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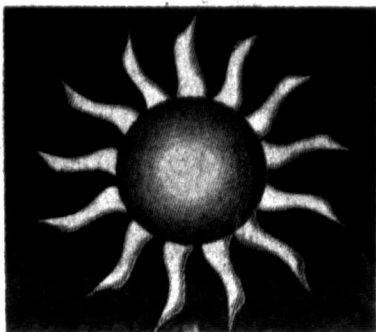
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weather details.

PAMPA — The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a Breast cancer Screening Clinic at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency Inc., 2225 Perryton Parkway, in Pampa on April 15.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month, health officials say.

Participants will receive a screening that includes a mammogram and instruction in self-examination by a registered nurse. A minimum of 15 women need to register in order for the mobile mammography clinic to come to area towns.

This clinic is available only to women who need financial assistance. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance.

All exams are done by appointment only. Call 359-4673 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

PAMPA — As of 5 p.m. Wednesday, no opponents had filed to run against incumbents Mayor Bob Neslage and Pampa city commissioners Jeff McCormick and Robert Dixon.

Because all positions in the election are uncontested, a city election will most likely not be held, said City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers. The city commissioners have the option of adopting a resolution at the March 25 city commission meeting reappointing the incumbents to their positions because they are unopposed.

If the city commission adopts the resolution, it will eliminate the opportunity for residents to "write in" a candidate. Historically, however, write in candidates rarely capture elected positions.

By The Associated Press

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, boosting the jackpot for Saturday's drawing to \$22 million, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 1, 12, 29, 36, 38 and 45.

There were 127 tickets purchased matching five of the six numbers, winning \$1,695 each. Matching four of the six numbers were 7,048 tickets, with a prize each of \$110.

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Energas plans customer service changes

LUBBOCK — Energas Company announced Wednesday a 12-month plan to enhance the quality of its customer service to better meet customer needs and to prepare the company to meet future changes in the utility industry, including the establishment of payment centers.

The plan includes several steps to be implemented through this year and into 1998.

• Beginning in early summer 1997, the company will create a network of payment centers through an arrangement with a national vendor at grocery stores, convenience stores and other locations in towns where Energas Company currently has offices. These payment centers will

offer extended hours and a convenient place for customers to pay their bills.

• Following the opening of the payment centers during the summer of 1997, local business offices will be refocused on field operations such as service calls and construction and maintenance activities. These field service centers will no longer take over-the-counter payments or handle routine walk-in customer transactions.

• In early 1998, Atmos Energy Corporation, of which Energas is an operating division, will open a central customer support center to serve all of its customers. Customers will call toll-free for service 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The location of the center has

not yet been determined.

• The company has already begun implementing new technology to increase efficiency in serving customers, including installation of a state of the art customer information system and use of in-truck computer terminals to dispatch technicians from the central customer support center.

"Energas will be making these changes over the next year to enhance the service and convenience we offer to our customers," said Gene Ehler, president of Energas.

"We believe it is important to respond to customers' changing needs, and to meet their time schedules," Ehler said. "The

new central customer support center will be open around the clock to allow customers to request a service appointment, inquire about a bill or ask any other question about their gas service. Currently, we provide emergency call support 24 hours per day, but routine business calls are handled only during business hours."

Ehler added, "We also will be opening a network of payment centers in locations convenient for our customers, which will allow extended hours for customers to pay their bills."

The majority of customers currently pay their gas bills by mail or by automatic bank draft, rather than in person.

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Easter decorations



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Parents of Lamar Elementary School students gather at a parenting workshop on Wednesday to get some ideas on enjoying the upcoming Easter holiday with their children by learning how to make some quick, easy and inexpensive decorations and baskets.

Household Waste Day set for Saturday

By **LAURA HALEY**
Staff Writer

In an effort to promote resident awareness and prevent contamination of the city's local water source, the Ogallala Aquifer, the city is sponsoring the third annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection day on Saturday.

Both the Environmental Protection Agency and the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission banned certain items in 1992 from municipal landfills, such as tires, antifreeze, oil, oil filters, paint and vehicle batteries.

These items were banned because of their ability to contaminate local water supplies, said Ingrid Dierlam-McDonald with the household hazardous waste division of the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission. The actions of just a few residents, she said, could threat-

en an entire community's drinking water.

So, this Saturday, the local Household Hazardous Waste Committee will be taking the opportunity to educate residents about potential threats to the city's water source and accepting collections of hazardous waste. The collection will be held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the community recycling center in Hobart Street Park and will be free of charge for all residents.

Among items that will be collected at the event include: paint, solvents, varnish, tires, pesticides, herbicides, drain openers, oven cleaners, stain removers, polish, hobby supplies, pool chemicals, motor oil, oil filters, transmission and brake fluids, antifreeze, vehicle batteries and photographic chemicals.

In addition, the center will also be collecting any recyclables — plastics 1 and 2, glass, aluminum and paper — that resi-

dents wish to drop off.

In the past, the waste collection day has gained in popularity among Pampa residents, as the number of participants increased from 156 in 1995 to 250 in 1996. Members of the hazardous waste committee are hoping the trend continues for this year, which may increase chances for future grants for waste collection days.

This is the last year of a three-year grant awarded to the city by the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission for a hazardous waste collection day. The grant pays all costs except disposal costs, which is footed by the city. The cost to the city for disposal fees this year is approximately \$1,900 and the total cost of the event is about \$14,000.

The event is sponsored by the City of Pampa, Clean Pampa Inc., Hoechst Celanese and the Top O' Texas Household Hazardous Waste Committee.

Thornberry votes for comp time bill

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Calling it "something that will make the lives of working Americans a little easier," U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry (TX-13) Wednesday cast a vote in support of legislation which would give people who work overtime the option of choosing between pay or comp time off.

"One of the most important things we can give to our children is our time," Thornberry said. "But with more parents working than ever before, it's also one of the hardest things we can give them. The bill the House passed will address this problem by amending a law that's been on the books for nearly 70 years."

Thornberry explained that under the House legislation, a person would be able to sit down with his or her employer

and decide how they wanted to be paid for overtime.

"They could be paid in cash, or they could be paid in comp time," the Panhandle congressman said.

One hour of overtime would equal time-and-a-half overtime pay, or an hour-and-a-half in time off.

"This means that a person could work an hour of overtime Monday through Thursday, then take Friday afternoon off to run errands, go to the doctor or just spend time with the kids," he said.

"This bill will help parents better balance the demands of work and family, and help every American better manage the demands placed on their time," Thornberry said. "In short, I believe it's something that will make the lives of working

Americans a little easier."

The amendment to the Fair Labor Standards Act would give working Americans the opportunity to choose between paid time off and additional cash when working more than 40 hours a week.

Current law prohibits private sector employees from making this choice even though federal government and other public sector employees have enjoyed this option for years, Thornberry noted.

Thornberry also noted that the bill contains several safeguards to ensure that employers do not coerce, intimidate or threaten employees to choose comp time instead of regular overtime wages.

The House approved the bill by a vote of 222-210. The legislation now goes to the Senate.

See Page 6 in today's edition for a related story.

Texas House tentatively OKs \$83.3 billion budget

AUSTIN (AP) — The state Capitol would get a new chapel and organizations that perform abortions would get no family planning funds in the next two-year, in a \$83.3 billion state budget tentatively approved by the Texas House.

The proposed budget got first-round approval Wednesday after a daylong debate in which House members considered nearly 100 amendments. None of the amendments adopted would increase or decrease spending, but some moved money from some programs to others.

The budget, which faces a final House vote, would cover state spending from Sept. 1 to Aug. 31, 1999.

Under one amendment, organizations that perform abortions couldn't get state family planning funds.

"This is not a debate on abortion," said Rep. Charlie Howard, R-Sugar Land, sponsor of the amendment. "This draws a clear line between family planning and abortion services."

The amendment was adopted on a voice vote.

Rep. Sherri Greenberg, D-Austin, said the change would

hurt women in rural areas, where doctors working alone provide various services.

The bill has about \$93 million in family planning spending for each year of the budget. Nearly all of the money comes from federal sources and is given to private organizations.

Other amendments require: — The Texas Department of Criminal Justice to develop rules for a program in which state prisoners will pay a \$3 co-payment for medical services.

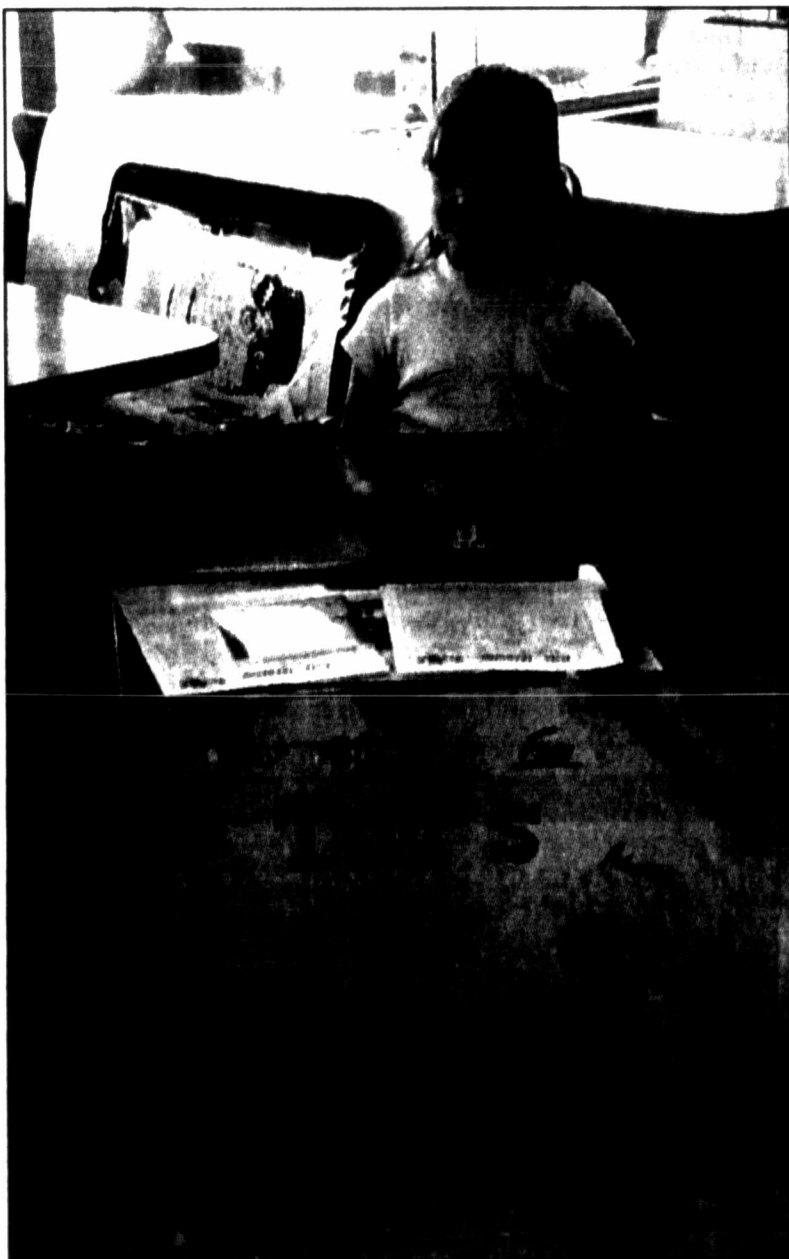
— The State Preservation Board to use part of its scheduled \$10 million budget to reconstruct a chapel in the Capitol.

Rick Crawford, head of the Preservation Board, said the Capitol had a chapel from 1963 until 1993, when it was removed during a restoration project.

"The restoration sought to restore the Capitol to the time period of 1888 to 1915 and there was no chapel at that time, so it wasn't replaced," Crawford said.

In one of the few recorded votes, the House rejected, by a 110-33 vote, an attempt to cancel \$1.8 million in funding for the State Jail Standards Commission.

Tots-N-Training materials



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Heather Garrison, 5, enjoys the books, games and activities provided by the Tots-N-Training program. Each week, sponsors of the program provide preschool age children early learning materials which help to strengthen skills important to success in school. Materials are provided at Frank's Thriftway, Albertsons and Pampa Community Day Care Center on Wednesdays. For more information, call Sue Thornton at 669-4700.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

ALLEN, Lillie Myrtle Bruns — 10:30 a.m., McLean Church of Christ, McLean.
FORBAU, Oveda — Graveside services, 10:30 a.m., Miami Cemetery, Miami.
LYON, Buena Vernon — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Hansford Cemetery, Spearman.
RUSH, Joann Devers — Memorial services, 11 a.m., Memory Gardens Mausoleum, Pampa.

Obituaries

LILLIE MYRTLE BRUNS ALLEN

McLEAN — Lillie Myrtle Bruns Allen, 83, died Tuesday, March 18, 1997. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in the McLean Church of Christ with George Watson, former minister, officiating. Burial will be in Alanreed Cemetery at Alanreed under the direction of Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home of McLean.

Mrs. Allen was born at Wheeler. She married Emmett Allen in 1930 at Hollis, Okla. The couple had lived in the McLean/Alanreed area residents since 1938, moving from Wellington. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Emmett; two daughters, Betty Collie of Lake Texhoma and Gloria Jones of Cleburne; two sons, Don Allen of Sherman and Mickey Allen of Huntington Beach, Calif.; a sister, Leona Kahler of Burbank, Calif.; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

BUENA VERNON LYON

SPEARMAN — Buena Vernon Lyon, 73, mother of a Canadian resident, died Wednesday, March 19, 1997. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Hansford Cemetery with Dr. Lewis Holland, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Canadian, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mrs. Lyon was born in Harding County, N.M. She had been a longtime Spearman area resident, moving from New Mexico. She was a graduate of Spearman High School and West Texas State University. She taught school in Spearman prior to her marriage. She married P.A. "Perren" Lyon Jr. in 1949 at Panhandle; he died in 1990. She was a homemaker and a member of First Christian Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Catherine Lusby of Canadian; two sons, P.A. Lyon III of Odessa and James Ray Lyon; two brothers, Peter Vernon of Winters and H.J. Vernon of Spearman; and nine grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hansford County Library.

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.

M*A*S*H BLOOD DRIVE

The First American Bank, Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors and the Texas National Guard Army Family Group is sponsoring the Pampa M*A*S*H blood drive on Saturday, March 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the National Guard Armory. All donors will receive a free M*A*S*H T-shirt. Staff members of Coffee Memorial Blood Center of Amarillo will be on hand to accept the blood donations.

PAMPA AREA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Pampa Area Cancer Support Group for individuals, families and friends who have been touched by cancer meets the third Thursday of each month from 7-8 p.m. in the conference room of the Medical Building at Columbia Medical Center. Program for this month's meeting, on Thursday, March 20, will be a video, *Cancer and Sexuality: Weathering the Storm*. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. The public is invited. For more information, call 665-4742, 669-7619 or 665-8628.

Fires

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

WEDNESDAY, March 19

4:15 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to 450 Hughes on a grass fire.

5:30 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to 619 N. Hobart on a grass fire.

8:23 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to Russell and Texas on a controlled burn.

Sheriff's Office

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

WEDNESDAY, March 19

Arrests

Jeffrey Ethan Young, 24, 118 W. Albert, was arrested on charges of failure to appear, no insurance and no registration. He was released on bond.

Zwalyne Marcell Brown, 20, 805 Oklahoma, was arrested on a charge of probation violations. She remains in custody.

Jeremy Hernandez, 18, 415 Buckler, was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance. He remains in custody.

James Glenn Hooker, 26, was arrested on a charge of assault. He remains in custody.

Bobby Ray McGinnis, 65, 1437 E. Francis, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication. He remains in custody.

Kevin Jacoby, 28, 1913 N. Christy, was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass.

Police report

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

WEDNESDAY, March 19

An unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of Lincoln.

Theft from a motor vehicle was reported in the 900 block of North Frost. Damage and loss is estimated at \$175.

Theft of a wooden park sign was reported from the Lions Club Park.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1000 block of Neel Road. Loss is estimated at \$250.

Theft of hunting and camping equipment valued at \$1400 was reported in the 700 block of Buckler.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1200 block of South Faulkner.

Accidents

The Pampa Police department reported the following accidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, March 19

A 1989 Hyundai Excel driven by Ilita Mesta Captain, 25, 519 S. Somerville, and a 1984 Toyota SR 5 driven by Stephanie Grace Lowe, 28, Pampa, collided in the 1200 block of North Hobart. Captain was cited for failure to control speed and no insurance.

A 1987 Nissan Sentra driven by Marsha Danielle Bailey, 1120 Terry, collided with a maroon Ford Probe, driver unknown, in the 300 block of West Browning. The unknown driver left the scene. Citations have not yet been filed.

Stocks

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

Wheat	4.19	Chevron	67 1/4	dn 1/2
Milo	4.52	Coca-Cola	59	dn 5/8
Corn	5.20	Columbia/HCA	41	dn 1 3/8
		Enron	39 1/2	up 1/4
		Halliburton	69 3/8	dn 1/4
		Ingersoll Rand	47	NC
		KNE	39 3/4	dn 1/4
		Kerr-McGee	64 1/8	dn 3/8
		Limited	19 5/8	NC
		Mapco	31 1/2	up 1/4
		McDonald's	46 7/8	dn 1/2
		Mobile	131 3/4	dn 5/8
		New Atmos	25 7/8	NC
		Parker & Parsley	29 3/4	NC
		Penney's	49 3/8	dn 3/8
		Phillips	41	dn 3/4
		SLB	109 5/8	dn 3/4
		SPS	36 3/8	dn 1/4
		Tenneco	39 1/8	up 1/8
		Texas	100 3/4	dn 1
		Ultramar	31 1/2	NC
		Wal-Mart	29 1/2	dn 3/8
		New York Gold	350.90	
		Silver	5.14	
		West Texas Crude	22.06	

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

Occidental	24 7/8	up 1/8
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The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

Amoco	87 5/8	dn 7/8
Arco	127 3/4	NC
Cabot	24 3/4	up 1/8
Cabot O&G	16	NC

Ambulance

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

WEDNESDAY, March 19

9:13 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of North Wells on a trauma emergency. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center emergency room.

4:34 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

11:29 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 200 block of North Russell on a medical emergency. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.



(Pampa News photo by Sherry Cromartie)

John Crowell, left, director of Rolling Plains RC&D in Pampa, and board member Gray County Commissioner Joe Wheeley, center, accept grant funds in the amount of \$2,000 given by Ron Lucero, manager for Wal-Mart Stores Inc. of Pampa.

Grant to benefit RC&D community projects

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

North Rolling Plains Resource Conservation and Development organization is the recipient of grant funds in the sum of \$2,000 given by Wal-Mart Stores Inc.

"These funds are allocated through Wal-Mart to benefit the community and the people who work for the betterment of the community through non-profit programs," said Ron Lucero, manager of the Pampa store.

According to RC&D Executive Director John Crowell and board member Joe Wheeley, the funds will go toward purchasing a portable "notebook" computer and a Grant Research software program to be used here in Pampa for non profit, charitable organizations chartered under Article 501(c)(3).

"Having this kind of ready information in Pampa will assist my office in providing training on the use of the equipment and program information," Crowell said.

The Rolling Plains RC&D office in Pampa provides assistance programs to ten counties in the Panhandle. Crowell said through those programs, each county is given extra help to develop their home community improvement projects. He gives some examples of grant assisted programs he has been involved with in recent months.

By using the grant writing assistance programs made available to them in recent months, the Good Samaritans of Pampa received

grant money to help their building expansion project and to buy new utility provisions. By using the help through RC&D, plus their own fund raising programs, the Good Sam people raised more than \$30,000 in the past year, Crowell said.

He has worked closely with board members and volunteers of the newly formed Pampa Community Youth Services, overseen by Kerry Thorp.

Crowell has witnessed a great challenge and success in this group effort, when several volunteers decided to renovate a trashed-out building and turn it into a community building in 1995. With the cooperation of many, they were able to raise matching funds in order to receive several thousands of dollars in grants from resources such as

Amarillo Area Foundation, Wal-Mart and the Don & Sybil Harrington Resource Center.

Crowell said the project work is continuing to help build funds to finish the interior work of the building and to buy furniture, appliances and educational toys for the youth activities building and its future Youth Services Day Care Center on McCullough Street.

The RC&D program has been helpful to the people in Canadian who raised money to build a new community pavilion at the North Park. In one grant request, the Canadian project was awarded \$80,000.

Clarendon was able to build the

Veteran's Memorial placed on the Donley County Courthouse lawn and dedicated in last summer's Saint's Roost Celebration. Jack Moreman of Clarendon headed the fund raising efforts to apply toward a matching grant for this project, overseen through the RC&D office.

Crowell and his board of directors, also work in cooperation with other funding resource agencies, such as the U.S. Forest Service on area lake projects, such as Lake Fryer and Lake McClellan, and also, Texas Parks and Wildlife for park improvement projects such as community children's playgrounds.

Crowell works with a ten-member board of directors who represent each of the counties his office services.

They are Joe Wheeley, Gray County commissioner, Precinct 1; Bob Gober, Hemphill County judge; Jimmy Burson, Briscoe County judge; Freddy Loesch, Lipscomb County commissioner; Pat Conner, Ochiltree County businessman; Vernon Cook, Roberts County judge; Billy Crystal, Donley County judge; Kenneth Dale, Hall County judge; Glen "Tiny" Taylor, Collingsworth County commissioner; and Wendell Morgan, Wheeler County judge.

For more information concerning assistance programs for non-profit agencies, contact the North Rolling Plains RC&D office at 806-669-0312.

Turner: Cable will fight Murdoch's satellite TV proposal

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Ted Turner says the cable television industry will fight rival Rupert Murdoch's plan to beam hundreds of TV channels into people's homes via satellite.

"We're going to make it as

tough for him as we possibly can," Turner said Wednesday. "Kind of like the Russian army did with the German army."

Murdoch's latest venture, a \$1 billion stake in a Denver-based direct broadcast satellite compa-

ny, EchoStar Communications Corp., is being referred to as "Death Star" by cable executives.

"Either he's going to go hungry or we are," Turner said, closing the cable industry's convention in New Orleans.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, generally clear with a low in the upper 40s and southwesterly winds 5-10 mph. Friday, generally sunny and warmer with a high in the upper 80s and southwesterly winds 15-25 mph and gusty. Wednesday's high was 73; the overnight low was 46.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, mostly clear with lows from low to upper 40s. Friday, mostly sunny, breezy and warm with highs in mid to upper 80s.

South Plains: Tonight, clear. Lows 45-50. Friday, sunny with near record warmth. Highs 85-90.

North Texas — Tonight and Friday, clear. Lows tonight 48 east to 55 west. Highs Friday 81 to 86.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, clear. Lows near 50, 40s Hill Country. Friday, sunny and warmer. Highs in the 80s. Upper Coast: Tonight, clear. Lows in the 40s inland to upper 50s.

Oklahoma — Tonight, clear. Lows in mid 40s to mid 50s. Friday, partly cloudy and warm. Highs mostly in the 80s.

Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, clear. Lows in the 50s. Friday, mostly sunny and warmer. Highs in the 70s coast to the mid 80s inland.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Tonight through Friday, fair skies and unseasonably warm. Lows mid 20s to near 40 mountains, upper 30s to near 50 at lower elevations. Highs Friday 60s and 70s mountains with 70s to upper 80s lower elevations.

Oklahoma — Tonight, clear. Lows in mid 40s to mid 50s. Friday, partly cloudy and warm. Highs mostly in the 80s.

City briefs

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

KNIGHTS OF Columbus Catfish fry, Friday, March 21st, 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m. "All You Can Eat" Adults \$7, Children \$3. Knights of Columbus Hall. Adv.

LAKE HOUSE 14x80 trailer with deck at Sandspur Lake. Owner will carry part of note. 665-6214. Adv.

CALF FRIES - Moose Lodge, Thursday 20th, 7 p.m. Members and guests. Adv.

THE LANDMARK Club - Rusty Cooper and Silver Creek Band, Saturday 9 p.m.-1 a.m. \$5 person, \$9 couple. Adv.

ESTEE LAUDER Free Gift with purchase of \$17.50. Complete line of all Estee Lauder products, fragrance, skin care, nails, thighzone, and sun-tan products. Images, 123 N. Cuyler. Downtown, 669-1097. Adv.

LADIES NIGHT! Thursday night at the Landmark. Come check out the specials and the DJ. Adv.

OPEN HOUSE at Joy's Unlimited, Merle Norman and Collectors Corner. Come see our new remodeling and great selections! March 21, 22, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 2218 N. Hobart, 665-2515, 665-3246. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - Thursday 5-8 p.m. Chicken and dumplings, pork chops, barbeque Polish, chicken fried steak. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

HUGE GARAGE Sale - Saturday, March 22 only, 8-5 p.m. 2750 Aspen. Proceeds go to Pampa Swim Team. Adv.

SPRING CLEANING Discounts, Young's Carpet Cleaning, 665-3538. Adv.

FOR SALE like new Nordic Track Walk Fit, 665-3538. Adv.

IF YOU are age 55+, come to Lovett Library on Sunday, March 23 at 3 p.m. to learn about Eldershotel-Adventure for people who want to keep growing. Adv.

DANCE TO Indian Summer, Friday night, Pampa Senior Citizens, 7-9:30 p.m. No dance on Good Friday, March 28. Adv.

OPEN - THE Coffee & Candy Barn has moved to 301 W. Kingsmill, we'll be open for business at 7 a.m. Friday 21st. We have added donuts, bagels, cinnamon rolls and cheese cake for breakfast. For lunch - salad bar, soup and sandwiches. Thank you for your patience while we were closed. 301 W. Kingsmill, 665-4426. Adv.

Energas

As a part of this plan, Energas also expects to consolidate its field operations among offices that are located in close proximity to each other, although it is not yet known which offices will be affected. Atmos will close its 108 business offices in six states for routine business traffic. After the consolidations, approximately 77 offices will remain as field service centers in the communities.

Atmos expects that over time, these changes will mean a reduction of about 240 jobs throughout the six states Atmos serves. The exact number of jobs and the effect in Energas locations have not yet been determined, but

employees displaced by the changes will be eligible for a competitive package of severance benefits.

Energas Company intends to continue a strong presence in the communities it serves and has added Dan Alderson (Odessa), Junior Aston (Lubbock) and Roy Urrutia (Amarillo) as managers of public affairs, who will focus on working with local governments, chambers of commerce, economic development boards and other entities to help the communities grow.

"We believe that this plan will provide our customer with enhanced service and meet their needs into the future. In addition, these actions will increase the company's future efficiency in

order to continue to be competitive," Ehler said.

"We will keep our customers and communities informed of our progress in making these changes. For your service requests, please continue to contact your local Energas business office."

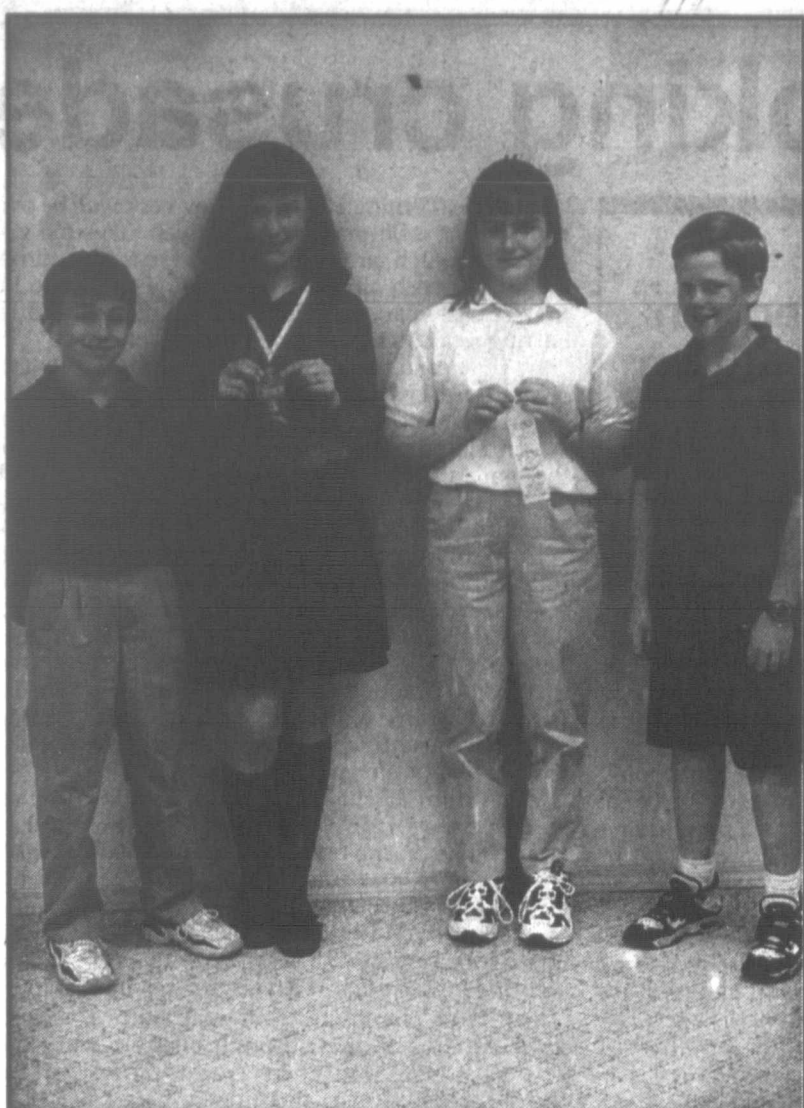
Energas Company provides natural gas service to approximately 311,000 customers in West Texas.

Atmos Energy Corporation provides natural gas service to more than 680,000 customers in Texas, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Louisiana and Kentucky through its operating companies — Energas Company, Greeley Gas Company, Trans Louisiana Gas Company and Western Kentucky Gas Company.

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Math Olympics winners



(Pampa News photo by Laura Haley)

These four students — Evan Ladd, Sarah Fraser, Michelle Kogler and Grant Biehler — were awarded for their standings in the one-day Math Olympics competition held in Plainview on March 7. Twelve students from Community Christian School competed against a total of 191 students from private schools across the state. Of the two categories, reasoning and computation, four students from Community Christian School placed in the top five in the reasoning division. Of the sixth graders, Biehler brought home a third place win and Ladd placed fifth. Fraser was awarded a first place standing and Kogler snatched third for the seventh graders.

Medical bill sent to Texas House

AUSTIN (AP) — A committee has forwarded to the Texas House legislation that would increase a physician's ability to prescribe pain-killing drugs, despite partisan attempts to label the move as legalizing marijuana.

Bill author Rep. John Hirschi, D-Wichita Falls, presented the House Public Health Committee with a substituted measure — refining the language — and a disclaimer of his intent.

"I'm here to tell this (bill) does not (legalize) marijuana," Hirschi said. "In no way, shape or form does this change that federal regulation."

Marijuana is a federally controlled substance and state legislation would not override federal regulations.

The bill passed unopposed through the committee Wednesday. It will next be voted upon by the full House.

The measure allows physicians to prescribe or administer "dangerous drugs or controlled substances" to a person only for legitimate medical purposes.

Upon the House reading, Rep. Dianne Delisi, R-Temple, said she will add a floor amendment to address concerns of Republicans who blasted the legislation on Tuesday.

Delisi's amendment will read: "This Act is not intended nor shall it be interpreted to legalize the use of any illegal substance for prescription to any patient or person at any time."

Both Ms. Delisi and Hirschi have personal interest in the bill since their spouses died after lengthy bouts with cancer. Hirschi initiated the legislation with the help of M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, the Texas Medical Association, the Hospice Association and the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

"My husband died of leukemia and I would have appreciated it if broader pain medicine was available to him," Ms. Delisi said.

Texas Republican Party chairman Tom Pauken issued a statement claiming the bill would allow the prescribing of marijuana for certain physical conditions.

Fourth annual TOT Trade Days set for May 3-4

A weekend of family fun will come alive on Saturday and Sunday, May 3 and 4, when the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association hosts its Fourth Annual Trade Days, Cowboy Chili Cook-off, First Annual Brisket Cook-off and Amateur Team Penning at the Clyde Carruth Livestock Pavilion and Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena in Pampa.

An arts and crafts fair and flea market will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. Indoor and outdoor booth space may be rented on a first come, first served basis by contacting the rodeo office at 669-3241. Indoor pavilion space is \$25 and limited. Outdoor space is \$15 per space.

No food or drink vendors are allowed. No livestock will be permitted and vendors are required to furnish their own equipment and tables. Vendors may begin booth set up after 4 p.m. on Friday, and security will be provided Friday and Saturday nights.

The Fourth Annual Cowboy Chili Cook-off

will be held on Saturday, May 3, at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. The entry fee is \$10 per cook and judging will take place at 12 noon on Saturday.

First place will receive \$300, second place will receive \$200 and third place will receive \$100.

Cooks must furnish their own equipment and all chili must be prepared on the premises. Samples will be available to the public after judging is completed for 50 cents per cup.

The Chili Cook-off is sponsored by North Country Coors, Dorman Tire, Subway Sandwiches, Bourland and Leverich, and Signal Fuels.

The First Annual Brisket Cook-off will be held on Sunday, May 4, at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. The entry fee is \$10 per team and judging will take place at 12 noon on Sunday. Trophies and cash prizes will be awarded to the top three places.

Cooks must furnish their own equipment and

briskets must be cooked on the premises. Samples will be available following the judging.

The Brisket Cook-off is sponsored by Bill Benda and McDonald's Restaurants of Pampa and Perryton.

The First Annual Amateur Team Penning will begin at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 4, at the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena. Books will open at 9 a.m. on Sunday, May 4, and close at the start of each class.

Classes and their entry fees are as follows: Amateur-Novice — \$60 per team; Mixed — \$60 per team; and Youth — \$21 per team. Each rider is limited to three rides. Sponsors of the team penning are North Country Coors and the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association.

Registration information for booths and cooks can be obtained by contacting Jane Jacobs at (806) 669-3241 any Monday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Event and activity fees should accompany the completed registration forms to the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association, P.O. Box 1942, Pampa, TX 79065.

Pampa German and Latin students get blue ribbons

SHERMAN — Austin College turned into something of a global village recently as over 1,000 high school students from Texas and Oklahoma — including Pampa High School students — arrived on the campus for Foreign Language Weekend.

Walking across the campus one could hear any number of songs, poems or readings — in Spanish, French, German or Latin.

Pampa German language students Jack Leland and Will Wright received blue ribbons for listening comprehension, and Trey Ford and Jack Leland received blue ribbons for reading comprehension. These students are taught by Raye Stucker.

Pampa Latin students John Harvey, Jordan Holmes and Kevin Organ received blue ribbons for their play, and Kevin Organ also received a blue ribbon for reading comprehension. These students are taught by Vince McGee.

For 20 years Austin College's classical and modern language faculty has hosted the high school event which is a combination of competition and festival. Students in the four languages participate in dance, drama, song, poster design, oral comprehension and poetry and prose reading.

The emphasis of the gather-

ing is on each student performing at his or her best rather than in competition with one another.

Students from over 50 high schools participated in this year's event, some from schools as far away as Houston or Tulsa. "The kids love it," one Houston teacher said, adding that she particularly enjoys the relaxed atmosphere, the opportunity for enhanced self-esteem and the motivation for hard work the event creates.

The hard work pays off. Students' performances are judged into categories of blue, red or white ribbon, not against one another. AC's program is designed to allow students to perform without the pressure of winning or losing. Instead, the program is designed to help promote language study and to aid teachers in building their programs.

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Agreement in principle reached between American and pilots

WASHINGTON (AP) — American Airlines and its pilots reached an agreement in principle to end a longstanding contract dispute, according to officials who said final details were being worked out.

A pilots union official said negotiators hoped to have a proposal ready for the union's board Friday, and American Airlines spokesman Chris Chiames confirmed, "We have reached an agreement in principle."

Neither Chiames nor Capt. Michael Cronin of the Allied Pilots Association would discuss details of the proposal, and union sources cautioned that some sticking points must be resolved before it is submitted to the union's board for approval.

"The details are still being worked on as we speak and we want our board of directors to hear it from negotiators and not from the press," said Cronin,

the union's chief of legislative affairs.

Negotiators were to meet at an undisclosed location in Washington today to continue talks. The pilots board was set to meet in the capital on Friday.

Word of the proposal came as an emergency board sent President Clinton a report about the issues separating the pilots and the nation's largest domestic airline. The board was appointed by the president minutes after the pilots voted to strike last month.

In addition to wages, the dispute revolved around who will fly small jets that American plans to use to replace the turboprops now used on commuter flights.

The union insisted that its members fly the 70- to 100-seat jets. American's parent company, AMR Corp., wanted its lower-paid American Eagle pilots to move into jet cockpits.



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Opinion

Term limit drive just beginning

Let's face it, nobody really expected Congress to approve sending a meaningful congressional term-limits constitutional amendment to the state legislatures for their consideration.

Whatever Congressional members may say when voters are listening, most members love being there and are remarkably susceptible to the suggestion that their personal tenure is virtually indispensable to the health of the Republic. And they can get pretty cranky when mere voters have the audacity to try to instruct them on the matter.

So the fact that even a pale version of term limits failed to get two-thirds of the votes in the House was hardly surprising. But that the concept failed so completely despite 11 different proposals and 11 different votes defines the paradox — members have to appear friendly to the notion to satisfy voters, yet truly want no part of a career-limiting measure.

More to the political showmanship point, don't miss the shell-game quality of their vote. With so many choices, members could — and did — vote in favor of some versions and against others, all with an eye to the final outcome and the only real count of hands that mattered — no term limits.

It's safe to say most voters don't believe term limits are a silver bullet that will bring good government in a heartbeat. But term limits seem to provide an answer to voters' fundamental question about people who govern: "Would you rather have people who in some way resemble citizen-legislators or professional politicians, representing you in Washington or Sacramento or City Hall?"

For some, support for term limits is seen as a surrogate for favoring a less active, less intrusive government, though it is unclear whether universal term limits would automatically shrink the government.

Not surprisingly, voters favor shorter term limits over more expansive limitations. GOP pollster Frank Luntz found, in 1995, that the 75 percent of those polled who favored term limits favored a three-term limit (six years) over a six-term limit (12 years) for House of Representative members by a startling 82 percent to 14 percent margin. The GOP Fabrizio-McLaughlin firm in 1996 found a similar margin on the same question.

Voters in many states have voted to limit the terms of their House delegations, but the U.S. Supreme Court ruled they didn't have the authority to do so, that it would take a constitutional amendment. So term-limit supporters in the House (some perhaps sincere) have tried to get an amendment passed. The most popular proposal in recent years among has been a six-term or 12-year limit pushed by Republican Rep. Bill McCollum of Florida.

So term limits supporters tried a new tack last year. They placed initiatives on various state ballots stating that the voters supported a three-term limit, and instructed that the phrase "disregarded voters' instructions on term limits" be placed on subsequent election ballots behind the name of any member of Congress who failed to support a three-term amendment. Nine states passed such initiatives.

The larger impact? When seven different versions of a three-term limit amendment were presented, members in those states that had passed "informed voter" initiatives dutifully voted for them. They failed overwhelmingly, as did a four-term proposal, McCollum's six-term proposal (which got the most votes) and a retroactive, six-term plan offered by Michigan Democrat John Dingell.

Amid such a complete rout, some commentators pronounced the term limit movement dead.

That would be premature. The most remarkable grassroots movement of our time is far from vanquished. And "informed voter" initiative already has garnered enough signatures in California to be on the June '98 ballot, and organizers are optimistic about getting one on the ballot in Florida, Ohio, Michigan and other states.

The only thing that happened was that the House succeeded in promulgating a veil of obfuscation with McCollum vehemently blaming the grassroots rather than the elected legislators who in their heart of hearts hate the idea of any term limits — this time.

But by the many measures we see and rising voices we hear, the term limits movement appears only to be gaining strength among voters and will doubtless return to the House floor, and rightly so.

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Misbegotten smoking crusade

The day the Food and Drug Administration's new rules on tobacco sales went into effect, one European visitor said he didn't mind being forced to show identification to buy cigarettes, even though at 29 he is eleven years older than the minimum age. "As a Romanian," said Ravzan Faer, "I am used to all sorts of security."

The FDA is striving mightily to make America the kind of place where a veteran of Soviet bloc communism can feel at home. Just recently, retailers and consumers were confronted with an order that no one under age 27 may purchase tobacco without first supplying proof of age. This is just the beginning of an FDA campaign that ostensibly aims at keeping cigarettes away from kids but will appreciably cramp the freedom of adults.

The new rule on sales to those 27 and under is a novel twist: Not only is it illegal to sell cigarettes to a minor, as it should be, but it is forbidden to sell to an adult who might possibly be a minor without first inspecting an ID. The agency could simply punish those who make underage sales and let store owners figure out the best way to avoid them, but it would hate to pass up an opportunity to give orders.

The FDA has more regulations on the way. Starting in August, it will begin the ambitious task of thought control by slapping new restrictions on what adults as well as children may see, read and even wear.

Billboards advertising cigarettes will be outlawed within 1,000 feet of a school or public playground, which means vast stretches of entire cities will be off-limits. Tobacco companies will be prohibited from producing merchandise with their logos. Magazines guilty of having 15 percent or more of their readers



Stephen Chapman

under age 18 will be permitted to run only stark "tombstone" ads for tobacco products — "black text on white background without pictures or colors."

All these regulations are rooted in the agency's sudden discovery, 59 years after the passage of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, that the FDA has the power to regulate tobacco. Why? Because, it says, nicotine is a drug, and cigarettes are nothing more than "drug-delivery devices."

But the FDA doesn't take this line of reasoning seriously. If it did, it would feel obligated to regulate caffeine as a drug and coffee as a drug-delivery device. Caffeine, as the agency says of nicotine, is used by consumers for such purposes as "sustaining their addiction" and "mood alteration."

The agency would also have little choice but to ban cigarettes entirely. What other drug would be allowed that has no medical use but causes hundreds of thousands of deaths every year? The FDA's position, though, is merely a ploy for broadening its powers. Congress, which has frequently considered whether to give the FDA authority to regulate tobacco, must be surprised to learn that the FDA had it all along.

The rules coming in August may very well be overturned by the Supreme Court, which takes the view that the speech protected by the First Amendment includes speech aimed at persuading people to buy things. Last year, it struck down a Rhode Island law barring retailers from advertising liquor prices.

In that case, the court expressed deep skepticism about laws that ban "truthful, non-misleading speech about a lawful product" when the ban is "unrelated to consumer protection." It also said the state's goal, promoting temperance, could be achieved without suppressing speech. The FDA regulations exhibit the same flaws.

Certainly they will interfere with truthful communication about a lawful product. The limit on youth readership of magazines will affect not just *Sports Illustrated for Kids* but such publications as *Time* and *Better Homes and Gardens* — costing them revenue, to the detriment of their readers. The ban on merchandise will make it illegal for a company to sell a consenting adult something so innocuous as a T-shirt or a cigarette lighter.

What does all this have to do with keeping cigarettes away from children? We already have ample laws on the books barring the sale of tobacco to minors, and they are finally being enforced with some vigor. Most states restrict the location of cigarette vending machines. The idea that billboards and magazine ads serve to hook kids on nicotine is a stretch. Who advertises marijuana?

The FDA campaign is at war with a belief of most Americans that, though cigarettes are dangerous, adults should be free to smoke if they choose. This effort is the agency's first use of the tobacco issue to attack the rights of adults. If it's allowed to stand, it won't be the last.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, March 20, the 79th day of 1997. There are 286 days left in the year. Spring arrives at 8:56 a.m. EST.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 20, 1727, physicist, mathematician and astronomer Sir Isaac Newton died in London.

On this date:

In 1413, England's King Henry IV died; he was succeeded by Henry V.

In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte entered Paris, beginning his "Hundred Days" rule.

In 1816, the U.S. Supreme Court, in *Martin vs. Hunter's Lessee*, affirmed its right to review state court decisions.

In 1833, the United States and Siam (now Thailand) concluded a commercial treaty in Bangkok.

In 1896, U.S. Marines landed in Nicaragua to protect U.S. citizens in the wake of a revolution.

In 1956, union workers ended a 156-day strike at Westinghouse Electric Corp.

In 1969, John Lennon married Yoko Ono in Gibraltar.

In 1976, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was convicted of armed robbery for her part in a San Francisco bank holdup.



Welfare monsters versus cloning

Charley Reese

If you are worried about human monsters, you should worry more about the welfare programs than you should about cloning. The welfare programs have produced human monsters. Cloning of humans hasn't even been tried.

First, don't get excited about the cloning of sheep. Haven't you learned by now to wait until other scientists get a good look at this allegedly cloned sheep, go over the notes and duplicate the work? A sheep may or may not have been successfully cloned. We don't know that yet. We know that some scientists have claimed to have cloned a sheep. Not all claims turn out to be valid.

Second, what makes for a bad human being is not biology but a combination of environment and biology. A welfare system that has paid women to have babies they didn't otherwise want has produced a lot of psychopaths, or as they like to say now, sociopathic personalities.

These are human beings in form but without a conscience or an ounce of human compassion. They lack the ability to relate in a human way to another human being. That's why they can shoot babies or toss children out windows.

It begins in the womb, where pro-abortion fanatics claim no person exists. But a person does exist, and according to scientists not involved in the abortion babbles, stress and, after birth, a lack of proper nurturing can fix a tendency to aggressive and violent behavior in a child by the age of two.

It is not environment or biology. It is both. The bad environment in these early development stages causes chemical and other physiological changes in the brain. In other words, the kids' brains don't get wired properly.

And here's some more bad news, straight in the language of science: "Once the aggressive and antisocial lifestyles of these children develop and stabilize, they tend to be remarkably refractory to interventions." That means they are hard as heck to change.

Now when you make cash, housing, food and other benefits available just for having a baby without a father around, you create a situation in which the people absolutely the least qualified to be mothers will have a tendency to produce babies as a cash crop.

And these babies often don't receive either proper nutrition or nurturing — not because these resources aren't available, but precisely because their sorry mothers don't give a damn about them.

For years I've heard liberals say no woman would have a baby just to qualify for welfare. Bull. I've known women who had children for cash crop purposes. I've known their boyfriends.

Anybody who's worked in the trenches of the welfare system knows the score. Anybody who runs a business in a ghetto area knows the score.

The trouble with most liberals is that they are naive, upper middle-class folks who don't know, and who don't want to know, what poor folks are really like. They read about people. They don't associate with them. They never were one of them.

But if it's human monsters you are worried about, it's the liberal welfare state, not some scientist in a laboratory, that should concern you. Absolutely no welfare benefits of any kind should be given to the mother of an illegitimate child. Welfare should be contingent on a marriage license and in the absence of a husband, on divorce papers.

You might think that's a nonlibertarian position, but it isn't. If women wish to have illegitimate children, they can do so. But they should not expect other people to pay for them. Anybody who thinks the present high rates of illegitimacy are not a factor in producing criminals just hasn't read the literature. It's not even a question anymore.

So, the only way to put a long term dent in crime is to punish illegitimacy and reward marriage because the traditional two-parent family is scientifically proven to be the best incubators of useful, law abiding citizens.

As for a cloned sheep, if it scares you, eat it.

Women score in professional sports

Ever since the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League began their run in the 1940s, there have been numerous attempts to form professional women's sports leagues. The 1970s saw the Women's Professional Basketball League; in the early 1990s it was the Liberty basketball league. However, none of these projects achieved long term success.

But many sports watchers believe that 1997 could be the year that changes all that, as an unprecedented number of professional women's sports leagues are starting up. The American Basketball League formed last October, and attendance is running ahead of projections. A new softball league, Women's Professional Fastpitch, also exceeded expectations at a 1995 barnstorming tour. In June, the Women's National Basketball Association will start its first season. And a professional women's soccer league is slated for 1998.

The timing of these enterprises could not be better, as a number of factors suggest that this could be a historic year for women's professional sports. — It is the 25th anniversary of Title IX, which requires public school systems to dedicate equal funds and resources to girls' and boys' sports. The Title IX babies have now come of age, filling a deep talent pool for women's sports. To get an idea of just how much the field has changed, consider the fact that today one in three teenage girls plays a high school sport; in 1972 it was one in 27.



Sara Eckel

— The 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta brought international attention to American women athletes. The U.S. women's teams took gold in basketball, soccer and softball, and drew record crowds. They also created a national awareness that women's elite sports are about more than just gymnastics and figure skating.

— The new pro leagues have deep-pocket sponsors. Reebok is the founding sponsor the American Basketball League, and Nike and Spalding are sponsoring the WNBA, which also has deals with ESPN, Lifetime and NBC to televise the games. Three athletic shoe companies — Nike, Reebok and Adidas — are backing the women's soccer league. And AT&T Wireless Services is sponsoring Women's Professional Fastpitch.

— Women's collegiate sports are more popular than ever. Thinking of going to this month's

NCAA Women's Final Four basketball tournament in Cincinnati? Think again. Tickets to this event sold out a year ago, in less than six hours.

But perhaps the most crucial factor is that women's sports are coming of age at a time when many believe that pro sports has lost its soul. The baseball strike of 1994 left fans disgusted by the greed of both the players and the owners. The Dream Team, the Olympic basketball team comprised of professional players, was largely viewed as a cynical attempt to make millionaire athletes even richer. And the despicable behavior of players such as basketball star Dennis Rodman, who kicked a photographer, and baseball's Roberto Alomar, who spit on an umpire, have led many fans to conclude that professional athletes are nothing more than overpaid, overpampered bad boys.

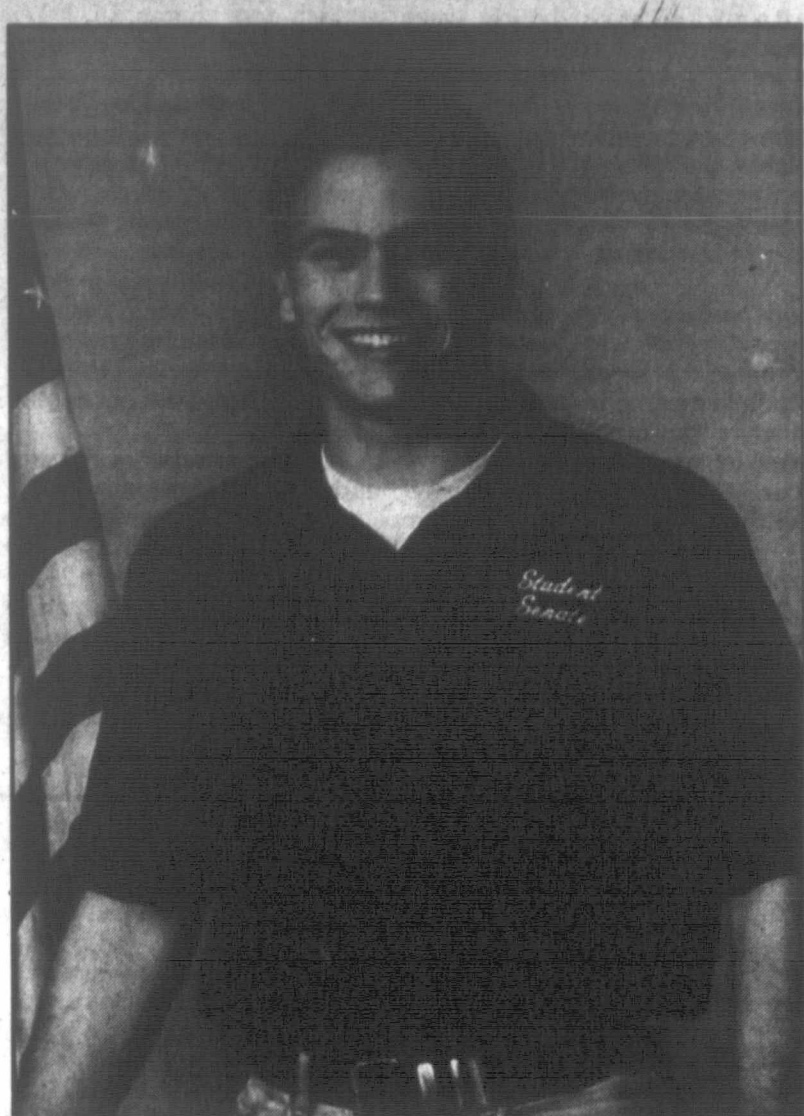
Worst of all, the astronomical salaries of the players end up being paid for by the fans. A seat at an NBA game, for example, can cost more than \$40.

For the same money, an entire family could see a WNBA game, which costs \$10 a ticket. Women's Professional Fastpitch is even cheaper; at \$4.50, it's less than a movie.

More important, however, is what women might be able to bring back to professional sports. Teamwork. Sportsmanship. A love of the game.

OK, ladies, you've got the ball. Now let's see you run with it.

Student senator at WTAMU



(WTAMU photo)

Ryan Gibson, son of Mark and Jan Gibson of Pampa, is beginning his term as a student senator at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. Gibson is a freshman animal science management major elected to represent the College of Agriculture, Nursing and Natural Sciences. He is a resident assistant at Guenther Hall and a member of Residence Hall Association and Sigma Nu Fraternity. Gibson is a 1996 graduate of Pampa High School.

Education committee considers allowing school choice measure

AUSTIN (AP) — A proposal to give students in low-performing public schools access to taxpayer-funded private tuition is pending in the Senate Education Committee.

Committee Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, is author of the bill to provide students another way out of public schools where less than half the students performed satisfactorily on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills' reading, writing or math section for three straight years.

Students at such campuses make up an estimated 6.5 percent of Texas' 3.7 million public school students.

Bivins' bill would allow them to use state and local education funds to pay private school tuition if they were turned down for a transfer to another public school.

He has said the measure is meant as a pilot program to test the theories of those "who propose that this would substantially increase accountability and student learning, and all the other wonderful claims that are made about vouchers."

Opponents of the tuition voucher program, among other objections, say it's simply wrong to funnel badly needed money

from public to private schools. After hearing testimony on both sides, Bivins said he was leaving the measure pending so he could make some adjustments in the bill.

"All I've tried to do is provide a framework to see which side is right," he said.

Bivins' voucher measure is based on the existing public education grant program, which allows students who are assigned to attend low-performing campuses to transfer to other school districts that agree to take them.

Eighteen percent of Texas' school children are eligible for the current program, but only 53 students have used the grants to transfer.

The current program applies to students at campuses at which 50 percent or more of the students didn't perform satisfactorily on the statewide Texas Assessment of Academic Skills in any of the preceding three years. That's an easier standard to meet than the three straight years in Bivins' bill for private-school vouchers.

The private-school voucher would be about 80 percent of the money that would go to a public school, or an average of about \$4,000 per student transferring to private school.

CASA taking volunteer applications

The CASA program of Gray County is now accepting applications for volunteers.

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) volunteers are appointed by a judge as an advocate for children whose permanent placement is being decided by the court because the children are victims of child abuse and neglect.

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Applicants are required to attend training sessions before becoming a CASA volunteer. The training includes information regarding the role of a child advocate, family law, social services available to children, court

procedures and child development issues. Any resident wishing to make a tremendous difference in the life of a child should consider becoming a CASA volunteer.

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House readies for another round in abortion debate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans appear headed toward a repeat of last year's showdown with President Clinton as they prepare to vote again to ban an abortion procedure used in second- and third-trimester pregnancies.

The House was scheduled to vote on the bill today as one of its final legislative actions before beginning a two-week Easter break.

The House Rules Committee, which met Wednesday night to put the final touches on the bill, decided to present the full House with the identical measure that Clinton rejected last year.

The panel eliminated amendments that would have barred

men who either abuse or abandon women pregnant with their children from suing for damages if the women had "partial-birth" abortions later in the pregnancies.

The House Judiciary Committee adopted the amendment last week.

"In consultation with the Senate, we generally decided that we'd give the president the same bill he had before," said Rep. Gerald Solomon, R-N.Y., the Rules Committee chairman.

Solomon said Republicans were hopeful that Clinton, who supports abortion rights, would agree to a ban now that a key abortion rights advocate has said he lied during the debate two years ago.

Ron Fitzsimmons, who runs the

National Coalition of Abortion Providers in Alexandria, Va., now says the procedure, described by opponents as a "partial-birth" abortion, is performed mostly during the fifth and sixth months of pregnancy and often is elective. He previously said it was rarely used and then only to save a woman's life or abort malformed fetuses.

"Now that that's changed, hopefully the president will sign the bill," Solomon said after the meeting Wednesday.

The procedure, more complicated than first-trimester abortions and medically known as "dilation and evacuation," involves partially extracting a fetus, legs first, through the birth canal, cutting an

incision in the barely visible skull base and then draining the contents of the skull.

The bill would outlaw the procedure and threaten anyone who performs it with fines and up to two years in prison.

Critics say the measure is flawed because it targets a specific procedure and makes no exception to protect a woman's health. They also say Congress shouldn't legislate medical practices.

However, the bill includes an exception for saving a woman's life.

The House voted to override Clinton's veto last year, but the Senate fell eight votes short of the two-thirds majority needed for the override.

WTAMU to offer Internet chat room for students in April

CANYON — What's it like to live in a residence hall? Does eating cafeteria food every day get old? And what do West Texas A&M University students do for fun?

These are just three of the many questions that high school students want to know about college life. WTAMU hopes to provide answers and just chat with high schoolers during April when it hosts an Internet Relay Chat (IRC) room.

The chat room will be open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on the "WT" days of the week (Wednesday and Thursday) April 2-3, April 9-10, April 16-17 and April 23-24. Chat room hours will be divided into 48 two-hour time slots, each featuring a guest CyberBuff who will chat from a computer on campus. The first CyberBuff to host the chat room will be WTAMU President Russell C. Long, who will

on Wednesday, April 2.

The idea is to give prospective students a hint of what life at WTAMU is like. Participants can ask any question they wish, and if the WTAMU CyberBuff moderating the chat room does not know the answer, he or she will direct them to someone who does.

The chat room is aimed at teenagers and prospective WTAMU students but is open to anyone including current students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the University.

"I think the WTAMU chat room will be fun as well as informative," Dana Olmstead, director of communication services, said. "We will feature a variety of University personalities, and it will be interesting to see how the WTAMU CyberBuffs, prospective students, graduates and other on-line participants interact."

staff, administrators and alumni and will feature representatives from WTAMU's four colleges, The Graduate School, the WTAMU Alumni Association, Enrollment Management, Intercollegiate Athletics, Student Services and the WTAMU administration.

To access the WTAMU Chat Room, users need an IRC program such as Irclite (for Mac) or mIRC (for Windows). A trial version of Irclite Plan can be downloaded from the Internet at <http://www.xs4all.nl/~irclite> and a trial version of mIRC can be downloaded at <http://www.2axi.net/mirc/>.

The address for the WTAMU Chat Room is wtchat.wtamu.edu and the channel is wtamu.

For more information about the WTAMU Chat Room, contact Olmstead at 806/656-2120, or Rik Anderson in Communication

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Energas names Roy Urrutia new public affairs manager

LUBBOCK — Roy C. Urrutia has been named to the position of manager of public affairs Amarillo-Hereford-Pampa area for Energas Company.

Urrutia, formerly manager in Levelland, began his employment with the company in 1976 as service technician in Lubbock. During his tenure with the company, he has held various supervisory positions.

Urrutia, a native of Lubbock, attended American Commercial College and South Plains College.

Throughout his career, he has been active in civic and community affairs. Currently, he serves on the board of directors of the Levelland Industrial Foundation, South Plains Community Action, Levelland Chamber of Commerce and the Levelland Independent School District's Students Achieving for Excellence. He also is a member of the Levelland Noon Rotary.

In making the announcement, Anthony Looney, senior vice president of operations for Energas Company, stated that Urrutia would be responsible for planning, organizing and implement-



Roy C. Urrutia

ing the company's community and public relations programs in the towns of Amarillo, Hereford, Pampa, Canyon, Dalhart, Panhandle, Friona, Dimmit and the surrounding communities.

Energas Company, a division of Atmos Energy Corporation, of Dallas, Texas, provides natural gas service to more than 314,000 customers in West Texas.

Senate votes overwhelmingly to expand Open Meetings Act

AUSTIN (AP) — Many closed-door briefings of governmental bodies would be opened to the public under a bill overwhelmingly approved by the Texas Senate.

Voting 28-3 Wednesday, senators sent the bill to the House after its sponsor said the measure would close "a loophole Mack trucks could drive through."

The bill by Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio, would expand the state Open Meetings Act to include sessions where quorums of city councils, county commissioners' courts, school boards and other public bodies are briefed by staff members or other individuals.

Private briefing sessions have been one of the most controversial exceptions to the open meetings law, which requires governing bodies to hold public meetings in all but limited circumstances.

Critics say officials will discuss issues in private, then after disagreements have been hashed out behind closed doors emerge and vote in public meetings with little discussion or controversy.

Opponents say the bill will hin-

der discussion of issues not ready for public discussion or vote.

Wentworth, a former county commissioner and university regent, said private briefings can easily turn into decision-making sessions.

"In two seconds, you're suddenly in deliberations. They're not supposed to decide public policy in secret," he said.

"Typically, it's not a conscious, intentional decision to get around the Open Meetings Act. It just happens. I'm trying to make sure the public gets to see those sessions."

Under Wentworth's bill, a governmental body of four or more members would have to give notice of and open to the public meetings where a quorum is present and where information is received and questions asked.

As with other meetings, discussions of litigation, personnel, property acquisition, security devices and gifts and donations still could occur in private.

"Many times, public elected officials meet (privately) where there is a quorum present and make decisions that ought to be made in public," said Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi.

Square House Museum to offer trip back in time 12,000 years

PANHANDLE — The Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle will be traveling back in time 12,000 years on Saturday, April 12.

Stop 1 of the trip, the Museum of Texas Tech, will place travelers in the post-Civil War era at the popular "Buffalo Soldier" exhibit.

Four regiments of African Americans (9th/10th Cavalry and 24th/25th Infantry) served along the Western Frontier, including the Texas Panhandle during the Red River War of 1876. This exhibit includes uniforms, artifacts and the photographic collection of Anthony Powell, grandson of a 9th Cavalry soldier.

Later in the day, participants will amplify the experience by visiting a living history encampment of the 9th Cavalry at the Lubbock Lake Landmark.

Stop 2 starts with lunch in the Landmark Park, followed by a

guided tour of the 12,000-year-old World Heritage archaeological site. Travelers will visit the Landmark Museum, which traces the prehistory, history and natural history of the site and region.

The Buffalo Soldiers' encampment and demonstrations of Native American technologies will complete the day. The tour will leave at 5 p.m., stopping for dinner in Plainview.

Those attending the day's time travel event will travel in comfortable vans, leaving from Panhandle at 8 a.m. and from Canyon at 8:45 a.m.

The tour costs \$25 per person, which includes all expenses except dinner. The museums and park are accessible to all.

For registration forms and information, call (806) 537-3524. Attendees can register by telephone with a MasterCard or Visa credit card. Deadline for paid reservations is Friday, April 4.

Lamar School Honor Roll

Lamar Elementary School has announced its Honor Roll for the fourth six-weeks grading period of the 1996-1997 school year.

Third Grade
All A's
Arika Cox, Nathan Jones, Joshua McGlasson, Taylor Reeves and Daniel Waldrop.

A and B's
K'Leigh Sweeney, Joshua

Reynolds, Sheena Rosalez, Mariza Scott, Sharod Young and Amelia Lozano.

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Comp time bill winds its way through Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — A bill that could give some 70 million workers a choice between overtime pay and time off faces strong opposition in the Senate and a promised presidential veto after narrowly passing the House.

House Republicans hailed the 222-210 vote Wednesday as a step toward meeting the desire of Americans to spend more time with their families. The bill, said Rep. Susan Molinari, R-N.Y., "will finally give our country's hard-working parents the kind of choice they so desperately need."

But President Clinton, in a letter proclaiming his veto intent, said the bill "fails to guarantee real choice for employees (and) real protection against employer abuse."

Clinton has joined Republicans in supporting the concept that workers should be able to choose compensatory time off, or comp time, instead of pay for overtime work. But the administration and unions contend that the GOP bill gives too much control to employers.

The vote was largely along party lines, with 13 Democrats backing the measure while 18 Republicans voted against it.

Republicans called the bill the "working fam-

ilies flexibility act" and made it a top legislative priority in this Congress. Democrats referred to it as the "paycheck reduction act."

The debate has pitted business groups, who lobbied hard for the bill, against unions who opposed it. "We, more than labor, understand the demands of family life on the employee's time and schedule," Bruce Josten, senior vice president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, said in welcoming the vote.

The measure faces an equally partisan battle in the Senate, where a companion bill was approved by the Labor Committee this week and is scheduled for floor action sometime in April. The Senate bill also contains a "flex time" provision allowing employees to work, for example, 50 hours one week and 30 hours the next. Democrats have labeled that a threat to the 40-hour work week.

"Laws written 60 years ago need to be updated to meet realities of the 1990s, when the demands of job and family are so often in conflict," said Sen. John Ashcroft, R-Mo., sponsor of the Senate bill.

The House bill amends the 1938 Fair Labor Standards Act, which covers some 70 million

hourly wage workers and guarantees 1 1/2 times regular wages for every hour worked beyond the 40-hour week.

Workers covered by the law can't waive their right to overtime pay, or trade it for another benefit, such as paid vacation. An exception is that companies are allowed to offer, or force, comp time as long as it is taken during the same pay period that the overtime occurs.

The GOP bill allows employees to form agreements with employers giving them the option of taking pay or time off for overtime. Employees can voluntarily withdraw from the agreements and employers can opt not to offer comp time.

In a nod to Democratic concerns, Republicans endorsed amendments that would exempt seasonal and other part-time employees who don't work 1,000 hours a year for the same employer and reduced from 240 to 160 hours the amount of comp time that can be accrued in a year. Democrats said low wage and seasonal workers would be the most vulnerable to abuses, and that workers risked losing their earnings if they built up too much comp time.

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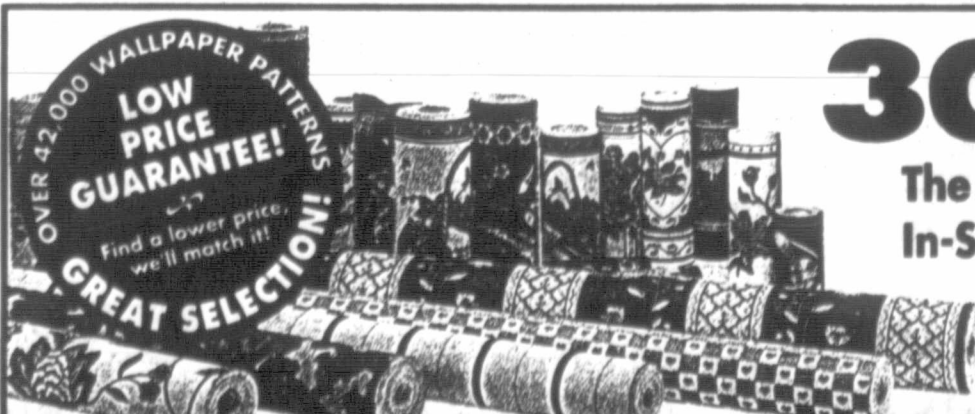
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The King (Chris Arnold) and Queen (Abbi Covalt) welcome the revelers to the palace to celebrate Prince Charming's coming of age ball in the Pampa Elementary Chorus production of the musical *Cinderella*, scheduled for performances at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, March 21-22. The show will be presented in the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium. Tickets may be purchased at the door; cost is \$4 for adults and \$3 for students, with children 4 and under admitted free.

Member of McVeigh defense quits over phony confession allegations

HOUSTON (AP) — Private investigator Richard Reyna has angrily resigned from the defense team of accused Oklahoma City bombing suspect Timothy McVeigh, the *Houston Chronicle* reported today.

In a copyright story, the newspaper quoted Reyna as saying he was upset that lead defense attorney Stephen Jones failed to clear his name amid allegations that Reyna fabricated a confession by McVeigh.

"Stephen Jones said he was going to take care of this, and as far as I'm concerned, he didn't," Reyna said Wednesday. "It looks like I turned on Timothy McVeigh and that's damaging to my livelihood."

Reyna lives in Conroe, Texas, about 40 miles north of Houston.

Reyna said he was in Europe earlier this month when Oklahoma free-lance writer J.D. Cash said he had Reyna's permission to say Reyna made up a confession linked to McVeigh.

Cash, a former lawyer from Idabel, Okla., contended that Reyna had written the phony confession in an effort to trick a possible suspect into giving information about the April 19, 1995,

bombing. The bombing killed 168 people and injured more than 500.

"It's an absolute falsehood," Reyna said. "I never falsified any documents."

"I like Cash; I really do. I have a lot of respect for him," Reyna said. "But why he would say something like that is beyond me. It just didn't happen."

"I spoke to John Cash last night and I told him that he knows this never happened. It's insane. Why would I show it to Cash or anybody else if I had made up a confession?"

Cash did not change his position during the discussion, Reyna said.

"This is the biggest case in the country right now and one of the biggest cases in the history of the country, and here I am accused of turning on my client," Reyna said. "It doesn't make sense. I wouldn't do it."

"I've had extensive interviews with Timothy McVeigh and I'm not going to comment on what Timothy McVeigh has told me."

"I put what he told me in report forms and gave those reports to Stephen Jones. I've never given those reports to anybody but Stephen Jones."

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Riots, mutiny hobble Papua New Guinea's mercenary contract

PORT MORESBY, Papua New Guinea (AP) — An attempt to use mercenaries to help the army crush a nine-year rebellion on Bougainville island instead has provoked street riots and a mutiny, with soldiers detaining more than 40 of the foreigners sent in to train them.

Monday's army revolt against the government of Prime Minister Sir Julius Chan

spawned civilian protests in the capital, Port Moresby, that began peacefully Wednesday and quickly degenerated into riots that continued today.

Defying tear gas and police dogs, demonstrators looted stores and gathered by the thousands outside the main army barracks to demand the mercenaries leave.

"We don't want Chan and we don't want

the police!" a young man called out as he ran from tear gas fired his way.

Chan, whose government paid \$27 million to British-based Sandline International to train the army, said publicly surrounding the mercenaries may have compromised plans for what originally was to be a surprise assault on the Bougainville secessionists.

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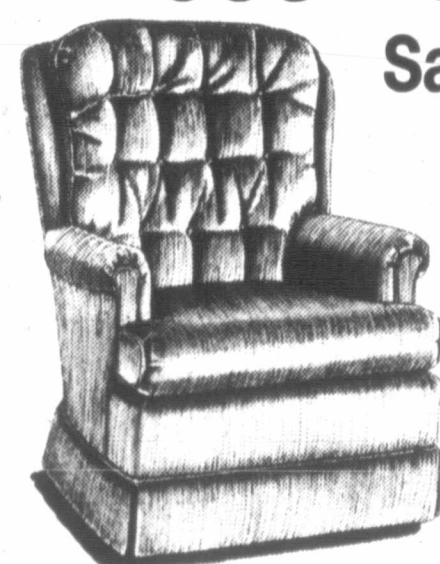
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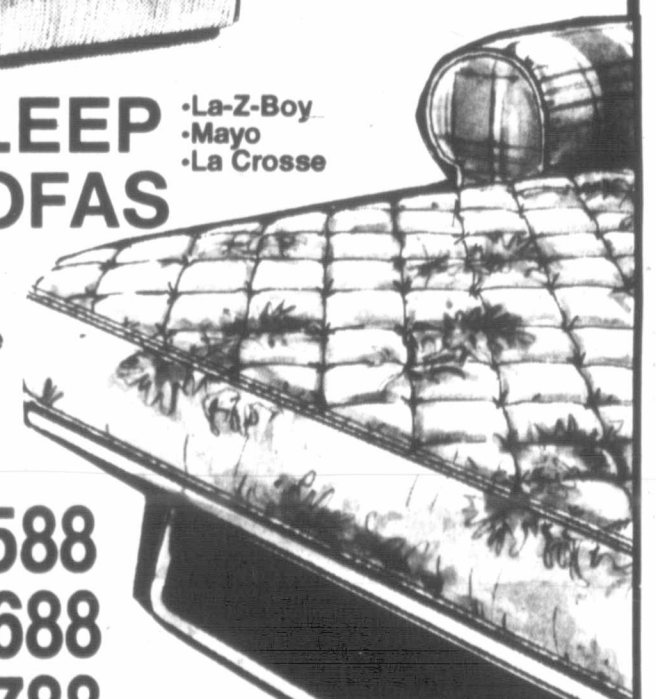
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Fathers' Steady Hands Offer Essential Support For Kids

DEAR ABBY: I was appalled when I saw in your column that you had trotted out an outdated, sexist, factually inaccurate and socially dangerous quote: "The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother."

Surely you are aware of the research which now establishes that fathers have unique and important contributions to make to the healthy development of their children. Fathers (not race, not income and not mothers) are the key ingredient in reducing youth violence (crime and gangs), drug abuse, promiscuity, eating disorders and suicides. Fathers have a greater effect than mothers in producing empathy, a sense of humor, academic achievement and more.

My son's mother has assaulted me, harassed me, stalked me, vandalized my property, stolen from me, made false allegations against me and more. I don't love her. But I do something far more important. During most of my son's waking moments since he was 8 months old, the hands he has seen holding him and helping him, the voice he has heard teaching him and loving him, the face he has seen smiling at him and encouraging him have been mine!

My son's mother is not insane and not that rare. She has simply been encouraged by the media to blame a man for everything that makes her unhappy and to think of fathers as second-class parents. You can sign me

FIRST-CLASS PARENT

DEAR PARENT: Considering the fact that your ex-wife suffers



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from the emotional instability (not insanity) which you have described, your son is indeed fortunate to have such a committed father. However, there are far more absent fathers in single-parent families than mothers.

DEAR ABBY: Hugo Borreson wrote: "Martin Luther King had to go to India to learn the principles of non-violence because they were neither understood nor practiced in the United States."

Abby, Dr. King did not have to go to India to learn the principles of non-violence!

In his book "Stride Toward Freedom" (New York, Harper and Brothers, 1958), he wrote: "... One Sunday afternoon, I traveled to Philadelphia to hear a sermon by Dr. Mordecai Johnson, president of Howard University. He was there to preach for the Fellowship House of Philadelphia.

"Dr. Johnson had just returned from a trip to India, and, to my great interest, he spoke of the life and

teachings of Mahatma Gandhi.

"His message was so profound and electrifying that I left the meeting and bought a half-dozen books on Gandhi's life and works..."

I just wanted to set the record straight, Abby.

ARTHUR H. PRINCE, PH.D., MEMPHIS

DEAR DR. PRINCE: I am (as always) profoundly grateful for your consistently accurate corrections and additions to my column since its inception. However, I, too, want to keep the record straight. According to "A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings and Teachings of Martin Luther King Jr." (edited by James M. Washington), Dr. King and his wife did travel to India in 1960 or 1961, and he made reference to the trip in a speech within months of his return.

DEAR ABBY: For the "Disapproving Mother" who is Catholic: Christ said, "Go and sin no more" to the whore who was caught in the act.

The Lord's Prayer says, "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those that sin against us."

Christ told Peter to forgive 70 times 7.

This "Disapproving Mother" must take her hurt and worry to the cross and leave them there. That is what her strict Catholic Church would tell her to do.

ROCHELLE VANDENBURG

Horoscope



Your Birthday

Friday, March 21, 1997

You might test your entrepreneurial skills in the year ahead. There could be interesting developments for you when you open up new horizons.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) It is important today that you have a definite sense of direction or else you might drift a little off course and get hung up on a sandbar. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that 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 Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Excessive curiosity might draw you into a complicated situation today which you should avoid instead of embrace. Do not butt in where you don't belong.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Decisions should not be made impulsively today, especially if you're delegated to decide a matter for another who is not present.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It is best that you consult your superiors today before making any changes, especially if unplanned conditions begin to dominate the scene.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Try not to get involved in a situation in which you will be handling funds for others. You may not be too well-equipped for this assignment today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Dealings with friends and business associates should work out rather well for you today, but this might not be true of your involvement with relatives or in-laws.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If there is a

concept you're advocating today, do not try to impose it on others. If they aren't receptive, turning up the heat won't change their minds.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be especially careful with your possessions today, especially if a friend who you know does not take care of things asks to borrow something.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Success might be denied you today if you change your course too often in order to gratify the wishes imposed upon you by others.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Do not be the cause of your own undoing today; there could be penalties for ignoring your better judgment.

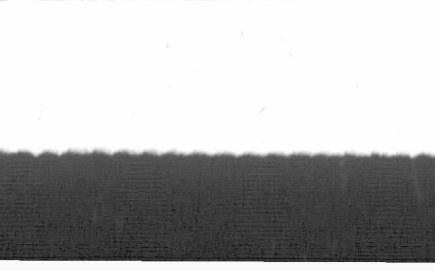
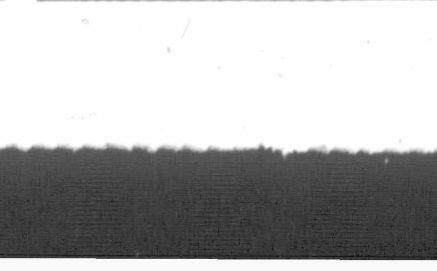
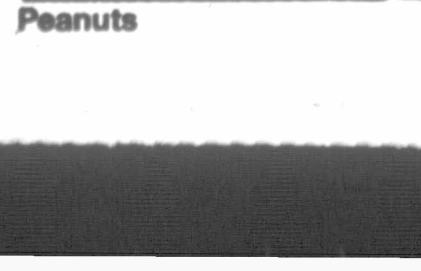
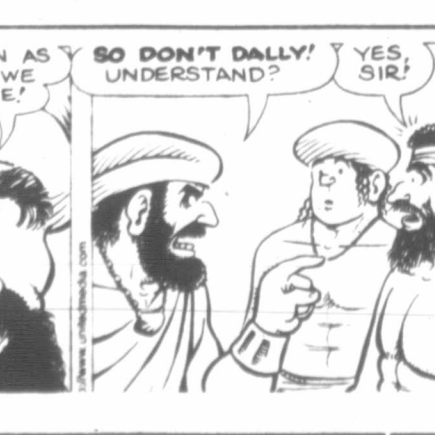
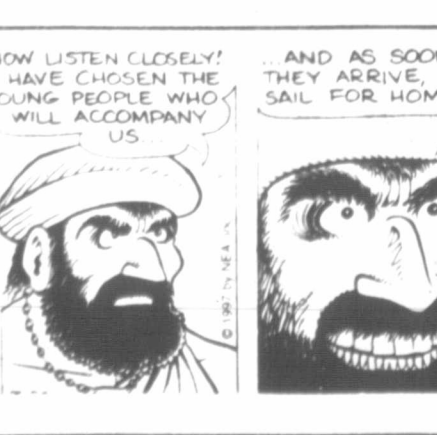
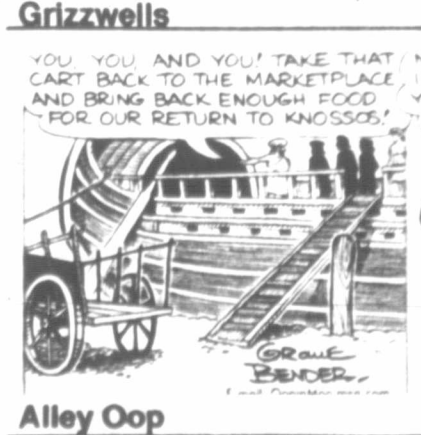
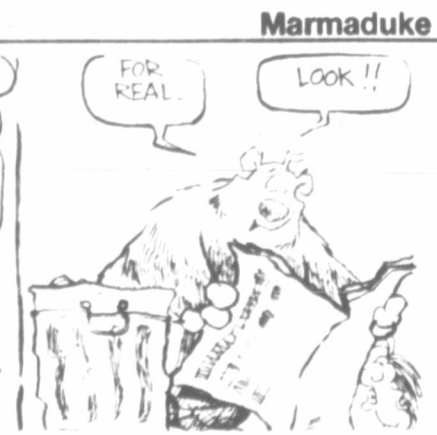
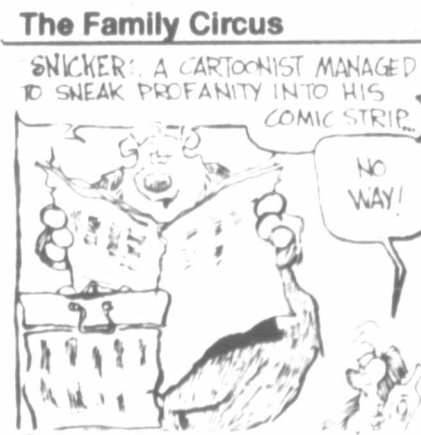
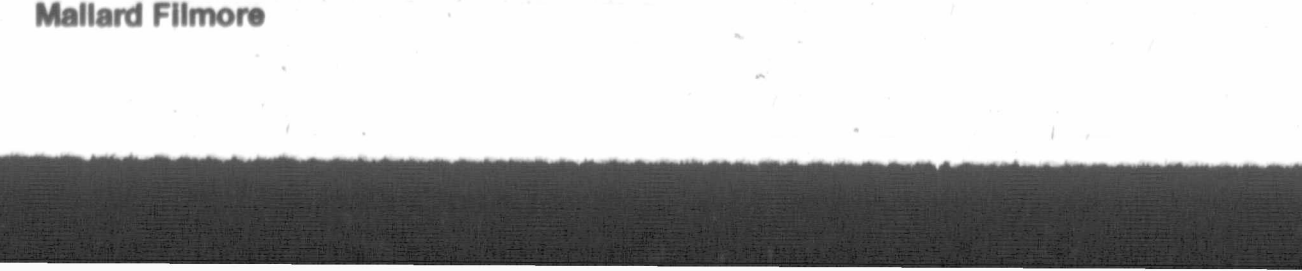
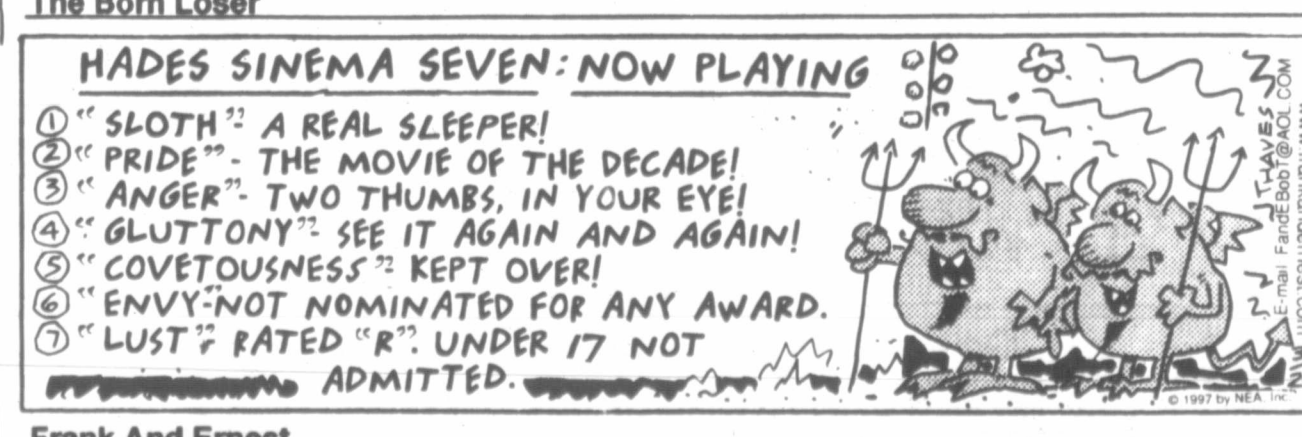
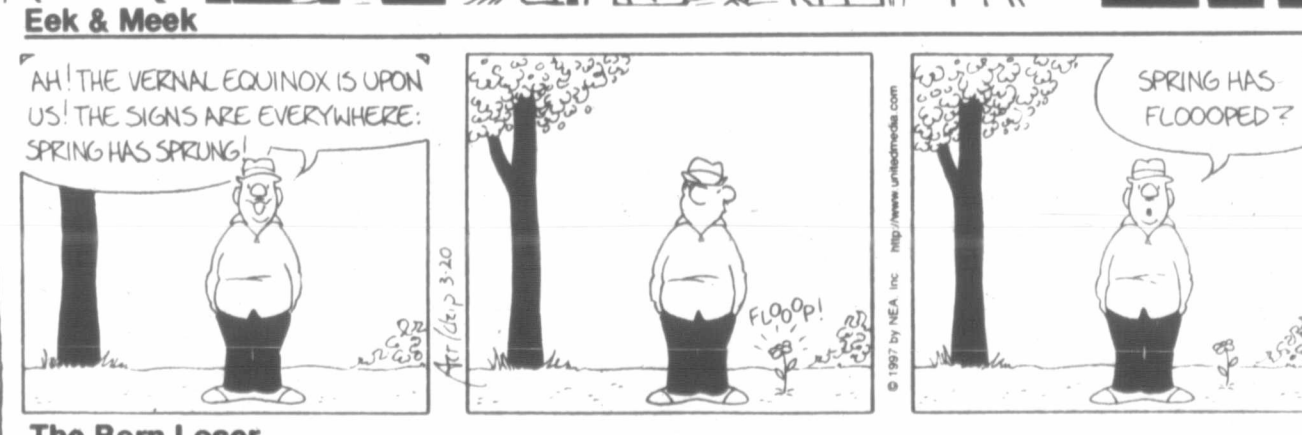
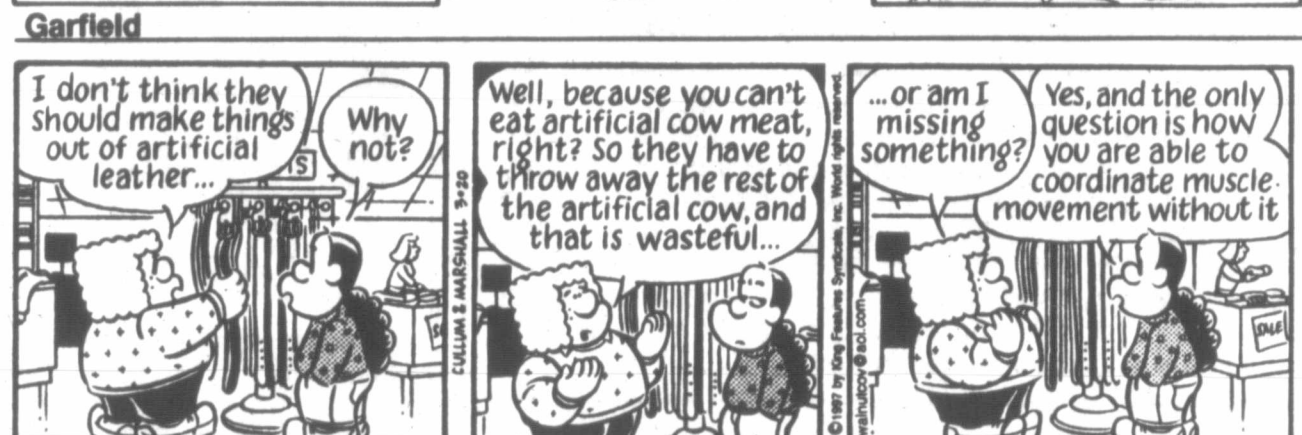
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Analyze your affairs carefully today to be sure you don't stretch yourself to the limits financially. Extraction will be more difficult later.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Partners could be a bit testy today owing to the fact that each participant may be interested only in his or her own goals.

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For Better or For Worse



SPORTS

Notebook

SOFTBALL

PAMPA — Final signups for Lady Harvester softball will be Monday, March 24 during the tryouts at Hobart Street Park from 5 to 6:30. Tryouts are mandatory for all new players in the league.

Tryouts will also be on Tuesday, March 25 and team selections will be Thursday, March 27.

For further information, please call 669-7782.

The league is for players ages 13 to 19. Regular-season play will begin Monday, April 14.

A softball clinic is scheduled for March 22 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Pampa Middle School. Any Lady Harvester signee interested in improving her skills prior to the start of the season should attend.

BASEBALL

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. (AP) — The Cleveland Indians, who expect to be without Jose Mesa when the season opens, have asked the American League for a roster exemption while the star closer is on trial for a rape charge.

Mesa has been granted separate trials on weapons and sex charges related to a complaint by two women who met the pitcher at a nightclub in December. Cleveland opens the season April 2 at Oakland, and general manager John Hart said he hopes Mesa will return to the team April 5 or 6.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Former Los Angeles Dodgers general manager Al Campanis, who nearly died of pneumonia two weeks ago, underwent surgery to have a feeding tube inserted in his stomach.

Campanis, 80, fired 10 years ago after an appearance on ABC's "Nightline," where he made controversial statements about blacks in baseball, was admitted to St. Jude Medical Center in Fullerton on March 3 after breaking his left shoulder.

FOOTBALL

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Two women have come forward with complaints that Buffalo Bills receiver Eric Moulds harassed them, including one who accused him of lifting her by the neck.

Moulds, 23, apparently showed up at one woman's apartment about 3:15 a.m. Monday and pounded on the door so fiercely that the wooden frame began to give way, detectives said. Moulds was charged with harassment and ordered to appear in Buffalo City Court on April 2.

DENVER (AP) — Denver Broncos quarterback John Elway is expected to be ready for training camp after going underdgoing arthroscopic surgery on his throwing shoulder. Elway, 36, underwent surgery Monday at the Steadman-Hawkins Sports Medicine Clinic in Vail to remove scar tissue.

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Wide receiver Don Beebe, an integral part of Green Bay's championship drive, resigned with the Packers.

Beebe, 32, who was an unrestricted free agent, had 39 receptions for a career-high 699 yards and four touchdowns last season, and also averaged 26.9 yards on 15 kickoff returns. Terms were not disclosed.

BASKETBALL

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Unwilling to jeopardize Derek Anderson's pro career, Kentucky coach Rick Pitino said the senior star will not play in the Wildcats' remaining NCAA tournament games.

Anderson tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee less than two months ago. Kentucky, which faces St. Joseph's tonight in a West Regional semifinal, also said guard Allen Edwards would miss the rest of the tournament because of a hairline fracture in his foot.

"Moose" Johnston to remain a Cowboy

IRVING, Texas (AP) — For six weeks, Daryl Johnston fretted about whether he'd remain a Dallas Cowboy. The fullback known as the "Moose" was so concerned, he even lost sleep over it, he said.

Meanwhile, agent Leigh Steinberg handled inquiries and offers from several other teams. But knowing what Johnston really wanted, Steinberg kept holding out until Dallas was ready to deal.

Last Friday, Steinberg finally cornered Cowboys owner Jerry Jones at the NFL winter meetings in Florida. Steinberg said Jones "got focused and prioritized" and a deal was done by Tuesday.

On Wednesday, a relieved Johnston signed a five-year, \$7.575 million contract he said he expects will keep a star on the side of his helmet the rest of his career.

Jones was probably just as relieved. By signing one of the NFL's best blocking backs, he's pacified quarterback Troy Aikman and running back Emmitt Smith.

But just as important to Jones was keeping around one of the good guys in a locker room pocked by lawbreakers and troublemakers.

"He means too much too much to his teammates and the community," Jones said. "I know firsthand because of the literally hundreds and hundreds of letters I get saying what 'Moose' means."

The deal makes Johnston the league's second-highest paid fullback behind Arizona's Larry Centers, who last week signed a three-year, \$7.5 million deal.

Johnston helped the Cowboys out on the salary cap by taking an incredibly low first-year salary of

\$200,000, but augmented it with a \$2 million signing bonus. His salary will then go up to \$500,000, \$1.25 million, \$1.625 million and \$2 million.

Johnston could make an additional \$300,000 with very reachable incentives in the second, fourth and fifth years.

Jokingly, Jones said both sides wanted to strike a deal so badly that it reminded him of the old joke where, after striking a deal, the guy writing the checks says, "Guess what? I would've paid more." Only to have the other guy reply, "Guess what? I would've taken less."

Smith said he spoke to Johnston a few weeks ago and sensed in his teammate's voice that negotiations weren't going well. He said he feared for the worst until hear-

ing a report a few days ago that something was going to be worked out.

"I can't think of anyone in the league I'd want to have blocking for me," said Smith, who has won three Super Bowls and four NFL rushing titles running behind Johnston.

"To not have him in front of me would be uncomfortable. When he moved to tight end and I had someone else blocking for me last year, it was very uncomfortable. ... This is a great stepping stone for us."

Johnston said he's committed to the team because he considers the problems of the last year isolated incidents.

"I know it's not going to happen again," he said. "I've seen the look of the people involved. I real-

ly think everyone realizes the effect it had on us."

Although he just turned 31 and he plays a bruising position — coach Barry Switzer referred to him as a guard lined up eight yards deep — the eight-year veteran keeps himself in rock-solid shape.

"I feel I've been getting better as my career has progressed," Johnston said. "There's things I feel I can continue to do. If I continue to work the way I have and continue to have the luck I've had (avoiding injuries), I think there's a good possibility I can finish out all five years."

"But I'm not going to sit here and tell you I can. I've seen too many other players who've been forced out of the game because of injuries. That's going to be the only way I'm going to go out."

White, Harvey win Senior Scramble

GOLF

PAMPA — Whitey White and Herb Harvey each shot 67 to win the A flight in the Hidden Hills Two-Man Senior Scramble Wednesday.

Don Riddle and Buddy Briley shot 70 to win the B flight.

There were 57 players entered in the scramble.

Hidden Hills Senior Scramble

A flight
First place: Whitey White and Herb Harvey, 67; Second place: Bill King, Jim Osborne and Rex Courter 68; Third place: Elmer Wilson and J.B. Holt 68; Fourth place: Leroy Morris and Bill Brown 69.

B flight
First place: Don Riddle and Buddy Briley 70; Second place: Ralph Ridgway and Dale Butler 72; Third place: Bill Harwood and Mike Porter 73; Fourth place: Richard Abbott and Paul Buchanan 74.

Closest to the pin: Richard Abbott.

CANADIAN — Tony Briggs of Canadian had a hole-in-one Wednesday at the Canadian Golf Course. Briggs used a 7-iron for the hole-in-one on the No. 8, par 151-yard hole. It was witnessed by Bill Cross of Canadian.

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Arnold Palmer never thought about dying. His doctors told him he could expect to recover from prostate cancer because it had been detected early, and he believed them.

Palmer never thought about

slowing down, either. The first question he asked after his successful surgery Jan. 15 was how soon he could play golf.

Advised not to swing a club for six weeks, Palmer headed out to the golf course on the 43rd day and slashed away like he was seven strokes behind in the final round of the U.S. Open.

"I get the feeling people say, 'Well, you've had cancer,' that it's all over," Palmer said Wednesday. "Hell, it's not all over. I have no intentions of lying down and stopping. I'm going to do something. If I can't play golf, I'll find something else that I want to do and that I can enjoy doing."

"Right now, as far as I'm concerned, it's going to be golf."

No doubt about that. Palmer was already calculating when asked about the length of his recovery. He figured six weeks away from the game — an eternity for Palmer — would still give him enough time to get ready for his 40th Masters.

And he has played about 14 times over the past three weeks to build up his stamina for his own tournament, the Bay Hill Invitational, which starts Thursday and has once again drawn one of the best fields of the year.

"He's coming back from something scary," said Davis Love III, who missed the last two weeks with kidney stones. "It's great to see him back playing."

Keen vision is key to finding prize fishing catches

HOUSTON — So much emphasis is placed now on tactile sensitivity that fishermen tend to neglect their own vision as a tool. Good tackle is important, but the keenest eyes catch the most fish.

Proper sunglasses are a given; anglers already know to buy lenses that provide full ultraviolet ray protection and polarization and wear wide-brimmed hats to minimize intrusive glare. They do so more to protect and comfort their

eyes, however, than to enhance their view of the water and the secrets it holds.

Bass fishermen need their sight to guide casts beneath overhangs or between stumps, but most amateurs waste that valuable sense during the retrieve by watching the line and the rod tip. Saltwater fishermen firing into wide open water tend to fix an unproductive gaze on the lure as it flies through the air, then follow the basses'

lead and watch the line snake through the guides and back onto the spool between casts.

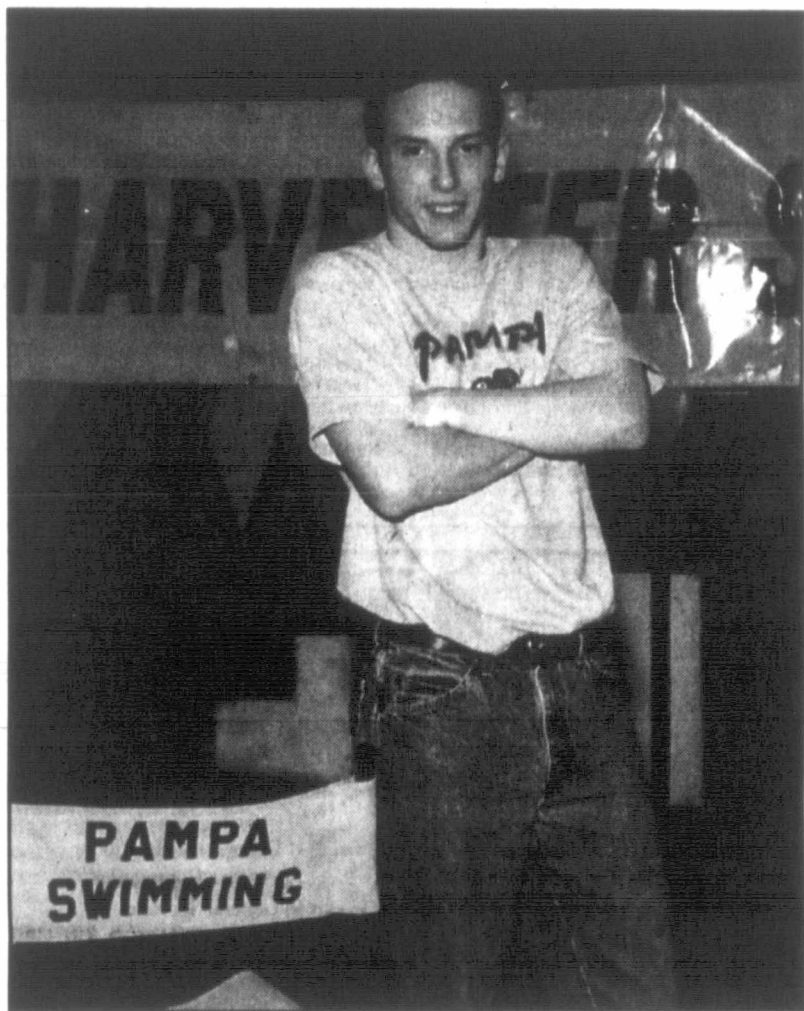
With a quality graphite rod, it isn't necessary to watch the line to detect a strike. Today's monofilament and high-tech blanks are capable of transmitting even the slightest ticks and bumps — many that are imperceptible to sight — from hook to hand.

For proof, make a few casts with closed eyes. Without vision as a

distraction, fingers and palms immediately seem more sensitive. They're not, of course; they're just doing the job they were designed to do, unaided and unassisted.

With eyes shut, you can "feel" the lure as it bounces over shells or stumps, as it rises and falls in response to twitches of the rod. The better your understanding of those sensations, the more recognizable the feeling of jaws slamming shut around a plug.

Pampa swimmer



(Special photo)

Pampa swimmer Dakota Tefertiller (above) recently participated in Texas Age Group Short Course Competition (TAGS) in Dallas. He timed a personal best of 2:15.04 in the 200-yard breaststroke, placing 5th in the prelims and 8th in the finals of 15-18 age group. Tefertiller swam breaststroke in the Amarillo Swim Team group championships with a time of 3:37.75. He also clocked a personal best in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 56.58. The meet included swimmers from 64 Texas Age Group clubs from all over the state. His coach is David Pink.

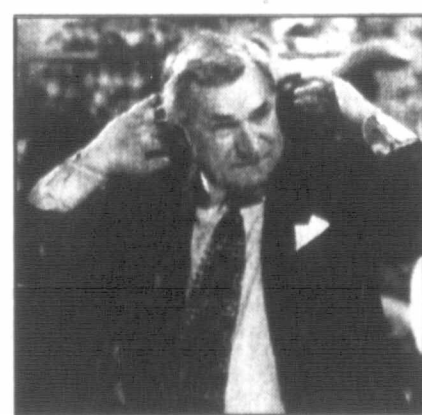
Cal faces Smith and his Tar Heels

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Ben Braun attaches no real significance to his coaching matchup with Dean Smith on Friday in the NCAA tournament — other than its timing.

"It's always an honor to coach against his teams, especially in tournament play because that means you've done something to get there because his teams are always here," said Braun, who leads California against North Carolina in the East Regional semifinals.

Braun said Tuesday his Golden Bears, who have put together a rather remarkable season despite several key injuries, won't be in awe of the streaking Tar Heels (26-6), who have won 14 straight and are seeking their 11th Final Four trip under Smith.

"I think when you use the word 'awe' that's a pretty big word and you are not going to be successful if you walk around in awe of something," Braun said. "What you want to do and what our team has done is give people proper respect, and we have a deep respect for North Carolina and I have a deep respect for Dean Smith and his teams."



Dean Smith

"I think you have to (have respect) against those teams because of who they are and what they've done, and they've earned that," he added. "But we've been through a lot, like losing a scorer like Ed Gray. I don't know, maybe a lot of teams wouldn't have come back with that type of thing, but our team has battled through that."

That worries Smith, who has seen Cal lose Gray's 24.8 points per game — second in the nation — yet not miss a beat on offense. The Golden Bears (23-8) also have one of the most physically imposing front line in all of college basketball.

"Discounting Tim Duncan, who does so much, it is the strongest rebounding front line (we've faced), and they are deep," Smith said of the Golden Bears. "That front line can also score. It's different just being a rebounder, but they can score when they get the ball. That is one of their main goals, to throw the ball into the low block and score."

Smith said he was particularly impressed with 6-foot-6, 250-pound Tony Gonzalez, an All-America tight end who has entered the starting lineup since Gray broke a bone in his foot on Feb. 22. The Golden Bears are 4-1 with Gonzalez in the lineup.

"The way (Gonzalez) is playing basketball he may want to put his name into the NBA draft as well, and I'm sure he would be drafted," Smith said of the junior, who has declared early for next month's NFL draft.

North Carolina swingman Vince Carter, who injured his right groin against Colorado, did some light running and walked through some offensive plays Tuesday and was expected to return to practice today.

A Sooner shakeup

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma athletic director Steve Owens has told associate athletic director John Underwood and two others that their contracts won't be extended. The Daily Oklahoman reported today.

The newspaper quoted sources as saying Owens placed Underwood and department assistants Don Renfro and Sharon Beery on immediate administrative leave.

The three were told their contracts would not be extended when they are up for renewal June 30.

Owens said in a statement Wednesday that he had decided to make several changes in the organizational structure of the athletic department, but he mentioned no names.

"As a businessman, I recognize the fact that any time new leadership takes over, new organizational structure

is required," he said. "The University of Oklahoma has an outstanding athletic tradition which involves a significant business operation."

Underwood was hired in 1987 as an assistant athletic director and was promoted to associate athletic director in 1994.

Renfro was hired by former athletic director Donnie Duncan to be in charge of the department's radio and television contracts. He had been involved in coaches' shows recently.

Beery had been Duncan's administrative assistant and is a 30-year employee.

Owens said in his release that he appreciated the service of those involved in the shakeup.

"In this era of college athletics, there are many challenges facing athletic departments," he said. "I am forging a team which will meet those challenges."

Scoreboard

BASKETBALL
National Invitation Tournament
At A Glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST
Third Round
Wednesday, March 19
Florida State 76, West Virginia 71
Arkansas 86, UNLV 73
Thursday, March 20
Michigan (20-11) at Notre Dame (16-13), 7:30 p.m.
Friday, March 21
Nebraska (18-14) at Connecticut (16-14), 7:30 p.m.

Semifinals
At Madison Square Garden
New York
Tuesday, March 25
Times TBA
Connecticut-Nebraska winner vs. Florida St. (19-11)
Notre Dame-Michigan winner vs. Arkansas (18-12)

Third Place
At Madison Square Garden
New York
Thursday, March 27
Semifinal losers, 5 p.m.

Championship
At Madison Square Garden
New York
Thursday, March 27
Semifinal winners, 7:30 p.m.

FISHING REPORT

AUSTIN (AP) — Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for March 20.

CENTRAL

BASTROP: Water fairly clear, 62 degrees; black bass up to 8 pounds are good on Power Worms. Whacky worms, crank baits and spinners, crappie are good on shiners fished over brush. Catfish are good on minnows and night crawlers.

BELTON: Water clear, 14 feet high, 59 degrees; black bass up to 5 1/2 pounds are good on double willow leaf-bladed spinners. Whacky worms, crank baits and spinners, crappie are fair on minnows fished around marinas. Catfish are fair on cheese bait.

BROWNWOOD: Water stained, normal level, 62 degrees; black bass to 8 pounds are fair on red spinners, shiners and Texas-rigged red shad. Worms, crank baits and spinners, crappie are fair on minnows fished around marinas. Catfish are good on night crawlers and shrimp.

BUCHANAN: Water murky, normal level, 59 degrees; black bass to 7 pounds are good on spinners fished on shallow secondary points. Striped bass to 12 pounds are good on live bait fished in 12 to 25 feet of water. White bass are good on points and ridges fished in shallow water. Crappie are good on minnows fished in shallow water. Catfish are very good on fresh shad fished in 20 feet of water.

CANYON: Water off-colored, 2 feet high, 61 degrees; black bass up to 7 1/2 pounds are good on small spinners and Carolina-rigged worms and lizards. White bass are good on live bait and spinners. Striped bass are good on

crank baits, spinners and live bait; catfish are fair to good on cheese bait and night crawlers. FAYETTE: Water fairly clear, normal level, 67 degrees; black bass up to 8 pounds are good on live water dogs. Texas-rigged shiners and spinners; catfish are good on shrimp, bream and carp.

STILLHOUSE: Water clear to stained; 17 feet high; 60 degrees; black bass and smallmouth are fair to good on spinners and worms; crappie are good on minnows fished over baited holes and around boat docks; catfish are fair on Bob's Cheese Bait.

SOMERVILLE: Water murky, normal level, 61 degrees; black bass are fair to good on live bait and spinners; crappie are fair on minnows; catfish are good on cut bait and chicken liver fished over baited holes.

TRAVIS: Water clear, lake high; 62 degrees; black bass up to 9 pounds are good on use spinners, Carolina-rigged worms and Bass Assassins; striped and white bass are fair on live bait fished on the main lake; crappie are fair on minnows and fished around boat houses; catfish are good on shiners, shad and prepared bait.

WACO: Water murky, 6 feet high; 60 degrees; black bass are good on crank baits, worms and large spinners; crappie are fair on minnows fished over baited holes; catfish are good on worms and stink bait.

WHITNEY: Water off-colored, normal level; black bass to 9 pounds are good on worms and spinners; striped bass are fair on live bait fished on the main lake; white bass are good to good on live bait fished on the main body of the lake; crappie are fair on minnows fished around boat docks at night; channel and blue catfish are fair on minnows and cut bait; yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live bait.

NORTHEAST
BOB SANDLIN: Water fairly clear, normal level, 62 degrees; black bass up to 11 pounds are good on spinners, Carolina-rigged lizards and crawfish and red crank baits fished on the edge of the grass and into the shallows; catfish are good on cheese bait and cut shad.

COOPER: Water stained, 3 feet high; black bass to 7 1/2 pounds are fair on spinners and crank baits; catfish are fair on minnows and night crawlers.

FORK: Water fairly clear, 61 degrees; black bass up to 12 pounds are good on spinners, worms; crappie are good on minnows; catfish are fair on cut bait.

LAKE OF THE PINES: Water murky, 9 feet high; 60 degrees; black bass are good on crank baits, spinners and worms; catfish are good on cut bait and night crawlers.

LEWISVILLE: Water murky, 3 feet high; black bass are good on crank baits and large spinners; striped bass are fair on live bait and crank baits; catfish are good on cut bait and shrimp.

PALESTINE: Water murky, high; 60 degrees; white bass are fair on live bait; crappie are good on shiners and dark colored jig. Catfish are good on cheese bait and shrimp.

RAY ROBERTS: Water fairly clear, 3 feet high; black bass to 8 1/2 pounds are good on worms, crank baits and spinners; crappie are fair on minnows; catfish are fair to good on rod and reels baited with minnows and prepared baits.

RICHLAND CHAMBERS: Water fairly clear, normal level, 62 degrees; black bass up to 10 pounds are good on worms and crank baits; white

bass are fair to good on live bait and spinners; crappie are fair on minnows fished in the backs of creeks; catfish are good on shrimp, blood bait and shad.

TAWAKONI: Water off-colored; low; 61 degrees; black bass up to 7 pounds are good on worms; striped bass are fair on live bait; white bass are fair on spoons and Roadrunners; catfish are good on chicken liver and shrimp.

TEXOMA: Water fairly clear, 2 feet high; 61 degrees; black bass up to 10 pounds are good on spinners, worms and red crank baits striped bass are good on slabs and live bait; crappie are good on minnows and jigs; catfish are good on stink bait and chicken liver.

TYLER: Water murky, lake high; 63 degrees; black bass up to 9 pounds are fair to good on spinners and worms fished in shallow water; crappie are fair on minnows fished around boat houses; channel catfish are good on night crawlers and live bait; catfish are good on night crawlers and meal worms.

SOUTHEAST
B.A. STEINHAGEN: Water murky, 3 feet high; black bass are fair to good on shiners, spinners and worms fished in shallow water and on secondary point; crappie are fair to good on minnows fished over brush; catfish are good on shiners and worms; white bass are good on chautauque jigs and minnows; crappie are good on minnows fished in the river; catfish are good on night crawlers and cut shad; bream are fair on night crawlers and meal worms.

HOUSTON COUNTY: Water clear, high; black bass up to 10 pounds are good on live bait, spinners and crank baits; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished around the marina; catfish are fair to good on night crawlers and shrimp.

LIVINGSTON: Water murky, normal level; 63 degrees; black bass to 8 pounds are good on spinners, Carolina-rigged worms and Rat-L-Trap; white bass are fair on live bait and slabs; catfish are good on rod and reels and trotlines baited with cut bait fished in the creeks in 5 to 6 feet of water.

RAYBURN: Water stained, 3 feet high; 64 degrees; black bass up to 12 pounds are good on whacky worms and spinners; catfish are good on cut bait fished in creeks.

TOLEDO BEND: Water off-colored; normal level; black bass to 7 pounds are fair on red shad worms and spinners; crappie are fair on minnows fished in shallow water; catfish are fair on cut and live bait fished on trotlines and on and night crawlers fished around baited docks.

SOUTH
AMISTAD: Water clear, very low; 64 degrees; black bass are good on crawfish-colored crank baits, Slug-gos and Rat-L-Trap; striped bass are fair on live bait and crank baits; catfish are good on rod and reels baited with shrimp, shad and cut perch fished in very deep water.

BRUNNIG: Water stained; normal level; 66 degrees; black bass to 5 1/2 pounds are good on live shiners, spinners and worms; hybrid spinners are fair to good on live bait and crank baits; redfish are fair on perch and crank baits; catfish are good on rod and reels baited with shrimp.

CALAVERAS: Water murky, normal level; black bass are good on small Rat-L-Trap and worms; redfish are good on crank baits; catfish are good on shrimp and cheese bait.

CHOKE: Water murky, low; 62 degrees; black bass up to 9 pounds are fair on crank baits, worms and spinners fished in 2 to 10 feet of water; white bass are fair on live bait fished in the river and main lake; catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shad, shiners and cheese bait.

WEST
ARROWHEAD: Water fairly clear; 61 degrees; black bass up to 5 pounds are fair on small spinners, worms and lizards; crappie are good on minnows fished over brush; catfish are good on cut bait, minnows and Berkeley Power Bait.

KEMP: Water stained; 3 1/2 feet low; black bass are good on Power Worms, Carolina-rigged lizards and spinners fished in shallow water; striped bass are good on live bait; catfish are fair to good on cheese bait and night crawlers.

O.H.I.V.I.E: Water clear on main lake, murky in upper end and tributaries; 59 degrees; black bass up to 9 pounds are good on willow leaf-bladed spinners, Rat-L-Trap and lizards fished in the shallows and on the secondary points; crappie are good on minnows and jigs fished over main lake brush; channel and blue catfish are good on stink bait and night crawlers; flathead catfish are good on trotlines baited with live bait.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear, 1 1/2 feet low; 62 degrees; black bass to 8 pounds are good on small spinners, whacky worms and Carolina-rigged worms; striped and white bass are fair to good on live bait fished on the main lake; crappie are good on minnows; channel catfish are good on cheese and cut bait; yellow catfish are fair on jugs baited with live perch.

TENNIS

Pampa High School individual varsity tennis records as of March 16 are as follows:

Name	Singles	Doubles
Emily Waters, Jr.	14-10	9-8
Cam Stone, Jr.	4-6	8-3
McKinley Quarles, Jr.	11-5	17-12
Mandy Wells, soph.	25-3	5-0
Velez, Jr.	10-4	23-7
Kellen Waters, soph.	7-1	9-3
April Lopez, Jr.	2-1	15-3
Emily Curtis, Jr.	3-0	24-6
Amanda Browning, soph.	4-2	0-0
Allison Baxter, Jr.	0-0	1-0
Rebekah Warner, Jr.	0-0	1-0
Totals:	80-32	56-21

Name	Singles	Doubles
Kyle Easley, Jr.	5-9	13-10
Jamison Hancock, Jr.	4-8	5-7
Russell DuBose, soph.	14-12	12-7
Dustin Laycock, Jr.	14-11	14-9
Jason Vickery, Jr.	15-7	16-6
Ryan Witt, Jr.	2-5	

Bryce Hudson, soph.	0-3	10-11
Brandon Coffee, Jr.	6-2	3-5
Chris Harrison, Jr.	0-2	2-0
Matt Rains, Jr.	0-2	3-4
Kerry Turner, Jr.	0-0	1-0
Ryan Mills, Jr.	0-0	1-0
Totals:	58-59	47-35

HOCKEY

National Hockey League
At A Glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST
Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Philadelphia	40	21	10	90	242	187
x-New Jersey	38	20	13	89	200	163
Florida	32	24	16	80	196	175
N.Y. Rangers	33	30	9	75	233	205
Washington	28	35	8	64	181	199
Tampa Bay	27	36	7	61	188	220
N.Y. Islanders	25	38	10	60	199	212

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Buffalo	37	22	11	85	210	178
Pittsburgh	33	30	7	73	243	236
Montreal	26	32	14	66	220	249
Hartford	27	33	10	64	193	219
Ottawa	23	33	14	60	193	206
Boston	24	39	9	57	207	258

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Dallas	42	23	6	90	222	173
Detroit	34	21	15	83	225	166
Phoenix	33	34	5	71	206	220
St. Louis	30	32	9	69	209	218
Chicago	28	31	12	68	186	180
Toronto	26	39	6	58	207	244

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Colorado	44	18	9	97	244	173
Edmonton	33	32	7	73	224	216
Anaheim	30	30	11	71	209	203
Calgary	31	34	8	70	195	204
Vancouver	29	38	4	62	220	244
Los Angeles	25	38	9	59	190	239
San Jose	23	40	7	53	179	235

x-clinched playoff spot

Tuesday's Games
Pittsburgh 5, Buffalo 3
Colorado 4, Vancouver 2

Wednesday's Games
N.Y. Islanders 7, Florida 4
Montreal 5, N.Y. Rangers 4
New Jersey 2, Washington 2, tie

Thursday's Games
Detroit 4, Boston 1
Dallas 7, Phoenix 2
Calgary 4, San Jose 2
Edmonton 3, Tampa Bay 1

Friday's Games
Anaheim 6, Los Angeles 2
Toronto at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Florida at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.

Phoenix at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Hartford at St. Louis, 8:30 p.m.
San Jose at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Saturday's Games
All at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Washington, 7:30 p.m.

Hartford at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
ANAHEIM ANGELS—Options 3B George Arias and RHP Greg Gohr to Vancouver of the PCL.

BOSTON RED SOX—Options RHP Kerry Lacy, C Walt McKee, OF Trot Nixon, RHP Jess Suppan and INF Arquimede Pozo to Pawtucket of the International League. Sent 1B Bo Doston to their minor-league camp.

CLEVELAND INDIANS—Assigned C Steve Soliz and INF Mike Busch to their minor-league camp.

DETROIT TIGERS—Released OF Pedro Munoz. Options RHP Greg Kaegele, RHP Ramon Feron to Toledo of the International League and LHP Roberto Duran to Jacksonville of the Southern League. Assigned RHP Tim Lincecum to their minor-league camp.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Options RHP Alex Pacheco and OF Lou Frazier to Tacoma of the PCL. Reassigned LHP Mark Holmstrom, C Alan Zinter, INF Brian Raabe and OF Kevin Reimer to their minor-league camp. Released INF Chris Sabo.

National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Sent INF Ray Brown to the San Diego Padres to complete Sunday's trade for RHP Joey Eischen. Assigned C Joe Mauer, RHP Rod Bolen, LHP Jeff Tabaka and LHP Gabe White to their minor-league camp.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Assigned RHP Tommy Greene, C Eric Christopher, INF Russ Johnson and OF Ricard Hidalgo to their minor-league camp. Released C Jeff Tackett.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Options C Bobby Estelle to Scranton-Wilkes-Barre of the International League. Assigned OF Brent Bowers to their minor-league camp.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Assigned LHP Chris Peters, RHP Ramon Morales, RHP Jose Silva, RHP Keith Shepherd, RHP Joe Boever, RHP Ken Greer, C Tim Marx and OF Manny Martinez to their minor-league camp.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS—Signed G Melvin Booker. Placed G Bimbo Coles on the injured list. Waived C Mike Papiowski.

MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES—Signed G Reggie Jordan to a 10-day contract.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed RB Gary Downs and QB Billy Joe Tolliver to one-year contracts. Named Pete Mangurian offensive quality control coach.

DALLAS COWBOYS—Re-signed FB Darryl Johnston to a five-year contract and sales. Released LB Tom Beer.

GREEN BAY PACKERS—Re-signed WR Don Beebe. Signed OT Marcus Spears.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Named Pete Ward executive director of operations, Larry Hall director of ticket operations and sales, Rene Longoria director of corporate sales and Kristi Dorman assistant director of ticket operations.



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ACROSS

- 1 Coolidge, for short
- 4 Fuse
- 8 Eat greedily
- 12 Move fast
- 13 Declare positively
- 14 Pennsylvania city
- 15 Actress
- 16 Underlying reason
- 18 Closet wood
- 20 Like a fox
- 21 Illuminated
- 22 Pat gently
- 24 Atty.'s deg.
- 26 Clinton's state
- 30 Beasts of burden
- 34 — Jones average
- 35 Tic — toe
- 36 Waxy substance in cork
- 37 Journal
- 39 — out (stretch)
- 41 Frothy brew
- 42 Lingerie purchase
- 43 Cute

DOWN

- 1 Stylish
- 2 Assistant
- 3 Be ahead
- 4 Guarantee
- 5 Actress
- 6 Marie Saint
- 7 — go!
- 8 Skin problem
- 9 By mouth
- 10 Leslie
- 11 Caron role
- 12 Yard units
- 13 Popeye's friend
- 19 Olive —
- 20 Palindromic name
- 23 Youth org.
- 25 Unplayed tournament round
- 26 Does math
- 27 Make muddy
- 28 Bridge on the River —
- 29 Made a perfect score
- 31 Middle Eastern
- 32 Nullify
- 33 Large knife
- 36 Blue shade
- 38 LP speed
- 40 Hawaiian timber tree
- 43 Hymn (abbr.)
- 44 Alias
- 46 Ninny
- 48 Tints
- 49 Horse color
- 50 Celestial bear
- 52 Ireland
- 54 — My Heart
- 55 Rind
- 56 Breakfast foods
- 58 Beer barrel
- 59 River inlet

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SPELY YITI
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ALL DEATARS
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DOLLY INON
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34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56

57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66

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1996 Mercury Grand Marquis.....	15,000 miles
1996 Buick Park Avenue.....	22,000 miles
1996 Toyota Camry LE.....	23,000 miles
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Fraternity members named in arrest warrants

AUSTIN (AP) — Arrest warrants have been issued against seven former members of a University of Texas fraternity accused of hazing.

Police say the members of Pi Kappa Alpha used cattle prods to shock pledges and burned them with cigarettes.

Officers said that when one pledge came forward to report the hazing incidents, he was assaulted by one member and threatened with a baseball bat by another.

There are also reports of paddling, humiliation, a forced trip to a secret location and being given food laced with cayenne pepper, police said.

Court documents filed on Wednesday said another pledge suspected of betraying the organization by reporting hazing had his toes broken.

There have been some highly publicized hazing incidents at the university in the past.

In 1990, four members of the Sigma Nu fraternity pleaded no contest to criminal hazing violations. They were fined \$500 and three were sentenced to 15 to 30 days in jail. They were arrested after a pledge was beaten and led around the room with a claw hammer gripping his testicles.

Suicide leaves cafeteria coping with tragedy again

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Publicly, John E. Curtis Jr. had been upbeat about his new position as chief executive officer of Luby's Cafeterias Inc. and the company's impending growth.

Privately, Curtis was a worried man.

By last Thursday, distress apparently overtook him, and Curtis took his own life in the plain confines of a room at a Motel 6. After leaving a note for his wife, he cut his own throat with a knife, investigators said.

"I think we are all still in a state of shock," said an emotionally wracked Ralph "Pete" Erben, a close colleague and Curtis' predecessor as CEO. "We loved him and we will miss him."

Curtis' death left Luby's employees in mourning and led to an abrupt shuffling this week of upper management. Most of all, it left friends and relatives trying to understand why the 49-year-old executive would resort to such a drastic measure.

It isn't the first horrifying episode to strike Luby's, a San Antonio-based company known for home-style cooking and family-oriented dining rooms.

In October 1991, a gunman drove his truck into a Luby's cafeteria in Killeen and opened fire, killing 23 people then himself. It was the worst mass shooting in U.S. history.

Erben, 66, has endured it all.

Medellin death sentence upheld

AUSTIN (AP) — The last of five young gang members sent to death row for the rape-murders of two teenage girls in Houston 3 1/2 years ago had his death sentence upheld by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

Jose Medellin has been on death row since September 1994 for the slayings of Jennifer Ertman, 14, and Elizabeth Pena, 16.

The girls were raped, strangled, beaten and stomped to death after they came upon a railroad trestle in Houston where the members of a gang known as the "Black and Whites" were celebrating a new member's initiation. The girls' bodies were found four days later.

It was a crime so brutal — committed by people all younger than 20 — that it caught the nation's attention and shocked the city of Houston.

"It's a relief to have gotten through this stage," said Bill Delmore, Harris County assistant district attorney who prosecuted the case. The opinion was handed down Wednesday by the Court of Criminal Appeals.



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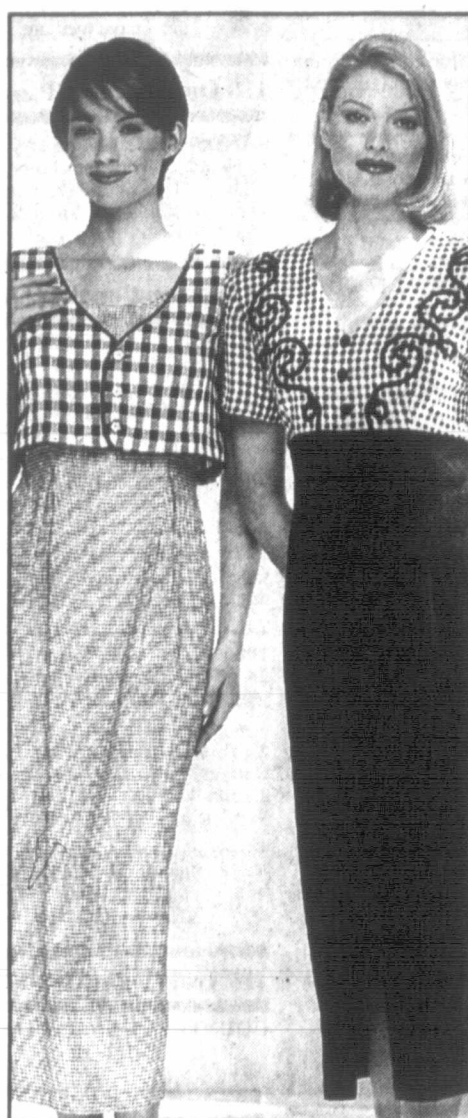
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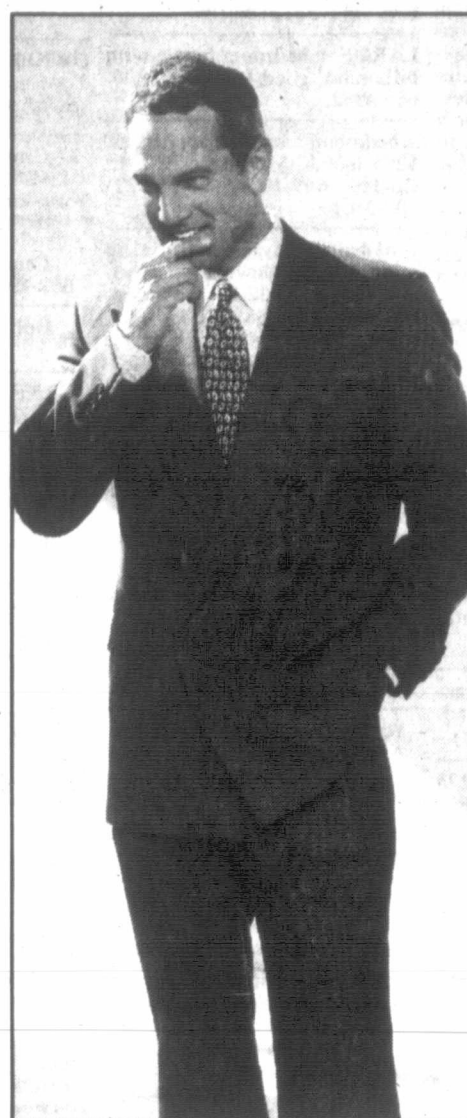
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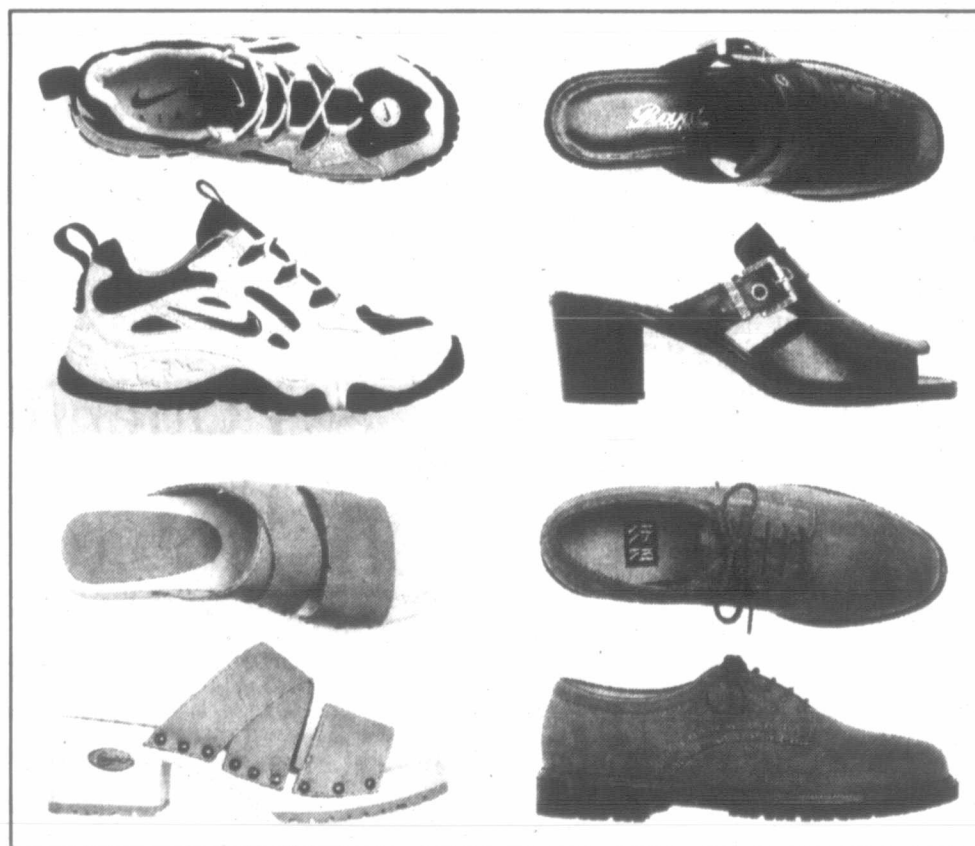
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