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Low tonight near 10, high tomorrow in mid teens. See Page 2 for weather details.

PAMPA — Former students of Pampa High School are organizing an alumni association that they hope will result in support for the "whole school, not just activities," according to one orga-

"It seems like most of the support for the high school or the school district ... comes from whoever has a son or daughter in football or basketball or band or whatever," Denver Bruner, school facilities manager and alumni organizer, said.

The association plans to establish scholarships for graduating seniors, coordinate a data base for all alumni, broaden alumni support for all aspects of PHS and serve as an information center to distribute alumni news,

Beginning at Friday night's basketball games, members will distribute fliers and seek donations. Within the next two weeks, Bruner said, an organizational meeting will be held.

AMARILLO (AP) - The federal government plans to negotiate a contract extension for management and operation of America's nuclear bomb disassembly plant.

Negotiations to extend Mason & Hanger-Silas Mason Co.'s contract could begin soon, although company officials have not received formal notification from the Energy Department, agency spokesman Tom Walton said.

The department plans to negotiate a one- to five-year extension of the contract, officials said this week.

Bob Barton, a Mason & Hanger spokesman, said the company has not received formal documentation from the federal agency on the move, but Mason & Hanger anticipated it would not face competition for the contract.

The decision to negotiate solely with Mason & Hanger instead of competing the contract is expected to bring millions to the Lexington, Ky.based weapons contractor.

Walton said Gerry Johnson, manager of DOE's Amarillo Area Office, had recommended that the contract be extended

**AUSTIN** (AP) — No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn in the Lotto Texas game Wednesday night.

The jackpot was worth \$22

million. The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were 17, 25, 26, 42,

44 and 50. Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be \$30 mil-

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# **Prison inmate** dies; JP orders autopsy report

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS **News Editor** 

An autopsy was scheduled today in Lubbock on the body of a Gray County inmate who died Wednesday at Coronado Hospital after refusing insulin for a period of time, according to Sheriff Randy Stubblefield.

Jody Edward Brunson, 24, was rushed about noon Monday to Coronado Hospital, where he had remained in intensive care on life support systems, Stubblefield said.

"His life support was removed and he was pronounced dead at 3:40 p.m. by Dr. (Laxman) Bhatia," said Justice of the Peace Bob Muns, who ordered the autopsy.

Brunson was accused of raping a Pampa woman after kidnapping her and two children in custody since July 26, 1995 in lieu of \$120,000 bond.

The autopsy was to be conducted by Dr. R. Frost of Pathology Associates of Lubbock, said Muns.

"This department has invited and requested an independent

enforcement agency concerning the incident involving Brunson and his subsequent death," Stubblefield said in a prepared statement.

"Gary Henderson, a Texas Ranger of Company C, has worked round the clock for the past two days, reviewing documents and interviewing any and all persons, law enforcement and inmates alike, having knowledge of the circumstance surrounding Brunson's incarceration and his refusal to take his medication as was prescribed by the physician in charge of his care," the statement continued.

Muns said Wednesday he had not decided whether a formal inquest will be held.

"I'm just operating right now on real limited information," he said. Autopsy results are expected late July, 1995. He had been in in four to six weeks, Muns explained.

> District Attorney John Mann said Henderson's report will be reviewed for action necessary by any other agency.

Stubblefield said earlier Brunson had refused insulin for his diabetes, though he did have a investigation by an outside law dose Monday prior to passing out.

### Thornberry joins others in signing 'civility pledge'

Rep. Mac Thornberry (R-Amarillo) and a group of conservative Republicans and Democrats voiced their support for a "civility pledge" aimed at making public policy, not partisan politics, the focus of congressional debate during a Wednesday morning

press conference. "Like many other conservative Republicans and Democrats, I strongly believe we were elected to change Washington and put an end to business as usual," Thornberry said. "And, for the most part, I think we have succeeded.

"But in bringing about an end to the era of backroom deals, there are some who say that we may also have contributed to the loss of civility in Congress. This may be true. After all, in the past, whenever members of opposing parties had a difference on the House floor, they represent them," he said.

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. would take this difference out of the chamber and work it out after hours. In the process, they would become friends, the differences would be resolved and policy would win out over poli-

tics," he said. "Unfortunately, backroom deals make for good politics but bad policy. It was 60 years of backroom deals that geave us exploding deficits. It was 60 years of backroom deals that gave us runaway spending. And it was 60 years of backroom deals that gave us an oppressive tax system that is in desperate need of reform," he claimed.

"In signing this pledge, we are saving that while the era of backroom deals has come to an end, the need for civility in Congress has not. The American people did not elect us to represent the Republican or Democratic party in Congress. They elected us to



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Wade Helton breaks ice for his livestock this morning south of Pampa on the Bowers City highway as frigid cold weather maintains a grip on the Panhandle.

# Freeze sweeps across state

From AP and Staff Reports

A winter storm warning was in effect through tonight for a vast area of North Texas where as much as 6 inches of snow could accumulate by early

And temperatures were expected to plunge below freezing over all but extreme South

The latest cold front dropped temperatures into the single digits for the Texas Panhandle area this morning, with freezing rain reported in western regions and light snow falling by mid morning in the eastern areas.

Bitterly cold weather is expected for the Panhandle areas again tonight, with a strong chance for continued light snow into Friday and possibly into the weekend.

Pampa's high Wednesday was ture of sleet and snow will accu-22, with an overnight low of 9. Temperatures remained in the low teens shortly before noon.

A winter storm watch was in off to flurries by early Friday. effect for western areas of the Big Country, Concho Valley and Edwards Plateau.

Freezing rain could fall as far light freezing drizzle was report- through Friday from the

The winter storm warning for North Texas covered the area north of a line from Stephenville to Canton to Atlanta and included the Dallas-Fort Worth area, Denton, Greenville, Mount freezing rain during the early.

Pleasant, Paris and Sherman. was posted for the area of North could accumulate by midnight Texas north of an Abilene to when the snow was expected to

mulate 1 to 2 inches from late morning through tonight. Snowfall in those areas will taper

The freezing drizzle had extended into southern areas of Dallas County by dawn today.

In West Texas, there is a chance south as the Hill Country. Some of snow, sleet and freezing ed in that area before dawn. Panhandle to the Concho Valley. Rain and thunderstorm activity is forecast in the Big Bend area of Southwest Texas.

In North Texas, forecasters said the freezing will precipitation was to begin as sleet and afternoon and change to snow. A winter weather advisory As much as 6 inches of snow Stephenville line where a mix- diminish to flurries.

### Tips for surviving cold weather conditions

With snow falling and temperatures tonight expected to fall near single-digit levels, local experts are offering tips to survive the winter cold.

Water Superintendent Charlie Smith advises residents to leave one faucet dripping to prevent freezing of water lines. Meters are generally well insulated, he said, but residents should take

action to protect their own lines. vers check to be sure they have a —as well as calling ahead to check —pan, he said.

sound car battery, as well as getting an engine tune up and regularly changing oil filters.

He also said people should allow their car to warm up for five to ten minutes in the morn-

Department of Public Safety Trooper Jim Bishop cautions travelers to pack extra blankets and coats before setting off on excursions in the weather. He Dale Brown of Dale R. Brown also advises that people carry

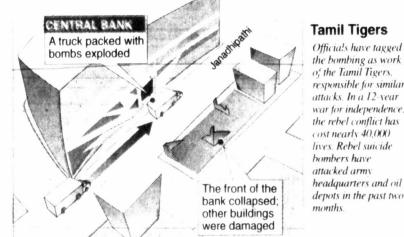
Veterinarian Dr. Kenneth Royse counsels that pets should be protected from the weather, but for the most part can survive

"Of course they do come equiped with fur coats," he said. But, he said, pets that are used to being inside should not be left out in this weather.

Also, a source of continual melted water should be sup-Automotive recommends dri-survival kits of food and water, plied, preferably not in a metal

### Suicide bombing leaves 73 dead in Sri Lanka city

#### Sri Lanka bombing COLOMBO A blast at a Colombo bank set off a string of high-rise fires in the city Central Bank—Blast site 2 Ceylinco Building—Destroyed 3 Ceylon Intercontinental Hotel—Damaged 4 Bank of Ceylon—Damaged 5 Le Galadari Meridien Hotel **Tamil Tigers** Officials have tagged



COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) -Rescuers dug out 13 more bodies today from the charred wreckage left by a suicide bomber who turned Colombo's business center into a knot of towering fires. The death toll from the blast, blamed on Tamil rebels, stood at 73 and was expected to rise.

Distraught residents, desperate to find out if relatives survived Wednesday's blast, flocked to the scene today, but heavily armed soldiers sealed off the area and refused to let them in.

Soldiers and rescue workers said they didn't expect to find any more survivors in one of the worst attacks in Sri Lanka's 12year civil war.

More than 1,400 people were wounded after a blue truck packed with explosives rammed into Sri Lank's central bank Wednesday morning, and dozens remained in critical condition in hospitals today. The blast ignited a string of fires in Colombo's business and tourist district.

The driver of the truck died instantly. Two suspected accomplices were arrested as they tried to flee the scene, police said.

floodlights and clear skies

tonight to clear away slabs of terrorism must be firmly dealt concrete that once were floors and walls. Rescuers had reached all areas except the basement of the bank, and police said they did not believe large numbers of bodies would be found in any of the devastated buildings. Of the 1,400 civilians who were

wounded, 1,000 remained hospitalized today and nearly 100 were listed in critical condition, police spokesman Lal Gunawardene told The Associated Press. Most of the casualties worked in the state bank.

Many of the victims were taken to National Hospital, where all beds were filled and the injured lay on trolleys cramming the corridors.

Dozens of anguished relatives and friends crowded around the casualty lists posted outside the emergency room. The scene at the hospital was orderly and

President Chandrika Kumaratunga said Tamil separatists attacked in desperation after military setbacks and indications that Tamil civilians support a government peace plan.

"This unfortunate incident has threat to Sri Lankan society by

with," and terrorists "must be eliminated," she said in a statement faxed today to reporters in Colombo.

Tamil Tiger rebels accuse the Sinhalese majority of discriminating against the Tamil minority. More than 40,000 people have died since civil war broke out 12 years ago. Tamil suicide bombers have

been blamed for many other attacks, including the assassinations of President Ranasinghe Premadasa in 1993 and former Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi in 1991.

The rebels rarely claim responsibility for such attacks, and no claim has been received for the central bank bombing. Clandestine Voice of the Tigers radio reported the bombing today but didn't say who carried it out.

The driver of the truck died instantly. Police said they later arrested two heavily armed accomplices fleeing the scene.

Police said the suspects confessed to planning the attack under the guidance of Tamil rebels, and identified them today only as Ragu and Dharma Bulldozers worked under once again reminded us that the Ruben from the northern rebelheld town of Kilinochchi.

# Daily Record

#### **Obituaries**

#### **HOMER E. HOLLARS**

NEWALLA, Okla. - Homer E. Hollars, 84, a former Pampa, Texas, resident, died Wednesday, Jan. 31, 1996. Services will be at 1 p.m. Monday in Sunset Memorial Park Chapel. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Bill Eisenhour Southeast Funeral Home of Oklahoma City.

Mr. Hollars was born Nov. 24, 1911, at Duke, Okla., to Walter and Dezzie Hollars. He was a longtime Oklahoma City area resident, living in Pampa from 1955-71 while employeed with the city. He was a longtime member and past president of the Optimist Boys Club.

Survivors include his wife, Bernice, of the home; two daughters and sons-in-law, Barbara and Preston Olive of Oklahoma City and Nita and Tommy Hill of Pampa; a sister, Christina Daniel of Amarillo; two brothers and a sister-inlaw, Howard and Lucille Hollars of Marion, Mo., and Garland Hollars of Oklahoma City; and five grandchildren, Steve Olive, Stan Olive and Jana Patton, all of Oklahoma City, and Rory Hill and Beth Rice, both of Pampa.

#### WILLIE MARIE RICE

Willie Marie Rice, 95, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Jan. 31, 1996. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Rice was born Aug. 17, 1900, at Gage, Okla. She married James E. Rice on Jan. 6, 1917, at Shamrock; he died Sept. 23, 1989. She had been a Pampa resident since 1916, moving from Selma, Calif. She worked as a seamstress at Murfee's Department Store for 15 years and in her sisterin-law's business, Rice's Sew Shop, for 20 years, retiring in 1973. She was a member of the First Christian Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Idelle Maddox of Apple Valley, Calif.; three sons, Ronnie D. Rice of Pampa, Charles H. Rice of Houston and Dawrence W. Rice of Porterville, Calif.; 12 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and six greatgreat-grandchildren.

The family will be at 712 N. Somerville and requests memorials be to the Feed the Children Foundation or to Good Samaritan Christian

#### RHETA SHAY TRUBY

PLANO - Rheta Shay Truby, 67, a former Pampa resident, died Sunday, Jan. 28, 1996. The body was cremated.

Mrs. Truby was born Feb. 16, 1928, at Grimes, Okla. She married John Truby Oct. 24, 1948, at Sayre, Okla.; he preceded her in death. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Luther Shay Sr.

Survivors include three daughters, Kay, Jan and Ann; a son, John Neal; a sister, Leola Hayden of Clinton, Okla.; four brothers, Golden Shay of Clinton, Harry Shay of Stillwater, Okla., Vernon Shay of Eugene of Oregon and Richard D. Shay of Pampa; two aunts, Eula Hayden of Eagle River, Ark., and Della Griffey of Pampa; two uncles, James Bonner of Clinton, Okla., and Kenneth Bonner of Woodward, Okla.; several grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, greatnieces and great-nephews.

#### **Stocks**

The following grain quotations are	Cabot O&G16 1/4	dn 3/8
provided by Attebury Grain of	Chevron	up 3/8
Pampa.	Coca-Cola75 1/4	dn 1/8
	Columbia/HCA55 3/4	up 1/2
Wheat 5.00	Diamond Sham 28 7/8	up 3/9
Milo 6.14	Enron37	N(
Com	Halliburton52 3/8	up 3/4
CVIII.	Ingersoll Rand39 3/8	dn 3/4
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traded at the time of compilation:	Limited16 3/4	N(
,	Mapco56 1/4	dn 1/8
Nowsco	McDonald's49 7/8	dn 3/8
Occidental	Mobil111 1/8	up 1 3/8
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the time of compilation.  Magellan	Phillips	up 1/-
Magellan	SLB	up 1/.
Puritan	SPS33	up 1/
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock	Tenneco	dn 3/8
Market quotations are furnished by	Texaco	up 1/2
Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.	Wal-Mart	up 1/4
Amoco70 5/8 up 1/4	New York Gold	408.60
Arco113 7/8 up 1/4	Silver	5.65
Cabot	West Texas Crude	17.7

#### Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

#### WEDNESDAY, Jan. 31

Officer Fred Courtney reported suspected marijuana was found at Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester, at 1 p.m. Tuesday.

A 14-year-old girl reported theft of 10 key chains, keys and a Hasting's card at Pampa Middle School between 11:32 a.m. and 12:37 p.m.

A 21-year-old woman reported assault in the 1900 block of Coffee at 3:45 p.m. Wednesday. She suffered blunt trauma to the chest.

#### Sheriff's Office

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

**WEDNESDAY**, Jan. 31 Henry L. Shockley, 42, Lawton, Okla., was arrested on bond forfeiture.

Neal Martin Shorter Sr., 42, 101 S. Nelson, was arrested on a charge of harboring a runaway. Irma Estela Shorter, 38, 101 S. Nelson, was arrested on a charge of harboring a runaway.

THURSDAY, Feb. 1 Donald Armstrong Newby, 24, 123 S. Nelson, was arrested on a charge of theft by check.

#### **Ambulance**

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

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 31 9:27 a.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of North Wells on a medical assist. No

patient was transported. 1:36 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Coronado Hospital for a patient transfer to a residence in Lefors.

3:09 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 100 block of South Russell on a trauma call. No patient was transported.

3:23 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 100 block of South Russell on a trauma call and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital. 6:12 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the

1500 block of West Kentucky on a medical emergency and transported one patient to Coronado

#### THURSDAY, Feb. 1

3:13 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 300 block of North Gray on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

4:44 a.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of South Hobart on a medical emergency and transported one patient to Coronado

#### Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at

#### WEDNESDAY, Jan. 31 12:18 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel

responded to a smoke scare at 601 S. Russell. 4:09 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to 1516 N. Zimmers on a carbon

5:10 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to 2630 Seminole on a carbon monox-

7:28 p.m. – One unit and two personnel responded to Taylor Mart, 400 N. Ballard, on a

#### Calendar of events

#### **BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK**

A blood pressure check and blood sugar tests offered from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Friday in the Red Cross office, 108 N. Russell. A donation is accepted to cover expenses.

### Disabled voters seek to know what they won

ers who successfully sued the remedy hearing that is scheduled state over alleged discrimination to continue this morning. in the polling place are now trying to find out what it is they actually won.

The plaintiffs in the classaction suit filed against Texas' chief elections officer returned to Americans with Disabilities Act, U.S. District Judge David Briones' courtroom Wednesday to seek a final order in the case.

Briones ruled in the plaintiffs' favor last November after finding that the Secretary of State's Office had discriminated against the disabled by failing to ensure polling places are fully accessible to the blind.

pending a possible agreement blind to cast a secret ballot. between the two sides. No such

During opening statements Wednesday, the plaintiffs' attorneys expressed frustration with what they deemed to be the state's refusal to comply with the federal under which the suit was filed.

"The more the case progresses ... the remedy becomes easier and easier and their failure to comply with ADA becomes more and more unacceptable," said attorney Jim Harrington.

The plaintiffs – six disabled El Pasoans and an advocacy group want all Texas polling places to pro- tiffs are trying to do here and But he imposed no remedy vide a voting system that allows the

settlement was reached, however, would be the implementation of Dennis Garza said.

EL PASO (AP) - Disabled vot- setting the stage for the two-day telephone voting, but they have also proposed other ideas includ-

ing a tape-recorded ballot. But the state's attorney, Dennis Garza, argued that the plaintiffs' quarrel lies with local agencies and not with Secretary of State Tony Garza, who was sued in his capacity as the state's main election official.

He said Tony Garza's office does not have the authority to force the state's 254 counties to implement the changes sought in the suit.

"The reason why it simply won't work is because counties that are not party to this lawsuit . will simply see what the plainanything that might be done in Austin as just another unfunded They say the ideal solution mandate coming out of Austin,'

### Orientation session scheduled for eighth graders

Academic orientation for cur- programs will be discussed.

sion, graduation requirements, about specific fields of study.

rent eighth graders and their After that session, parents and parents will be provided by students can meet in assigned Pampa High School administra-rooms with subject coordinators tive staff and counselors Thurs- for English, mathematics, sciday, Feb. 8, at 7 p.m. in the PHS ence, social studies, fine arts, for-

eign languages, career and tech-Incoming freshmen and their nology education and the athletparents are invited to partici- ic director. Students and parents pate in the informational meet- will be able to discuss particular ing. During the general ses- concerns and ask questions

four-year plan, grade point Students will receive individ- selor for students whose last average and various academi ual pre-enrollment materials names begin with L-Z.

and instructions for the 1996-97 school year. Counselors suggest that parents and students arrive before 7 p.m. to recieve the materials before the general ses-

Specific questions should be directed to the PHS counselors' office, 669-4806. Karla Howell is counselor for students whose last names begin with A-K; Gail Cole is coun-

### U.N. forces to supervise digging into suspected mass grave sites

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) - U.N.-supervised digging will begin Friday at the first of hundreds of suspected mass graves believed to contain thousands of victims of Bosnia's

Until now, investigators have said excavations would have to wait until the spring thaw. But Ljerko Radic, a Bosnian Croat involved in the exchange of prisoners and bodies, said today that recent flooding near the northern town of Jajce had unearthed up to 46 corpses

Manfred Novak, a U.N. investigator looking for missing and displaced persons, will travel to Jajce on Friday to supervise digging at three sites, Amila Dedic, a spokeswoman at the U.N. Human Rights Center in Sarajevo, said today.

"The grave sites have been discovered recently," Radic told The Associated Press. "They are all believed to be victims of the (Bosnian) Serb purge.

The victims apparently ranged from age 11 to 70 and were predominantly Croats, although they included some Muslims, he said. It was unclear when the killings took place, but Serbs seized the area in October 1992. Bosnia Croats retook it in September.

Thirty thousand Bosnians was in Srebrenica today investiremain missing after 3 1/2 years gating those claims. of war. The factions' demands for an accounting of the missing Leighton Smith has said there have hampered implementation may be 200 to 300 mass graves of Bosnia's peace accord by hold-throughout Bosnia. ing up prisoner releases.

secretary of state for human investigators full access to sus- Muslim friends. rights, has said up to 7,000 Bosnian Serbs in July.

Bosnian government-Croat federation Serbs HUNGARY Duna (Danube) River **BOSNIA-**HERZEGOVINA



AP/Wm. J. Castello

NATO commander Adm.

pected mass graves in the areas

Novak, the U.N. investigator, Hundreds of Muslim women Janowski said.

refugees from Srebrenica demonstrated today in governmentheld Tuzla in the north, demanding information on missing husbands, sons and brothers, and threatening to march on Srebrenica if they did not get it

"We will dig out the mass graves with our bare hands, and carry our loved ones in bags back home," shouted one of the demonstrators through a megaphone. "At least then we will

know where they are." The women appealed to women around the world to support their search for their men.

Muslim refugee women trashed Red Cross offices in Tuzla on Tuesday.

The transition to peace looked smoother in one part of Sarajevo, where a bridge separating government- and Serb-held sectors opened today for the free movement of people on both sides.

For the first time since war began in April 1992, civilians were allowed to cross the Brotherhood and Unity bridge over the Miljacka River without having to seek special permission. French troops cleared barricades around the bridge Tuesday and some people crossed Wednesday but only after receiving permission.

"This crossing spells peace," said Mejrema Golijanin, a 45year-old Muslim, who was reunited with her mother and

"I hope it will always stay like Bosnian Serb leaders have this," said Milos Rajlic, a 56-year-John Shattuck, U.S. assistant promised to give international old Serb greeting relatives and

The bridge was named in the Bosnian Muslims are buried under their control. They say the communist era. "Hopefully the around Srebrenica, an eastern claims about thousands of miss- name will get some credit in the Muslim enclave that fell to ing Muslims are a smear cam- weeks and months to come," paign against the Bosnian Serbs. U.N. aid agency spokesman Kris

### Clinton asks leaders to 'pray for us'

tion of Washington leaders to try."

Addressing the annual congressional prayer breakfast, Clinton put some of his political themes in a religious context, calling for greater personal Newt Gingrich was in the audito stay together. responsibility and suggesting ence when Clinton said private that divorces should be harder to

dent said. "We've got a lot of con- Clinton said, "It is a rewarding the heart," Clinton said.

(AP) - flict. We've got an abundance of thing to see the divorce rate level-

ing nearly every aspect of public those efforts." life in the nation's capital -Republicans, Democrats, governors, judges, diplomats, bureau-

Lamenting rising cynicism, con-cynicism. We've got to worry ing off and the teenage pregnanflict and mistrust, President about a loss of trust in our public cy rate going down - and the first Clinton today asked a cross-sec- institutions all across the coun- indications that America may be coming back together around the "pray for us to have a more char- The interfaith gathering brings values that made this a great together 3,000 people represent- nation, but we need to support

He referred to first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's book, It Takes a Village, that says married couples crats and soldiers. House Speaker don't always work hard enough

"It may be it ought to be a little budget talks were surprisingly bit harder to get a divorce when children get involved, but what-"We've got a lot to pray about In an address salted with referever we do with the law we know here in Washington," the presi- ences to biblical passages, that ultimately this is an affair of

### Weather focus

#### LOCAL FORECAST

likelihood of light snow. Bitterly cold temperatures with a low near 10 and east winds 5-15 mph. A 70 percent chance of snow. Friday, cloudy and bitterly cold with a high near 15. Northeast winds 10-20 mph. A 40 percent chance of snow. Wednesday's high was 22; the overnight low was 9.

**REGIONAL FORECAST** 

(South): Tonight, cloudy and

light snow. Highs 10-20.

Friday, cloudy and cold with 30s by afternoon. snow likely east and a chance of light snow west. Highs 24 to 32.

tinued very cold with a chance of cloudy with showers likely, pos- with 40s and 50s elsewhere. light snow. Highs 10 to 15. South sibly freezing rain far north by North Texas – Winter storm Coastal Bend and Rio Grande with highs 10 to 20.

warning tonight. Tonight, snow Plains: Tonight, cloudy with north tapering off to flurries scattered showers. Lows in mid with an additional 1 to 2 inches 40s coast to near 40 inland. Cloudy tonight with a strong possible. Freezing rain changing Friday, cloudy with scattered to sleet and snow south. Lows 19 showers. Highs in the 50s coast west and north to 30 southeast. to near 50 inland, falling into the

> **BORDER STATES** New Mexico - Tonight, mostly

South Texas - Hill Country cloudy with a continued chance and South Central: Freezing for showers and snow showers rain/drizzle advisory north. central and west. Snow level Winter storm watch for tonight lowering to 5500 feet north to north. Tonight, cloudy with scat- 6500 feet south. Cold eastern tered freezing rain north and plains with a chance for snow West Texas - Panhandle rain mixed with freezing rain northeast, snow or freezing rain south. Lows in the 30s, to near 30 southeast. Lows zero to 25 very cold. Light snow likely with Hill Country. Friday, cloudy mountains and east, 20s and 30s lows 5 to 10. Friday, cloudy and with scattered freezing rain or elsewhere. Friday, mostly cloudy continued very cold with a drizzle, changing to sleet or with scattered snow showers chance of light snow. Highs snow. Temperatures falling into mountains and east. A chance for around 15. Panhandle (North): the 20s by afternoon. Upper rain or snow showers remainder Tonight, cloudy and very cold. Coast: Freezing rain/drizzle of the west. Highs Friday 10 to Light snow likely. Lows zero to 5 advisory north. Winter storm 25 northeast, upper 20s to mid above. Friday, cloudy and con- watch for tonight north. Tonight, 40s mountains and southeast,

Oklahoma - Winter storm Plains: Winter storm watch morning. Lows from near 30 watch in effect tonight for southtonight extreme southern low north to 40s south. Friday, east and extreme south central rolling plains. Tonight, cloudy cloudy with scattered showers Tonight, snow likely, possibly and cold with light snow likely. and thunderstorms, changing to mixed with sleet south early. Lows 5-15. Friday, cloudy and freezing rain north. Highs in the Lows in single digits to mid continued very cold. A chance of 30s north to the 40s coast, falling teens. Friday, cloudy with a into the 20s north and 30s coast. chance of light snow. Colder

### City briefs

USED CARPET for sale. tured. 219 sq. yards. 665-6087.

**DEBUT "CROSSFIRE"**, Saturday, February 3, 9-1 a.m., Sunset Bar, 600 S. Cuyler. Adv.

**OWNER OFFERING** nice 3 bedroom brick, 2 baths, large living room and master bath, built-in appliances, central heat/air. Priced below \$50,000. Call for appointment 665-2646.

RAG NOOK Inventory Sale, \$2 per pound. Adv.

**ADULT CPR Class February** Class February 7, 6 p.m. Limits. Adv. Infant/Child CPR February 8, 7 p.m. Red Cross, 669-7121 to register. Adv.

Borger VFW. Adv.

Junior Brown, February 22. Tickets now \$10. Limited sales.

665-0438. Adv. VI'S FASHIONS & Gifts. sweaters 50, 60, 70% off. Downtown Pampa. Adv.

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# PUC: 'Please, please' support us on area-code decision

HOUSTON (AP) - The state Public Utility Com- decision that we do not approach lightly because from telephone users Wednesday as it wrestles with a decision on new area codes in Houston and

The three commissioners' closely watched decision, due at a meeting in Austin next week, could determine whether millions of consumers in Texas' two largest cities become the first in the nation required to dial 10 digits for local calls.

The PUC was in Houston for a second round of public hearings on the matter. Similar hearings were planned in the Dallas area on Thursday.

"Please, please give us your patience, your understanding and ultimately your support for whatever decision we're about to make," commissioner Robert Gee said.

"The issues involved are not clear-cut ... and the very difficult decision for all of us to make. It is a would require residents to dial the three-digit code

**Baker Science Fair winners** 

mission pleaded for patience and understanding we know that both in Houston and Dallas it's going to control and dictate how people use their telephones.

Because of the proliferation of cellular telephones, computer modems and fax machines in recent years, Houston and Dallas are running out of telephone numbers in the 713 and 214 area codes. To fix that, Houston's second area code will be 281, while Dallas will pick up 972.

The point of contention is how the new codes will be assigned to customers.

Commissioners are weighing two options. One is to split the cities geographically, which would require more than a million customers in both cities to change their numbers. That's the way area codes have traditionally been implemented.

The other plan, called an overlay, would scatter facts themselves aren't exactly clear-cut. This is a the new area code at random around the cities and

plus the telephone number for all local calls. No prohibited from doing so for two years, he said. city currently has 10-digit dialing for local calls.

Administrative law Judge Rick Guzman last year recommended that the PUC order the overlay plan for Houston and the geographic split for Dallas.

Southwestern Bell, which administers telephone numbers for all companies in Texas, favors the overlay, saying it is a longer-lasting solution that wouldn't require people to change their phone

But companies such as MCI that want to compete for local telephone service say the overlay will give Bell an unfair advantage, a claim backed up by the Texas Office of Public Utility Counsel.

that the overlay plan is designed to keep the com- zens," Wood said. "I think we've used those three pany from getting an advantage over its competi- weeks productively." tion. Although Bell would be the only company with the ability to issue the roughly 140,000 remainthey were leaning, but Gee said the public hearings ing 713 numbers to new customers, it would be revealed strong feelings on both sides of the issue.

The PUC had been scheduled to vote on the issue three weeks ago but put off the decision after holding hearings and discovering that the public still had significant questions about both plans.

Most business owners who attended the earlier hearings said they supported the overlay so they wouldn't have to change their telephone numbers. Many residential users, however, didn't want to dial 10 digits and feared the possibility of having a different area code than their next-door neighbor. PUC Chairman Pat Wood said the panel and its

staff benefited from the additional time. "It gave us a chance to gather the evidence on a Bell attorney Joseph Cosgrove said Wednesday number of questions that were raised by the citi-

The commissioners offered no hint of which way

### Reno: U.S. expelled record number of 31,500 criminal aliens last year

1995, Attorney General Janet U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. Reno said Wednesday. She gave states \$87 million to help pay October 1994, California gets the Congress over future spending. prison costs for others still here. Preliminary data showed that aid. 2,140 criminal aliens were taken

District of Columbia would share York, \$9.5 million; Florida, \$5.5 sentences. Deportation can come the \$87 million under the 1994 million; Illinois, \$3.8 million; earlier if states opt to commute crime law, which for the first time Arizona, \$2.7 million; New for imprisoning criminal aliens.

ernment shutdowns.

in a continuing struggle over the and Oregon, \$1 million. question with California Gov.

ernment in April 1994 for failing to reimburse the state for impris- between Arizona, California, take custody of criminal aliens. The oning illegal aliens. The lawsuit Florida, Illinois, New Jersey, New Immigration and Naturalization also demanded federal money to York and Texas. help finance construction of prisThe Clinton administration has year-old drug dealer.

WASHINGTON (AP) - The ons to hold illegal immigrants, requested \$300 million in federal United States expelled a record California lost in the federal trial aid for the program's second year, 31,500 criminal aliens during court and has appealed to the 9th

largest share of the latest federal

Reno said the available aid from federal, state and county money was divided in proportion prisons and jails last December to the number of incarcerated and expelled, pushing the year's aliens and costs incurred by each total past the 1994 record of state. Justice Department figures—uing resolution, which funds the 30,000 expulsions. The number show California houses more than should climb even higher, be- 18,000 of the estimated 37,000 cause December's data is incom- alien inmates in all state prisons, plete due to compilation delays and nearly all the \$87 million will from the two recent federal gov- be divided among only 11 states.

Reno said 44 states and the lion; Texas, \$14.8 million; New aliens as soon as they finish their \$2.1 million; Michigan, \$1.9 mil- has done in some cases. The attorney general is locked lion; Massachusetts, \$1.1 million;

Pete Wilson, a Republican, who tributed in late 1994 to seven innovation pioneered in the Los says his state spends \$400 million states, the Justice Department a year imprisoning alien crimi-said, the first year of federal aid nals and needs federal money to totaled \$130 million. It covered 16 officers attempted to deliver a Wilson sued the federal gov- claimed by the states.

but the Justice Department budget has been caught up in the dispute As in an advance grant made in between President Clinton and

Reacting to the new grant, Wilson said, 'The \$30.5 million is not even enough money for us to keep our undocumented alien felons behind bars for a month." He argued that Reno has authority under a contin-Justice Department through March 15, to give California as much as \$300 million now.

Reno said the federal government is stepping up programs to They are California, \$30.5 mil- identify and deport criminal sentences to rid themselves of the

One new idea to clear out illegals is to hold deportation hear-Including the \$42.9 million disings in state prisons and jails, an Angeles County Jail. On Tuesday, California prison

cents out of every \$1 in costs Mexican prisoner to a federal detention center, a tactic designed October's money was split to force the federal government to Service would not accept the 25-

### State briefs

Blue-ribbon winners at the Baker Elementary Science Fair include, front, Jeanet

Sanchez, Cody Hext, Jennifer Bryan and Omar Chavez, and back, Jatin Patel,

Raquel Ramirez, Jasmin Cordova, Drew Wilson, Ramona Perez, Rosa Estrada

and Juan Carlos Quiñones. The ribbon winners automatically advance to the

**Bar owner fights Elvis** 

empire over rocker's name **HOUSTON** (AP) — Barry Capece doesn't consider himself an Elvis Presley fanatic. That's a good thing, because the King's estate isn't overly fond of Capece, either.

regional science fair in Amarillo.

The Houston bar owner is locked in a legal tussle with the Memphis, Tenn.-based Elvis Presley Enterprises Inc. over the name of his 5-year-old nightspot, Velvet Elvis.

Lawyers guarding Elvis' multimillion-dollar marketing empire say Velvet Elvis, which has gained notoriety here as a live music pageant to go on-line, Ms. Totten venue, is illegally using the rhinestone-studded rocker's name.

Capece, however, says the cadre of corporate attorneys that dragged him into federal court last year is missing the point -Velvet Elvis is named not after the seminal singer but the cheesy black velvet art that commonly features bullfights and dogs playing billiards as well as Elvis.

Miss USA officials take competition on-line

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, but Miss USA officials are taking tals out of \$64,000.

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another route into the 21st century Hyden, 53, left his office

The Miss USA pageant has gone on-line for the first time. Visitors to the new site on the World Wide Web can learn everything from how to become a contestant themselves to the occupation of their favorite delegate to this year's pageant, which takes place here on Friday.

'We've been talking about getting on the Internet for the last couple of shows," said pageant spokeswoman Kellie Totten. "We see it as the wave of the future."

Miss USA isn't the first beauty said. Miss America had a home page during that contest last year. But Miss USA is the first pageant

to interact with its fans through the Internet, she said. The pageant is using the home page to allow computer users to vote for this year's most photogenic contestant.

Judge accused of bilking dying man, charity of \$64,000 HEMPHILL (AP) — Sabine

County Judge Larry Hyden has stepped down pending resolution of two indictments alleging he (AP) — They aren't putting the bilked a 76-year-old dying man swimsuit competition to a vote, and the Shriners Children's hospi-

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of beauty pageants: the Internet. Wednesday morning, after telling the county commissioners court that he is suspended until the cases are disposed of. He is free on \$1,000 bond on each charge.

Hyden persuaded retired chemical plant worker Nolton J. LeJune to buy 10 percent of Hyden's company, Production Analysts Inc., on Feb. 4, 1991. The company performs consulting work for chemical plants.

In exchange for buying the stock, LeJune was to have gotten \$600 to \$700 a month for the rest of his life, with the stock going to the Shriners hospitals after his death.

Five months after purchasing the stock, LeJune died.

Disabled voters petition for relief after suing state

**EL PASO** (AP) — Disabled voters who successfully sued the state over alleged discrimination in the polling place are now trying to find out what it is they actually won.

The plaintiffs in the class-action suit filed against Texas' chief elections officer returned to U.S. District Judge David Briones' courtroom Wednesday to seek a final order in the case.

Briones ruled in the plaintiffs' favor last November after finding that the Secretary of State's Office had discriminated against the disabled by failing to ensure polling places are fully accessible to the blind.

But he imposed no remedy pending a possible agreement between the two sides. No such settlement was reached, however, setting the stage for the two-day remedy hearing that is scheduled to continue this morning.

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AUSTIN (AP) – Gov. George W. initiatives as reading academies. Bush says he'll lead the charge to combat a "crisis" in Texas education: hundreds of thousands of The governor Wednesday businesses to join in the effort,

saying he'll work to boost sup- dren who took the state- and teach our children to read." port around the state and to fun-required reading skills test last. He also challenged parents to nel millions of dollars toward year failed it, he said. Of those read with their children a half-hour improving reading through such 350,000 who didn't pass, 90,000 a day, at least three times a week.

Bush announces effort to combat illiteracy "It is a catastrophe when 350,000 students cannot read. ... Administrators' We must do something about it Conference on Education, sponschool children who cannot read. right now, and that's what we sored by the Texas Education intend to do," Bush said. "The Agency. He challenged thousands of called on educators, parents and crisis is obvious in the numbers." school officials attending the meet-

were third- and fourth-graders. Bush delivered his message at the One in four of the school chil- ing to "go back to your communities

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### **Opinion**

### Government backs down on 'export'

After almost three years of battling the government at the personal expense of tens of thousands of dollars, Phil Zimmerman has won. The U.S. government has decided not to press charges against him for allegedly exporting munitions. Mr. Zimmerman is not an exporter, in fact, but a computer programmer. All he did was devise an encryption program allowing people to keep their communications private, calling it "Pretty Good Privacy."

In 1991, he gave a copy of PĞP to Kelly Goen of San Francisco, who uploaded it onto an Internet "newsgroup" in the United States. That meant anyone in the world on the Internet could

The government then made the preposterous charge that Mr. Zimmerman had engaged in an illegal "export."

The United States considers encryption devices "munitions." The Clinton administration's Justice Department has been trying to control all encryption codes. Government doesn't understand that businesses need encryption codes to secure communications against prying foreign competitors; or that even private citizens have a right to keep their conversations secret.

The Justice Department pointedly refused to explain why it dropped its persecution of Mr. Zimmerman. Perhaps President Clinton feared losing the votes of computer enthusiasts. Whatever the reason, this is a landmark victory for freedom of

(Editor's note: To read Mr. Zimmerman's letter responding to the end of his persecution, on the Internet check out: www.netresponse.com/zldf/)

### Thought for today

"Man individually and as a race is possible on earth only because, not for weeks or months but for years, love and the guardianship of the strong over the weak has existed."

> Olive Schreiner, From Man to Man

# How the flat-tax forces can win

The various advocates of a flat tax, from Steve Forbes to Jack Kemp's National Commission on Economic Growth and Tax Reform, have been taking a terrible pounding from critics who say they would rob the middle class and reward the rich.

But the narrow criticism only proves something that no one seems to have noticed: The flat-taxers are winning the broader argument in a rout. Most of what they believe has long since been conceded by their opponents.

The Kemp commission, in its report, makes an unassailable case for fundamental tax reform. It reminds us that the current tax code is a bewildering monstrosity that wastes huge sums on tax compliance and avoidance, fosters cynicism, anger and cheating, distorts economic decision-making, and generally reduces our standard of living.

It argues persuasively that we would all be better off torching virtually every shelter and loophole in favor of a system so simple that an underachieving third grader could understand it. It explains how we would all benefit from a sharp reduction in marginal tax rates to encourage more work, savings and investment - and less scheming to outfox the IRS.

On all this, the response from the opponents is chastened silence. Where are the voices defending the current tax code? Rejecting the idea of lowering rates and removing millions of taxpayers at the bottom of the income scale from paying income taxes? Arguing against simpler rules that all of us can understand?

Have you heard anyone insist that the existing 1040 must be protected against those who want a form that would fit on a post card? Deny that drastic tax reform would foster greater efficiency

Stephen Chapman

jobs of the nation's tax lawyers and accountants? Well, no. The status quo is so bad that everyone admits it needs a sweeping overhaul. So the naysayers are left to complain that wealthy people like Steve Forbes would pay less in taxes under Steve Forbes' flat tax.

This happens to be true, and it happens to be a very convincing argument. Not terribly honest or intellectually defensible, maybe, but effective nonetheless. So effective that it can probably derail the flat-tax effort - unless supporters are shrewd enough to banish it once and for all.

It really isn't that hard. The alleged windfall for the wealthy derives from two separate changes. The first is a single, uniform rate (16% or 17% or 20%, depending on the plan) that applies equally to someone with \$1,000 in taxable income and someone with \$1 million in taxable income. The second is exempting income from savings and investment.

Wealthy taxpayers would face a lower marginal tax rate - say, 20% instead of the current top rate of 39.6%. And, because they save a bigger share of and prosperity? Demand that we preserve the income would be exempt. Someone who lives very little is lost, but the war may be won.

entirely off of interest, dividends and capital gains would escape income taxes altogether. So, Pat Buchanan, doing his usual Huey Long impression, ridicules the Forbes plan as something dreamed up by the boys at the yacht basin.

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In truth, there is considerable merit to the idea of excluding savings from the tax base. When you earn income, it is taxed once. If you save it instead of spending it, you are then taxed a second time on the interest it earns. Most economists, liberal and conservative, think this is unreasonable. They also think it would be smart to fully exempt savings from taxation to encourage more of it - which is essential to finance investments that generate jobs for people who are not rich.

But politically, it may be impossible. This change is too easy to caricature as a sop to the idle rich. Likewise for the single tax rate, which will be ridiculed for applying with majestic equality to both Bill Gates and Bill Gates' cleaning lady.

But neither of these elements is critical to the overall scheme. Most of the boost to investment could be achieved by exempting only some savings - through deductions for contributions of up to \$2,000 to Individual Retirement Accounts, for example.

The flat tax, meanwhile, could be replaced by a two-tiered tax - with rates of, say, 16% at the bottom of the income scale and 22% at the top. The principle of progressivity that liberals care so much about would be preserved, but so would the crucial conservative goal - a deep cut in marginal tax rates.

It would be crazy for flat-taxers to pass up an excellent system in the blind pursuit of a perfect one. Their enemies have only one argument to their earnings than the rest of us, much of their offer in opposition. Take away that argument and



### Today in history

By The Associated Press Today is Thursday, Feb. 1, the 32nd day of 1996. There are 334 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: One hundred years ago, on Feb. 1, 1896, one of the best-known operas of all time, "La Boheme" by Giacomo Puccini, premiered in Turin.

On this date: In 1790, the U.S. Supreme Court convened for the first time, at the Royal Exchange Building in New York. (However, since only three of

the six justices were present, the court recessed until the next day.) In 1861, Texas voted to secede from the Union.

In 1893, inventor Thomas A. Edison completed work on the world's first motion picture studio, his "Black Maria," in West Orange, N.J.

In 1920, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police came into existence as the Royal Northwest Mounted Police merged with the Dominion

In 1946, 50 years ago, Norwegian statesman Trygve Lie was chosen to be the first secretary-general of the United Nations.

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### **Charley Reese**

If you wish to see a perfect example of how constitutional government, even sensible government, is being dismantled by federal politicians, look no further than a bill that proposes to criminalize hunting of exotic animals on game ranches of 1,000 or fewer acres

First, this bill abuses the Constitution. It claims authority under the interstate commerce clause. put in the Constitution to ensure domestic free trade - to prevent one state from barring or taxing the products of another.

This bill definitely was not intended to be an excuse for the federal government to regulate every aspect of American life. If that's the case, the Constitution, which outlines the separation of powers, would have been pointless.

These ranches are entirely within states, and if states wish to regulate or ban them, they can do so. Some states have banned them. In short, game ranches are not a problem "only the federal government can solve," to cite the liberal cliches used so often to shred the Constitution.

Note, though, that while Congress cannot find the time for the important work the Constitution assigns it - such as adopting a budget - it is willing to criminalize a currently legal activity over which the federal government should not have jurisdiction in the first place.

public health, public safety or public welfare. The public, in fact, is largely unaware of their existence. Not even the instigator of the bill, the National The power to regulate interstate commerce was Humane Society, or the bill's sponsors can tell you definitively how many such operations exist,

where they are or how many customers they have.

How will the Constitution survive?

Third, the activity they propose to criminalize is not inherently criminal. To arbitrarily criminalize it is as foolish as deciding to make it a federal crime to eat fried chicken. Even the sponsors of the bill claim they see no need to criminalize hunting or to criminalize hunting on game ranches per se. Only on those of 1,000 acres or less.

What that tells you is that there is an ulterior motive behind this bill. If it's wrong to hunt, it's wrong to hunt regardless of where you do it. The only difference between the kind of hunting these politicians claim to support and the type they want to criminalize is that most hunters, including me, think a so-called canned hunt is unsportsmanlike.

But if unsportsmanlike behavior is to become a federal crime, then many well-known professional and college athletes and coaches belong in federal prisons. Citizens should be wary of any Second, these game ranches pose no threat to politician foolish enough to wish to criminalize

mere unsportsmanlike behavior that is otherwise legal and neither injures nor threatens life or property.

The National Rifle Association, I'm proud to say, is opposing this bill, not because it approves of canned hunts on small game ranches, but because it correctly sees it as camel-nose-in-the-

A camel-nose-in-the-tent bill is designed not to do what it claims to do but to merely set the precedent of federal jurisdiction and authority. If the federal government can assert the authority to criminalize hunting on small game ranches, then it can do so later on large game ranches and ultimately on hunting, period

States have always had jurisdiction over hunting, with the exception of migratory birds and of game on federal lands. This bill will breach that historic barrier, which in my judgment, is exactly why the National Humane Society, which I suspect is opposed to all hunting, came up with it.

Americans are losing their liberty and the constitutional government their forefathers created not by one fell swoop but by erosion, law by law, rule by rule. It is, in effect, a counter-revolution by the boil-the-frog technique - gradual loss of liberty, gradual centralization of power, gradual destruction of the Constitution, while never admitting what is being done or stating the ulti-

### Berry's World



# Readers select the year's biggest ASP

Welcome to the seventh annual Outrageous Personages of the Year awards. It was a banner year for OPs, so sit back and enjoy.

We remind you before we begin that the OP contest honors the most absurd, goofy, hypocritical, inane and preposterous Americans to strut across the public stage in a given year. It is cosponsored by the Spear Foundation, a tiny but tenacious think tank, and by the Association of Sagacious Pundits.

The foundation does the judging, the association provides the prizes. They are statues of tiny snakes, which explains why the OPs are sometimes referred to as the ASP awards. We start tonight's program with a Hall of

Shame moment: It is 1993, and the doors of a "Senators Only" elevator on Capitol Hill slide open and through them strides North Carolina Republican Jesse Helms. He sees he is sharing the ride with the Senate's only black member, Carol Moseley-Braun, Democrat of Illinois. Helms suddenly begins singing "Dixie." For this tasteless display, he wins the Obnoxious ASP of the Year award.

You nominated the usual rascals and rogues -Louis Farrakhan, Pat Robertson, Jerry Falwell, Jesse Jackson, Rush Limbaugh, Bill and Hillary Clinton, Phil Gramm, Dick Asmey, David Bonior, Bob Dole, Pete Wilson. And, of course, there were the few of you who persist in that tiresome effort to get me named as the winner of my own contest (sorry, the rules won't permit it).

You also nominated these winners:

Back to the present.



Joseph Spear

Tied for fifth place, and winners of the Brass ASP, are two legislators. Rep. Enid Waldholtz, R-Utah, was accused of campaign and personal financial shenanigans and held a teary, five-hour news conference during which she blamed it all on her husband. The second, Rep. Fred Heineman, R-N.C., is a retired New York cop and Raleigh police chief with an annual pension of \$183,500. He told the Raleigh News and Observer that he is not a member of the middle class, however. "When I see someone who is making anywhere from \$300,000 to \$750,000 a year, that's middle class," he said.

In fourth place and winner of the Bronze ASP is Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary, who visited distant corners of the planet at taxpayers' expense and hired a consulting firm to find out which reporters were saying nasty things about her.

In third place and winner of the Silver ASP is Newt Gingrich. He was qualified for half a dozen reasons over the past year but won the prize for

shutting down the government in a snit when he was relegated to the rear of Air Force One.

In second place and winner of the Gold ASP is O.J. Simpson's attorney Johnnie Cochran. He played the race card to prevail in the murder case, then signed a big book deal to write about it. Fred Goldman, father of Ron Goldman, the man whose throat was slit along with Nicole Simpson's, described Cochran as "someone who shoves racism in front of everything," a "sick man" who "ought to be put away." The SF cannot bring itself to disagree.

In first place and winner of the Platinum ASP who else could it be? is O.J. himself. At best, he is a brutal batterer of women. Freed by a dubious not-guilty verdict, he refused to face the press, choosing instead to produce his own videotaped "infomercial," available to the public for a mere

\$29.95. God may forgive this man. The SF will not. The Association of Sagacious Pundits also wishes to announce these special awards:

· The Posturing ASP goes to Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., the ethically challenged chairman of the Whitewater Committee, for having the chutzpah to question anyone else's ethics.

detective Mark Fuhrman, who lost the prosecution's case against O.J. with his racist fulminations. • The Dumb ASP goes to Rep. Dan Burton, R-

The Horse's ASP goes to Los Angeles police

Ind., who celebrated the Republican takeover of Congress by investigating the postage expenses of Socks, the First Cat.

See you next year.

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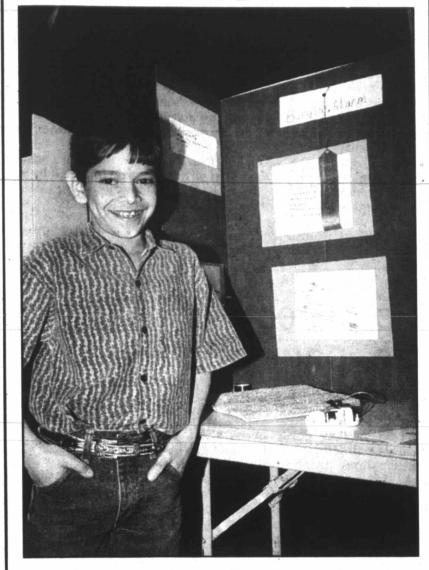
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Omar Chavez poses with his blue-ribbon winning homemade burglar alarm during an exhibition of winners at the Baker Elementary Science Fair. Chavez and 10 other third through fifth graders won blue-ribbons, qualifying to advance to regional competition in Amarillo. Chavez rigged pressure-sensitive wires underneath a patch of carpet that set off an alarm when tripped. He said he has not yet installed the system at his home, though.

# Forbes takes lead, according to po

Hampshire, just three weeks ry trends. before the state's influential Republican presidential primary.

The Federal Election Commission reportedly is questioning whether contributions from his family's Hampshire-based company, Forbes Inc.

The poll released today by The Boston Globe and WBZ-TV showed Forbes would receive 31

WASHINGTON (AP) - A new of plus or minus 5 percentage some New Hampshire election at 3 percent. The rest of the GOI

The Washington-based Pew Research Center for People and the Press earlier this week said Forbes was leading Dole, by 29 to those voters. his campaign received improper 24 percent. But the New American Research Group found Dole holding steady at 33 percent and Forbes at 16.

The latest poll, conducted percent of the vote if the primary Monday and Tuesday by KRC were held today to 22 percent for Communications Research, includ-Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole. ed 400 likely voters in New Dole, the front-runner for the Hampshire's primary. Pollsters said past year, has been struggling to 292 of those surveyed identified put a lackluster response to themselves as Republicans and 108 President Clinton's State of the as independents, who are allowed

poll suggests Steve Forbes is points and came on the heels of watchers who say past primaries field received 1 percent or less. ahead in New recent polls showing contradicto- suggest independents make up no more than 16 percent of the electorate. Forbes, popular that the FEC is questioning among independents, is hoping whether Forbes Inc., gave him for a surge in turnout among

> Forbes said Wednesday he'd settled for "a strong fourth or a good third" place showing in the campaign showed numerous Iowa caucuses Feb. 12 and "we're reimbursements to the company going for a third or second" in New Hampshire's primary.

Asked on CNN where he hoped to chalk up his first win, Forbes phones. said, "We're looking to do it in Arizona" in a Feb. 27 primary.

The poll also showed commentator Pat Buchanan with 11 percent, former Tennessee Gov. before the flights, as the FEC Union address behind him on the to participate in the Feb. 20 primary. Lamar Alexander at 9 percent, requires, even though it called That ratio of independents - 27 Texas Sen. Phil Gramm at 7 per- them reimbursements in its The poll has a margin of error percent – is considered high by cent and Indiana Sen. Dick Lugar report.

As Forbes gains ground, The Washington Post reported today improper corporate contributions that were later repaid by the cam-

In its filings with the FEC, the for travel, totaling \$6,575, and a payment to the company of \$36,136.61 for rent and tele-

The campaign's general counsel, Paul Sullivan, said the campaign actually made payments for the use of corporate aircraft

### Stent variation successful in bolstering procedure

improve the instrument's effi- after the procedure. ciency and solve the problem of

study suggests. Stents can reduce angioplasty cause bleeding complications in in a few weeks. significant number of

DALLAS (AP) - A variation on ing patients' clogged heart ves- Circulation and chairman of inter- are needed. One is already under holds open clogged arteries, may complications in the first 30 days

The study is reported in excessive bleeding sometimes Thursday's edition of the associated with its use, a Dutch American Heart Association journal Circulation.

More than 300,000 Americans studies have shown. But their open clogged heart arteries and implantation also attract blood relieve chest pain. About 40 perprescribe blood thinners that arteries squeeze shut again with-

appear to reduce the risk of that A new pilot study found that complication, known as restenostents coated with heparin, a nat-sis, even more than non-coated

the stent, a medical device that sels open without clot-related nal medicine at the University of way Texas Health Science Center in

> "Now there's a new technology, steel that looks like it may reduce that approved by the Food and Drug maybe close to single digits," said Willerson, noting that only 7 percent of one group of patients maker Johnson & Johnson, which

clots, so doctors have had to cent of the time, however, the cent restenosis rate found in a U.S. patients. 1993 U.S. study of non-coated The heparin-coated stents European study. The overall rate maneuvered into place on the tip of restenosis in the new study is of a balloon-tip catheter in the about 14 percent.

ural clot-resistant substance, stents, said Dr. James T. study included only 203 patients and keeps the artery from closing were 99 percent effective in keep- Willerson, editor-in-chief of and that larger, randomized trials up.

The Palmaz-Schatz stents used in the study are \$1,600 stainlessmesh-like cylinders Administration in 1994 for use in heart patients. A spokesman for failure by up to a third, earlier undergo angioplasty annually to in the new study suffered the financed the new study, said that some 100,000 of its uncoated That is far less than the 29 per- stents have been implanted in

During surgery, the stent is stents and the 20 percent rate in a folded like scaffolding and clogged artery. When the balloon Willerson noted that the new is inflated, the stent locks in place

### Florida appeals court gives go-ahead for class action suit against tobacco industry

industry, a Florida appeals court on Wednesday gave class action status to a lawsuit filed on behalf of people who are addicted to cigarettes or whose highest state court to rule on this so far as a class health has been impaired by smoking.

The lawsuit, one of several such actions against the tobacco industry, applies only to residents of Florida. It seeks to force the industry to pay billions smoker who believes he became addicted to cigaof dollars in damages, and create a fund to diagnose and treat smoking-related illnesses.

"This is a very significant lawsuit, one of perhaps five lawsuits that are pending," said John Banzhaf, a law try have been filed in Minnesota, Mississippi and professor at George Washington University in West Virginia.

MIAMI (AP) – In a major setback for the tobacco Washington, D.C. He is executive director of the anti-

"It is significant because as far as I know it is the action, but that appeal has not been heard. action ... and because it opens the way for class action lawsuits in most of the other states," he said.

A class action in the lawsuit means that any Florida rettes or whose health was harmed by smoking could join in any benefits that might come out a settlement. Other similar lawsuits against the tobacco indus-

A federal district court in New Orleans has certismoking organization, Action on Smoking and Health. fied a lawsuit against the tobacco industry as a class Stanley M. Rosenblatt, said he believed the case

> The Florida lawsuit, certified as a class-action by the Third District Court of Appeal in Miami, is against 13 cigarette manufacturers and industry organizations. One of the largest, R.J. Reynolds, will challenge

the ruling in court, said the company's senior vice pending. president, Daniel W. Donahue. "It's too early to decide, but we'll do something," he said.

Philip Morris said it would ask for a rehearing by the appeals court, and failing that, appeal to the Florida Supreme Court.

The Miami attorney who filed the lawsuit, will be tried by early 1997.

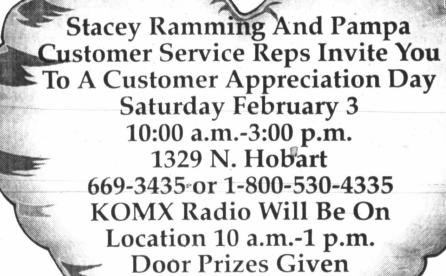
Rosenblatt also filed a class action lawsuit in 1991 on behalf of airline flight attendants, nonsmokers who said their health had been damaged by working in a smoking environment. That case is still

The lawsuit charges that cigarette manufacturers have known for more than 25 years that nicotine is addictive and that smoking causes disease, but have "intentionally suppressed scientific and medical evidence."

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### Telecommunications legislation rewrite up for final vote

By JEANNINE AVERSA **Associated Press Writer** 

**WASHINGTON** (AP) – Refusing to change a key provision opposed by Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, House leaders intend to bring a historic rewrite of U.S. telecommunications law up for a final vote.

"I am delighted to announce that the logiam ... has now been broken," Rep. Thomas Bliley, R-Va., one of the bill's primary authors, said Wednesday, adding that the bill will move forward "without significant changes."

The House was expected to approve the measure assurances and would not block the bill. as early as today.

As it stands now, the massive rewrite of the 1935 Communications Act would let local and long-dis-

ier for media companies to expand their holdings. The White House has said President Clinton

would sign the bill. House and Senate leaders agreed not to go along with Dole's proposed changes, allowing them to sidestep for now a dispute over how new digital TV licenses are awarded to broadcasters.

Instead, key lawmakers pledged to explore Dole's concerns in hearings later this year and pos-

sibly address them in a separate bill. primary authors, said Dole was satisfied by these

Dole was not as clear.

"Any agreement to bring telecommunications reform to the Senate floor hinges on receiving a tance telephone companies and cable companies commitment from FCC Chairman Reed Hundt that into each others' businesses, deregulate cable rates the FCC will not short-circuit Congress by issuing and restrict smutty materials on computer net-licenses or permits for advanced television services

Dole said in a statement.

Asked whether he could offer such a commitment. Hundt said: "I'm sure all the commissioners will be very pleased to respond." But he would not

speculate how they would respond.

Though Pressler said he would like the Senate to vote today also, Dole's comments made that less

Dole, the GOP presidential front-runner, opposes a provision in the telecommunications bill that Sen. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., another of the bill's would give TV broadcasters free use of extra channels they'll need to provide higher-quality digital television. Dole has been blocking the bill because of that provision, saying it amounts to a huge giveaway to the TV industry. If the channels were auctioned, they could bring anywhere from \$11 billion to \$70 billion, according to government estimates.

works and on television. It also would make it eas- before Congress had resolved the spectrum issue," have said he was open to a remedy outside the telecommunications bill.

Pressler said he would urge the FCC not to issue the extra channels to broadcasters until Congress decides whether they should be auctioned or allo-

cated some other way. FCC officials said this should not delay a transition to digital television in the United States because the commission does not expect to issue licenses for the extra channels until the end of the

The National Association of Broadcasters, which supports the bill as written, "is very pleased the bill is going through as originally put together," spokeswoman Lynn McReynolds said.

Bradley Stillman, legislative director of the Consumer Federation of America, which doesn't like the bill, accused Dole of "selling out for noth-Though Dole had demanded the provision be ing. He backed down. He was unwilling to go to rewritten, more recently aides close to the leader the mat on this \$70 billion issue."

#### **Festival of Christmas Trees donation**



The Festival of Christmas Trees & Gift Boutique raised \$2,500 for its 1995 project, with the money presented to Shepherd's Helping Hands. Gathering for the presentation of the funds to the agency are, from left, Dee Barker, Amy Kotara, Teresa Henson, Dauna Sue Wilkinson, Chrys Smith, Forrest Cloyd, Carrie Duroy, Peggy Cloyd, Pam Dalton, Glenn Knight and Mildred Night. The Festival of Christmas Trees raised the money from selling booth spaces and from the food booth profits. Decorated Christmas trees were also given to 36 elderly and needy families in the community. The Festival organization is a chartered, non-profit, volunteer organization, with the objective of working toward the betterment of the community. The annual show is held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the first full weekend of December. The organization encourages community participation and support as a means of helping others less fortunate.

### Federal Reserve cuts interest rates

Federal Reserve cut interest rates quickly followed suit. The prime for the second time in two rate, the benchmark for many months Wednesday, hurrying to business and consumer loans, was cautious in its reaction. the rescue of a faltering economy. was cut to 8.25 percent from 8.5 Major banks immediately re- percent. duced their own lending rates, meaning lower borrowing costs for millions of Americans.

The stock market, which had surged on Tuesday in anticipa- the third since July, would not be tion of the Fed's credit relief, set the last. another record on Wednesday.

rate reductions were likely as the Federal Reserve tries to stave off

target for the federal funds rate, have a threat of a recession." the interest that banks charge It also reduced its largely symcharges on direct loans to banks, to 5 percent.

The actions should stimulate pressures.

major bank to announce a cut in trim again.

WASHINGTON (AP) - The its prime rate, and other banks

Private economists, who had been urging the central bank to act, said they believed Wednesday's reduction in the funds rate, any recession threat.

"Given how soft the economy The Dow Jones industrial aver- is, we are going to see more easage closed at 5,394.94, up 13.73. ing," said Lawrence Chimerine, the two Private analysts said further chief economist at the Economic ment. ing," said Lawrence Chimerine, the two officials said in a state-Strategy Institute in Washington. "The Fed overtightened a year ago and they have been moving catch-up now. They said Fed deci-The Fed said it was cutting its too slowly to reverse that. We

The central bank from each other on overnight loans, February 1994 to February 1995 from 5.5 percent to 5.25 percent. was increasing interest rates, doubling the funds rate from 3 bolic discount rate, the interest it percent to 6 percent in an effort to out of a recession. But it is going slow the economy enough to to be dicey," said Martin Regalia, keep inflation in check.

economic activity by lowering when the Fed's hoped-for "soft the cost of credit. But the Fed's landing" threatened to turn into statement said merely that the something worse, the central reductions could be made bank reversed course and because "moderating economic trimmed the funds rate by a overall economy, as measured by expansion in recent months has quarter point last July. While the gross domestic product, has reduced potential inflationary many economists expected a downshifted to an anemic series of rate cuts, the central Chase Manhattan was the first bank waited until December to

The Clinton administration, which is hoping for a strong economy in this election year, Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin and Joseph Stiglitz, the president's chief economist, sought to emphasize the economy's strengths at present rather than

"Although growth rates always vary from quarter to quarter ... we believe the economy will remain healthy in 1996,"

But many analysts said the central bank will be forced to play sion-making, which is never easy when the economy is at a turning point, was complicated this time by the lack of economic data due to the government shutdown.

"I think the Fed will keep us chief economist at the U.S. The economy did slow. But Chamber of Commerce. "The retail sales and consumer confidence numbers suggest a broadbased weakness in the economy."

> Many economists believe the growth rate of about 1 percent, a marked drop from the 3.2 percent rate last summer.

### Study focuses on effects of laughter: Paging Dr. Bozo, paging Dr. Bozo

study is focusing on an unex-plored avenue of health care: the Seriously. curative power of greasepaint.

ter really is the best medicine.

release announcing the research. No joke.

"We have plenty of anecdotal evidence that our work has pos-Wednesday.

The \$150,000 study, financed can get. by the Richard and Hilda Center

The 35-member group heads The yearlong investigation of out in its painted faces and size Driscoll Jr. of Babies & clowns visiting children in hos- 18-EEE shoes three times a Children's pitals aims to find out if laugh- week, 50 weeks a year. The Columbia-Presbyterian Medical The study, to begin within to make light of the kids' med- turn up evidence that the weeks, is believed to be the first ical problems, conducting clowns do help cure kids. to assess "the medical impact of "clown rounds" of all patients clowns," according to a news and providing red nose trans- laugh, it means he's probably plants and chocolate milk transfusions.

itive effects, but now the scien- by intensive care units and tists will objectively measure AIDS clinics. Clown doctors are Michael Christensen, selected after intensive audi- better spent elsewhere? founder of the Big Apple Circus tions and undergo six months of Clown Care Unit, said training - not quite medical spokesman Brian Worthy. school, but the closest a clown

For Christensen, the uplifting medical value. People can get so for work has special resonance: His focused on the high technology Alternative-Complementary brother died of pancreatic can- and drugs, they miss out on the Medicine, will monitor the cer, inspiring him to create the human touch."

NEW YORK (AP) - A new clowns' regular visits to six met- Clown Care Unit. His character, Dr. Stubbs, is a staple of the

> An actual doctor - Dr. John M. Hospital troupe - founded in 1986 - tries Center - expects the study to

"When a child begins to beginning to feel better," Driscoll said. "I see the clowns

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Are there any concerns that people might take this lightly or wonder if the money might be

"Sure," said Big Apple "People think, 'It's clowns.' But we like to think we provide real

### Researchers identify virus that killed 1,000 lions

have identified a virus that killed Minnesota. an estimated 1,000 lions in Africa

population to 2,000.

This is the most dramatic die-

NEW YORK (AP) - Scientists Packer of the University of virus may have been carried into

in 1994, and they've started a animals showed the germ was lage dumps, Packer said. Jackals campaign to prevent another out- canine distemper virus, Packer or leopards may have also carand colleagues from several ried in the virus, he said. The animals died in Tanzania's countries reported in Thursday's Kenya's Masai Mara National from a dog in a local village, sug-Reserve, dropping the area's lion gesting that dogs were the source of the outbreak.

off of lions I think anyone has into direct contact with the dogs, ever seen," said researcher Craig researchers said. Instead, the is coming back rapidly already."

the lion populations by spotted Analysis of tissue from dead hyenas, which scavenge in vil-

The virus gave some lions Serengeti National Park and surissue of the journal Nature. The seizures, with uncontrolled rounding areas, including virus strain closely matched that thrashing and flailing of limbs before death.

About 60 percent of infected lions survived, Packer said, and The lions probably didn't come they "are in fine shape and they started breeding, so the population

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#### Some envision bombers without 'bomb,' pilots WASHINGTON (AP) - In the the Army in moving from horse

Air Force of the 21st century some "bombers" won't carry bombs. Some won't even carry pilots. Those with a human in the cockpit may be steered not by hands on a wheel but by brain waves in a computer.

These are some of the notions the Air Force is considering as it looks to a future with less money to spend and fewer people in uniform.

The Air Force boasts that it already is the most powerful in the world. What it wants now is to find ways to stay ahead, to imagine how it can adapt to the post-Cold War era and compete with the other military services for war missions.

Some of the answers are sketched out in a 2,000-page report, "New World Vistas," Air Force Secretary Sheila Widnall said Wednesday. An advisory group of outside experts - mostly scientists and engineers - compiled the 15-volume report at Widnall's request. One volume is classified secret.

"The changes will be as profound as those experienced by to tank or by the Navy in converting from sail to steam," a summary volume says. Widnall said the Air Force is

setting aside money to pursue these ideas, which apply to a broad range of Air Force activities from collecting and transmitting information in space to airlifting supplies in peacetime and war.

Prominent among the "Vistas" ideas: Use unmanned aircraft to do more than the spy missions they perform now; let them take the place of some combat planes. Guided from control centers inside the United States, robot planes could roam the world with laser weapons to destroy ground and air targets.

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Although it goes against the grain of traditional Air Force people, the idea of pilotless combat aircraft has inherent advantages over manned warplanes.

Unmanned craft could be more survivable, for starters. Shape and function need not be constrained by a cockpit, a human body or an ejection seat.

Gene McCall, who directed the "Vistas" project, told a Pentagon news conference an unmanned strike plane could be designed to accelerate at 20 times the force of gravity, or double what a pilot can withstand.

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While many Panhandle area residents may have been turning blue this week from the cold, this group of blue quail calmly go about their business of finding food on a patch of land near Bowers City on Monday morning. While humans can duck into their warm homes and businesses to escape the frigid air, the wildlife in the area must continue their daily tasks of living in the outdoors, no matter the weather conditions.

### World briefs

Twenty Indian tribe leaders as Lady Penny Romsey. It said ended a three-day summit in she had been a close friend of the Brazil's capital with a blunt mes-royal family for close to 20 years. sage to the president: "You

betrayed us." The Brazilian Indian Village Council, representing 270,000 Indians, met to respond to a presgovernment and citizens to reclaim lands granted to Indians under the country's 1988 consti- Hawkins.

The Indians say the decree has Hawkins by name led to at least 20 raids by mining tributing to the destruction of suspended him. their cultures.

Justice Minister Nelson Jobin Bone marrow donor found met Wednesday with ambassadors from the United States, Japan and Western Europe to discuss the new policy.

"The government feels that citizens who claim that demarca- today announced it has located a tions have hurt them in some bone-marrow donor for a U.S. way have the right to protest," Air Force cadet ill with Jobim said. "This does not mean leukemia. we're going to randomly take lands from the Indians."

The Jan. 8 decree allows citizens and state and local governments to file lawsuits to regain land granted to Indians.

# Eavesdropper apologizes for taping conversation LONDON (AP) — After inter-

cepting, taping and marketing a improved: Officials found a private telephone call by Prince Philip, a Norfolk man received his pay-off Wednesday – unem
South Korean soldier whose mar-row is a perfect match.

"Considering the relatively his pay-off Wednesday - unemployment and public humilia-

"I am ashamed of myself," Neville Hawkins told reporters waiting outside a police station, where officers questioned him today in a statement. for 90 minutes.

newspaper he used a radio scan-ner to capture a phone call that Red Cross has said it would pay the queen's husband made Dec. for the soldier's trip to the United

Indian leaders end summit The Sun on Thursday identiwith warning to president fied the woman who chatted **BRASILIA**, **Brazil** (AP) — with Philip on his mobile phone

The Sun said Hawkins asked for \$75,000 for the taped conversation, which the newspaper described only in broad terms. After milking two days of frontidential decree that allows the page stories out of the 17-minute conservation, the Sun said Wednesday it won't pay

The newspaper identified Wednesday, and the hospital and timber prospectors on their where he works as a hospital mineral-rich land, and is con- maintenance worker promptly

### for U.S. Air Force cadet

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) -After a nationwide search spurred by television and newspaper campaigns, the Red Cross

The chances of finding a donor for the Korean-born airman, 21year-old Brian Bauman of Pine City, Minn., were only 1 in 20,000, and South Korea has only 7,000 registered potential donors.

But after failing to find a donor in the United States or a relative in South Korea, Bauman's luck

small number of people registered with our bone-marrow bank, we are very happy that we have found a match for Bauman so soon," the Red Cross said

The society refused to identify Hawkins, 47, told The Sun the soldier, but said he agreed to

### U.S. evacuating diplomats and families from Sudan

WASHINGTON (AP) - The demand that Sudan hand over United States has decided to suspend its operations in Sudan and will evacuate its diplomats and their families from the African country, Clinton administration officials said Wednesday.

advice of the U.S. ambassador, for two years. She called evi-Timothy Carney. Some 30 Americans will be evacuated via commercial airlines, said one U.S. officials, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The airlift follows a U.N.

Security Council call Wednesday for Sudan to extradite three suspects in the attempted assassination of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak when he attended a African summit meeting in

mentalists and its relations with its territory or nationals or instineighboring Egypt, an ally of the tutions to be used for direct or United States, are tense. The State Department also includes Sudan on a list of six nations that the United States contends are sponsors of terrorism.

The officials said only that the step was being taken for security reasons. They stressed it was not a break in diplomatic relations, but a suspension of ties to Sudan.

A formal announcement is expected today.

Earlier Wednesday, the Securi-

the three suspects in the June 26 attempt on Mubarak and to stop supporting "terrorist activities."

U.S. Ambassador Madeleine Albright said the attack was carfficials said Wednesday. ried out by Egyptian nationals
The decision was taken on the who had been based in Sudan dence of Sudanese involvement "compelling and convincing" and termed Sudan's offers of cooperation "transparently insincere."

Ali Mohammed Osman Yassin, Sudan's ambassador to the U.N., repeated denials of Sudan's complicity before the council vote.

"The Sudan condemns in the strongest terms terrorism in all its forms and manifestations," Ethiopia. Yassin said. "We have consistent-Sudan is led by Muslim funda-ly stated the Sudan will not allow indirect terrorist activities."

In a letter to the Security Council, Ethiopia had said the assassination attempt Mubarak was carried out by members of the Egyptian Islamic extremist group, al-Gamaa al-Islamiya, with the assistance of

Sudan's government. Ethiopia also alleged that Sudan Airways shipped weapons and explosives to Addis Ababa in a box with markings of ty Council voted unanimously to the Sudanese intelligence service.

# Clinton lawyer 1, Clinton press secretary

House press secretary over the question. travel office affair - and won.

on Wednesday retracted critical Bob Bennett, hoping for a quick end to an episode that proved how quickly your words can be used against you in Washington.

The dispute also highlighted should be defended.

the middle of a contentious misusing travel office funds. White House briefing Tuesday

WASHINGTON (AP) - With ten- travel office since the staff was happened that we didn't apprecisions rising in the Clinton camp, abruptly sacked in 1993. A defenthe president's personal attorney sive McCurry fired back before tangled this week with the White the reporter got around to the outraged by the comments and the Jan. 11 appearance and told

"People have said some things Press Secretary Mike McCurry and, frankly, the president finds some statements that have been remarks he made about lawyer made objectionable," McCurry said. "I am referring specifically to comments on plea bargaining.

And he was referring specifically to Bennett, who noted in a Jan. 11 television appearance that deep divisions among Clinton former travel office director Billy aides struggling to determine Dale offered a plea bargain before

"We didn't put Bennett out to thing that has been published." afternoon. A reporter told say anything bad about Billy McCurry, "you've had people ... Dale, that's the bottom line," know for sure whether Bennett fied that the president would find

ate that type of commentary."

made several calls Tuesday night and Wednesday to the White House. By the end of the day Wednesday, McCurry had retracted most of what he said about Bennett.

"It is not objectionable for the president's attorney to defend the president once he is under attack during some of these television talk show programs," he said. Referring to published how forcefully the president his acquittal on embezzlement reports about the Dale plea barcharges. He did not mention that gain offer, McCurry added, "And It began innocently enough, in Dale had refused to confess to it is not objectionable for Mr. was a notion ... that the White Bennett simply to repeat some-

on talks shows and elsewhere" McCurry said Tuesday. "We was admonished after the talk that objectionable if that were boasting of improvements in the made it pretty clear after that show appearance. Indeed, the true."

opposite appears more likely: Several White House officials Clinton aides say Bennett was said Clinton called Bennett after him he did "a great job."

What happened? White House officials said their press secretary felt cornered in the briefing and tried to make it clear that Clinton wanted a hands-off approach to Dale - if for no other reason than politics. The former travel office aides won sympathy in congressional

testimony and TV appearances,

making White House attacks

look like bullying. McCurry himself said: "There House has a campaign out there to tar and feather Billy Dale. I'm McCurry also said he did not satisfied that's not true. I'm satis-

### International crime organizations active in America

organizations from all of the International official told Congress.

States unchecked, I think there's a possibility they could become the border in all types of organized criminal investigative division.

world have operatives inside the Committee on Wednesday that United States, but the most dan- Russian organized crime figures gerous are the Russians, an FBI in the United States are largely "very educated and multilingual" "no fear of our penal system."

"When there is no fear, you're major threat to us because of the never going to get crime under conexpansion they're doing across the trol," said Rep. Toby Roth, R-Wis.

U.S. and Russian law enforcecrime activity and in drug-traffick- ment officials have worked ing activity," said Jim Moody, a together to combat the groups,

Relations gotten gains might be considered Asia and Nigeria. overwhelming, honest people

"If they continue in the United and "very violent," and they have of the Russian mafia in the much easier to deal with." United States. Pressed by the ing that it was an estimate.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Crime Moody told the House countries where the lure of ill- Europe, Mexico, Colombia, Italy,

Internationally, said Phil Williams have been found to fight crime. of the University of Pittsburgh, He estimated there are about there is "no global, monolithic con-4,000 active, hard-core members spiracy. ... If there was, it would be

However, leaders of various panel to estimate the total num-international crime groups have ber of active members of interna- met at least three times on cruises tional crime organizations in the in international waters, said United States, Moody came up Arnaud de Borchgrave, who. with the figure of 29,000, stress- directs a program on global organized crime at the Center for





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### Mother's Rules For Marriage **Brought Lifetime Of Happiness**

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10. It takes two to make a

quarrel, and the one in the

wrong usually is the one who

DEAR ABBY: My wife, our 4-

year-old daughter, "Betsy," and I

went to my in-laws' for dinner

recently. Within 30 minutes of our

arrival, my mother-in-law had

called her husband "stupid" and

including Betsy. Now, she uses

My wife tolerates her mother's

witness. At home I am able to disci-

I have mentioned this to my in-

laws on several occasions, but the

situation recurs. We live only a few

blocks from them and frequently

DEAR ABBY: I lost my mother several months ago after a lengthy illness. She and Dad had a beautiful marriage that spanned almost 50 vears. I never heard them say an' angry word to each other.

While sorting through some of Mother's papers, I came across the enclosed "Rules for a Happy Marriage." I don't know where she got it or how long she had it, but the list contains some excellent advice. I hope you'll think it's worth sharing with your readers.

MARLENE'S DAUGHTER

DEAR DAUGHTER: I do. Thank you for sending it.

#### RULES FOR A HAPPY MARRIAGE

1. Never both be angry at the

2. Never yell at each other unless the house is on fire. 3. If one of you has to win an

argument, let it be your mate. 4. If you must criticize, do it lovingly.

5. Never bring up mistakes of the past. behavior, but I find it humiliating to 6. Neglect the whole world

rather than each other. pline Betsy, but I don't want to have 7. Never go to sleep with an argument unsettled. to discipline her when she's at her

8. At least once every day say a kind or complimentary word to your life partner.

9. When you have done something wrong, admit it and ask eat together. Should we sell our house and move 10 or 20 miles away?

A FATHER IN TACOMA

DEAR FATHER: Moving should not be necessary. Talk to your mother-in-law again, and make it clear that her namecalling sets a very bad example for her grandchild. If your suggestion falls on deaf ears and she continues the name-calling, just limit your daughter's exposure to her grandmother.

**DEAR READERS: Concern**ing finding a mate: Friends of Edna Ferber, Pulitzer Prizewinning novelist, could not understand why she had

someone you would have married," suggested a friend.

"I have," admitted the famed same man.'

remained single over the years. "Surely, you must have met

'dummy." Everyone heard it, novelist, "and I met one man who would have married me ... those words when speaking of her but unfortunately it wasn't the

> **HIGHWAY SNOBBERY: "In** Boston, they ask, 'How much does he know?' In New York, they ask, 'How much is he worth?' In Philadelphia, they ask, 'Who were his parents?'' MARK TWAIN

### Horoscope



Friday, Feb. 2, 1996

In the year ahead you may become involved in several potentially successful interests. These activities may seem unrelated, but a unique network will link

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) The results should yield rewards today if you produce to the best of your abilities However, don't think you must build understanding the influences that will govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c.o. this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758. Murray Hill Station. New York, NY 10156. Make

"I've got a problem. Which one

Peanut;

sure to state your zodiac sign

grandmother's.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you participate in a fun competition with friends today, it will be wise to keep betting out of the picture. Lock horns just for the thrill of

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A matter that affects loved ones should work out satisfactorily today. However, this will be due. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) The probability to the efforts of others, not to your own

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your popularity is presently at a high point, but you might have a hard time believing it. You may have misread the intentions of your pals.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Material advantages you weren't expecting might suddenly develop for you today. Do not SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Collective disclose what occurs to a person who may resent your good fortune

pertaining to your commercial affairs look reasonably favorable for you today. Emphasize your strengths: not your limi-

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A confidential matter should be discussed only with per-

sons directly involved today. Try to keep this in mind if a curious associate gives you the third degree

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today, take care not to let your material motives and desires override your innate generosity. If you treat others fairly, you'll have nothing

of achieving your ambitious objectives today looks strong, provided you're not unduly influenced by a weak cohort. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If it is your

turn to run the railroad today, assign tasks to people you trust. However, once you do, let go and let them do things their

endeavors will have a good chance for success today, but everyone must do

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Friends who usually give you support should do so again today. However, avoid someone who has never been your ally. This person may have a hidden agenda. 1996 by NEA Inc



Where does it say we have to go through life sharing everything?"







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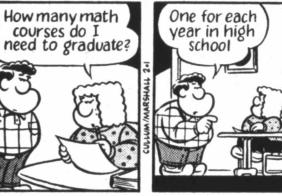








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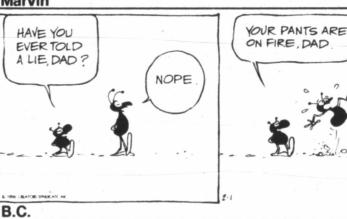


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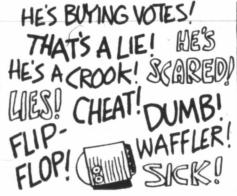


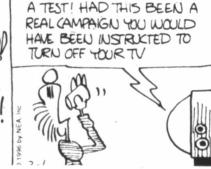




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**BASKETBALL** 

PAMPA — Pampa hosts Dumas in a District 1-4A doubleheader Friday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The girls' game tips off at 6, followed by the boys' game around 7:30.

The Harvesters are undefeated (8-0) in district play while Dumas is still looking for its first win (0-8). Pampa is 23-3 for the season while **Dumas** is 4-17.

The Lady Harvesters are 1-8 in district and 12-14 overall. The Demonettes are 3-6 in district and 13-13 overall.

SHAMROCK — The Groom Tigerettes downed Shamrock, 54-43, in a District 3-1A girls' tilt Tuesday night. Kay Case led Groom in scoring with 19 points, followed by Sherri Koetting and

Mary Hutsell with 10 each. The Tigerettes improved to 19-4 for the season and 3-0 in the district standings.

Corey Little had 16 points to lead Shamrock.

Shamrock turned back Groom, 58-46, in the boys' game.

Shamrock's Preston Wilson had 24 points and Willie Angton 21. High scorer for Groom was Nick Ashford with 11 points, followed by Tony Burgin 10.

#### **FOOTBALL**

PAMPA — District 1-4A, of which Pampa is a member, will stay the same, at least for the next two years.

University Interscholastic League released its biennial realignment today.

Pampa's district consists of Amarillo Caprock, Dumas, Randall, Canyon, Borger and Hereford.

CLEVELAND (AP) Brigham Young and Texas A&M were matched today for the Pigskin Classic to be played at BYU on Aug. 24.

announcement was the National made by Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics, the game's sponsor.

By scheduling the game for Aug. 24, at noon, the Pigskin Classic edged the Kickoff Classic for the honor of being the first contest of the 1996 college season. It will be televised by ABC Sports.

The Kickoff Classic the next day will have the more prestigious matchup, however, sending Penn State against Southern Cal at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., in what could be a preview of the Rose Bowl matchup.

Brigham Young had a 7-4 record last year, and for the first time in 17 years was not selected for postseason play. Texas A&M had a 9-3 record.

Last year, in its first year at a university site, the Pigskin Classic matched Virginia and Michigan at Ann Arbor, Mich.

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Dallas linebacker Godfrey Myles will undergo double surgery in late February to his left knee and left shoul-

Myles suffered a knee injury in the first half of the Cowboys 27-17 Super Bowl win over Pittsburgh. An MRI showed Wednesday that he tore the anterior cruciate ligament of his left

Myles suffered a labral tear in his left shoulder in December. He is the only Dallas linebacker who has signed a contract for the 1996 season.

#### **BASEBALL**

SEATTLE (AP) — The Seattle Mariners made center fielder Ken Griffey Jr. baseball's highest-paid player. Now they're prepared to build their team around him.

"The name of Ken Griffey Jr. has become synonymous with the Mariners," said Chuck Armstrong, president of the

ball club. "Ken will be the man around which this team will move forward," Mariners chairman John Ellis said Wednesday.

The four-year, \$34 million contract extension has an average annual value of \$8.5 mil-

# Notebook Class 4A gets new look

By JAIME ARON **AP Sports Writer** 

ball playoff system in Class 4A Division II title. was paved today by the University League's biennial realignment.

school year. Factoring in the schools that went up to 5A and the handful that dropped to 3A, that's an overall addition of 26 schools.

The revamping allows 4A to districts, things were stretched so Brownsboro. thin that one district had only four Montgomery, Needville, Quinlan

To make it all work this time, dance cutoff from 715 to 700 and expanded the ceiling to 1,649 from 1,599.

Those numbers are based on a during the past school year. The figures are then used to adjust classes and reshuffle districts.

The reason for the new look in maybe now they'll find it. 4A was last fall's decision by the into the football playoffs to determine two state champions.

done things since 1990, with the the last two 1A title games. largest — not the best — school

UIL REALIGNMENT

Division I bracket and the other The road to a two-tiered foot- two qualifers fighting for the

How well that works won't be Interscholastic known until around Christmas.

But a quick scan of the incom-Beginning this fall, there will ing teams shows little reason to be 212 schools in 4A with two expect much change in the 4A more coming the following hierarchy dominated in recent 1A. years by La Marque, Corpus Calallen Stephenville.

Some of the best contenders to knock them off will be 1995 5A playoff teams Alice, Burleson, El finally grow to 32 districts with at Paso Eastwood, Grapevine, least six schools in each. That's a Austin Lanier, San Antonio Lindale,

Ford, Springtown and Sweeny. The class that may see the fallout includes: the UIL lowered its 4A atten- biggest change because of incoming teams will be 2A, the new to downsize six-man. Schools of

Thorndale. single day of attendance taken defending 1A champions and they have a 32-game winning streak. Everyone has said they needed better competition and

UIL to let three teams per district high-caliber friends with it to 2A. to 90. Other top teams moving in

each district going into the Crawford, Hico, Iola and 988.

Lindsay. In all, 20 1A schools are going to 2A and seven 3A teams are dropping in. Among that group are playoff teams Elysian Fields and Shallowater.

With so many teams cleared from 1A's power base, a school to keep an eye on may be Springlake-Earth, a strong 2A team among 10 going down to

As for 5A, schools must be bigger than ever to make it — at least 1,650 or more students.

Even so, 229 schools fit that category, the most among all classes. The only noteworthy addition is New Braunfels, a solid 4A school that now must compete in big change from the last two years McCollum and Texas City; and District 26-5A, the home of when, in a forced effort to reach 30 3A playoff teams Alvarado, Division I champion Converse Judson and Division II champion San Antonio Roosevelt.

Other interesting realignment

—A reversal in the movement home of 1A mega-power 95 or fewer students could play six-man in 1994, then that figure The Bulldogs are two-time shrunk to 79 for the last two school years. Over the next biennial, six-man schools can have 84.5 students (the fraction comes from a formula based on average daily membership). The result is Thorndale is bringing plenty of a growth from 84 six-man teams

—A total of nine new schools include Roscoe and Crawford, will be opening the next two It'll work the same way 5A has the teams Thorndale defeated in years; three in 5A, four in 4A and one each in 2A and 1A. That Other perenially successful 1A helps change the overall numamong the top three finishers in teams joining 2A will be ber of 11-man teams from 982 to

### Former McLean star to be inducted into Panhandle Sports Hall

PAMPA — Former McLean basketball star Sheri Haynes will be inducted into the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame Sunday in

Haynes, along with Foster Watkins, Ron Mills and the late Dan Lynch, are the latest PSHOF inductees. It brings to 105 the number of persons inducted into the hall of fame.

Haynes, a four-year starter for the Tigerettes, was an offensive scoring machine in the six-on-six game in the 1970s. The 5-6 Haynes averaged 34 points per game during her high school career and was named first-team, all-state in 1974 and 1975. Her senior year she averaged an astounding 42.4 points per game.

Haynes was coached by Joel Nelson.

Havnes also starred in track, golf and tennis. She qualified for regionals in track four times. After qualifying for regionals in tennis as a sophomore, she switched to golf and became an instant standout. Haynes was a three-year regional qualifier and was the Class 1A state champion medalist in 1975.

Haynes' primary sport, and she coached at Lubbock Roosevelt played collegiately with Delta for 11 years before taking an (Miss.) State and Wayland assistant's position this last sea-Baptist in Plainview. Knee son at Lubbock Monterey.



**Sheri Haynes** 

injuries hampered her later in college and during a tryout with New Orleans in the brand-new Women's Professional League. Because of a knee injury, she had to be cut from the team.

Havnes, now 39 years old, has been involved in coaching ever since that professional tryout ended, taking a coaching posi-Basketball, however, was tion in 1979 at Lockney. She later

### Victory parade set



Dallas Cowboys' head coach Barry Switzer holds the Vince Lombardi trophy while being interviewed by Greg Gumbel after the Cowboys defeated Pittsburgh, 27-17, in Super Bowl XXX. Switzer and his Cowboys will be honored Feb. 7 with a downtown victory parade in Dallas. The parade, which starts at 2:30 p.m., will feature marching bands and a float carrying the Super Bowl trophy.

### Red Raiders edge ORU

By DOUG FERGUSON **Associated Press Writer** 

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — The ending was too familiar for Oral Roberts.

For the second time in four days, the Golden Eagles went up against a heavy favorite and came up short in the final seconds. And sharpshooting guard Tim Gill was exasperated to the point of tears.

"I've never cried after games before and I've cried after these last two," Gill said Wednesday night after No. 15 Texas Tech held off ORU, 78-74.

After losing 66-65 at Arkansas on Saturday, ORU watched a five-point lead evaporate when Koy Smith hit three of the Red Raiders' five 3-pointers during a key 15-5 run midway through the second half.

"Moral victories don't count anymore," said Gill, who hit 7of-10 3-pointers and finished with 25 points. "It's time to get the job done, bottom line."

That's what the Red Raiders

Frustrated by a triangle-andtwo zone and getting badly outhustled, Smith turned it around by scoring 19 of his 27 points in the second half, including a 3point play that got Texas Tech going and two free throws with 12 seconds that sealed the game.

"They were one notch higher," Smith said of the Golden Eagles. "They made us play the whole game."

Jason Sasser added 22 points and eight rebounds for the Red Raiders (17-1), who were playing their last non-conference game of

"Our guys kept their composure," coach James Dickey said. "At times they were a little too quick to shoot the ball, but this team has been down this road before."

ORU, which has made steady progress under coach Bill Self, appeared on the verge of beating its second ranked team in as many tries this year. The Eagles (8-8) beat then-No. 25 Tulsa 90-78 in December by shooting well and hustling after loose balls

They shot 60 percent in the first half in building a 41-38 lead at halftime, and after a technical foul on Self helped give the Raiders a 42-41 lead, they outplayed the Raiders in taking a 57-52 lead. That's when Smith stepped in.

He hit three 3-pointers, and Sasser and Stan Bonewitz each added a 3, to take a 67-62 lead. "Even with no defense, you

don't make five 3s in a row very often, Self said.

Gill's 3-pointer got the Eagles to within 69-65, but then he missed a breakaway layup that would have tied the game at 71, and the Eagles didn't score again until Gill's 3 with 13 seconds left to cut the lead to 74-72.

Dickey considered his team fortunate to escape. ORU came within a 3-pointer of beating the Red Raiders in Tulsa two years ago. Last year in Lubbock, the Eagles led by eight at halftime before losing 84-71.

"They play hard," Dickey said. 'We know we're wearing a big ol' bull's eve and we're going to get everyone's best shot every time we go on the road."

Texas Tech resumes Southwest Conference play Saturday at Rice.

Oral Roberts, one of two independents left in the NCAA, has a fairly light schedule remaining, which has Self both optimistic and concerned.

"These games are easy to get up for," he said. "If we play like we've been playing the rest of the season, we're good enough to win the rest of our games. If we don't keep playing at the level we're playing, those teams can

### Pacers down Amarillo team

AMARILLO — The Pampa Academy basketball team defeated Amarillo Christian Tuesday night by a score of 97-

After beating the same team by only two points the week before, the Pacers were determined to play with more intensity, and that they did. The first quarter was 21-14, the second, 41-29, and the third, 62-39.

Leading all scorers was Brooks Ferguson, who scored a career-high 40 points. He pulled down 13 rebounds, had 6 assists, 2 steals and 5 blocked shots. Matt Hunter had 8 points, 9 rebounds, 1 assist, 3 steals and 1 blocked shot. David Ege had 8 points, 2 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 steals. Steve Terry had 3 points, 8 rebounds, 3 assists and steals. Trevor Muniz had 3 points, 2 rebounds and 2 assists. Cimmoran Wesley scored 22

points for Amarillo Christian. The Pampa Pacers are now 15-6 for the year and will wrap up their season Thursday night in Amarillo against Bible Heritage.

# Michigan teams take college basketball spotlight

By The Associated Press

school's history.

riding an eight-game winning second half. for just the second time in 17

Ohio University.

While Michigan State and pretty quick shots and never Michigan further muddied a got into a rhythm," Eagles Eastern Michigan made a mess part of that was we did not 10 Penn State and No. 17 of its first appearance as a establish our inside game. We Purdue for the Big Ten lead nationally ranked team in the got caught up in a jump-shoot- after Wednesday

ing game.' Geno Ford led Ohio with 28 Eastern Michigan cracked the points, seven of those came AP Top 25 for the first time this during an 11-0 run that gave the

games this season, 82-73 at Ohio, which is just 10-10 for the State out of sole possession of

season. Derrick Dial scored 23 the league lead with a 61-58 "I thought we took some points and Brian Tolbert 22 for decision at East Lansing. Eastern Michigan.

> night's games.

Purdue embarrassed No. 20 Michigan 80-59 in Ann Arbor, week at No. 23. But the Eagles, Bobcats the lead for good in the Wolverines' worst loss at

Elsewhere in the Top 25, it Unranked Michigan' State was No. 3 Kansas 84, Oklahoma

tight Big Ten basketball race, coach Ben Braun said. "A big was in a three-way tie with No. State 66; No. 4 Connecticut 77, Rutgers 59; No. 5 Cincinnati 78, North Carolina Charlotte 64; No. 8 North Carolina 73, Duke 72; No. 9 Georgetown 91, West Virginia 67; No. 12 Wake Forest 66, North Carolina State 62; No. 13 Virginia Tech 74, North home since an 87-62 defeat Carolina-Greensboro 48; No. 15 streak, lost Wednesday night Curtis Simmons had 21 against Indiana in 1985. Texas Tech 78, Oral Roberts 74; points and 11 rebounds for Michigan State knocked Penn and Vanderbilt 76. No. 22

Auburn 62.

### Scoreboard

**BASKETBALL** Wednesday's Major College Scores By The Associated Press

Colgate 91, Lafayette 76 Connecticut 77, Rutgers 59 Georgetown 91, West Virginia 67 Marist 77, Robert Morris 70 Navy 69, Lehigh 63 Notre Dame 86, St. John's 83 Penn 83, Hofstra 55 St. Peter's 86, St. Francis, Pa. 54 SOUTH

Bucknell 90, Holy Cross 83, OT

Alabama 68, Florida 65 Davidson 86, VMI 79 Delaware St. 75, Morgan St. 66 East Carolina 66, Richmond 58 urman 80, Georgia Southern 38 ouisville 57, South Florida 54 Mississippi St. 76, Georgia 73 North Carolina 73, Duke 72 Old Dominion 51, N.C.-Wilmington 50 South Carolina 82, Wofford 55 Tennessee 67, Mississippi 52 Va. Commonwealth 94, George Mason 81 Vanderbilt 76, Auburn 62 Virginia Tech 74, N.C.-Greensboro 48 Wake Forest 66, N. Carolina St. 62 William & Mary 68, James Madison 51
MIDWEST

Bradley 77, Drake 60 Butler 78, Loyola, III. 66 Cincinnati 78, N.C. Charlotte 64 Kansas 84, Oklahoma St. 66 Kansas St. 77, Nebraska 68 Kent 95, Ball St. 85 Miami, Ohio 80, Bowling Green 64 Michigan St. 61, Penn St. 58 Ohio St. 63. Wisconsin 55 Ohio U. 82, E. Michigan 73 Purdue 80, Michigan 59 S. Illinois 78, Indiana St. 65 Toledo 65, Cent. Michigan 59 W. Michigan 51, Akron 46 Wis.-Milwaukee 83, W. Illinois 75 Xavier, Ohio 84, St. Joseph's 71 SOUTHWEST

Ark.-Little Rock 72, South Alabama 60 North Texas 62, Southern Meth. 55 Oklahoma 67, Texas 65, OT Rice 79, Baylor 64 SW Missouri St. 66, Tulsa 61 Texas Christian 80, Texas A&M 76 Texas Tech 78, Oral Roberts 74

FAR WEST Stanford 93, California 79

Texas Tech-Oral Roberts, Box TEXAS TECH 78, ORAL ROBERTS 74

Ham 1-2 5-8 7, Sasser 7-13 6-6 22, Battie 1-9 1-2 3, Smith 9-12 4-5 27, Martin 2-6 1-2 5, Bonewitz 2-4 0-0 5, Carr 1-9 1-3 3, Cooper 2-3 2-2 6, Roberts 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 25-58 20-28 78. Oral Roberts(8-8)

Walls 2-6 5-8 9, Crenshaw 4-6 4-4 12, Moses 5-10 0-2 10, McClellan 3-9 0-0 6, Gill 9-18 0-0 25, Scruggs 2-3 0-0 4, Porter 0-0 0-0 0, Kruse 1-1 **0-0 3, Henderson 1-3** 3-3 5. Totals 27-56 **12-17 74**. Halftime—Oral Roberts 41, Texas Tech 38. 3-point goals—Texas Tech 8-21 (Smith 5-8, Sasser 2-4, Bonewitz 1-3, Carr 0-4, Martin 0-1, Battie 0-1), Oral Roberts 8-14 (Gill 7-Kruse 1-1, Crenshaw 0-2, McClellan 0-Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Texas Tech 35 (Sasser 8), Oral Roberts 35 (Walls 10). Assists-Texas Tech 9 (Martin Bonewitz 3), Oral Roberts 18 (McClellan 12). Total fouls—Texas Tech 13, Oral Roberts 20. Technicals—Oral Roberts

#### BOWLING

Harvester Lanes - Pampa WEDNESDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE

Team	<b>Points Won</b>
Derrick Club	204
Canadian Motel	203
Keith Black, D.O.	200
Don's Pro Shop	198
Warner-Horton	198
Allstate	198
Cox Enterprise	197
Potter Trucking	195
Harvester Lanes	194
Graham Furniture	192
Harbison-Fischer	190
Babb Construction	189
Dorman Tire	187
Sivalls	184

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### Week's High Scores

High game: Benny Horton 268: High series Benny Horton 697; High handicap game: Benny Horton 275; High handicap series J.T. Lamberson 724

High game: Tammy Hill 213; High series: Tammy Hill 583; High handicap game: Tammy Hill 251; High handicap series:

#### LONE STAR LEAGUE

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#### Week's High Scores

High game: Carrie Duroy 225; High series: Duroy 549. High handicap game: Nancy O' Brien 247; High handicap series: National Basketball Association At A Glance

By The Associated Press All Times EST EASTERN CONFERENCE **Atlantic Division** Orlando .643 3 1/2 27 21 New York .500 9 1/2 Washington 25 26 27 34 .432 12 1/2 .395 14 New Jersey .372 15 .190 22 1/2

Boston Philadelphia Central Division Chicago **39** 29 3 .929 .674 10 1/2 .558 15 1/2 Indiana Atlanta Cleveland .512 17 1/2 Charlotte .366 23 1/2 Toronto WESTERN CONFERENCE **Midwest Division** 

San Antonio .674 .644 Houston .419 Denver Dallas .268 Minnesota 30 34 19 1/2 Vancouver **Pacific Division** .744 Seattle **32** 23 11 .590 .581 Sacramento 23 23 -25 27 .477 11 1/2 Portland .452 12 1/2 Golden State

.372 L.A. Clippers Tuesday's Games Orlando 104, Boston 99 Phoenix 114. Miami 99 Indiana 107, Atlanta 90 Chicago 98, Houston 87 Denver 88, Minnesota 86 Dallas 105, L.A. Clippers 101 Seattle 97, New Jersey 88 L.A. Lakers 128, Golden State 118 Sacramento 102, Toronto 75

Wednesday's Games Boston 131, Vancouver 98 Phoenix 120, Atlanta 84 Cleveland 81. Milwaukee 71 Utah 98, Portland 94

San Antonio 115, L.A. Clippers 106 Thursday's Games Orlando at New York, 7:30 p.m. Philadelphia at Miami, 7:30 p.m. Houston at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m. Indiana at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Denver at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m. Seattle at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. Chicago at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m

Friday's Games Portland at Washington, 7:30 p.m. Atlanta at Orlando, 7:30 p.m. Boston at Indiana, 7:30 p.m. Phoenix at Cleveland, 8 p.m. Minnesota at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Utah, 9 p.m. New Jersey at Vancouver, 10 p.m. Chicago at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m. Toronto at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

#### Clippers-Spurs, Box LA CLIPPERS(106)

Vaught 6-11 1-2 13, Rogers 6-17 2-2 16, Roberts 1-3 3-4 5, Barry 9-15 1-1 21, Richardson 9-13 2-2 24, Tower 1-4 0-0 2, Harvey 0-2 0-0 0, Outlaw 2-4 1-2 5, Dehere 3-6 4-6 13, Piatkowski 3-6 0-0 7, Murray 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 40-82 14-19 106. SAN ANTONIO(115)

Elliott 5-14 3-4 16, Person 3-7 2-2 11, Robinson 4-9 7-11 15, Del Negro 7-12 9-10 23, Johnson 10-16 6-6 26, Perdue 6-8 0-0 12, Reid 3-4 2-4 8, Rivers 1-1 2-2 4, Alexander 0-0 0-2 0, Lohaus 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-71 31-41 115. LA Clippers32 23 22 29 — 106 San Antonio33 30 23 29 — 115

3-Point goals—Los Angeles 12-23 (Richardson 4-5, Dehere 3-5, Barry 2-5, Rogers 2-5, Piatkowski 1-2, Vaught 0-1), San Antonio 6-13 (Person 3-6, Elliott 3-7). Fouled out—Roberts. Rebounds—Los Angeles 40 (Vaught 16), San Antonio 49 (Robinson 10). Assists—Los Angeles 23 (Richardson 7), San Antonio 21 (Johnson 8). Total fouls-Los Angeles 31, San Antonio 23. Technicals—Los Angeles coach Fitch 2 ction-Los Angeles coach Fitch. A-

**Wednesday's Sports Transactions** By The Associated Press

BASEBALL American League

DETROIT TIGERS—Named Tyler Barnes director of public relations. NEW YORK YANKEES—Signed Derek Jeter, shortstop, to a one-year contract. SEATTLE MARINERS—Signed Ken Griffey Jr., outfielder, to a four-year contract extension through 2000.

National League
ATLANTA BRAVES—Agreed to terms with Joe Ayrault, catcher; Joe Borowski, pitcher; Tony Graffanino, infielder; and Wonderful Monds, outfielder, on one-year contracts. NEW YORK METS-Agreed to terms with Brent Mayne, catcher, on a one-year contract. Named Doug Davis manager and Juan Lopez coach of Pittsfield of the New York-Penn League, and Gary Ward coach of Kingsport of the Appalachian League PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Signed Danny Darwin, pitcher, to a minor league contract ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Received Rod Corriea, infielder, from the California Angels to complete a trade for John Habyan SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Signed Tim

BASKETBALL National Basketball League BOSTON CELTICS—Activated Greg Minor, guard, from the injured list. CHARLOTTE HORNETS—Signed Anthony Goldwire, guard, to a contract for the rest of

DETROIT PISTONS—Placed Mark Macon, guard, on the injured list. Signed Michael Curry, forward, to a 10-day contract PHOENIX SUNS—Waived Stefano

National Football League

MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Named Mike Tice tight ends coach. HOCKEY National Hockey League
NHL ENTERPRISES—Named Rick Dudley

HARTFORD WHALERS—Sent Michael Stewart, defenseman, to Springfield of the NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Sent Jamie McLennan, goalie, to Worcester of the AHL.
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Recalled Jamie Howard, defenseman, from St. John's of the

#### **UIL REALIGNMENT**

AUSTIN (AP) — Here, from the University Interscholastic League, are the tentative UIL Class 4A district alignments for the 1996-97 and 1997-98 athletic sea-

Football and Basketball Region I

Elizario

1-Amarillo Caprock, Borger, Canyon High, Canyon Randall, Dumas, Hereford, Pampa. 2-Lamesa, Levelland, Lubbock Estacado, Plainview, Snyder, Wolfforth Frenship. -Canutillo, El Paso Bowie, El Paso

4-Andrews, Big Spring, Fort Stockton, Pecos, San Angelo Lake View, Sweetwater. -Brownwood, Graham, Granbury, Minerals

Burges, El Paso High, El Paso Parkland, El Paso Riverside, El Paso Ysleta, San

Weatherford. 6—Fort Worth Arlington Heights, Fort Worth Castleberry, Fort Worth Eastern Hills. Fort Worth North Side. Fort Worth Polytechnic. Fort Worth Trimble Tech. Fort Worth Western Hills. 7-Burkburnett, Denison, Denton,

Sherman, Wichita Falls Hirschi, Wichita 8-Azle, Fort Worth Boswell, Fort Worth Brewer, Justin Northwest, Keller Fossil Ridge, Springtown.

Region II

9-Coppell, Dallas Highland Park, Grapevine Colleyville Grapevine High, McKinney, Southlake 10-Dallas Adamson, Dallas Lincoln, Dallas Samuell, Dallas Seagoville, Dallas

Smith, Dallas Spruce, Dallas Wilson. 11-Dallas Hillcrest, Dallas Jefferson, Dallas Pinkston, Dallas Roosevelt, Dallas South Oak Cliff, Dallas White. 12-Greenville, Mesquite Poteet, Mesquite West Mesquite, Quinlan Ford, Terrell, Wylie. 13-Alvarado, Burleson, Cedar Hill,

Cleburne, Everman, Joshua, Midlothian, Waxahachie. 14-Corsicana, Ennis, Hutchins Wilmer-Hutchins, Kaufman, Lancaster, Red Oak. 15-Mount Pleasant, Paris North Lamar, Paris High, Sulphur Springs, Texarkana Liberty-Eylau, Texarkana Texas. 16—Carthage, Gilmer, Hallsville,

#### Henderson, Kilgore, Longview Pine Tree. Region III

17-Athens, Brownsboro, Jacksonville, Lindale, Mabank, Palestine, Tyler Chapel Hill, Whitehouse. 18-Brenham, Conroe Oak Ridge,

Magnolia, Montgomery, Navasota, New Caney, Waller, Willis. 19—Cleveland, Dayton, Jasper, Livingston, Silsbee, Sour Lake Hardin-

20-Bridge City, Lumberton, Nederland. Orange Little Cypress-Mauriceville, Orange West Orange-Stark, Port Arthur Lincoln, Port Neches Port Neches-Groves, Vidor.

21-Houston Furr, Houston Jones, Houston Kashmere. Houston Scarborough, Houston Waltrip, Houston Wheatley, Houston Worthing. 22—Channelview, Crosby, Friendswood Clear Brook, Friendswood High, Galena Park, Houston Forest Brook, Houston

23-Dickinson, La Marque, Needville, Rosenberg Lamar, Santa Fe, Texas City. 24—Bay Čity, El Campo, Freeport Brazosport, Port Lavaca Calhoun, Sweeny, West Columbia Columbia,

Region IV

25-Lampasas, Marble Falls, Taylor, Waco Connally, Waco Midway, Waco

University. 26-Austin Anderson, Austin Johnson, Austin Lanier, Austin McCallum, Austin Reagan, Austin Travis, Pflugerville Connally (1997-98-basketball only). 27-Boerne, Fredericksburg, Kerrville Tivy, San Antonio Kennedy, San Antonio Memorial, Uvalde.

28—Bastrop, Buda Hays, Del Valle, Gonzales, Lockhart, New Braunfels Canyon, Spring Branch Smithson

Valley. 29—San Antonio Alamo Heights, San Antonio Burbank, San Antonio Fox Technical, San Antonio Houston, San Antonio Lanier, Schertz Clemens 30—Beeville Jones, Floresville, Pleasanton, San Antonio McCollum, San Antonio South San Antonio West, San Antonio Southside.

31-Alice, Corpus Christi Calallen, Corpus Christi Flour Bluff, Corpus Christi Tuloso-Midway, Kingsville King, Portland Gregory-Portland, Robstown Rockport Rockport-Fulton

32-Brownsville Lopez, Edcouch Edcouch-Elsa, Los Fresnos, Mercedes, Mission Sharyland, Pharr Pharr-San Juan-Alamo East (1997-98-basketball only), Raymondville, Roma.

### Steelers make coaching changes

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The he wanted to return for one-more expire today except for defensive staff, informing offensive coordicoach Pat Hodgson that their contracts will not be renewed.

The decisions apparently had nothing to do with the Steelers' 27-17 loss to the Dallas Cowboys in the Super Bowl, in which the committed offense turnovers, the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette reported today.

Coach Bill Cowher hired both coaches in 1992 as part of his first staff with the Steelers. Cowher was unavailable for comment and left Wednesday afternoon for a brief vacation in North Carolina.

Chan Gailey, the team's wide receivers coach the past two seasons, is the prime candidate to become the offensive coordinator.

He previously served as offensive coordinator for the Denver Broncos and was hired by Cowher in 1994 to help develop the passing game and as heir apparent to Erhardt, who turns 65 this month.

Erhardt had told some people McLean in scoring.

major changes in their coaching drawing interest from other ondary coach Tim Lewis. teams and Cowher believed he nator Ron Erhardt and tight ends might lose him if he did not pro- after 10 years with the New York mote him.

contracts were scheduled to Super Bowl victories.

Pittsburgh Steelers have made season, but Gailey had been coordinator Dick LeBeau and sec-

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Erhardt came to the Steelers Giants, where he served as their All Steelers assistant coaches' offensive coordinator for two

### Miami boys, McLean girls are District 5-1A leaders

McLEAN — Miami welcomes Wheeler junior varsity and 11-9 for the season. McLean visits Lefors in area bas-

ketball action Friday night. The Miami boys took over the Miami, 75-49, Tuesday night. lead in the District 5-1A standings Tuesday night with a 71-51 ers with 29 points. Rachel Galley win over McLean.

Miami is 2-0 in district play and 17-8 overall.

Steven Browning led the Warriors in scoring with 20 points, followed by Jared Neighbors with 17.

Miami led by 15 (35-20) at half-

McLean is 1-1 in district and

McLean is the district leader in the girls' division after beating

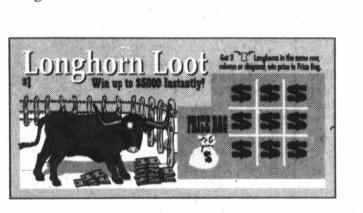
added 18. The Tigerettes built a 15-

Shalley Stalls led McLean scor-

point lead (37-25) going into the half. Mindy McConnell was high scorer for Miami with 14 points

while Erin Locke added 12

McLean is 2-0 in district play Jeremy Crutcher had 16 points and 17-3 for the season. Miami and Ben Reeser 14 to lead is 1-1 in district and 7-18 over-





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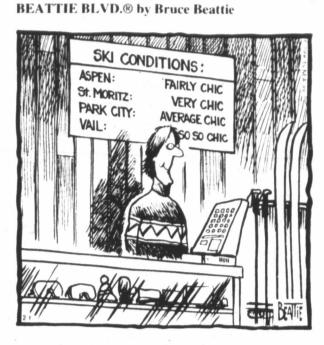
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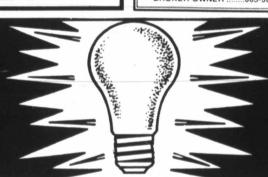
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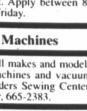
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### Fierce, sub-zero cold grips the Plains states

By STEVE KLINE **Associated Press Writer** 

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) - Just a week ago, Linda Kearns was basking in the sunny Caribbean. On Wednesday, the temperature in her hometown of high at Anchorage was 35 -Ord dropped to 28 below zero above zero. and Mrs. Kearns wondered why she ever came back.

be unbearable," she said, wist- Wednesday morning starting fully recalling 90-degree days aboard a cruise ship.

Arctic cold gripped much of the Northern and central states, isn't the only problem. with record low temperatures afternoon from Idaho into

been so sick of winter. I have pretty hard at 40 below." had it," said Marvel Sjostrom at thermometer showed a temperature of 48 below zero.

Tower and Embarrass, Minn., were coldest of all, with readings of 55 below. A wind-chill reading of 74 below was reported at Hallock, Minn.

At least one death was indiclasses. No one was injured. rectly attributed to the cold. In West Point, an 89-year-old man freeze where they've never died Wednesday in a house fire frozen before," Norton said. that investigators said was started by a space heater being

International Falls, Minn., which celebrates itself as the tried to thaw a frozen bathroom nation's icebox. The city's water pipe with a blowtorch, minus-35 reading tied its record and caught the wall on fire, offifor the date, and it was the 10th cials said. straight day of temperatures of 30 below or worse.

last couple of years because it's and New England. been too warm," said Sonny er in International Falls.

Record lows for the date were

Michigan and Illinois. wear your jeans, and you wear Ord. your pants, and you wear double insulation, and just wear the there had been a surge of bookwarmest clothes you got," said ings for vacations in warmer cli-Carmen Barretto, a teacher in mates, with Mexico and cruises

Lawmaker joins reserves

**WASHINGTON** (AP) — Rep.

Steve Schiff, an opponent of the

U.S. military presence in Bosnia,

said Thursday he will serve in his

capacity as a colonel in the Air

Force Reserve at the Bosnian mis-

Schiff, a New Mexico

Republican, said he is being

deployed for 10 days at the

Aviano Air Base in northern Italy

as a Judge Advocate General. He

said he expects to address ques-

Bosnian deployment, I feel it is

deployed over there," Schiff said.

"I believe my military service

time will also help me better

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**NEW YORK** (AP) — IBM will

pay \$743 million to buy the Tivoli Systems Inc., a midsized software

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below zero. "You don't think about how cold it is, because the more you think about how cold it is, the colder you're going to feel."

In Alaska, where it's supposed to be cold, Wednesday's

"That's not hardly fair," said Gary Howard, part owner of a "If we had wind, this would service station in Ord. He spent vehicles that wouldn't turn over in the cold.

Getting the engine started

"The tires kind of go thump, across the northern Plains and thump because they are pretty upper Midwest. Temperatures hard," said Darin Knowlton of were still below zero during the Hayward, Wis., which was 42 below zero. "Sitting on that old seat in the car is just like sitting "I have to say I have never on a park bench. Those seats get

The cold was blamed in a fire Seeley, Wis., where her home that destroyed or damaged three buildings in Sterling, Neb. Maintenance workers had been using hand-held propane heaters to thaw frozen water pipes, said School Superintendent Robert Norton. One of the buildings housed school shop

"We've had water pipes "It's just been that cold."

A similar effort by an apartused to thaw frozen water lines. ment manager in Kaukauna, It was even cold for Wisc., left eight families homeless Wednesday. The manager

Forecasters said the bitter cold would hang on through "We were hoping for that. the weekend over the northern Our image has been bad for the and central Plains, the Midwest

Cattle producers are working Nesbitt, 69, a retired state troop-round-the-clock, looking out for newborn calves.

"I have a calf that's a week tied or broken in Wyoming, old, and when I went out to Montana, South Dakota, Nebras- check him this morning at 6 ka, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, o'clock his ears were frozen," said Janet Melia, who raises cat-"You wear tights, and you tle with her husband north of

A Kearney travel agent said Chicago, where the low was 11 among the most popular.

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### Judge rules out holding bombing trial in Lawton

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) – Citing "obvious deficiencies" in its tiny courthouse, a federal about holding the Oklahoma bombing trial in Lawton, where it had been scheduled.

In another development, a woman whose two young sons were killed in the April 19 blast is suing bombing suspect Timothy McVeigh and other unknown individuals for \$30 million in a wrongful death suit.

McVeigh and Terry Nichols are charged with murder and conspiracy in the bombing of the Oklahoma City federal building, which killed 169 people and injured more than 500 others. They could get the death penalty if convicted.

This week, U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch has been considering a request by defense attorneys to move the trial out of Oklahoma.

The defense claims that pretrial publicity will make it impossible for the defendants to get a fair trial; prosecutors want the trial to remain in the state so the survivors of bombing victims can attend.

Lawton, a military town 90 miles southwest of Oklahoma City, was originally chosen as the trial site by U.S. District Judge Wayne Alley.

But Alley was subsequently removed from the case because his courtroom and chambers in judge said Wednesday he has serious doubts Oklahoma City were damaged in the blast, and an appeals court said that the damage could have raised doubts about his impartiality.

During testimony Wednesday about the suitability of Lawton for the trial, prosecutors and defense attorneys agreed it would cost at least \$1 million to renovate the tiny federal courthouse there to handle the bombing trial.

The defense noted the small size of the courtroom and the fact that the holding cell in the courthouse is only big enough for one person. "I think it's a waste of time to even talk

about Lawton," Matsch said. "I'm wondering if Lawton should be seriously considered," the judge added. "There are obvious deficiencies there that need to be corrected before the trial could be held there."

rule on the defense motion. In other testimony, a defense researcher argued that a fair trial in Oklahoma "would

It wasn't known when the judge would

be extremely unlikely." "They recall a lot more in Tulsa and Lawton about what they saw in the media," said Kent Tedin, chairman of the political science department at the University of Houston.

Tedin conducted a survey of about 2,400 people in Lawton, Tulsa, Denver, Kansas City, Kan., Albuquerque, N.M. and San Francisco. He found that 48 percent of respondents in Lawton and 38 percent of those in Tulsa think about the bombing every day or a few times a week.

By comparison, only 9 percent of those surveyed in Denver and 6 percent of those in San Francisco think about the bombing that fre-

quently. On Tuesday, the judge heard from prosecution witnesses who testified that it would be possible to hold a fair trial in Oklahoma.

The wrongful death lawsuit against McVeigh was filed Friday by Edye Smith, whose sons, Chase, 3, and Colton, 2, were in the day-care center on the second floor of the building when the bomb exploded.

At least five other wrongful death suits have been filed in the case.

Also Wednesday, CNN reported that McVeigh was wearing a T-shirt when he was arrested that bore the famous line from Thomas Jefferson, "The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants." The shirt was confiscated by the FBI, CNN said.

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lawsuit hasn't been scheduled. During the motion hearing on way to save money.

ALBUQUERQUE (AP) - A fed- the restraining order, inmates' eral judge on Wednesday attorney Mark Donatelli argued ordered the state Corrections that prisoners housed in Texas Department to stop sending New jails were being denied access to educational programs, recre-U.S. District Judge John ational facilities and visits with

Donatelli also said the Correcneys representing inmates in a tions Department's decision to transfer the inmates was an Conway declined to rule on apparent violation of the Duran whether the 253 inmates already Consent Decree, a federal court housed in Texas jails should be order governing prison conditions returned to New Mexico. The in New Mexico. The document judge said that issue would be stems from 1980 prison riots at the state penitentiary near Santa Fe.

Robyn Hoffman, representing A preliminary hearing in the the Corrections Department, said the transfers were ordered as a

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