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New law mandates Texas pledge

Opponents argue measure violates First Amendment ...

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Supporters of a new law requiring Texas students to recite a pledge to the Texas flag and observe a moment of silence say it helps promote patriotism and build character.

Students also will pledge allegiance to the U.S. flag. But critics of the new measure argue that the new state measure violates the First Amendment. They also note the requirement will stretch already thin budgets because a Texas flag must be present in every classroom.

Those who bring a note from home can be excused from the pledges. But Pam Parker, an attorney with the Association of Texas Professional Educators, is concerned about how school districts will implement the rules.

She said a U.S. Supreme Court ruling states that pupils have First Amendment rights, including the ability to decline participation even without a note from parents.

"I suspect that we will have

a lot of teachers that have not received the proper guidance from the district and will not know how to deal with these issues," Parker told the San Antonio Express-News in Monday's editions.

The law's author, Sen. Jeff Wentworth, said his motive was to encourage pupils to honor the flag and be loyal to their country.

"When we say the pledge, we bring a sense of patriotism and loyalty both to the U.S. and the state we live in," said Wentworth, R-San Antonio.

School districts in Central Texas have been preparing to comply with the new law as school begins Monday. Officials at Northside School District said they are expecting to spend about \$50,000 to buy flags and flag holders, spokesman Pascual Gonzalez said.

District officials handed out cards with the short pledge during the annual teachers' rally and assembly at Warren High School last week. At North East School District,

educators spent about \$15,000 for flags and mounts.

A state pledge has existed since the Texas Legislature adopted it in 1839, during the years the state was an independent republic. But some teachers expressed surprise when they were told about the new law at the rally for Northside educators Tuesday.

Hundreds of teachers, pledge cards in hand, recited

the pledge inside the high school auditorium. "Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one and indivisible."

Many teachers acknowledged they hadn't previously known the pledge.

"I can't believe they never taught me that in elementary school," said Sara Rodriguez, a third-grade teacher at Rhodes Elementary School.

Susan Mann, an English

teacher, said she expects the new law will spark some interesting discussions among her students at Holmes High School, where the pledge has been recited for years.

"I find it ironic that the pledge is a priority among legislators, instead of putting money into the schools," said Sarah Simmons, an English teacher at Hobby Middle School. "Ironic, but not surprising."

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Gulf Coast residents remember 'Alicia'

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — Tropical Storm Erika dissipated in Mexico over the weekend without leaving significant damage in Texas, but Galveston Island residents remember another fast-moving tropical system 20 years ago that gave them respect for such storms.

Hurricane Alicia went from a disturbance forming 300 miles from Galveston to a Category 3 tempest in less than 72 hours, killing 21 people and causing more than \$5 billion in damage in inflation-adjusted dollars.

When Alicia made landfall with 130 mph winds at San Luis Pass on the west end of Galveston Island at 1:40 a.m. on Aug. 18, 1983, it was the first hurricane to strike the United States mainland in more than three years.

DEATHS

Anthony Marie Roland Kilgore, 70, homemaker.

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Twenty something dies in pedestrian accident

Services were pending today for an Oklahoma woman killed when she was struck by a pickup early Sunday as she walked in the traffic lanes of U.S. Highway 60 east of White Deer.

Laurie Dawn Henderson, 21, of Yukon, Okla., was killed before dawn Sunday morning when she was struck by a 2003 GMC pickup driven by Denise Renee Allen of Pampa.

Texas Department of Public Safety troopers said today that the case was

still under investigation.

Officers said Henderson had apparently run out of gas and was walking back to White Deer when she was hit by the pickup a few minutes after 4 a.m. Sunday less than half a mile east of White Deer. Troopers said today that Henderson was walking in the center of the right hand eastbound lane of U.S. 60 when she was hit. She died at the scene.

Carson County Justice of the Peace Randy Elliott ordered an autopsy in the case.

Pampa police investigating string of vehicle break-ins

Pampa police today were again investigating a series of weekend vehicle break-ins.

Officers said vehicles were broken into Saturday and Sunday nights. Most of the vehicles had been left unlocked. In some instances, nothing was taken.

A stereo was reported taken from an unlocked vehicle in the 2200 block of Evergreen Saturday.

Kelle Staus, 41, 200 N. Faulkner, reported \$20 and 10 CDs were taken from an unlocked vehicle Sunday.

Police reported finding CDs Sunday in a yard at 100 N. Nelson.

Garold Bromlow, 57, 216

N. Sumner, said nothing was taken from an unlocked vehicle at that address Sunday.

Barbara Holt, 71, 200 N. Sumner, reported nothing taken from a vehicle that was broken into Sunday.

Charles Martin, 67, reported change had been taken from an unlocked vehicle at his address Sunday.

Julie Howard, 33, 225 N. Sumner, said nothing was taken from a vehicle broken into at her home.

Harice Jay Preston, 66, 109 N. Nelson, wasn't sure if anything was taken from an unlocked vehicle that was broken into at his home Sunday.

Action Central



(Pampa News photos by David Bowser)

▲ **Tanner Hucks and Enrique Morales** move a cable down the main hall of Pampa City Hall as city officials clear out storage areas to make room for an Action Center.

"It's an Action Center," says **Mitch Grant**, Pampa city manager. "It's a system where people can call in or come in and find what they need." All in one place.

► **Diane Darling**, city employee, answers the phone in her new office on the main floor of Pampa City Hall where "Action Central" is located.



City commission to hold public hearing

The Pampa City Commission will hold a public hearing Tuesday evening at City Hall on the proposed 2003-2004 city budget.

The hearing will begin at 6 p.m., Tuesday, in the city commission chambers.

City Manager Mitch Grant

presented commissioners with the proposed \$7.9 million budget for the next fiscal year during last week's work session.

The new budget includes the North Fire Station, but no money for the Marcus Sanders swimming pool

There is little money in the budget for capital improvements, but there are no personnel cuts.

Following the hearing, the commission will go into executive session for a performance review of city manager

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POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Thursday, Aug. 14

A simple assault was reported in the 600 block of North Christy.

A jewelry box was reported stolen from a home in the 600 block of Doucette.

Trespass was reported at Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart.

A theft was reported at Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 400 block of Carr.

Friday, Aug. 15

Simple assault, threats and interfering with an emergency call were reported in the 1000 block of Fisher.

Fredrick Gray, 25, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and interfering with an emergency call.

Tires were reported cut on a vehicle in the 800 block of Campbell.

A child was reported injured in the 700 block of East Francis.

A telephone threat was reported in the 1300 block of Garland.

A purse was found in the 500 block of Wilks.

A key and \$20 was reported taken from the Spud Nut Shop, 725 N. Hobart.

A rifle was reported stolen in the 1300 block of Rham.

A purse was snatched from a 50-year-old woman as she walked across a parking lot in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

An harassment report was made in the 600 block of Deane Drive.

Indecency with a child was reported in the 2200 block of North Williston.

A waffle iron, jewelry, a muffin pan, umbrella, linens and three loaf pans were reported stolen from a home in the 1000 block of Charles.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 400 block of Magnolia.

Injury to a child was reported in the 1100 block of Huff Road.

Saturday, Aug. 16

Threats were reported in the 1900 block of East Lynn.

A lawn mower and small red wagon were reported stolen in the 400 block of East Browning.

A bicycle was reported stolen in the 800 block of East Kingsmill.

A purse was reported found in the 800

block of North Lefors.

A stereo was reported taken from a vehicle in the 2200 block of Evergreen.

Threats were made in the 2600 block of Navajo.

Sunday, Aug. 17

A car window and door window were shot out at Top of Texas Used Cars, 500 Atchison.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 1300 block of Garland.

The driver's side window of a vehicle was shattered in the 600 block of North Frost.

Regina Hopson, 25, was arrested for shoplifting in connection with \$8 worth of items taken from Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart.

Two lawn ornaments were reported stolen from a yard in the 1000 block of South Dwight.

Possession of a controlled substance was reported in the 1600 block of North Williston.

The driver's side rear window of a vehicle was broken out in the 400 block of North Somerville.

Fog lights were taken off a vehicle and the vehicle's tires were punctured on July 31, outside of Pampa.

Unlocked vehicles were broken into in the 200 block of North Sumner, the 200 block of North Faulkner and the 100 block of North Nelson.

Possession of drug paraphernalia was reported to police.

CDs were found in the 100 block of North Nelson.

The window of a vehicle was shot out with a BB gun in the 800 block of Magnolia.

The windows of two vehicles were reportedly shot out in the 400 block of Foster.

Richard Ness, 49, was arrested on charges of simple assault and interfering with an emergency call in the 300 block of North Purviance.

Monday, Aug. 18

Gabriel Hernandez, 28, was arrested in the 500 block of Short on charges of driving while intoxicated, evading authorities and driving without a valid driver's license.

An assault was reported in the 800 block of North West.

A stolen vehicle was reported in the 1600 block of North Faulkner.

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m., today.

Saturday, Aug. 16

12:16 p.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to the 800 block of West Foster on a call for medical assistance.

2:23 p.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to Alcock and Sumner streets on a two-vehicle motor vehicle accident. No injuries resulted. The firefighters washed down an antifreeze spill.

5:15 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to the 500 block of Carr where a gas meter had been run over.

5:53 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1400 block of West Kentucky on a call for medical assistance.

11:23 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1800 block of Hamilton on a call for lifting assistance.

Sunday, Aug. 17

5:51 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a vehicle fire one-mile north on Farm to Market 282. The vehicle was fully involved when the unit arrived. The fire burned approximately 100-yards of highway right-of-way before being extinguished, fire officials said.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Office today reported the following arrests.

Saturday, Aug. 16

Robert Alan Miela, 49, Glendale, Ariz., was arrested by Gray County deputies on an Arizona warrant charging him with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Joseph Wayne Davis, 23, 2019 Hamilton, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of theft by check.

Sunday, Aug. 17

Richard Carl Ness, 49, 321 Purviance, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of assaulting a family member and interfering with an emergency call.

Toren Dale Smith, 40, 506 Roberta, was arrested by Pampa police officers on traffic warrants.

Tammy Diane Ryals, 30, 316 S. Gray, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of possession of a controlled substance, running a stop sign and driving without a license.

Regina Hopson, 25, 1601 N. Somerville #76, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of theft.

Monday, Aug. 18

Gabriel Ruiz Hernandez, 27, 509 Short, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of driving while intoxicated, driving without a valid driver's license and evading arrest.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m., today.

Saturday, Aug. 16

9:38 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

11:48 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Baten prison unit and transported a patient to PRMC.

12:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West Foster and transported one to PRMC.

2:23 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Alcock and Sumner streets. No transport.

5:15 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of West Eshom and transported one to PRMC.

5:47 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home and transported one to PRMC.

Sunday, Aug. 17

4:17 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 east of White Deer. The call was disregarded.

8:10 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Hilton Road and transported a patient to PRMC.

8:54 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home and transported one to PRMC.

12:22 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of South Faulkner and transported one to BSA Hospice.

3:06 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to South Finley and transported one to PRMC.

3:16 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

8:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home and transported one to PRMC.

STOCKS

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

Wheat	3.49	Williams	8.16	+0.07
Milo	3.67	MCD	22.74	-0.24
Corn	4.15	XOM	36.97	+0.14
Soybeans	4.80	Atmos	24.29	+0.18
		Pioneer Nat	25.96	+0.27

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

OXY	34.28	+0.22	CVX	72.95	+0.13
BP	42.45	+0.05	Wal-Mart	58.69	+0.59
Celanese	30.81	-0.19	OKE	20.02	+0.04
Cabot Corp	26.17	+0.15	NS Grp	7.71	+0.10
Coca Cola	44.91	-0.04			
VLO	39.35	-0.45			
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NOI	19.34	+0.14	West Texas Crude	31.05	

OBITUARIES

ANTHONY MARIE ROLAND KILGORE

1932-2003

Anthony Marie Roland Kilgore, 70, of Pampa, died Saturday, Aug. 16, 2003. Services will be at 2 p.m., Wednesday in New Hope Baptist Church with the Rev. T.J. Patterson, pastor, and the Rev. S.D. Patterson, associate pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Kilgore was born Dec. 22, 1932, at Sulphur Springs and had made her home in Pampa for 50 years. She married Levester Kilgore in Pampa.

She worked for Wiley Ranch and Your Laundry.

She was a homemaker and a member of New Hope Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Levester, of

Marine City, Calif.; two daughters, Glenda and Ardmore, Okla.; and Debbie Harris of Pampa; a son, Joe Kilgore of Pampa; 11 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.



WEATHER FOCUS

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The forecast today is calling for partly cloudy skies, highs in the upper 90s and south winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight should see partly cloudy skies, lows in the lower 70s and south winds 5 to 15 mph. Tuesday should be partly cloudy, highs in the upper 90s, south winds 10 to 15 mph. Tuesday night, partly cloudy. Lows around 70. South winds 10 to 15 mph. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Friday, partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the lower 90s. Friday night, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.

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Arizona: Gas prices up, several stations dry, motorists worried

PHOENIX (AP) — has been trucked up from Tucson, and officials said there is no shortage of gas. But a delay in deliveries has helped push prices up in the city, in some cases to around \$2 a gallon.

The governor's office and AAA Arizona suggested the troubles Sunday stemmed from distribution problems, not actual shortages.

"We're getting all the gas we need in the Phoenix area," said Paul Allvin, a spokesman for Gov. Janet Napolitano. "We believe the problem is getting it from the distribution centers to the actual stations."

The governor was out of town on business Sunday, but Allvin said she planned to return Monday morning to address the problem.

Meanwhile, AAA Arizona spokeswoman Kim Pappas-Miller warned drivers not to panic.

"There is fuel coming into Arizona at the same amount as two weeks ago. It is just extremely slow," Pappas-Miller said.

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Mexico City installs panic buttons on crime-plagued buses

By WILL WEISSERT
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Julieta Lopez was riding the 128 bus to her cleaning job in a ritzy Mexico City neighborhood when she felt the chill of the pistols pressed against her cheek and forehead.

A gang of teenagers took everything from the 45-year-old maid and everyone else on board the pesera, or microbus, making passengers throw money and valuables into a bag of sand to conceal the loot.

"You know the robbers come often, but you get on and say 'I hope they don't come today,'" said Lopez, who still takes the 128 six days a week, despite being robbed four times at gun- or knife-point.

So rampant are these robberies that authorities last week equipped 25 peseras with panic buttons.

When the driver pushes the red button, a satellite signal leads police to the bus. It also activates a hidden camera and

microphone to give authorities a glimpse of what's happening on board.

Another 25 minibuses with panic buttons should rumble into service this month, but for now nearly all of those equipped with the buttons are plying the congested streets along Route 128, which runs west and passes near the airport.

Those carrying panic buttons are indistinguishable from the city's other 28,000 green-and-white minibuses, which cost as little as 20 cents to ride. Some have cracked windshields, are splattered with graffiti and missing mufflers or mirrors.

"This will improve things. The criminals won't know which buses are being watched by satellites and which aren't," said Luis Hernandez, a 30-year-old insurance adjuster who was riding a 128 bus home.

Police Chief Marcelo Ebrard said officials will pay private security firms to install

panic buttons aboard hundreds of the city's 28,000 buses in coming months.

But he said the cost — up to \$1,100 per bus — means fewer panic buttons than officials would like.

Mexico City's attorney general, Bernardo Batiz, said panic buttons could also be installed in some of the city's 100,000 Volkswagen Beetle taxis, where hijackings are even more common than on buses.

But corruption could be a problem.

David, a driver whose Route 128 bus doesn't have a panic button, said police often take bribes to protect the bus-robbing gangs known as "ratas," or rats.

"It's a good idea, but how long is it going to last?" asked the 28-year-old, who said hijackers might come after him if he gave his last name. "For a few weeks everyone will talk about the buttons. After that the police will help the rats again."

Others say bus drivers often abet the robbers for a piece of the take.

The button should be accessible to all, like the emergency brake on a subway train, said Jasmine Villanueva, a 28-year-old accountant who stopped taking the bus after her father was robbed on one last year.

"If we have to trust the bus drivers, we're all in trouble," she said.

Bus crime has long been common in Mexico City, but last month came two especial-

ly horrifying hijackings within two days, in which gangs even raped some of the women on board.

The cases prompted a city-wide crackdown. Over the next week, hundreds of police officers patrolled major streets after dark, searching nearly all buses running late-night routes. Authorities eventually captured a gang of alleged hijackers, but that did little to make most riders feel safer.

"From the instant I get on,

I'm scared every minute," college student Daniela Moreno, 21, said while waiting for the bus. "Everyone rides the bus, but no one feels safe."

On Wednesday, city officials drove journalists around the city on a bus with a panic button and pressed it to test police response. A dozen patrol cars surrounded the vehicle in minutes, unleashing a swarm of officers who insisted they thought they were responding to a real emergency.

West Virginia: Police upping night patrols in vicinity of copycat sniper shootings

CAMPBELLS CREEK, W.Va. (AP) — Police stepped up their patrols and conducted door-to-door interviews in this mountain valley, hoping to calm residents fearful that a potential serial killer lurks in their midst.

Two residents from Campbells Creek were killed Thursday — one in the town itself — and police said their deaths, along with an earlier killing, could be the work of a single shooter.

As night fell Sunday, five patrol cars patrolled the area — usually a job undertaken by two units. Several officers began interviewing residents at their homes, searching for clues and hoping to reassure nervous homeowners.

"It has a calming effect on the public," Chief Deputy Phil Morris said.

During the day, children playing ball in Margaret Meador's yard quickly took cover and clutched their bat for protection whenever an unfamiliar car passed by.

Meador's grandson Pat O'Connor said the increased patrols made him think that investigators believe the shooter lives in the neighborhood. "It makes you leery of being outside," O'Connor said.

All three killings had been after dark near gas stations or convenience stores. Morris recommended that residents do their shopping during the day and not go to gas stations at night alone.

Police stopped black trucks with tinted windows and extended cabs; witnesses described seeing such a vehicle at the shootings. Authorities also were scrutinizing

video from surveillance cameras.

"There is no suspect at this point," Morris said Sunday.

O'Connor said his family had gathered Sunday night to prepare for the funeral of his newborn daughter, Katie, who died the same night Jeanie Patton, 31, and Okey Meadows Jr., 26, both of Campbells Creek, were murdered.

Already fearful for his family in the area, O'Connor said he now must warn other family members traveling from as far away as Florida for the funeral not to stop for gasoline in the area.

"I told them to make sure to gas up before they get here. And when they do to make sure they don't see a black truck in the parking lot," O'Connor said. Campbells Creek is about 10 miles east of Charleston.

The first victim was Gary Carrier Jr., 34, of South Charleston, who was shot in the head Aug. 10 while using a pay telephone outside a gas station on Charleston's west side.

The shootings were an immediate reminder of the sniper attacks last fall in Maryland, Virginia, Washington, D.C., Alabama, Georgia and Louisiana. Two men were arrested and accused of shooting 19 people, killing 13 and wounding six.

Morris has given out his private office number in hopes that more witnesses — or even the shooter — will come forward. He said the only physical description authorities have in the case is of a large, white male seen at one shooting.

Top Realtors



(Courtesy photo)

Mike Keagy and Judi Edwards, owners of Quentin Williams, REALTORS, recently honored their top three agents for the first half of 2003 during a luncheon at Pampa Country Club. Each honoree received a bonus check. They were Roberta Babb, first place; Joan Mabry, second place; and Bobbie Sue Stephens, third place. Quentin Williams sold \$2.8 million which represents 49.3 percent of all sales through Pampa MLS.

Surgical resident decapitated in elevator mishap

HOUSTON (AP) — Officials of a downtown hospital are investigating the death of a surgical resident who was decapitated in an elevator mishap.

Christus St. Joseph Hospital may release additional information about Hitoshi Nikaidoh's death following a closed-door briefing Monday, said hospital spokeswoman India Chumney Hancock.

Nikaidoh, 35, of Dallas was stepping into a second-floor elevator about 9:30 a.m. Saturday, when the doors suddenly closed, pinning his shoulders. His head was severed when the elevator car moved upward. A female hospital employee witnessed the accident and spent about 20 minutes trapped inside the malfunctioning elevator until fire-

fighters were able to rescue her.

The traumatized employee who witnessed the death was taken to the hospital's emergency room for treatment of shock, but was released later that day, said Hancock.

Photographs and measurements at the elevator by Houston police crime scene specialists were passed to Harris County medical examiners who continued conduct-

ing their inquiry into the accident. The entire elevator bank where Nikaidoh was killed was pulled from operation, but St. Joseph Hospital officials said the decision won't affect patient services.

Fire officials hope weather can aid in control effort

MISSOULA (AP) — Firefighters are hoping a second day of cooler weather will help them make up ground lost over the weekend when wind-fed wildfires burned two houses and forced the evacuation of 250 people.

Firefighters said they managed to save 100 homes in Saturday's blowup of a fire west of Missoula by spraying them with foam, a last-ditch effort to keep back the fast-moving blaze.

"We thought we had hours or days to deal with this — it was not hours, it was minutes," said Missoula firefighter Jess Mickelson of the fire that traveled three miles in two hours and threw flames 400 to 500 feet in the air. "I was awe-struck by the energy this fire exhibited."

Cooler weather and higher humidity Sunday helped firefighters as they started rebuilding lost fire lines.

"Hopefully the results will be that we gained some containment, because we lost everything yesterday," fire information officer Gil Sanchez said Sunday evening.

About 180 families that fled the wildfire's surge south of Missoula returned to their homes Sunday, but about 70

remained under mandatory evacuation orders.

The fire grew almost 6,000 acres, to more than 7,316 acres, in its Saturday blowup. Fire managers estimated the fire itself generated winds up to 55 mph, while area winds were about 25 mph.

The state had 57 fires start in the 24 hours from midnight Friday to midnight Saturday, said Julena Campbell, fire information officer for the Northern Rockies region.

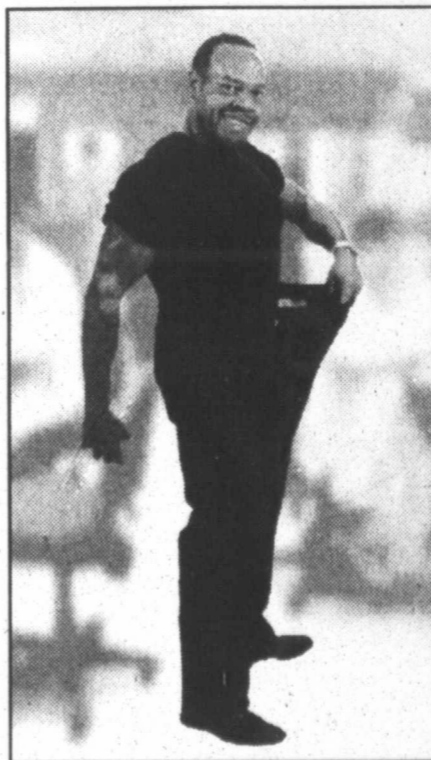
Those totaled more than 47,600 acres. There are already a few dozen large fires burning in the state on almost 250,000 acres.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Woman's Fiance Embraces Her But Not Her Family

DEAR ABBY: Three years ago, my boyfriend, "Pete," moved from New Hampshire to Missouri to be close to me. We have been living together for one year. Pete's family still reside in New Hampshire, so he rarely sees them.

Pete is very reluctant to visit my family here, because when he does, he says it makes him miss his own family. I think he is just making an excuse not to socialize with my family — who love him.

We are supposed to be married next year. Help!

MARY IN MISSOURI

DEAR MARY: I see a red flag. Your family appears to be warm and welcoming. Have you met Pete's family? Do you know what they are like, and what their relationship is with Pete? I'm concerned that your fiance is uncomfortable around your family. His absence must cast a pall over family get-togethers. This is a poor way to start a permanent relationship. I advise premarital counseling for the both of you — and a long engagement.

DEAR ABBY: I am deeply disturbed by the recent horrific accident in Santa Monica, Calif., where an elderly man hit the gas pedal instead of the brake and killed many people in an outdoor farmers market. I have witnessed several similar accidents.

Recently I saw a middle-aged woman drive into a car wash and hit the gas instead of the brake. Fortunately, the attendant was able to jump out of the way or he would have been crushed between two cars. Another gentleman (not elderly) rolled his new car because of the same problem.

I am only 42 and have also stepped on the wrong pedal a few times, but so far have been lucky and not caused any damage.

Abby, please print my letter so that car manufacturers will ask their designers to move the gas pedal farther away from the brakes.

WANTING TO HELP IN WHEELING

DEAR WANTING TO HELP: I'm printing your letter because it is thought-provoking. Other readers have also written to me making the same point. It appears possible that the design does need to be improved. Perhaps your letter will start the process and another tragedy will be averted.

DEAR ABBY: I am a teenage girl with a problem. My best friend, "Jenny," is jealous of my other friends. When they're around, Jenny gets sulky and has a bad attitude. When it's only the two of us, and I happen to comment about another friend, she gets mad and says I spend all my time talking about them. Not true.

I don't know how to tell Jenny that she's still my best friend, but I need other people in my life, too. She is really tugging on our "friendship line," if you know what I mean. I've told my mom about it and she agrees with me, but we can't figure out what to do. Please help, Abby.

FRUSTRATED FRIEND IN MONTANA

DEAR FRUSTRATED FRIEND: Your friend acts this way because she is insecure and somewhat jealous out of your circle. What Jenny fails to realize is that the harder she clings and tries to isolate you, the more she's pushing you away. Tell her that you need more than just one friend — and so does she. It's the truth.

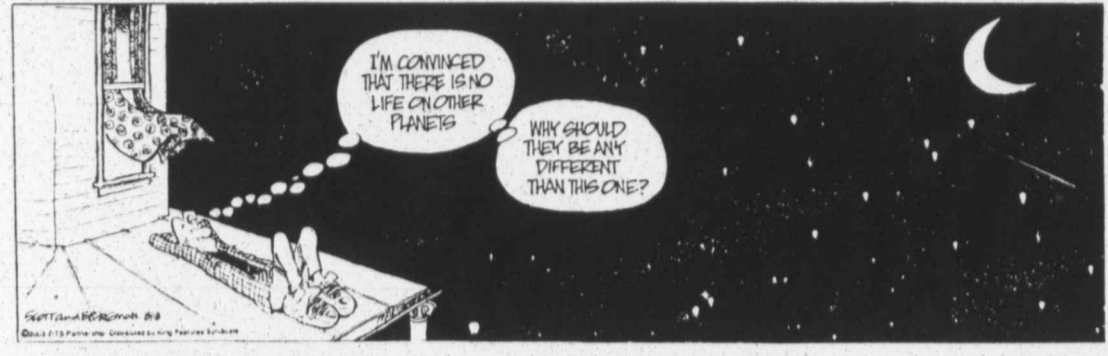
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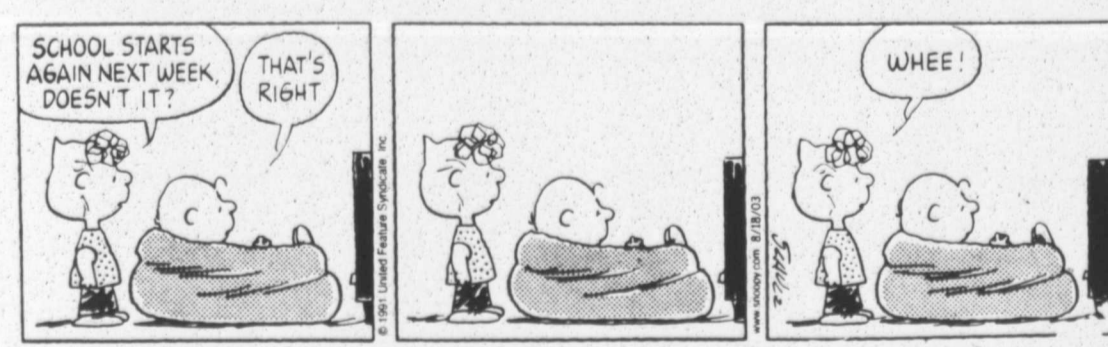
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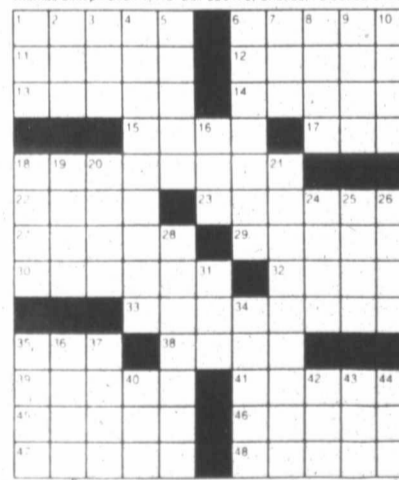
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Saturday's answer

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VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — varsity, junior freshmen scrimmages over the week-end sponsored by Plainview officials.

Pampa fresh volleyball way tonight with Tascosa at 6 Fieldhouse. Pampa varsior varsity tea season Tuesday, River Road in with Estacado Road.

The first v match is Sept. Fort Elliott. Sta 6 p.m.

HOCKEY

IRVING, TEXAS — Goaltender Dallas Stars' draft pick in the signed a three-year Monday.

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BROOKLYN (AP) — Ryan saved just enough to take an aggressive Kurt Busch.

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It worked. Newman stretch his f gas 52 laps oval at International win the GFS 400, his fifth the season.

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SPORTS

Another tape emerges in Baylor scandal Bliss, player talked after plot revealed

AUSTIN (AP) — An investigative committee exploring allegations of NCAA violations at Baylor has another tape of former Baylor coach Dave Bliss to listen to in an ever-widening scandal surrounding the university's basketball program.

A day after the committee heard secretly recorded tapes in which Bliss tried to use players and an assistant coach in an attempt to portray slain Baylor player Patrick Dennehy as a drug dealer, Richard Guinn recorded a conversation Bliss had with his son, senior center R.T. Guinn, at their Waco home.

Richard Guinn turned his tape over to investigators. He wouldn't disclose the nature of Saturday's conversation, but said Bliss at one point apologized to R.T. Guinn, saying, "I'm sorry about the things that happened."

Baylor investigator David

Guinn, no relation, said Sunday he had locked the tape away and would play it for investigators as early as Monday. He said he had not listened to the tape.

David Guinn said he believed it was counterproductive for Bliss to be visiting players. In addition to talking to R.T. Guinn, Bliss also tried unsuccessfully to reach player Harvey Thomas on Saturday.

"The facts are as they are. They are not going to change with more discussions with these players," David Guinn said.

Richard Guinn said Bliss was composed during the meeting.

"He said he was scared of what was coming out on the tapes," Richard Guinn said. Bliss brought a tape recorder to the meeting but didn't say why he wanted to record the conversation.

"I told Bliss we're not going to lie, we're not going to cover up, we're not going to hold back anything," Richard Guinn said.

Bliss did not return a telephone message left at his Waco home Sunday.

The secretly recorded tapes assistant Abar Rouse made of Bliss showed Bliss thought the drug story would steer investigators away from allegations the coach had improperly paid for Dennehy's tuition, an NCAA violation.

Bliss's coverup attempt was revealed Friday night when Rouse gave the Fort Worth Star-Telegram a copy of his tapes.

The Dallas Morning News reported in Monday's editions that on the day he disappeared Dennehy complained to Rouse about threats made against him. Rouse's attorney, LaNelle McNamara, told the newspaper that Rouse warned his bosses in the athletic department about what he heard.

Bliss resigned Aug. 8 when the school announced he had been involved in improper tuition payments to two players.

"What we've got to do here is create drugs," Bliss said on one of the tapes, which were recorded July 30, 31 and Aug. 1.

Baylor investigators found no evidence Dennehy was involved in drug dealing.

Dennehy's body was found July 25 in a field about five miles from the Waco college campus.

Former teammate and roommate Carlton Dotson is in a Maryland jail on a Texas murder warrant.

Baylor officials have said one unidentified player tried to use the Dennehy drug dealing story with investigators but he recanted once the tape surfaced.

Guinn said his son met with the committee before Rouse's tapes were recorded and again Friday night after they were revealed. Richard Guinn said R.T. was out of state visiting his mother Aug. 6-13 and that his son did not meet with investigators between Aug. 1 and Aug. 6.

"No, not that I'm aware of," he said.

"They already had his testimony and it was straight," Guinn said. "I've always told him, go in and tell the truth ... We haven't done anything wrong."

Although several players have asked for their release from Baylor to consider transferring to other schools, Guinn said his son wants to stay because he's close to graduation.

Meanwhile, Hempstead center Tyrone Nelson, one of Baylor's top recruits, plans to go to Prairie View A&M, his father, the Rev. H.J. Nelson, told Houston television station KRIV Sunday night.

Baylor officials have said they expect to give the tapes they have received to local prosecutors to determine if any laws were broken.

Dennehy's stepfather, Brian Brabazon, told The Associated Press he plans to pursue a civil lawsuit in the case.

"I doubt we'll ever have peace of mind in our lives the way this is going," Brabazon said.

NOTEBOOK

VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — Pampa's varsity, junior varsity and freshmen scrimmages at Plainview were canceled over the weekend. The scrimmages were postponed by Plainview school officials.

Pampa freshmen get the volleyball season under way tonight when they host Tascosa at 6 in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Pampa varsity and junior varsity teams start the season Tuesday at 5 at River Road in a triangular with Estacado and River Road.

The first varsity home match is Sept. 2 against Fort Elliott. Starting time is 6 p.m.

HOCKEY

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Goaltender Dan Ellis, the Dallas Stars' second-round draft pick in the 2000 draft, signed a three-year contract Monday.

After being the 60th overall pick in the 2000 draft, Ellis played the last three seasons at the University of Nebraska-Omaha. He spent the 1999-00 season with Omaha of the United States Hockey League, where he set a league record with 11 shutouts and was named both the player and goaltender of the year with a 34-16-4 record and a 2.25 goals-against-average.

The Stars report to training camp Sept. 12.

AUTO RACING

BROOKLYN, Mich. (AP) — Ryan Newman saved just enough fuel to take an aggressive run at Kurt Busch.

"I wanted to run down Kurt, but I wanted to save fuel," Newman said. "You don't want to give up a second-place finish for a little greed."

Newman radioed to crew chief Matt Borland asking permission to go for the lead and he was told, "Go for it and we'll see what happens."

It worked. Newman was able to stretch his final tank of gas 52 laps on the 2-mile oval at Michigan International Speedway to win the GFS Marketplace 400, his fifth victory of the season.

Pampa players helped lead Amarillo team to third place in Super Series

The Amarillo Bandits made some big news when this 14 & under baseball team finished third in the prestigious Super Series National Championships held in Phoenix, Ariz.

Pampa players Brett Ferrell and James Coffee played key roles in Amarillo's five victories in the tournament.

The Bandits beat three teams from Arizona and two from California in bracket play. The Bandits also played teams from New Jersey and Seattle, Washington.

They lost to a California team which went onto win the championship.

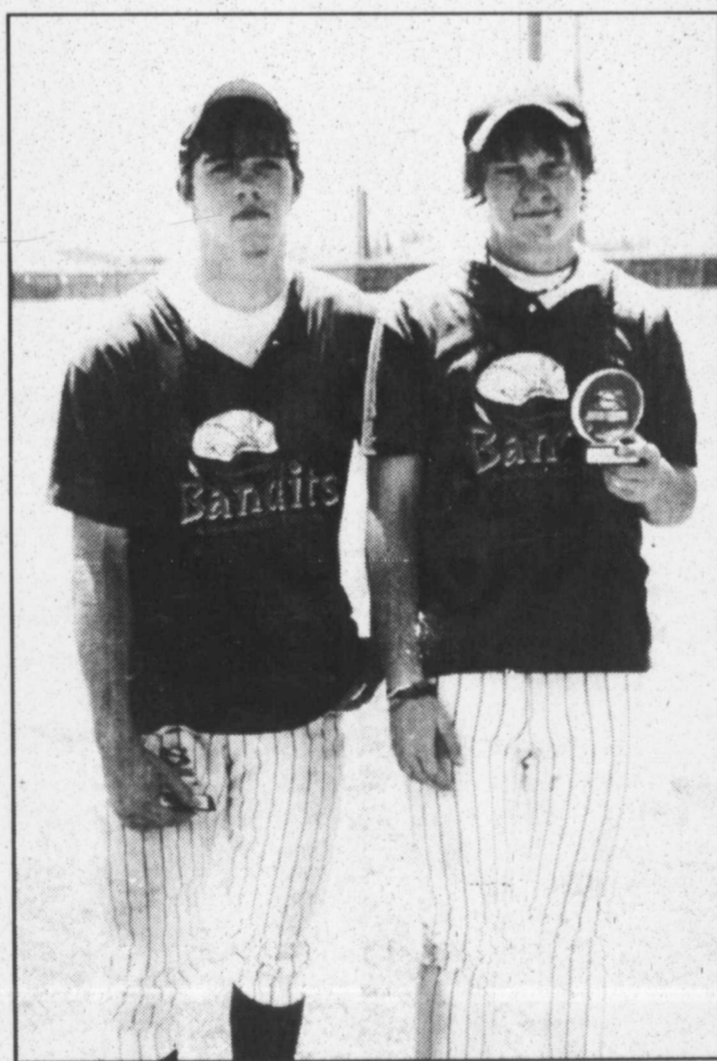
Ferrell played three different positions (pitcher, outfield, first base) and finished the tournament with a .480 batting average. He also played errorless ball and was named to the all-tournament team.

Coffee also had an outstanding tournament at catcher and just missed making the all-tourna-

ment team. Coffee caught five games and played near-perfect defense. He threw out several baserunners attempting to steal. At bat, Coffee hit a pitch that landed on top of the wall 360 feet away from home plate.

Ferrell was joined on the all-tournament team by Corey Green, Kyle Herson and Aric Walton of Amarillo.

Coaching the Bandits were Roddy Green, Steve Mathews and Mike Fuller.



James Coffee (left) and Brett Ferrell were members of the Amarillo Bandits.

Texans scrap first workout of last slated two-a-day

HOUSTON (AP) — Without a public explanation, the Texans scrapped a scheduled practice session Monday morning on the second-to-last day of training camp and players attended meetings with coaches at Reliant Stadium instead.

Monday was the last of the team's scheduled two-a-day practices, though the Texans were to hit the field for the evening workout. They will break camp Tuesday after one midday practice, meaning players will get to check out of an area hotel and begin commuting to the stadium practice facility from home.

With projected regulars expected to get more practice time this week in preparation for Saturday's third exhibition game against San Diego, losing the workout session meant players battling for a roster spot had one fewer chance to impress coaches.

"This is going to be a week where we will play our starters the most of any of the preseason games," Capers said Sunday. "Well look forward to seeing what kind of improvement we can make this week in the Chargers game."

Improvement will be the byword this week after an embarrassing 34-6 loss at Dallas last Friday in which the Texans were outplayed

in every phase of the game. Houston players often seemed a step slower on some plays, which could explain Capers' decision to cancel practice Monday morning after a hot and humid Sunday afternoon workout.

"We're capable of far better than what we showed Friday night," Capers said. "After looking at the tape, you can see the pieces are there. We just haven't put it all together in terms of being able to go out and put together a consistent performance."

The Texans have another week of practices, along with the Chargers game, to evaluate talent before the first round of cuts is required by next Tuesday. Of the 53 regular-season roster spots, about 40 places appear set barring further injuries or surprise releases or acquisitions, and most of the competition is for reserves, who will serve on special teams.

Capers also was expected to know more about his injury situation Monday. He doesn't expect Pro Bowl defensive lineman Gary Walker's sprained left shoulder to keep him out of the regular season opener at Miami, though fullback Jarrod Baxter could miss the season with a left foot injury.

Lions Club Scramble is Friday

PAMPA — The Pampa Lions Club Day-Night Golf Scramble will be held Friday, Aug. 22 at Hidden Hills Golf Course.

There will be shotgun start-registration at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 22 for the four-person scramble. Hamburger and drinks will be provided.

The format will have only

one player per team with a 9 or less handicap. Team handicap will be 50 or more.

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Schilling beats Maddux in classic mound duel

By The Associated Press

Now that was a pitchers' duel.

Curt Schilling beat Greg Maddux and the Atlanta Braves in a classic confrontation Sunday, leading the visiting Arizona Diamondbacks to a 2-0 victory.

"You've got to tip your hat," Maddux said. "I just got out-pitched."

No shame in that, especially against Schilling. The Arizona ace threw one-hit ball for eight innings and struck out 12 in an old-fashioned matchup of All-Stars.

It used to be considered a badge of honor for No. 1 pitchers to face each other — Sandy Koufax against Juan Marichal, or Bob Gibson vs. Tom Seaver.

These days, with five-man rotations and more major league teams, it doesn't happen as often. But Schilling knew exactly what to expect when he locked up with Maddux.

"Any time you go against Greg, runs are going to be at a

premium," Schilling said. "He and I have pitched some games in the past just like this. You have to do everything correct fundamentally. You just have to push to be the first team to score."

In other NL games, it was Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 4; Montreal 4, San Francisco 2; New York 6, Colorado 4; Cincinnati 4, Houston 3; Florida 11, San Diego 7; Los Angeles 3, Chicago 0; and Pittsburgh 5, Milwaukee 2.

Alex Cintron broke up a scoreless game with a home run in the seventh off Maddux. Cintron scored an insurance run in the ninth, when he doubled against Kent Mercker and came home on an RBI single by Rod Barajas.

Schilling (7-6) won the power-vs.-finesse matchup with a dominating performance against the NL's best-hitting team. Marcus Giles had the only hit off Schilling, a double in the first that nearly cleared the wall.

The right-hander hasn't allowed a run in his last two

starts, covering 15 innings. He had 23 strikeouts in those two games.

"We all know how good a pitcher he is," Giles said. "He sure proved it today. The same with our pitcher. He threw a pretty good game, too."

Matt Mantei allowed a single to Gary Sheffield in the ninth but struck out the side for his 18th save in 20 chances.

Maddux (11-10) gave up seven hits and walked one before he was lifted for a pinch-hitter in the eighth.

Expos 4, Giants 2
At Montreal, Brad Wilkerson hit a game-winning grand slam off Tim Worrell with two outs in the ninth.

Sidney Ponson (0-3) breezed through the first eight innings in his third start for San Francisco and came within two outs of his first NL win, complete game and shutout. But he was removed after loading the bases in the ninth.

The Expos improved to 6-0 against San Francisco this year.

The NL West-leading Giants played their third straight game without Barry Bonds, who is on bereavement leave to be with his ailing father. They have lost five straight overall.

Dodgers 3, Cubs 0
At Chicago, Hideo Nomo (14-9) scattered four hits over seven innings and Eric Gagne saved his 41st straight game this season.

Gagne's streak is the longest to start a season in major league history. He has saved 49 in a row dating to last Aug. 28, the second-longest streak in big league history behind Tom Gordon, who converted 54 in a row for Boston from 1998-99.

Gagne also extended his scoreless streak to 21 innings, the longest by a Dodgers pitcher this season.

Randall Simon went 1-for-4 in his first game for Chicago after being acquired in a trade with Pittsburgh on Saturday.

The Dodgers got RBI singles from Adrian Beltre, Jolbert Cabrera and Jeromy Burnitz. Carlos Zambrano (11-9)

Reds 4, Astros 3
At Cincinnati, Darnell Stenson hit a solo homer and Juan Castro had a three-run shot for the Reds.

Jeff Bagwell hit a solo homer for the Astros, who finished a costly road trip.

They went 2-5 in Chicago and Cincinnati, bringing them back to the pack in the NL Central.

Marlins 11, Padres 7
At Miami, Josh Beckett (6-6) allowed two runs in a career-best eight innings, and Derek Lee homered for Florida.

Ivan Rodriguez and Luis Castillo had two RBIs apiece for the Marlins, who completed a three-game sweep and trail Philadelphia by a half-game in the wild-card race.

San Diego has lost five straight. **Phillies 6, Cardinals 4**

At Philadelphia, Amarty Telemaco (1-0) won for the first time in more than two years, retiring his final 14 batters as the Phillies finished a three-game sweep.

Jim Thome and Pat Burrell each hit a two-run homer in the third for Philadelphia.

Albert Pujols, owner of a 30-game hitting streak, sat out with flu-like symptoms for the Cardinals.

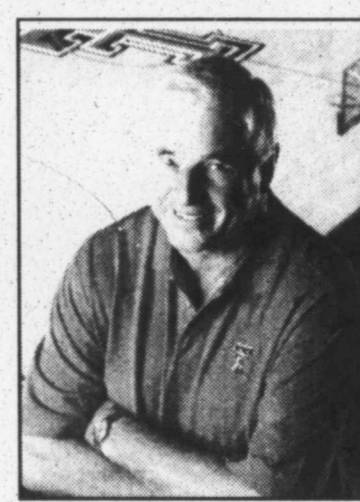
Mets 6, Rockies 4
At New York, Cliff Floyd had four more hits and Al Leiter (12-6) struck out 10 as the Mets won their season-high fifth straight.

Floyd went 4-for-4 and is 10-for-11 in three games since deciding to have season-ending surgery on his aching Achilles' tendon at the end of the month.

Colorado has lost four straight and seven of eight. **Pirates 5, Brewers 2**
At Pittsburgh, Reggie Sanders and Tike Redman hit two-run homers, and Josh Fogg (7-7) rebounded from the worst start of his career.

Knight first non-Lombardi player inducted by group

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — A group of former Green Bay Packers who played for legendary football coach Vince Lombardi has selected Texas Tech basketball coach Bob Knight as the first non-Lombardi player to be inducted into their group.



Bobby Knight

The Vince Lombardi Titletown Legends, a group created in 2001 to raise money for youth, education and public service programs, announced Knight's selection this week.

Co-chairmen Willie Davis and Bob Skoronski said the membership was being expanded to include "hon-

orary legends" who share the group's mission and vision.

"In reviewing prospects for the first inductee of the

Lombardi Legends, coach Bob Knight's qualifications put him at the top of our list," said Skoronski, co-captain of Lombardi's Packers from 1965-67.

Knight, who will be inducted on Aug. 20 at a fundraiser in Green Bay, said he has had no greater friend in life than Skoronski.

Knight is a member of the Basketball Hall of Fame. He won three national championships at the University of Indiana, and an Olympic gold medal with the 1984 U.S. Olympic Team. Two of his Indiana teams also reached the Final Four.

Micheel and his 7-iron make history

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — Shaun Micheel didn't set too high of a goal for himself in the PGA Championship. Four good rounds and one spectacular shot later he made golf history.

The 34-year-old player who hadn't done much to distinguish himself in eight seasons on the PGA Tour became the latest first-time winner of a major championship on Sunday.

"I really can't believe

what happened to me," he said after his two-shot victory over Chad Campbell at Oak Hill Country Club.

"I showed up here on Tuesday to play a practice round and saw how difficult this course was and I was just trying to make the cut. I know that sounds pretty simple, but really, that was my main goal, and I probably would have been happy with that."

His first tour victory in his

first PGA Championship appearance capped by the shot of a lifetime sets him up for a blast of delirious joy.

Micheel became the fourth first-time winner of a major this year, the first time that has happened since 1969, the year he was born. Micheel is the 13th of the last 16 PGA champions to make this event their first major win. He is the seventh player to take the Wanamaker Trophy in his first PGA appearance.

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Minnesota	63	61	.508	3	St. Louis	64	60	.516	1
Cleveland	55	70	.440	11 1/2	Pittsburgh	57	65	.467	7
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Seattle	75	49	.605	—	San Francisco	73	49	.598	—
Oakland	71	53	.573	4	Arizona	65	58	.528	8 1/2
Anaheim	60	64	.484	15	Los Angeles	64	59	.520	9 1/2
Texas	57	67	.460	18	Colorado	61	65	.484	14
					San Diego	47	78	.376	27 1/2

Sunday's Games		Saturday's Games	
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Kansas City 5, Minnesota 4	Seattle 3, Boston 1	Houston 5, Cincinnati 2	Florida 6, San Diego 3
Anaheim 11, Detroit 6	Oakland 7, Toronto 3	Atlanta 10, Arizona 6	Montreal 4, San Francisco 1
Texas 6, Chicago White Sox 4		Philadelphia 5, St. Louis 4	N.Y. Mets 13, Colorado 4
Monday's Games		Sunday's Games	
Texas (Valdes 7-7) at Detroit (Robertson 0-0), 7:05 p.m.	Tampa Bay (Bell 3-2) at Cleveland (Traber 6-6), 7:05 p.m.	Arizona 2, Atlanta 0	Montreal 4, San Francisco 2
Kansas City (Lima 7-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Weaver 6-9), 7:05 p.m.	Anaheim (Washburn 9-11) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 10-12), 8:05 p.m.	N.Y. Mets 6, Colorado 4	Cincinnati 4, Houston 3
Oakland (Mulder 15-9) at Boston (Lowe 12-6), 7:05 p.m.	Texas (Dickey 7-5) at Detroit (Maroth 6-17), 7:05 p.m.	Florida 11, San Diego 7	Pittsburgh 5, Milwaukee 2
Seattle (R. Franklin 8-10) at Toronto (Escobar 9-6), 7:05 p.m.	Tampa Bay (Gonzalez 5-5) at Baltimore (DuBose 1-2), 7:05 p.m.	Los Angeles 3, Chicago Cubs 0	Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 4
Minnesota (Santana 6-3) at Cleveland (Ja. Davis 7-9), 7:05 p.m.	Kansas City (Appier 8-8) at N.Y. Yankees (Petitte 14-7), 7:05 p.m.		
Anaheim (Shields 3-3) at Chicago White Sox (Garland 8-9), 8:05 p.m.			
Tuesday's Games		Monday's Games	
Arizona (Batista 7-6) at Atlanta (Hampton 10-5), 1:05 p.m.	San Francisco (Hermanson 2-2) at Montreal (Vazquez 10-8), 1:05 p.m.	Colorado (Tsao 2-0) at N.Y. Mets (Trachsel 11-7), 1:10 p.m.	Chicago Cubs (Clement 10-10) at Houston (Robertson 11-6), 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Millwood 12-8) at Milwaukee (Sheets 10-10), 8:05 p.m.	Pittsburgh (Meadows 2-1) at St. Louis (Stephenson 7-11), 8:10 p.m.	Florida (Pavano 9-10) at Colorado (Stark 1-1), 9:05 p.m.	Cincinnati (Bale 0-0) at Arizona (Webb 7-6), 9:35 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Glavine 8-11) at San Diego (Jarvis 4-5), 10:05 p.m.	Montreal (Undecided) at Los Angeles (K. Brown 12-6), 10:10 p.m.		
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Astros return after 2-5 road trip

CINCINNATI (AP) — Jeff Bagwell glanced at the clubhouse TV and saw that the Chicago Cubs were headed for another defeat.

Heartening news? Hardly. All it meant was that the Houston Astros had wasted another chance to create some elbow room atop the NL Central.

Bagwell hit a solo homer and made an error Sunday that helped the Cincinnati Reds rally for a 4-3 victory and their first series win over the Astros this season.

The Astros kept glancing at the Cubs' game on television as they packed in a quiet clubhouse, stewing over a 2-5 trip that brought them back to the pack.

"This is not what you want it to come down to — you lose, they lose," Bagwell said. "You want to win and take care of yourself. To succeed in the playoffs, you've got to be a pretty good team. The way we've been doing the last week, that's not going to get it done."

The Astros moved into first place on July 8 and stayed there until things went wrong on their one-week trip through Chicago and Cincinnati. They lost a two-

game lead, fell out of first for one day, then scrambled back on top before heading home Sunday.

The Cubs' 3-0 loss to Los Angeles left them a half-game back, while third-place St. Louis had a full game to make up after losing 6-4 to Philadelphia. Since opening a four-game lead on July 22, the Astros have given the Cubs and Cardinals a chance to close in by going 10-13.

There was a palpable urgency as they got ready to head for home.

"We're going to have to rebound from this," Bagwell said. "We've got to start winning some baseball games."

The thing that kept them from winning on the trip was the offense.

Jeff Kent singled and drove in two runs Sunday, extending his hitting streak to 12 games. Everyone else struggled on the one-week trip — Bagwell went 6-for-21, Lance Berkman was 2-for-23, Craig Biggio was 4-for-24, Adam Everett went 4-for-23 and Richard Hidalgo was 2-for-20.

As a result, the Astros would get runners on base, then failed to move them over or drive them

in. "When you have runners out there and the right people hitting, at least you had your chance," manager Jimmy Williams said.

Paul Wilson (7-11) held them to three runs in six innings as he won for the first time since July 27, the day before the Reds fired their manager and general manager and began trading players to save money.

Tim Redding (8-11) was nearly effective, but got hurt by two bad pitches. Darnell Stenson hit a solo homer and Juan Castro had a three-run shot in the fourth, which began with Bagwell's error.

Castro hit a hanging slider for his ninth homer, a drive that barely cleared the wall in center. "I knew I hit it good, but it was to center field, so I wasn't sure," Castro said. "It just kept carrying."

Colin Porter stretched his glove above the wall and came up just short of a saving catch.

"He hit it to the deepest part, where I thought Colin was going to catch it a couple of feet in front of the wall," Redding said. "I didn't think it would be out of here."

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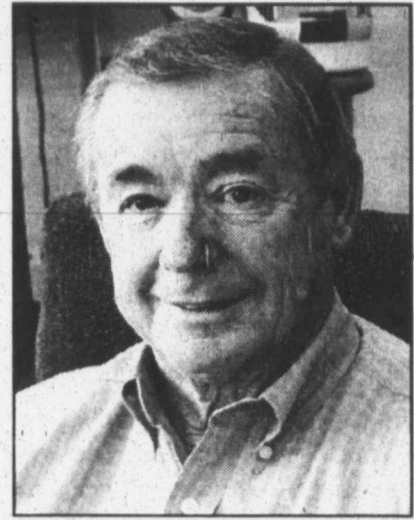
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Rep. Chisum to speak at August luncheon



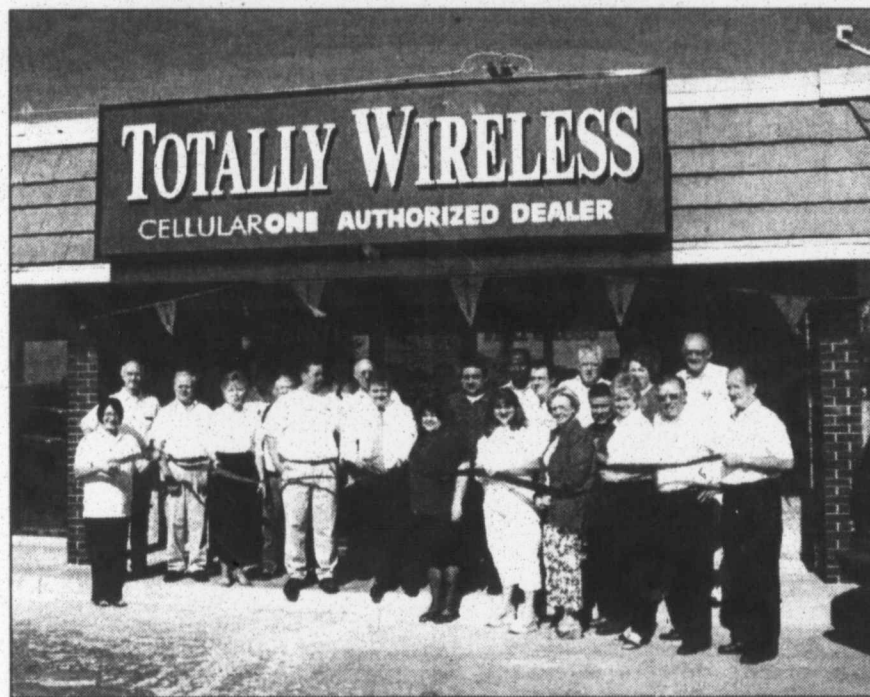
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