improvement needs.

Deterioration of the brick on the exterior of the Pampa Middle School has been an ongoing problem. A \$1.5 million estimate was given to the board a few months ago to completely rebrick the

A five-year facility plan includes resurfacing parking lots in 2002 at Pampa High School, Pampa Middle School and Travis for a \$120,000 with a total estimate of \$295,000.

During 2003, roof replacement for vocation and music building at PHS, auditorium and cafeteria PMS, Lamar Elementary and Austin Elementary is estimated to run \$160,000 while resurfacing parking lots at Wilson, Austin and Carver would total \$85,000.

An estimated \$299,100 for facility repair is considered for 2004 while \$125,000 has been estimated for 2005.

Complimenting the administration on the budget preparation, Dr. Johnson expressed concern about where the remainder of the money will come from for the PMS repairs and maintenance. He said school trustees have their hands tied.

"I have a problem with raising our taxes to the level that we are talking about," said Johnson. "I have a bigger problem with going up to the wall with our taxes and not having a Plan B for our facilities.

"I think we are kind of close to the cliff and we are fixing to jump off unless this grant comes through, and the grant is only 25 percent of what we recognized we need," he said.

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Iohnson said the school board is at a crossroads in the need for facilities improvements and repairs, and not having the money to do the

He said teachers deserve increased salaries, but the district doesn't have the money to do everything that needs to be done.

Business Manager Mark McVay said the fund balance, or reserve funds, put aside from 1991 to 1997 allowed the school district to do \$12 million worth of facility needs due to a bond issue and using the reserves.

"That's really the main way that we can fund facilities, or the only way that we are going to be able to if we don't do a bond election," he said. "Most of these projects are very large dollar amount projects, and we've got to basically set money aside through our fund balance until we accumulate a million or two million dollars and we take on those projects.'

McVay said just through the school funding the district does not have the mechanism to generate large amounts of cash for facilities.

Orr said the board needs to determine what dollar amount goal they want to set aside and

instruct the administration. Lobbying for a change in school finance laws

would help the PISD, said Orr.

"Approximately 500 of the 1,050 districts in the state of Texas still have less than 1,000 students, and they are facing similar facility needs," he said. He said Senator Teel Bivins, chairman of the Education Committee in the state senate, has been a proponent of revamping the school financing system in Texas to include funds for maintaining school facilities.

He suggested contacting State Representative Warren Chisum, Senator Robert Duncan and Bivins regarding the school financing

Orr said the administration will tell local staff at meetings this week that the only salary increases they can expect next year, 2002-2003, will be the \$1,000 from the state.

Johnson expressed concern about morale of staff. Orr said in years past when the district was in the same situation the staff understood.

Board member John Curry said he is glad Johnson raised the issue of needing the funds to maintain facilities so the public will realize the problems being faced by the board and adminis-

Johnson was the only board member to vote against the budget and tax rate. Voting in favor were board members Joe Martinez, Bill Jones, Nancy Coffee, Lance DeFever and Curry. Board president Lee Porter does not vote unless there is

Schools are required by law to adopt their budget by Sept. 1.

Sen. McCain has surgery

PHOENIX (AP) — Sen. John McCain underwent surgery Wednesday for a benign enlargement of his prostate and during the operation, a spokes-

woman said. McCain, whose 65th birthday was. Wednesday, will likely spend one to two nights at the Mayo Clinic Hospital and is expected to make a full and rapid recovery, said McCain

spokeswoman Nancy Ives. Enlargement of the prostate is common among older men and can lead to urinary difficul-

During the procedure, enlarged prostate tissue blocking the urethra is cut away.

CHAUTAUQUA 2001 20th ANNUAL FESTIVAL CENTRAL PARK, LABOR DAY, SEPT. 3RD

9 a.m. Opening Ceremony; MC Wanetta Hill, Joe Martinez PHS Band Brass Ensemble National Anthem; Girl Scouts Present colors;

Pledge of Allegiance, "The Blessing" sung by Joe Martinez 9:10 PHS Cheerleaders

9:15 Joe Martinez, singer 9:30 Pampa Gymnastics

9:55 Introduce Top of Texas Rodeo Queens - Announcements - Raffle 10:05 PHS Fiesta Dancers 10:25 Tae Kwon Do Demonstration

10:55 Announcements - Raffle
11:00 Dalene Wheat, singer (Drifters Restaurant)
11:15 Shekinah Glory - Vocal Ensemble (Calvary Baptist Church)
11:45 Jackle Harper, singer (First Christian Church)

12:00 A.F.S. Students Introduced 12:10 PHS Show Choir 12:40 Announcements - Raffle

12:45 Rick Scott, singer/songwriter 1:00 Paul Searl, soloist

1:30 Announcements - Raffle 1:35 "Elvis" (Smoky Binlon)

1:45 Announcements - Raffle

1:50 Clay Britton, singer (First Christian Church)
2:00 PIBM Band & Singers (Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexicana)

3:00 Announcements - Raffle 3:05 Dalene Wheat, singer (Drifters Restaurant) 3:25 Announcements - Final Raffle

3:30 Celtic Musicians (Amarillo)

4:00 Closing Ceremony - Girl Scouts Retire Colors; Chautauqua Theme: "Day is Dying in the West"; PHS Trumpeteer: "Taps"

CHAUTAUQUA

Fun Run/Walk

Central Park • Pampa, Texas Where: (corner of Georgia & Mary Ellen)

When: September 3, 2001

•Registration Day of Race beginning at 6:45 am

•Fun Run/Walk (one mile) begins at 8:00 am

•5K Run begins at 8:20 am

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Register Day Of Race

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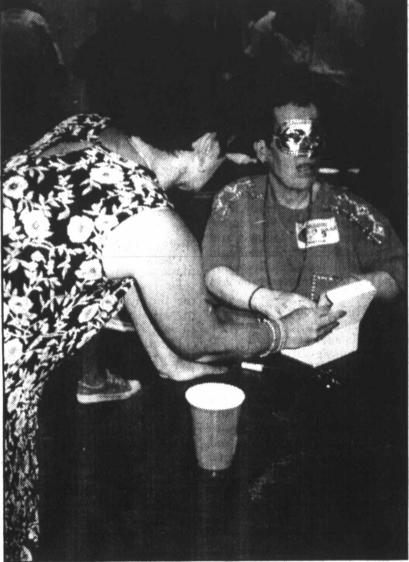
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Pet of the Week

Lost Your Pet? Call the Animal Shelter first! Leave a detailed message with your phone number. We hold stray animals for 72 hours only. So PLEASE call us as soon as your pet is missing!

Summer Bash





left. Donna Andwers after her number was called. her door prize.

The door prizes were a great hit at Pampa Right: Katharine Zemanek, of St. Vincent de Paul Sheltered Workshop Summer Bash recently. Above, Catholic Church's youth group, helps Andrews open

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill

DLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #A-3 East Bivins, 660' from South & East 220,C,G&MMB&A, PD 12200'. line, Sec. 43,M-20,G&M (BHL: 2410' from North & 2208' from East Sec. line) PD 2700'. Horizontal Sidetrack

HOOVER Ellenburg 'B') 660' from West line, Sec. 109,M-Newfield Exploration Mid-2,BS&F, PD 10500'. Continent, Inc., #702 Ruth, 169' HANSFORD (HANSFORD Cleveland)

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Apache Corp., #3 Billy Jarvis, CARSON (WEST PANHAN- 900' from North & 910' from line,

Applications to Re-Enter TON Basal Penn Detrital) pumped 8.2 bbl. of 39 grav. oil + GRAY (WILDCAT & N.E. Harnley, 1980' from North & 3570', PBTD 3541' -

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Oil Well Completion

Sec. DLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #A-42 Herring 'A&B', R. Walters 11,2,WCRR, spud 5-12-01, drlg. Survey, spud 6-15-01, drlg. compl 5-26-01, tested 7-29-01, GRAY (WILDCAT & LAKE- compl 6-19-01, tested 8-9-01, TD 8180' -Kaiser-Francis Oil Co., #1 129 bbls. water, GOR 14512, TD AN Upper Morrow) Amoco

Gas Well Completions HANSFORD Strat from South & 212' from West Council Grove) Aruba Exploration, #2113 Crooks, Sec. 4-25-01, TD 12000', PBTD 7301' line, Sec. 2,3,H&GN, PD 9500'. Petroleum, Inc., #2 Nolder, 467' 113,4-T,T&NO, spud 5-30-01, drlg.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & S.E. from South & West line; Sec. compl 6-10-01, tested 7-19-01, potential 1330 MCF, TD 6500' — HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADI.

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HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADI-Production Co., #3-LT Billy Jarvis & Sons, Sec. (HORIZON 219,C,G&MMB&A, spud 11-6-Land 00, drlg. compl 11-13-00, tested

Douglas) Production Co., #8-UT Billy & Sons, 219,C,G&MMB&A, spud 11-6-00, drlg. compl 11-13-00, tested 4-25-01, TD 12000', PBTD 7301' — Dual Completion w/#8-LT Billy Jarvis & Sons

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash) EnerVest Operating, L.L.C., #7045-L George 'A', Sec. 45,1,I&GN, spud 10-29-00, drlg. compl 1-11-01, tested 2-14-01, TD 12636', PBTD 11300' - Dual Completion HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADI-AN Douglas) EnerVest Operating, L.L.C., #7045-U George 'A', Sec. 45,1,1&GN,

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Cleveland) Amoco Production Co., #3 Virgil Mathews '79', Sec. 79,R,GB&ČNG, spud 6-8-01, drlg. compl 6-25-01, tested 7-10-01, TD 8530', PBTD 8250' — Plug-Back

ROBERTS (N.W. MENDOTA Wash) Amoco Granite Production Co., #4063 Campbell Ranch, Sec. 63,B-1,H&GN, spud 5-14-01, drlg. compl 6-4-01, tested 6-28-01, TD 10045' —

due to raging wildfire WEAVERVILLE, Calif. (AP) —

former mining town of 3,550.

Residents who fled Tuesday their weakened hearts. night with handfuls of belongings waited to hear if they still to evacuate after high wind Tuesday. fanned the blaze toward the spokesman Steve Gasaway.

The fire had destroyed at least garages. No injuries were report-

About 100 miles to the south, a man suspected of starting a fire work together. in which two firefighting pilots died when their planes clipped wings was expected to be didates for the new therapy. arraigned Wednesday on murder charges.

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rying refugees Australian waters

CHRISTMAS cargo ship carrying 438 rescued were feared dead. refugees that defied orders and Wednesday.

Prime Minister John Howard said the soldiers had secured the Norwegian ship the Tampa with no reports of violence.

Three nations continued to responsibility for the refugees most of them Afghani — who without visas began sinking.

cargo ship under a harsh tropical neighborhood overnight, draw sun off the coast of this remote ing heavy Israeli return fire. Indian Ocean island, many of the refugees have refused to eat and board unless Australia granted them entry.

owner, the mayday distress call fearing for Palestinian shooting ambush. the health of some of the

Northwestern California FDA approves novel town ordered to evacuate pacemaker-like device for heart failure

WASHINGTON (AP) Flames burned through houses Thousands of congestive heart and businesses after a fast-mov- failure patients may qualify for a ing wildfire forced officials to groundbreaking new therapy, a evacuate more than half of this novel pacemaker-like device that boosts the pumping power of

The Food Administration approved had homes. They were ordered Medtronic Inc.'s InSync system

Pacemakers are widely used to town, about 200 miles north of zap hearts that beat too slowly or San Francisco, said California irregularly into a normal rhythm. Department of Forestry But Medtronic beat two competing companies to the market a souped-up pacemaker that pronine homes, businesses and vides cardiac resynchronization, making a struggling heart beat more normally by forcing its main pumping chambers to

> Cardiologists estimate as many as 650,000 patients could be can-

Plane crashes near The planes collided Monday Malaga airport in Spain, over a blaze that may have broinjuring dozens

MALAGA, Spain (AP) — A phetamine lab in the woods passenger plane crash-landed on near Hopland. Frank Brady, 50, a road near the airport in this of Redwood Valley was southern Spanish city, possibly charged with two counts of killing three people and injuring about 40, police said Wednesday.

The plane, with 41 passengers Military boards ship car- and three crew aboard, was travinto eling from Melilla, a Spanish enclave on the northern ISLAND, Moroccan coast, the spokes-Australia (AP) — Worried about woman said. She said several of a flow of asylum seekers, the passengers were trapped Australia sent troops aboard a inside the plane and that three

Firefighting units rushed to the entered territorial waters scene of the accident, which occurred around 10 a.m. The plane belonged to the Spanish Binter Mediterraneo airline, a subsidiary of national airline

wrangle over who should take Three Palestinians, one Israeli, killed in shootings

JERUSALEM (AP) — Despite were rescued Monday when the Israel's open-ended takeover of ferry illegally carrying them parts of a West Bank town, from Indonesia to Australia Palestinians fired mortars, machine guns and assault rifles Squeezed onto the Norwegian from there at a nearby Jewish

Elsewhere, three Palestinians and an Israeli were killed in sepwere threatening to jump over- arate shooting incidents early Wednesday. Among the dead were a Palestinian gunman, a A spokesman for the ship's Palestinian motorist police Wallenius reported to have been shot by Wilhelmsen shipping line, said Jewish extremists, and an Israeli captain Arne Rinnan issued a truck driver who was killed in a

The United States has demandrefugees, who included dozens ed that Israel withdraw from the of children and some pregnant town of Beit Jalla and that the Palestinians hold their fire.

New service business in Pampa

Management Division of which concern is in the business of managing home mortgages in such a way that the home owner is saved thousands of dollars in interest, and enables him to retire his mortgage in a much shorter period of time. The plan is no secret: A biweekly payment of one-half the amount of the required monthly payment. The results are quite surprising, and very pleasantly so.

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E.E. Simmons has made a con- Management Division has with nection with the Mortgage the largest bank in America, that the only cost to the home owner Information Brokerage Systems is a very small (\$3.45) fee for each payment and is charged by the drawer bank for the electronic transfer of funds. This is a negligible amount, however, compared to the savings which will be realized. Otherwise, the service is absolutely free. Mortgage Manager also conducts an ongoing audit for possible overcharges by the lender. According to a check of 9,000 adjustable rate mortgages made by the Washington Post, 47 percent had overcharges which averaged \$1,588 each.

Another feature of the mortgage management service is that free software is available which will enable the home owner to make his own computations of the savings resulting from making use of the service. The distributor will send the software, which is on a 3 1/2-inch floppy diskette, to anyone requesting it. The only charge is \$2 for shipping and handling. For those who might prefer to have a printout of the computation showing the savings to be had by availing themselves of the service, the charge is \$4. For either of these, interested individuals may call the Authorized Distributor.

Ed Simmons, the Authorized Distributor for Mortgage Management, is no stranger in the Pampa area, having been engaged in business and as a certified public accountant in Pampa for more than 50 years, and is still so engaged in collaboration with Johnson Business & Financial Services. His office is at NBC Plaza II, Suite 7. For calls from the Pampa area his number is 665-3821. If not in the Pampa area, the toll-free number is 1-

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PAMPA MASONIC LODGE #966

Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 meets Thursdays at 7 p.m. at 420 W. Kingsmill.

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM

White Deer Land Museum (112-116, S. Cuyler) winter visiting hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. No charge for admission; elevator pro-

FREEDOM MUSEUM

Freedom Museum, USA, 600 N. Hobart is open from 12-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Revolutionary War to Kosovo. All branches of service are represented. For more information, call 669-6066.

LAS PAMPAS WATER GARDEN AND KOI SOCIETY Las Pampas Water Garden and Koi Society meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of each month at First Landmark Building in the Pampa Mall. For more information, contact Sharron Andrew at 665-6138 or Loyd Waters 665-6466

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Tralee Crisis Center support groups for victims of family violence both women and children — meet every Thursday evening. For more information about adult support groups, call 669-1788, and to inquire about children's support groups, 669-1131.

GIRL SCOUTS

Pampa Girl Scouts meets at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Pampa Girl Scout House on Kingsmill.

PANHANDLE PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of each month at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle is changing its hours. It is now open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #175-A, in Pampa. For more information or for an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood is a not-for-profit health care organization serving women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in the panhandle.

HIGH PLAINS EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION

High Plains Epilepsy Association of Amarillo, funded in part by Pampa United Way, will have a licensed social worker in Pampa from 9:30-12 noon the second Tuesday of each month at Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. The program assists people with epilepsy and their families. To make an appointment, contact the Amarillo office at 1-800-806-7236.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The local Alzheimer's Support Group meets regularly at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest. For more information, call Dauna Wilkinson, 665-0356.

PAMPA GARDEN CLUB

Pampa Garden Club meets at 2 p.m. the second Monday of each month from September through May. Meeting location changes monthly.

TEXCARE PARTNERSHIP

Texcare Partnership is the New Children's Health Insurance campaign developed especially for Texas families with uninsured children, birth through age 18. The following health insurance programs are available: Children's Health Insurance Program, Medicaid and Texas Healthy Kids Corp. For more information, call 1-800-647-6558 or 1-888-892-2273.

PAMPA PILOTS ASSOCIATION

Pampa Pilots Association meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Airport Lounge

CLASS OF 1961

Pampa High School Class of 1961 will hold its 40th class reunion this year. Anyone interested in helping plan and organize the event should contact Zip Swaney at 665-5532. **HARRINGTON HOUSE**

The 2001 tour season for Harrington House, 1600 S. Polk, Amarillo, is in full swing. Built in 1914 by cattlemen John and Pat Landergin, the

house was acquired in 1940 and preserved by Don and Sybil Harrington. The hour-long tours are conducted from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April through mid-December. There is no admission fee. For more information call (806) 374-5490. CLARENDON COLLEGE LRC

Clarendon College Learning Resource Center will be open from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Monday and Wednesday, from 7:30 a.m.-8 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday and will be closed Friday-Sunday. Regular hours will resume Aug. 27.

'Voices of the Wind' storytelling festival in offing at WTAMU

Panhandle Storytelling Guild, together with Palo Duro Canyon State Park, are sponsoring their "Voices in the Wind," Sept. 7-8.

Events scheduled for Friday, Sept. 7 include two pre-festival workshops to be held at the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum and WTAMU's Lake, "Science and Stories" by Intimate Theatre and an outdoor Fran Stallings of Bartlesville, evening storytelling concert at Okla., "Stories in a Multicultural evening storytelling concert at the Chuckwagon in Palo Duro World" by DeCee Cornish of Canyon State Park.

registration at 9 a.m., a series of Lake, and "Getting the Word workshops from 9:30 until noon, Out - Press Releases" by Pegi a story swap from noon to 1:15 Helmick-Richardson of Dallas. p.m., a Kidz Konzert from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., and a second series 1:30-2:30 p.m. in the Legends of workshops from 2:45-5 p.m. Club at the JBK Student Center of workshops from 2:45-5 p.m. These events take place in is an event that children of all WTAMU's Jack B. Kelley ages can enjoy. Families can pur-Student Center. At 6:30 p.m., the festival ends with a storytelling event or a family ticket. concert in WTAMU's Branding Featured tellers include winners

Iron Theatre. Featured tellers for the evening concerts include Molly Harris of Colorado, Gene Helmick-Richardson of Dallas, Lora Lee Cooley of Pampa and Consuelo Samarippa of Austin. Local SBP tellers performing for the evening concerts include Jim Richardson, Mary Ellen Evans, Jimmy "Tumbleweed" Northcutt, Bill Sorenson, Trudy

Hanson and Harold Knight.

Kidz Konzert on Saturday. Workshop sessions include a bluecorn_teller@hotmail.com. educators, childcare workers, librarians and parents. The preconference Friday include "Researching and Developing your Texas Tales" presented from 10 a.m.-12

CANYON — The Storytellers noon by Dr. Roseanne Herndon of the High Plains and West of Abiliene, a nationally recog-A&M University's nized storyteller in the area of personal narratives. and "Ready, Set, Go," a workshop session from 1-4 p.m. by feathird annual storytelling festival, tured teller Molly Harris designed for those who work with pre-schoolers.

Saturday's workshop sessions include "The Making of a Ghost Story" by Doc Moore of Canyon Canyon State Park. Fort Worth, "A New Story Is Saturday's events begin with Born" by Tim Tingle of Canyon

> Saturday's Kidz Koncert from chase individual tickets for this of a storytelling contest for children sponsored by the Panhandle Storytelling Guild.
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val is the opportunity to have professional photographer Rik Andersen take photo shots that are suitable for use in brochures and other news release formats. To purchase tickets or make reservations for any of the events or to request a festival brochure, call (806) 655-0675 or Gene and Pegi Helmick- (806) 651-2800 or you may con-Richardson will also host the tact Storytellers of the High (806) 651-2800 or you may con-Plains

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CCPC OTC PROGRAM

Enrollment for Clarendon College's Office Technology Certificate (OTC) Program and Machining Technology Program (MTP) is currently under way at Clarendon College-Pampa Center. Both programs can be completed in nine-months. OTC classes begin Aug. 13 and MTP classes Aug. 30. Scholarships, loans and pell grants are available. Graduates will receive free job placement assistance. For more information, call 665-8801.

PACS DANCE

A Pampa Area Christians Singles dance is slated from 8-11 p.m., Aug. 25 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Renegade will be performing. Bring snacks. For more information, call 665-7059

RANCH DANCE SUMMER SERIES 2001

National Ranching Center, 3121 4th St., Lubbock, will present Lanny Fiel and the Ranch Dance Fiddle Band from 8-11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 25 as part of its Original West Texas Saturday Night Ranch Dance Summer Series. Admission is \$2 per person. For more information, call (806) 742-0497, ext. 222 or visit www.ranchdance.com on the Internet.

CELESTIAL ARTS CONTEST

Celestial Arts is sponsoring a free poetry contest. The grand prize winner will receive \$1,000. To enter, send one poem of 21 lines or less to: Celestial Arts, P.O. Box 1140, Talent, OR 97540 or log on to www.freecontest.com. The deadline for entering is Aug. 29.

ACT EXAM

The next ACT Assessment will be administered Sept. 22. Collegebound high school students must register for the college admissions and placement test by Aug. 17, the postmark deadline. The late registration postmark deadline is Aug. 31 and carries an additional fee. For more information, contact your school counselor or visit www.act.org on the World Wide Web.

FALL RETREAT

First Baptist Church Women's Fall Retreat will be Sept. 28-30 at New Beginnings near Channing. The deadline for registration is Aug. 31. Cost is \$97 (two per room) and will include food, lodging and transportation from Pampa. Forms are available at the church, 203 N. West. For more information, call 669-1155 or contact Kathryn Green at 669-

TPTF GRANTS

The application deadline for this year's Texas Preservation Trust Fund (TPTF) grant program is Friday, Aug. 31, 2001. Completed applications must be submitted to Texas Historical Commission offices by 5 p.m. Eligible projects include archeological sites; commercial buildings; public buildings (schools, city halls, etc.); unique historic structures (bridges, water towers, etc.); comprehensive preservation plans; and Visionaries in Preservation Training and Preservation Education Training projects. For more information, call (512) 463-6094 or access www.thc.state.tx.us on the World Wide Web

LONGWOOD GARDENS TRAINING PROGRAM

Longwood Gardens near Kennett Square, Pa., is currently accepting applications for its tuition-free Professional Gardener Training Program through Aug. 31, 2001. Classes will begin in March 2002. For more information or to obtain an application, call (610) 388-1000, ext. 501, or log on to www.longwoodgardens.org on the Internet.

ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

Ten free Colorado blue spruce trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation throughout the month of August. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign. The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between Oct. 15 and Dec. 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bimonthly publication, "Arbor Day" and "The Tree Book" with information about tree planting and care. To Spruces, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by Aug. 31, 2001.

ANA ART EXHIBITION

The Ari: s of Northwest Arkansas is sponsoring its Seventh Annual Regional Art Exhibition Nov. 12, 2001, through Jan. 1, 2002, at the Arts Center of the Ozarks in Springdale, Ark. The competition is open to Texas artists. The slide deadline is Sept. 7. For a prospectus, send a SASE to: Artists of Northwest Arkansas, P.O. Box 3268, Fayetteville, AR

TOP O' TEXAS CATTLEWOMEN STYLE SHOW Top O' Texas CattleWomen Style Show and Brunch is slated at 10:30

a.m. Saturday Sept. 8 at Pampa Country Club. Tickets are \$15. A grand prize drawing for two travel certificates will be held. For information or tickets, call Lilith Brainard in Pampa at 665-4579.

GCARC TRAIL RIDE

Grav County Association for Retarded Citizens will hold its ninth annual Trail Ride beginning at 9 a.m. Sept. 8. For more information, call 665-7609, 669-0176 or 669-7171.

BSA FALL VOLUNTEER TRAINING

BSA Hospice in Pampa will offer its Fall Volunteer Training and Community Education Class Sept. 10 through Oct. 11. This comprehensive class is designed for adults who are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer, want to learn more about hospice care, or desire

personal growth and enrichment. The class will meet Mondays and Thursdays from 6-9 p.m. at Clarendon College-Pampa Center. This program is offered free of charge to the Pampa, Borger and surrounding communities and CEU's will be awarded by CCPC. For more information or to pre-register, call the Hospice at 665-6677.

UW OF AMARILLO

United Way of Amarillo and Canyon will kick-off its "Believe" fundraising campaign with a luncheon from 11:45 a.m.- 1 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 11 at Amarillo Civic Center Grand Plaza in Amarillo. RSVP on or before Sept. 5 by calling (806) 376-6359. Cost is \$12 per person. Tables of eight may be reserved.

COUNTY CENTENNIAL LOGO CONTEST

Gray County Centennial Logo Contest is currently seeking entries. Deadline is Sept. 15, 2001. Submit design on separate sheet of paper and include name, address, day and evening phone numbers. Mail to Madeline Gawthrop, Route 2, Box 74A, Pampa, TX 79065. For more information, call 665-6345. No entries will be returned without a SASE.

A&M CADET ANNIVERSARY

Texas A&M University's Corps of Cadets will celebrate its 125th anniversary Sept. 21-22 at College Station. The event will be held in conjunction with the Texas A&M versus Oklahoma State football game. For more information or to register, call 1-877-892-4222 or visit www.txagcca.org on the Internet.

DAYLILY SOCIETY SALE

Golden Spread Daylily Society will be selling daylilies - the officials flower of Amarillo - in a special fund-raiser from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22 at Amarillo Botanical Gardens, 1400 Streit Dr., Amarillo. For more information, call (806) 352-6513.

ILP CONTEST

The International Library of Poetry is sponsoring an International Open Poetry Contest. The competition is free and open to everyone. To enter, send one original poem, 20 lines or less, to: The International Library of Poetry, Suite 19912, 1 Poetry Plaza, Owings Mills, MD-2111 or enter at www.poetry.com on the Internet. The deadline is Oct. 31,

NFFF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available through National Fallen Firefighters Foundation for children of firefighters who have died in the line of duty. For more information, visit www.firehero.org and look up schölarships. To receive a free information packet, call 1-877-453-FIRE.

ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

The National Arbor Day Foundation is offering a free-"Conservation Trees" booklet with colorful photos and illustrations and easy-to-understand descriptions to help people plant and care for trees. To obtain a booklet, send name and address to: Conservation Trees, The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410.

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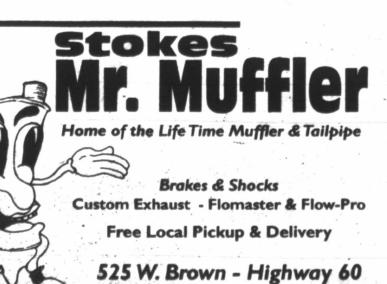


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Why do my kids have to fight all the time? I have three of them, and they drive me crazy. Why can't they be nice to each other?

Good question! All I can tell you is that

sibling rivalry has been going on for a long time. It was responsible for the first murder on record (when Cain Killed Abel), and has been represented in virtually every two-child family from that time to this. The underlying source of this conflict is old-fashioned jealousy and competition between children. Marguerite and Willard Beecher, writing in their book "Parents on the Run," expressed the inevitability of this struggle as follows:

"It was once believed that if parents would explain to a child that he was having a little brother or sister, he would not resent it. He was told that his parents had enjoyed him so much that they wanted to increase their happiness. This was supposed to avoid jealous competition and rivalry. It did not work. Why should it? Needless to say, if a man tells his wife he has loved her so much that he now plans to bring another wife into the home to 'increase his happiness.' she would not be immune to jealousy. On the contrary, the fight would just begin -- in exactly the same fashion as it does with children."

If jealousy between kids is so common, then how can parents minimize the natural antagonism that children feel for their siblings?

It's helpful to avoid circumstances that compare them unfavorably with each other. They are extremely sensitive to the competitive edge of their relationship. The question is not, "How am I doing?"; it is, "How am I doing compared with John or Steven or Marion?" The issue is not how fast can I run, but who crosses the finish line first. A boy does not care how tall he is; he is vitally interested in who is tallest. Each child systematically measures himself against his peers and is tremendously sensitive to failure within his own family. Accordingly, parents should guard against comparative statements that routinely favor one

Perhaps an illustration will help make the case. When I was about 10 years old, I loved to play with a couple of dogs that belonged to two families in the neighborhood. one was a black Scottie who liked to chase and retrieve tennis balls. The other was a pug bulldog who had a notoriously bad attitude.

child over another.

One day as I was tossing the ball for the Scottie, it occurred to me that it might be interesting to throw it in the direction of the ol' grouch. It was not a smart move. The ball rolled under the bulldog, who grabbed the Scottie by the throat when he tried to retrieve it. It was an awful scene. Neighbors came running as the Scottie screamed in pain. It took 10 minutes and a garden hose to pry the bulldog's grip loose, and by then the Scottie was almost dead. He spent two weeks in the hospital, and I spent two weeks in "the doghouse." I regret throwing that ball to this day. I have thought about that experience many times and have begun to recognize its application to human relationships. Indeed, it is a very simple thing to precipitate a fight between people. All that is necessary is to toss a ball, symbolically, under the more aggressive of the two and prepare for the battle that ensues. This is done by repeating negative comments one has made, or by baiting one in the presence of the other. It can be accomplished in business by assigning overlapping territory to two managers. They will tear each other to pieces in the inevitable rivalry. Alas, it happens every day.

This principle is also applicable to siblings. It is remarkably easy to make them mortal enemies. All a parent must do is toss a ball in the wrong direction. Their natural antagonism will do the

Dr. Dobson is president of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO. 80903; or www.family.org Questions and answers are excerpted from "Solid Answers," published by Tyndale House.

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Ted Dickman, chair of Lutherans Branch 4049 Local Aid Association, recently pre- Scout Camp M.K. Brown renovation project, and to W.M. Griffin, right, oldest member sented a check on behalf of the Association to Tina Holt, left, District executive for Boy of Southside Senior Citizens.

Economy grows at 0.2 percent rate in second quarter

By JEANNINE AVERSA **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. economy barely moved forward In the spring, growing at an anemic rate of just 0.2 percent, the weakest performance in eight years, the government reported Wednesday.

The Commerce Department's latest reading of gross domestic product in the April-June quarter represented a big downward revision to the estimate one month ago of a 0.7 percent growth rate.

GDP is the country's total output of goods and services and is considered the broadest measure of the economy's health.

The new, lower estimate largely reflected businesses were doing a better job of working off excess inventories of unsold goods than pre-viously estimated. While this process subtracts from GDP, economists say excess inventories must be whittled before companies can ramp up production, something that would bode well for economic growth down the road.

While second-quarter growth remained positive, the rate of expansion was the weakest since a 0.1 percent rate of decline in the first quarter of 1993 as the country was struggling to emerge from the last recession.

The new GDP figure underscores how dramatically the economy continued to weaken into the spring and marked the poorest showing in the country's yearlong economic slowdown. In the first three months of this year, the economy grew at a rate of 1.3 percent.

The Bush administration and many private economists predict the second quarter will prove to be the point of maximum danger for the economy. The administration is counting on nearly \$40 billion of tax rebate checks and the aggressive credit easing by the Federal Reserve to lift the economy to higher growth rates in the second half of this

To fight off a possible downturn, the Fed has slashed interest rates seven times this year, totaling 3 percentage points. The most recent cut, one-quarter point, came last week.

Some economists were worried that the revised GDP estimate for the second quarter would show that the economy either stalled or slipped into reverse, possibly signaling the start of the first recession in the United States in 11 years. A recession is usually defined as two consecutive quarters of shrinking GDP.

However, many economists predict that the economy will rebound to around a 2 percent growth rate in the current quarter and to 3.5 percent in the fourth quarter.

One of the main reasons for the lower estimate of second-quarter GDP is that companies liquidated their inventories more than the government previously thought. Inventory reduction was valued at \$38.4 billion in the second quarter, the biggest decline since the first quarter of 1983. That subtracted 0.4 percentage point from GDP.

Another reason for the downward revision was that the trade

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deficit was slightly worse because exports fell more than previously thought, reducing second quarter GDP by 0.3 percent percentage

Still, much of the overall weakness in the second quarter continued to come from companies cutting back sharply in their investment in plants and equipment, which had been a main source of strength driving the record expansion.

Battered by weak sales and plunging profits, U.S. companies reduced such investment in the second quarter at a rate of 14.6 percent, the worst showing since the second quarter of 1980. The new estimate was weaker than the 13.6 percent rate of decline previously

The reduction in spending on computers and software in the second quarter was an even sharper rate of 15.1 percent, versus the 14.5 percent rate of decline initially thought.

Spending on new factories and office buildings fell at rate of 13.4

Wednesday's report also showed after-tax profits of U.S. corporations fell by 2 percent in the second quarter, following a 7.8 percent decline in the first quarter.

Consumers were the major force keeping the country out of recession. Consumer spending, which accounts for two-thirds of total economic activity, rose at an annual rate of 2.5 percent in the second quarter, stronger than the 2.1 percent rate originally estimated.

Also helping was a 5.8 percent rate of increase in residential construction, a sector that has remained strong, helped by falling interest

Meanwhile, a key inflation gauge tied to the GDP rose at a rate of just 1.6 percent in the second quarter, half the 3.2 percent rate in the

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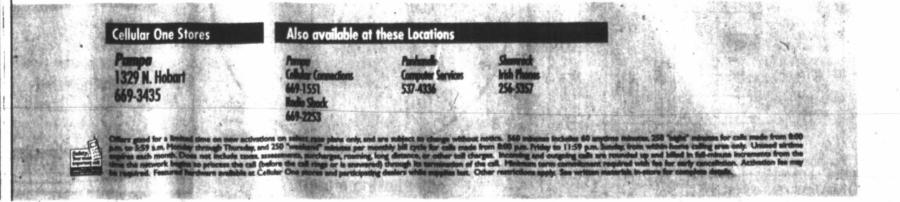


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Grandma Fears Losing Touch With Boy Left Alone Too Often

DEAR ABBY: My 9-year-old grandson, "Grant," is in deep trouble. I must find a way to help him. Two years ago he had to take on a menopausal, reclusive stepmom. Of course, these poor children from broken homes don't get to vote their fate; they must accept whatever is thrust upon them.

Stepmom has turned Grant's downstairs playroom into a master bedroom and entertainment center. She watches TV down there with my former son-in-law (Grant's father).

Grant is not allowed to go down there unless he receives special permission. He spends most of his time alone in his upstairs bedroom playing his boom box or watching TV in the living room.

Recently, telephone privileges were cut off between Grant and me. Grant's father candidly told me that my not calling makes his home happier for his "recluse." I am sure he will cut off my visits if I try to help Grant.

Abby, I don't know what to do. Is there any way I can help him? HURTING INSIDE

DEAR HURTING: Don't do anything to threaten your visits with your grandson. He needs you. You must become his loving, safe harbor. See him as often as you can. Help him to express his feelings. Let him know he can tell you anything, and you will not be judgmental

or get angry. Contact Dee Dee or Nancy vill enjoy so he can bond close ly and experience some happiness with you. Let him know he can count on you when things seem the darkest.

Dear Abby

Is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

If his father and stepmother do cut off your visits, then call ChildHelp USA (1-800-422-4453) for expert advice on this sad case of emotional child abuse.

DEAR ABBY: I hope you can stand one more letter about funerals. I read your "eulogy" articles on July 31. It was the day after my husband was buried.

My darling wore a red Hawaiian shirt and sunglasses. I included photographs, a back-scratcher, money clip, blue rose and a 1-inchtall bear, a white rosary and a toy skunk that sang, "How Sweet It Is to Be Loved by You." I wrote the eulogy and took lots of pictures. I had an open casket at the graveside service. An American flag draped the silver metal casket.

His family was horrified that I buried their family member in this

manner. I had only known him 8 1/2 years and they knew him a lifetime. I kissed him "bye" and let the skunk do its thing while I left. I had the funeral director give the flag to my husband's sister instead of to me.

Everyone should do what they feel is right in their heart, not what people tell them is right.

I sleep peacefully every night because I buried my friend, my husband, my lover in a manner he would have been proud of.
SAD IN LAKE CITY, FLA.

DEAR SAD: A-A-A-men! (I'll bet he's glad you packed only

the essentials.)

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Good advice for everyone - teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$5 (U.S. funds only) to: Dear Abby – Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is

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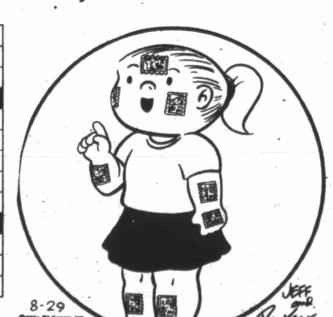
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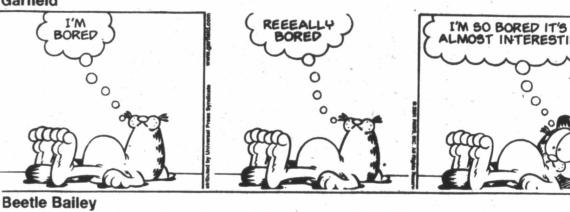




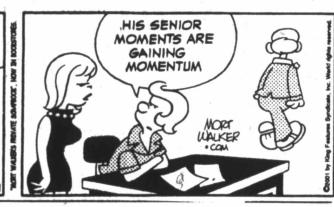


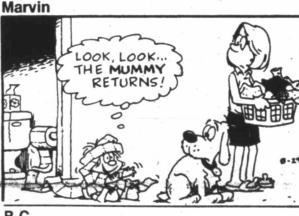


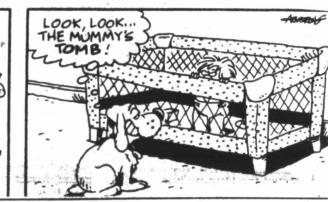
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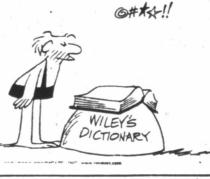


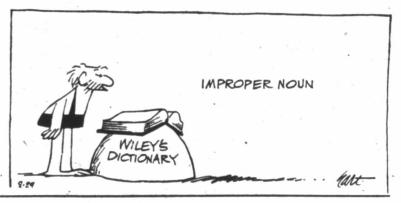






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NEW YORK (AP) — The NFL is about to learn what happens when its oft-criticized officials are not on the field.

With the breakdown of talks in Dallas between the league and the NFL Referees Association, replacement officials will work exhibition games, the first labor stoppage among officials in NFL history.

The lockout will begin Thursday night, when six exhibition games are scheduled.

The contract expired last March and the two sides have been negotiating since. Most of the replacements will be from NFL Europe or the Arena League, and league supervisory officials, all former field officials, will also be on hand.

SHOOTING

FRITCH — Meredith Gun Club will hold a .22 Rifle Steel Silhouette Match on Sept. 2. It will be unsanctioned, open class, 10.2 lbs. max. (large pistol silhouettes).

Entry fee is six dollars. A CF BR match in Sporter, Varmint and Custom Classes

will follow for those interest-

The club shooting range is located just south of Antelope Creek between Borger and Sanford on SR No. 1319. Antelope Creek is the deep canyon just outside of Sanford." Call Larry Porter at 865-3695

AUTO RACING

for information.

CONCORD, N.C. (AP) — A Winston Cup car specially fit with an energy-absorbing bumper is deliberately crashed into a wall. Instead of crumpling on impact, it bounces off and is only slightly damaged.

That's what happened Tuesday, when researchers tested the Humpy Bumper at Lowe's Motor Speedway. Initial projections deemed the crash a success, but the damage and data from a "black box" inside the car still must be analyzed.

Humpy Wheeler, president of the speedway, said he would meet with NASCAR next week to discuss the results.

"It's up to NASCAR from here," Wheeler said. "They'll look at what we have and either say, We like it, go ahead and start manufacturing it' or, We'd like for you to look at it further with some more tests.'

"Ideally, they'll like it and we can get it on the cars as soon as possible."

The Humpy Bumper is designed to address concerns about the rigidity of the front of stock cars and the lack of any sort of bumper to absorb the energy from a crash.

The stiffness in the cars has been an issue the past year because of the deaths of Adam Petty, Kenny Irwin and Dale Earnhardt in wrecks.

The cars have grown increasingly rigid over the years because it allows crew chiefs to accurately make suspension settings. But some think the stiff front fails to reduce enough energy away from a driver.

The bumper was developed to address those concerns. It's made by Paul Lew, a Las Vegas-based composite materials engineer designer and manufacturer, and is designed to absorb the energy of 20 to 30-degree frontal impacts.

The black box, similar to those used in airplanes, records data to help understand the forces within the car.

To test the bumper, Lew crashed a driverless Winston Cup car by remote control into the turn 3 wall at Lowe's at a wall speed of about 40 rhph.

In comparison, investigators believe Earnhardt was killed when his car hit the wall during the Daytona 500 with a wall speed somewhere 40-45 mph. between Although his car was actually traveling about 160 mph, the wall speed is based on the velocity and trajectory at which the car actually makes contact.

Everson returns to defend Top O' Texas championship

PAMPA — Phil Everson of Pampa Rockwall (former Pampa and McCullough, last year's The tournament is full with North Texas golfer) returns to President's Flight Champion a small defend his title in the 64th and current Tri-State Senior Championship annual Hart Warren Top O' Champion, is also playing in President's Flights will have Texas Tournament this week- the Championship Flight. stroke play. There are 9-match end at Pampa Country Club. Texas Tech and Cameron play flights, which begin play

tied for second in the 2000 ers from their schools. tournament, is also returning. Everson also won the Top O' Nic Ware of Grayson Junior Texas title in 1998. His 72-hole College and Bo Johnson of total of 3-under 281 last year North Texas, who tied for put him two strokes ahead of eighth a year ago, are also Espiereueta, his teammate at returning.

Stewart Dodson, a former Casey Weiss of Amarillo. standout for Perryton High freshman, will be making his first appearance.

golfer Freddie Espiereueta, who University are sending play- at 8 a.m. Saturday.

the time at North Texas, and The Championship Flight

School and an Oklahoma State lent condition and should be Monday, there is a 36-hole great for a very competitive final starting at 7:45 a.m. in Top O' Texas," says PPC pro the Championship Flight.

Frank Mickey Piersall.

Admission is free and Top O' Texas officials urged the public to come out and see some outstanding amateur

tees off at 1 p.m. both "The golf course is in excel- Saturday and Sunday.

Pampa favored by 25

The Harris Ratings has Caprock (180). Pampa favored by a whop-Dalhart.

at Dalhart.

While Texas Football Magazine and the Amarillo Globe-News has Pampa favored to win the District 3-4A title, Harris has defending champ Hereford picked above the Harvesters going into the 2001 season.

Pampa won't have a depth ping 25 points in the season problem this season, unless opener Friday night against unforeseen injuries crop up. With 45 listed on the varsity The two teams kick off the roster, there won't be any 2001 season at 8 Friday night two-way players if things go according to the plan.

"We have a large varsity squad. In fact, this will be the largest we've had for the past several years," said Pampa head coach Dennis Cavalier.

Harris has defending Hereford is ranked No. 39 Division One champion Bay while Pampa is No. 49, just City ranked as 4A's No. 1 one place above 3-4A rival team. Denton Ryan is No. 2 Borger. Other district teams and Corpus Christi Callahan and pre-season rankings are No. 3. Bay City defeated Canyon (56), Palo Duro (87) Denton Ryan 24-2 in last and Dumas (112) and year's Division One finals.

PHS girls look good in loss to Amarillo High

Pampa fell to powerful Amarillo Williams and White had out-High 15-7, 15-9, Tuesday night, standing performances. the Lady Harvesters gave an excellent account of themselves and so did White," she said. "We on the volleyball court.

"They just overpowered us. there." Amarillo High is big and they motivation. It was a very good Tournament. team effort."

Morgan Pampa with 3 kills each.

Williams also had 2 service aces, 3 stuffed blocks and 5 block assists while White had 2 stuffed blocks and 5 digs. Shelly Sims added 1 kill and 11 digs.

Pennick said Jaclyn Spearman, Jennifer Lindsey and Teryn Stowers played solid defense The Lady Harvesters are

fight for every point."

AMARILLO - Although Pennick pointed out that

"Williams played very well had to move White from outside "We played extremely well hitter to middle blocker because against a very good team," said of an injury to Danielle Martinez Pampa coach Carmen Pennick. and she's been doing good

Martinez has been out of can do a lot of things. However, action since sustaining a knee we showed a lot of character and injury during the Pampa

"We're looking forward to get-White, Angie ting her back. We're hoping Williams and Federica Verri led she'll be able to play again soon," Pennick said.

> Verri, a foreign exchange student from Italy, has been on the team since the beginning of the season, but she wasn't able to play until her eligibility was ver-

and did well on the service line. entered in the Seminole team I believe we are," Pennick are entered in the same pool said. "We made Amarillo High with Midland High, Lamesa and Lubbock Estacado.

Cross country team has run-a-thon

Pampa Cross country team members are (from left) Dylan Whitten, Meredith

Fleming, Rebecca Fatheree, Ashley Derington, Lindsey Narron, Chad Platt,

Carlos Solis, Randa Morris, T'Andra Holmes and Kori Dunn. Standing are Jerica

PAMPA — Twelve members course maintenance.

Timmons and Kaysha Lee.

Course last Saturday: equipment for the runners; 20 holes. percent to the Pampa United

try team participated in the one hour to run the back nine Randa annual run-a-thon held at of the course, trying to get as Derington, Jerica Timmons members are utilized by 75 length. The event was very Whitten 20 each. percent going for the end-of- successful as the 12 runners Coach Mark Elms said the the-season banquet and extra accumulated a total of 308 runners greatly, appreciate

Hidden Hills to help with were as follows: Chad Platt High School, 669-4800.

34, Rebecca Fatheree 32, of the 2001 Pampa cross coun- Each runner was allowed T'Andra Holmes, Kori Dunn, Morris, Hidden Hills Public Golf many holes covered as possi- and Kaysha Lee 27 each; ble. The nine-hole course is Carlos Solis, Lindsey Narron, Monies raised by the team approximately two miles in Meredith Fleming and Dylan

everyone's support. Anyone Team members and the wishing to donate may do so Way and five percent to number of holes they were by contacting Elms at Pampa

Griffey's single made it 1-0.

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In the second, Walker's infield

groundout gave the Reds a 2-0

lead, but the Astros responded

with four runs in the bottom of

Brad Ausmus singled in

Houston's first run. Miller hit the

ball back to Davis, but no one

covered first, giving Miller a sin-

Davis then allowed three

straight runs to walk home. He

hit Craig Biggio and walked Julio

Lugo and Bagwell, giving

Young's 16th homer made it 4-3

"The ball just happened to be in

the zone when I took a pass at it,"

Young said. "This was my first

game back after missing five

straight games, so it was nice to

in the third, and his 17th tied it

gle to load the bases

Houston a 4-2 lead.

leading off the sixth.

do something."

Cowboys looking more like 1989, long before Super Bowl dominance

IRVING, Texas (AP) — For the Dallas Cowboys, it's beginning to look more like 1989.

the Cowboys' situation now and ty. when he bought the team 12 years ago — and gone out of his way to avoid the term "rebuilding" — an eerie resemblance is becoming

apparent. The Cowboys have already committed to having a rookie starting quarterback for the first time since Troy Aikman in 1989. Quincy Carter, who Jones surprisingly took with his first draft pick in April, will be the starter that succeeds the three-time Super Bowl winner who retired during the off-season.

And now, that revolving door for other players that was so prevalent in those early days of Jones' regime is starting to spin

Dallas cut 11 players Tuesday, including veterans Chris Brazzell and Jason Tucker and three other receivers. At the same time, the Cowboys brought in two more receivers — Darrin Chiaverini in a trade from Cleveland and Anthony Lucas on a waiver claim from Green Bay — in their continued search for complements to Joey Galloway and Raghib Ismail.

"We are going to bring a lot of players in - first-, second- and third-year players for the most part," Jones said Tuesday. "That's now for this year and the future, improve our team."

Brazzell and Tucker, both thirdyear players, had been given more than a fair chance to prove them-While owner Jerry Jones has selves, according to Jones. So tried to avoid true comparisons to somebody else gets an opportuni-

> After the Cowboys took drastic steps while enduring a 1-15 record in 1989, they went on to establish themselves as one of the NFL's last truly dominating teams. Dallas won three Super Bowls in four years in the mid-

> But that was also before the salary cap was having a real impact on the way teams were put together. This year's roster has more than \$24 million counting against the 2001 salary cap for players no longer with the Cowboys, including Aikman and Deion Sanders.

There's not much money to work with, forcing Jones to go for the younger, cheaper players whether he wanted to or not.

While the Cowboys are preparing for their final exhibition Thursday against game Jacksonville, they may just be getting started on tryouts for new players.

Jones and coach Dave Campo said Chiaverini, a third-year player from Colorado, and Lucas, a second-year player from Arkansas, won't be the last players given a chance in Dallas.

"Where we are as a team right the one thing that we can do we need to take advantage of the where we are on the cap to opportunity to evaluate these other players," Jones said. "If

Bagwell's homer gets Astros past Reds

the ball left his hand, Jim Brower had a bad feeling about his seventh-inning pitch to Jeff Bagwell.

"It had trouble written all over it," Brower said after Bagwell's 33rd homer broke a tie and powered the Houston Astros to a 6-4 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Tuesday night.

"It was a changeup that I left up, and it seemed like it took an eternity to get there. I was just hoping that it hit a speaker or something and would just be a ground-rule double," Brower said. "I finally looked at it just to see where it ended up.'

Bagwell's solo homer off Brower (6-9) snapped a 4-4 tie. The Astros added an insurance run in the inning when Lance Berkman walked, Moises Alou singled him to third and Richard Hidalgo hit an RBI groundout.

"It was a changeup that I kind of anticipated a little bit. Sometimes you look for a pitch like that and you don't hit it, but sometimes you do," Bagwell said. Wade Miller (14-7) pitched

seven innings and allowed four

runs on eight hits, including two

HOUSTON (AP) — As soon as solo homers by Dmitri Young. Miller struck out six and walked one as the first-place Astros won for the ninth time in 11 games and moved four games ahead of the Chicago Cubs in the NL Central.

Todd Walker of the Reds was impressed with Miller's perfor-"He is one of the toughest right-

handers in the league. I thought he was outstanding. His sinker is one of the best in the league," Walker said.

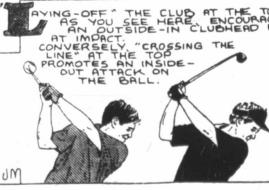
Billy Wagner pitched the ninth for his 31st save in 33 opportuni-

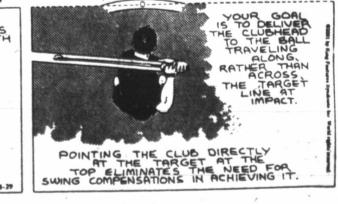
Reds starter Lance Davis went five innings and allowed four runs on seven hits and three walks. Davis had only one loss in his previous eight starts, which included five wins and two nodecisions.

"I thought Davis struggled with his command. He got in trouble and then tried to make the perfect pitch," Cincinnati manager Bob Boone said.

Miller got into trouble early when Walker hit the first pitch of the game off the center-field wall for a double. One out later, Ken

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Groom returns seven seniors for the 2001 football season. They are (I-r) Luke Pavlovsky, Garrett Britten, Clay Ritter, Hugh Weinheimer, Wyatt Britten and Trey Britten. Not pictured is Cody Bivens. The Tigers open the season at 7:30 Friday night at Higgins.

A key that won't open any doors

By JIM LITKE **AP Sports Writer**

The feel-good story of the past couple of days might turn out be just that.

things are out of whack, no story what the fuss was all about.

and pitched in the Little League World Series.

This week, it must feel like a made-for-TV movie. The handful of private investigators hired by rival coaches in Staten Island, N.Y., and Pequannock, N.J., to find proof that Almonte was ineligible came up empty-handed. Now, a posse of reporters and Little League officials are on his trail. Already, there are conflicting birth certificates. The organization's president, Stephen Keener, promised a resolution within two weeks.

"Anyone who would knowingly undermine the trust in deal with the typical American umpired the league Danny Little League is guilty of doing serious harm to children,'

Chances for a happy ending

a pitcher who, like Almonte, taken care of that." throws the equivalent of 70-mphplus and strikes out almost every Almonte's story so appealing to batter he faces.

Either way, he's in for a world of it's overt."

The rags-to-riches st

Last week, Danny's life must won the title with a right-handed Lynch threw in a \$50,000 sponhave felt like a fairy tale. He ace named Cesar Hidalgo. His sorship and a public-private fielded a phone call from his idol, fastball was clocked at 75 mph, Ken Griffey Jr., met the president which, at the Little League distance of 46 feet from the mound the Bronx to the tune of \$3 milto the plate, made it the equivalent of a 99-mph major league

Like Almonte, it wasn't surevery game he pitched. Even less made the rounds in Williamsport: The Venezuelan players had requested a seating section for their wives.

CEO of the organization at the time, heard that line and chuck-

resentment that somebody played our game better than we

"We had complaints all the are slim. The history section of time from all over - the kids Little League baseball's official from overseas were too big, too Web site lists all the names of old, too this, too that ... But the yield isn't encouraging, even for were much too big. And we've are kept to a minimum.

A big part of what made TV audiences here was its When questions about Danny's uniquely American quality. eligibility spilled over into last Rolando Paulino, the founder of week, Little League spokesman the league in which the Bronx And if this one doesn't tell you Lance Van Auken questioned Baby Bombers, played, is a sportswriter for a Spanish-lan-"There have been better pitch- guage daily who immigrated to Danny Almonte has the key to ers here," he told Sports the United States from the New York City, but no way out of Illustrated. "The difference is Dominican Republic. Alberto the closet adults have locked him most of them have been white. In Gonzalez, the team's manager, in. Whether he's 12 or 14 years some of the e-mails I get, the had to work his playing schedule

In 1994, a team from Venezuela became complete when Merrill partnership renovated the league's glass-strewn diamond in lion. And now it's all unraveling faster than the wool windings of a baseball with its cover torn off.

We should have seen this comprising to see Hidalgo strike out ing. Instead, like the rest of an all but two or three batters in increasingly get-rich-quick society, everybody in sports was too surprising was a quip that quick- busy looking for the next thing, the fresh thing. It was Almonte's good fortune or bad luck — it's hard to say which at the moment

— to draw so many eyes to him. Creighton Hale, president and . And if this kid winds up taking the fall, remember who taught him how to play the game. Who handled the paperwork, who cre-"For a long time, we've had to ated, administered, coached and played in. Who shook his hand, put his arm around him, relentlessly hyped his appearances on television and who reaped the

considerable rewards. There's a reason the only grownup allowed between the players who went on from the only violation we ever found in white chalk lines of the diamond pint-sized World Series to the big any of our investigations was during play in the Little League leagues. There are a dozen, two that the winning team from the World Series is the second-base more if you count those who Philippines two years ago were umpire. That way, the chances of played for foreign teams. That drawing kids from districts that screwing up the games, at least,

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BASEBALL At A Glance

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Wednesday's Games
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Seattle (Moyer 15-5) at Tampa Bay (Sturtze

8-10), 7:15 p.m. Texas (Bell 4-3) at Minnesota (Milton 12-5), 8:05 p.m. Anaheim (Rapp 5-10) at Kansas City (Suppan 7-11), 8:05 p.m.

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Friday's Games

Carolina 20, Baltimore 17 Jacksonville 28, Kansas City 23

Philadelphia 20, Tennessee 14

Minnesota 28, Indianapolis 21

Washington 27, Cleveland 25

Saturday's Games Pittsburgh 20, Detroit 7 Tampa Bay 20, New England 3

Buffalo 20, Cincinnati 10

Green Bay 17, Miami 12 Arizona 24, Chicago 20

Monday's Game Dallas 21, Oakland 6

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Green Bay at Oakland, 9 p.m. San Francisco at Denver, 9 p.m.

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Women's National Basketball Association Playoffs At A Glance **All Times EDT** FINALS (Best-of-3) Charlotte vs. Los Angeles

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Thersday, Aug. 30 Los Angeles at Charlotte, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 1 Charlotte at Los Angeles, 3:30 p.m Charlotte at Los Angeles, 3:30 p.m., if nec-FOOTBALL

Capriati returns to U. S. Open as a Grand Slam champion

NEW YORK (AP) — This was come back here and have some the exclamation point for Jennifer Capriati, an emotional welcome home to the U.S. Open, and no one's going to take away celebrated on Center Court at the what I've done if I don't do well National Tennis Center with a here. No one's going to put me Amanda Hopmans.

A native New Yorker, Capriati year." was a semifinalist at the Open in really. She returned Tuesday

Three years ago, Capriati could possible as she drifted through relaxed right now. I just feel comtournament tennis, ranked No. fortable. I feel confident. I feel back was ever going to amount I'm playing well, that sort of to anything.

Every week, it seemed, the explain herself.

sary, not with a 20-1 Slam record tory over Slava Dosedel.

Grand Slam titles.

"I've had a great year already think I can be put down for this

Against Hopmans, Capriati Dosedel. 1991 at age 15, a lifetime ago, kept the pressure on with three aces and 15 winners, never letnight as this season's Grand Slam ting her opponent feel there queen, winner of the Australian might be a chance for an upset.

"It was great," Capriati said. "I takes the pressure off."

In Tuesday night's other feastory was not her tennis, but her tured match, American Andy finalist Cedric Pioline. troubles, a dreary, sad story told Roddick, seeded No. 18, was and re-told time after time. She thrust into the Open spotlight at ing champion Venus Williams broke down in tears at the Open Center Court. With his baseball two years ago, tired of having to cap on backward, he was hardly Now, no explanation is necesto 139 mph in a 6-4, 6-1, 6-2 vic-

"It totally feels different," she day and one year after winning 2, 6-4; Lisa Raymond downed said. "I'm a totally different play- the junior championship at the Anna Smashnova 6-2, 6-3; and er. I'm more mature. I'm stronger Open, tennis' A-Rod flashed the Nathalie Tauziat came from out there. It's like something I form that has made him one of behind for a 4-6, 6-3, 6-2 victory wanted for my whole career, to the glamour players on the tour over Cara Black.

summer. Whenever he missed a shot, he urged himself on with shouts of "C'mon, man!"

Roddick's booming serve produced 17 aces, including the final point of the match, and even comfortable 6-2, 6-1 victory over down, regardless. I really don't though he wasted 12 break opportunities, the relentless teenager wore down the 31-year-old

In Tuesday's other major matches, four-time Open champion Pete Sampras downed bigserving Julien Boutter 6-4, 7-6 (4), and French Open, a semifinalist She was nearly flawless with her 7-6 (6); Roger Federer, who at Wimbledon, ranked No. 2 in first serve, winning 80 percent of knocked Sampras off at Wimbledon, advanced with a 6-4, 6-4, 6-4 victory over Lars never have dreamed this was played very well. I'm pretty Burgsmuller; Lleyton Hewitt, a semifinalist at the Open last year, defeated Magnus Gustafsson 6-3, 101 and wondering if her come- like I'm playing well and when 6-2, 7-5; and Jan-Michael Gambill ended a string of first-round Grand Slam losses with a 6-2, 6-2, 6-4 victory over former Open

> On the women's side, defendeliminated Lenka Dlhopolcova 6-2, 6-3; Kim Clijsters, a finalist flustered, spraying serves of up against Capriati at the French Open, defeated Pavlina Nola 6-1, 6-2; Anke Huber, retiring after Two days before his 19th birth- this season, beat Emilia Salerni 6-

Rangers rout Twins; Rodriquez takes his place in history

By The Associated Press

Alex Rodriguez was too humble to take his place in history. Ichiro Suzuki would never have

Rodriguez became the second shortstop in major league history to hit 40 home runs in four Rangers routed the Minnesota Twins 10-1 Tuesday night:

Hall of Famer Ernie Banks is the other shortstop to accomplish the feat — he did it from 1957-60. Rodriguez also became the ninth player overall to do it, joining Banks, Babe Ruth, Harmon Killebrew, Ken Griffey, Jr., Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa, Ralph Kiner and Duke Snider.

"Being an historian of the game and a fan of the game, it's overwhelming and flattering when you talk about names like that," Rodriguez said. "But obviously, being so young, I'd never mention my name with any of those

Ichiro Suzuki joined Boston's Nomar Garciaparra (1997) and Kansas City's Kevin Seitzer (1987) as the only rookies to reach 200 hits since 1964, but the Seattle Mariners lost 6-0 to the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

"I am amazed myself because straight seasons as the Texas looking back when I started at the beginning of the season, I could not think of any numbers to achieve as a goal," Suzuki said through an interpreter. "We did not have the joy of winning today, so my happiness is not as much as it's supposed to be.'

In other Al games, it was Cleveland 8, Boston 3; Oakland 6, Baltimore 2; New York Yankees 4, Toronto 0; Chicago White Sox 8, Detroit 6; and Kansas City 10,

Rodriguez and Rafael Palmeiro each hit two-run homers off Rick Reed (2-3) to help Texas take a 5-0 lead after three innings.

Randy Velarde added a solo

shot in the sixth and Frank strikeouts. Catalanotto hit a three-run homer in the seventh for the Rangers, who lead the majors with 199

"We took a beating all night," Twins manager Tom Kelly said. "There were a few (Twins) who were somewhat flat. I think the day off had something to do with that. It was a bad day. I think I've said that about 18 times now."

Darren Oliver (11-8), who had lost four straight starts to the Twins, allowed three hits and one run in seven innings.

Devil Rays 6, Mariners 0

Paul Wilson threw seven impressive innings, and Tampa Bay handed Seattle an improbable defeat, ending their eightgame losing streak against the

Rookie Toby Hall had a careerhigh three hits and Chris Gomez Cleveland over Boston. hit an inside-the-park homer.

and tied a season high with seven best start since June

Yankees 4, Blue Jays 0

Mike Mussina pitched eight scoreless innings to lead New York over Toronto.

Derek Jeter had three hits and

Tino Martinez homered for the

Yankees, who rebounded from a 3-4 road trip Mussina (13-11) gave up six hits, two walks and struck out six in eight innings and Ramon as he didn't allow a run for the

second time in three starts. The Yankees had all the runs they would need just two batters into the game. Jeter singled and scored on Paul O'Neill's double. Jorge Posada added an RBI single

in the third. Indians 8, Red Sox 3

Dave Burba, demoted to the bullpen earlier this month, pitched seven strong innings for run homers off Sidney Ponson in 13 career homers, hit a solo shot his first win since July 19, leading

Burba (10-8) allowed four sin-Wilson (6-8) allowed six hits gles and walked in one run in his

homer for Cleveland, which played without manager Charlie Manuel for the second time in three games.

Manuel underwent abdominal surgery on Tuesday to have scar tissue removed from his colon. Athletics 6, Orioles 2

Mark Mulder allowed four hits Hernandez and Jason Giambi

homered as Oakland beat Baltimore. Mulder (16-7) gave up two firstinning runs and blanked the Orioles the rest of the way, keep-

ing Baltimore hitless after the second inning. The left-hander improved to 8-1 since July 1.

Hernandez and Giambi hit twothe fourth. White Sox 8, Tigers 6

Kenny Lofton hit a two-run deficit to beat Detroit.

The White Sox (66-64) are two games over .500 for the first time this season. They are the first team since the 1991 Milwaukee Brewers to have a winning record after being 15 games under .500, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

Four of Valentin's last six hits have been homers. His two-run homer Tuesday — his 22nd – also scored Royce Clayton, who started the inning with a brokenbat single off Danny Patterson (5-

Royals 10, Angels 4

Carlos Febles hit his second and third home runs of the year as Kansas City snapped a six-game losing streak by beating Anaheim.

Febles, who came in with only off Ramon Ortiz (11-8) in the second and added a two-run drive in Jose Valentin hit a two-run the seventh for the first multihomer in the eighth inning as homer game of his three-year Chicago overcame a five-run career.

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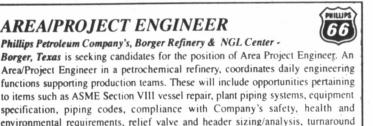
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**** Don't think that you aren't

*** Deploy all your energies into Nothing is an accident. A partner makes anyway! Tonight: Get on the phone and getting out of work quickly and efficient- suggestions that you might think won't contact friends. tered. Still, don't avoid an important ** * You might not want to share comes from another source. You please meeting or get-together. Follow anoth- your plans with your office or those in someone because you act on your feeler's lead. Tonight: Get an early start to your day-to-day life. An emotional situa- ings, finally. Not all people hold their tion could delight you, if you get past a emotional side as close to the vest as you present tendency to be overly sensitive. do. Your newfound self-expression

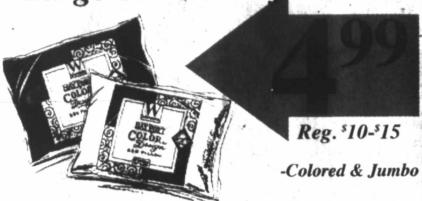
friendly and caring draws others in to take off, as you are as good as gone CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) * ★ ★ Money evaporates, but help

and paperwork to complete. Put your Labor Day weekend with some good old- ** Others appear unusually complacent and happy. Now is the time to reveal what you have been considering. Expect another's ideas. Together you're unstop- *** A boss or higher-up rewards a positive reception without a hard sell.

term. A partner or associate relaxes when someone to get organized. Tonight: Head Cameron Diaz (1972), actor Timothy

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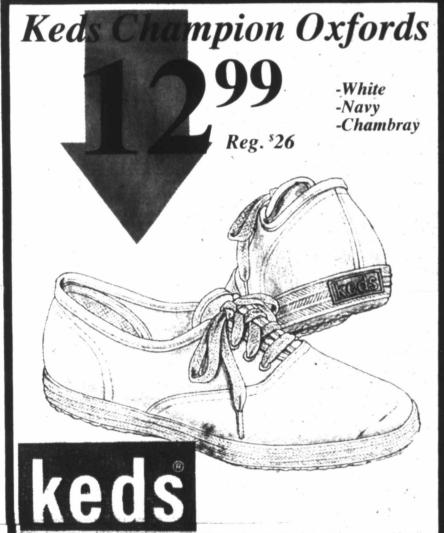


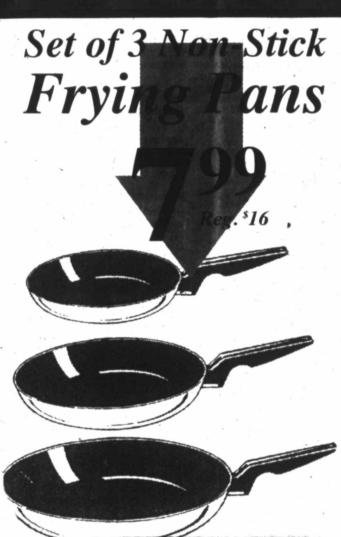
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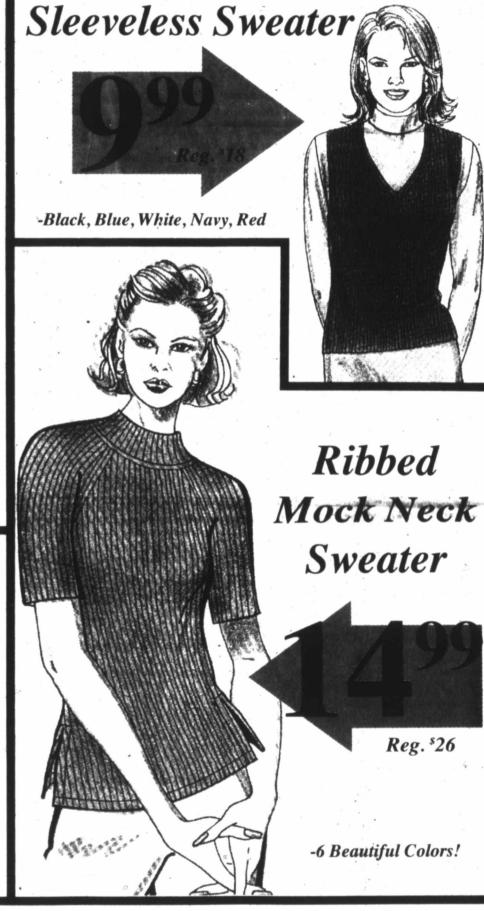
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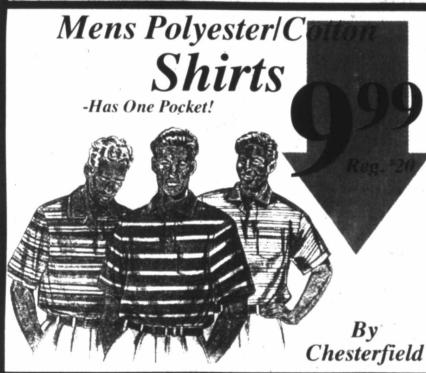
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