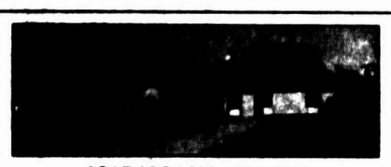
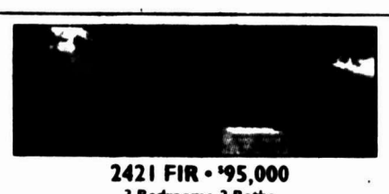
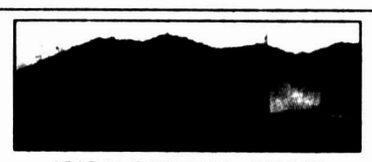
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Trial heads to jury

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

AMARILLO – The guilt or innocence of Christopher Chad Britton, 28, of Canadian, in the killing of a Hemphill County deputy sheriff last year went to the jury shortly after noon today.

Britton is accused of gunning down Deputy Jim Bruce Graham on the morning of June 17, Father's Day, 2001, in Canadian. Judge Steven R. Emmert moved the trial to Potter County because of fears it would have been difficult to get a jury in Canadian.

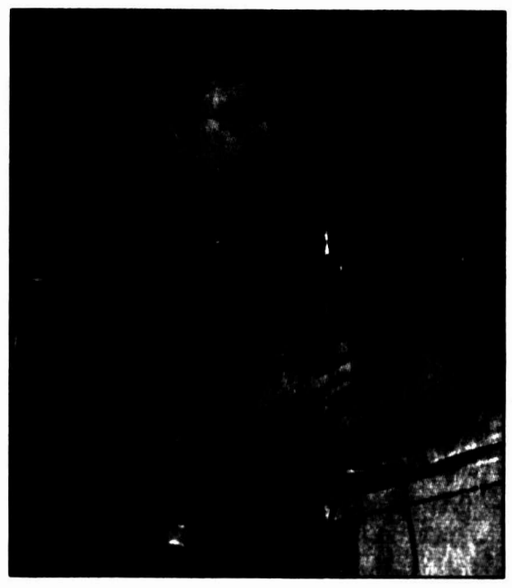
The defense rested this morning after introducing two pages of a report on Britton from records at Pampa Regional Medical Center.

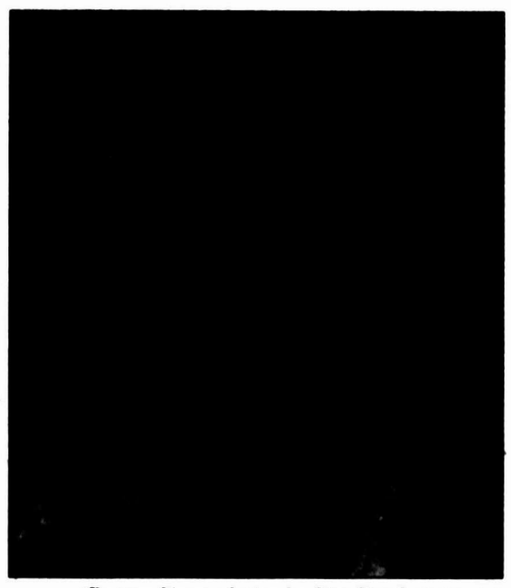
The prosecution rested late Thursday.

After the defense rested about 9:30 a.m. today, the prosecution called two rebuttal witnesses, Julie Britton, Britton's former wife and mother of his son, and Jeffrey Wayne Sober, who spent a day in jail with Britton in Canadian about two weeks before Graham died.

Julie Britton detailed her life with Britton, beginning with their dating in 1995 through the birth of their son

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(Pampa News photos by Dee Dee Laramore)

Charles Lowry, left, pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, and Pampa High School English Teacher Linda Haynes, right, present opposing views about the "Harry Potter" books to Pampa school board members Thursday night.

PISD board decides: 'Harry Potter' to stay

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Editor

Despite the polite – but firm – protests of numerous citizens, Pampa school board members decided, 5-to-2, to keep the "Harry Potter" series in school libraries and classes.

Dissenting votes were cast by Lance DeFever and Dr. Jay Johnson.

More than 50 citizens, led by Sue Scothorn of Pampa, gathered at the school board meeting Thursday to appeal a Pampa Middle School committee's recommendation to retain the books by English author, J.K. Rowling.

Pampan Rick Scott said the Harry Potter books' premise of good versus evil is "a subtle tool to deceive the reader and to teach witchcraft."

He compared the use of alchemy in the books to the "real world" of methamphetamine labs, saying the books present evil as "attractive, wholesome practice."

Scott handed the board a thick manila envelope he said contained petitions signed by 752 residents who want the "Harry Potter" books taken from Pampa schools.

Linda Haynes, a Pampa High School English teacher, spoke in favor of the books saying two of her grandchildren had become more interested in reading because of them.

"The greatest thing we have discovered with 'Harry Potter' is that kids are reading," she said.

She compared the books to classics written by C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkein's "Lord of the Ring" series, describing them as Christian allegories of good battling evil.

"What every parent has to decide is the level of discernment their child has," she said. "It is

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Tax rate hits the ceiling

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Editor

Pampa Independent School District has hit the ceiling.

If the proposed tax rate set forth by school board members at their meeting Thursday night reaches final acceptance, Pampa ISD will have reached the state's school taxation limit – $1.50 per $100 valuation.

Even so, the increase is less than one cent from last year's rate of $1.491 per $100 valuation, meaning a negligible change for homeowners whose property values remain the same.

Those whose appraisals are higher will see some difference, said Mark McVay, PISD assistant superintendent – finance.

The board also set 6 p.m., Aug. 29, as the date for a public hearing on the proposed rate at Carver Center, 321 W. Albert. After hearing, board members plan to decide whether or not to accept the 2002-2003 budget and tax rate.

After months of work, school administrators and board members have come up with a balanced budget of $19,960,783 for the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

In the budget proposal,

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Local

Injured child may leave ICU today

The little girl who police said rode her bicycle into the side of a pickup truck Tuesday evening is improving at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo and may be moved out of ICU today, a spokesman there said this morning. Mirta Salazar, 5, was taken to NWTH by Lifestar following the accident in the 400 block of North Ballard. Only because she remained in ICU, the spokesman said, the child's condition continued to be listed as serious.

Final swim classes set for Aug. 5-16

Last session of Red Cross swim lessons is set for Aug. 5 through Aug. 16. For more information, call Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross, 669-7121, or register at the Red Cross Office, 108 N. Russell.

Deaths

No deaths were reported to *The Pampa News* by press time today.

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Pampa Middle School eighth-grader Katie Kirkpatrick and her mom, Michael Kirkpatrick, take advantage today of the state sales-tax free holiday to buy back-to-school clothing. They were shopping at Wayne's Western Wear. The "holiday" runs through Sunday.

Tax-free weekend begins

The three-day tax-free shopping weekend got off to a start today with Pampa merchants looking forward to an increase in shoppers.

Carol Stribling at Wayne's Western Wear said her records show the annual tax-free session "has always been good here in the past."

But, she says "first of the week sales have been a little slow because I think people are waiting for the weekend."

Stribling said she welcomed her new neighbor this week, Brown's Shoe Fit, which opened next door to Wayne's Thursday in the space formerly occupied by Hastings.

Previously, David Heard, Brown's owner, said said he wanted to be open in the new store by the tax-free weekend because it is his busiest weekend of the year. His store was

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County receives subsidy request

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Declining population, changes in Medicare reimbursement and low collection rates are some of the reasons Rural Metro Area Director Carla Adams gave the Gray County Commission for the company requesting double the amount of subsidy from Gray County for next year.

Adams told the commission her company is asking for a $90,000 annual subsidy. The county currently pays the agency $45,000. The City of Pampa also pays a $45,000 subsidy. She has requested it also be doubled.

The amount may be negotiable, she said.

Rural Metro also operates the ambulance service out of Borger, and she said she will be contacting Hutchinson County Hospital District about a subsidy raise there.

She told the county commission the number of ambulance runs have declined over the past four years. She said in 1998 there were 2,036 calls and 1,832 transports in comparison to 2002 when there were 1,791 calls and 1,531 transports.

"The city is getting smaller," she said. "We're (Rural Metro) down by 17.25 percent."



(Pampa News photo)

Carla Adams, Rural Metro Ambulance area director

Pampa's lowest monthly number of calls was 107 in June. She also said the number of calls has shrunk in Borger to a monthly average of about 70.

Adams also said Medicare changed their guidelines on reimbursements to ambulance services effective last January, and Rural Metro felt the financial effects by March.

"Medicare will pay to transport nursing home patients to the hospital, but

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Did You Know...

What Was The Name Of The First Oil Well Of Gray County?

Information Provided By "Your Community Guide" Pampa Chamber Of Commerce 669-3241

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ON RECORD

AMBULANCE

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

Thursday, Aug. 1

12:57 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

2:06 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 2000 block of Coffee and transported one to PRMC.

3:52 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital (NWTH).

9:08 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 2000 block of Christine and transported one to PRMC.

STOCKS

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

Wheat	3.44
Milo	3.88
Corn	4.27
Soybeans	4.84

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

Occidental	25.67	-0.08
Fidelity Mageln	79.41	-2.61
Puritan	15.72	-0.24

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

BP	45.00	+1.05
Celanese	19.85	-0.16
Cabot Corp	23.69	-0.79
Cabot Oil Gas	20.39	+0.25
Coca Cola	50.55	+0.62
VLO	32.50	-0.11
Halliburton	12.34	-0.22
Triad Hospitals	39.92	NC
NOI	16.01	-0.24
KMI	40.61	-0.63
XCEL	7.00	-0.01
Kerr McGee	43.66	-0.60
Limited	16.50	-0.50
Williams	3.32	-0.48
McDonalds	23.96	-0.38
Exxon Mobil	33.68	+0.03
Atmos	21.26	+0.28
Pioneer Nat	22.77	-0.25
Penney's	15.95	-0.62
Phillips	48.92	-0.29
Schlumberger	38.61	-1.05
Tenneco	7.82	-0.06
CVX	71.01	+0.46
Wal-Mart	46.51	-0.89
OKE	18.20	+0.36
NS Group	7.12	+0.01
New York Gold		304.65
Silver		4.58
West Texas Crude		26.47

FIRE

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

Thursday, Aug. 1

1:55 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a blown transformer at 23rd and Price Road. No fire resulted. Firefighters stood by until Excel Energy employees arrived.

10:07 p.m. – two units and six firefighters responded to a fire alarm at Jack's Car Wash, 2321 N. Hobart. Someone had accidentally tripped the alarm.

Friday, Aug. 2

4:09 a.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to an electrical short at the Gwendolyn Plaza Apartments, 800 N. Sumner. Condensation from an air conditioner had dripped into a circuit panel causing the short. No fire resulted.

POLICE

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

Wednesday, July 10

Service Liquor, 800 W. Foster, reported a forgery.

Thursday, July 25

A domestic assault was reported in the 1000 block of Huff Road where a woman suffered minor injuries.

Sunday, July 28

A burglary was reported in the 2600 block of North Evergreen where merchandise taken is valued at $574. Among the stolen items were a wheelbarrow, step ladder, joint planer, water heater, toilet and flood lamps.

Monday, July 29

A $600 trailer was stolen in the 1300 block of East Francis.

Tuesday, July 31

A metal door and frame suffered about $600 in damage during a burglary attempt at Pampa Optimist Club, 601 E. Craven.

A burglary at M.K. Brown Swimming Pool, 701 E. Kentucky, was reported after a board was removed allowing entry into a dressing room. Nothing was listed as missing.

Wednesday, August 1

A domestic assault was reported in the 400 block of Doucette where a woman suffered minor injuries.

An information report was taken in the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

A lawnmower was stolen from a back yard in the 100 block of East 27th.

A gym bag containing eyeglasses, keys and clothing with a total value of $500 was taken at Pampa Youth and Community Center, 1005 W. Harvester.

A wallet containing $50 in cash was taken from an unlocked locker at M.K. Brown Swimming Pool, 701 E. Kentucky.

Francisco Ortega Mendoza, 43, 1137 Clark, arrested on four Carson County warrants.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms, highs in the lower 90s, east winds 5 to 15 mph, and a 20 percent chance of precipitation. Tonight should be partly cloudy, with a slight chance of thunderstorms, lows around 70, southeast winds 5 to 15 mph, and a 20 percent chance of precipitation. Saturday, partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the middle 90s. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s. South winds 5 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent. Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs around 90. South winds 5 to 15 mph. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs around 90. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. Tuesday night, partly cloudy. Lows around 70. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows around 70. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

STATEWIDE

Showers and thunderstorms are in the forecast across the state Friday night, with some chances for rain continuing Saturday as temperatures threaten to reach 100 in some parts.

North Texas should be mostly clear Friday night, with lows in the mid to upper 70s. Saturday should be partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms in south-central parts and sunny elsewhere. Highs will be in the upper 90s to around 100.

The Texas Panhandle will be partly cloudy Friday night with a slight chance of thunderstorms that will last through Saturday. Lows Friday night will be in the middle 60s to 70, while Saturday's highs should be in the lower to mid-90s.

Far West Texas will see scattered showers and thunderstorms Friday night and lows from 65 to 70. Partly cloudy skies on Saturday will be accompanied by isolated afternoon showers and thunderstorms. Highs should be in the lower 90s.

Mostly cloudy skies will cover the Hill Country and south-central Texas, where Friday night lows should be in the 70s and Saturday highs in the 90s.

A slight chance of mainly early evening thunderstorms is in store for southeast Texas and the upper Texas Coast Friday. Lows range from the 70s inland and near 80 at the coast. Saturday will be partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms and highs in the 90s.

Program educates public pollution watchers

HOUSTON (AP) — In an effort to protect the environment, state environmental officials have introduced a program that allows the public to gather evidence against polluters.

The program is designed to teach private citizens the proper methods of collecting environmental samples and documenting other evidence.

"We believe this program will mean a great deal to citizens who want to get involved," said Patrick Crimmins, spokesman for the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission. "Without a doubt, it will help us in our efforts to protect the environment."

The last state Legislature authorized the program. In the past, citizens had provided improperly documented evidence, which could prove useless, said TNRCC Houston region team leader Kimmy Watson.

"It is very easy for a defense attorney to have evidence thrown out if it was not properly collected," he said.

The TNRCC will use evidence from private citizens as a basis for an independent investigation, Watson said.

Citizens will be required to sign an affidavit and might be required to testify in court.

Thirteen people attended the seminar in Harris County.

City Briefs

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in January 1997; their marriage in April 1997; her leaving Britton in August 2000, and the couple's divorce in January 2001.

She testified that on several occasions Britton threatened to kill his grandfather, Dondle Fuller, and police officers.

"He said he was trained in the Army as a sniper," Julie Britton said, "and he'd get a sniper rifle and pick them off."

She also testified to frequent alcohol and drug abuse when they were married.

Sober, who could not identify Britton in the courtroom, said that Britton asked him about guns when they were in jail together in Canadian a few weeks before the shooting that killed Deputy Graham.

Sober said Britton asked about sawing the barrel off a 12-gauge shotgun and about making a silencer.

If found guilty, the jury will still have to access punishment. Under state law, Britton, if found guilty, could be sentenced to death or he could be sentenced to life. If sentenced to life, he would have to serve a minimum of 40 years, with no time off for good behavior, before he would even be eligible for parole.

The prosecution rested about 4:30 p.m., Thursday, after hearing from Dr. Rodney Tucay, the pathologist from Texas Tech University who performed the autopsy on Deputy Graham, and after putting Dr. Robert Morgan, a psychologist from Texas Tech University, and Pearl Gibbons from the Panhandle Mental Health Authority on the witness stand to testify to Britton's mental condition.

They also questioned Jacqueline Anne Wagner, who works at Lowe's in Canadian.

The defense, in their opening arguments, said Britton was mentally ill at the time of the shooting, and his personality had changed during the weeks leading up to the shooting. Wagner, who saw Britton the morning of the shooting, testified that she noticed no odd behavior by Britton when she talked with him between 8:30 and 9 a.m. that Sunday morning, about two hours before Deputy Graham was killed.

"There was not anything different about Chad that morning," she said.

Dr. Morgan, who interviewed Britton in the Randall County jail earlier this summer while a jury was being selected, testified that in his opinion Britton was not suffering from a mental disease to the point that he did not know whether his conduct was right or wrong.

Morgan diagnosed Britton as suffering from a mood disorder, but Morgan said Britton knew his conduct was wrong.

The psychologist said that when he examined Britton, he had access to some police reports, but not any academic or military reports. Morgan said he had talked with Britton's adopted father, Dondle Fuller over the telephone. He said Britton's score on an intelligence test indicated that the defendant fell within an average range.

Morgan told Mack Cobb with the Texas Attorney General's Office, who is trying the case, that in his expert opinion Britton engaged in purposeful and planned behavior in the shooting of Deputy Graham.

Under a blistering cross examination, however, Morgan admitted that he lacked several pieces of information that could have helped him with his examination of Britton.

Gibbons testified that she was asked to examine Britton when he was in the Hemphill County jail about two weeks before the shooting.

She said she told Britton that she was there at the request of Sheriff Dean Butcher.

When defense attorney Warren Clark asked if telling Britton that would not have made Britton suspicious of her motives, she admitted that under similar circumstances she would not have trusted a person questioning her mental abilities.

"I probably wouldn't trust me, either," she said.

Dr. Tucay told jurors that Deputy Graham died of a shotgun wound to the head.

He said the entrance wound was between the eyes in the deputy's forehead. He said it measured 2 1/2 by 1 3/4 inches.

The exit wound, he testified was from the left cheek bone to the top of the head, measuring 8 3/4 inches by 3 3/4 inches. From the searing of the skin at the entrance wound, Tucay said the shot was fired from extremely close range.

Such a wound, he said, would have caused instant death.

The defense presented a series of Hemphill County deputies who had dealt with Britton during the weeks leading up to the shooting in an effort to show a change in Britton's behavior.

Deputy Jack Dupy testified that he was called to Britton's residence on May 23, 2001, to look for a prowler in the basement.

Deputy Joe Hoard said Britton approached him at Allsup's Convenience Store in Canadian the night of May 26, when Britton wanted to get in touch with the United States Marshal's Service to report corruption in the Hemphill County Sheriff's Office and Justice of the Peace Court.

When Hoard suggested contacting the FBI instead, Hoard said Britton told him that the FBI was nothing but the Mafia in disguise. Britton also said that the Texas Department of Public Safety and Texas Rangers were part of the Russian KGB.

Hoard said Britton called him at home the next night to report that his house had been broken into. When Hoard told Britton that he was not on duty and had been asleep, Hoard said, Britton apologized and hung up.

Deputy Katie Gerhardt testified that she handled the burglary call that night and that Britton insisted some one was slipping into his house at night.

Chief Deputy Doug Tenant outlined Britton's custody problems with his 4-year-old son and problems involving the police with Britton's girlfriend, Stephanie Garza.

On at least one occasion, Tenant said, Britton had become violent when he was being handcuffed.

Under urging from Clark, Tenant detailed 11 times that sheriff's deputies had contact with Britton between May 26 and May 29, 2001.

Eventually, Tenant said a charge of making a false report to a police officer was filed against Britton in connection with Britton's accusations that his grandfather, Dondle Fuller, had kidnapped Britton's son. Tenant said that at that time they asked Gibbons to examine Britton's mental condition.

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will not pay ambulance services to take them back to the nursing home," she said.

The only way Rural Metro may bill for taking a patient back to a nursing home is if they bill it to the nursing home, said Adams. "The nursing homes don't want to do that," she said. "They are picking the patients up in their vans and that has cut the number of runs."

Collection of the bills for the ambulance service is 45 percent, said Adams. She said the company must write off 27 percent of the bills and about 22 percent is bad debt.

"Why should we pay for the company's inability to collect bad debt?" asked County Judge Richard Peet.

Adams told him the company was doing everything possible to collect the money. She said they have changed forms to have the medical information available for diagnosis, and have had training sessions for employees to understand how to do it. Collections are handled out of an Arizona office, she said.

She also told him that many people just don't have the money, explaining that a large number of transports are geriatric.

"Many are on a fixed income and may just have Medicare," she said. "They don't have the money to pay it. Medicare will pay part of it and, if they have a supplemental insurance, we bill them. The balance is the patient's responsibility, and many don't have the money to pay it."

Adams also said many make small payments.

"You'd be very surprised what these people will do without to pay (Rural Metro) $10 a month," she said.

"This isn't happening only in Pampa," she said. "It's happening all over."

Adams explained qualifications have increased to attain the status of paramedic, now an associate degree program. She said paramedics are in short supply not only across Texas but also across the nation.

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BOOK

our challenge to use our God-given talent and discernment, also."

Haynes thanked those present for their interest. "It's wonderful as backup to us teachers," she said.

Leland Lewis, pastor of First Assembly of God, said he witnesses "Satan battling for the souls of children today.

"We're finding more and more people losing track of any spiritual values whatsoever," he said. "They don't know god and they don't know Jesus."

He asked how much alcohol, how many drugs does a person have to take before they become addicted.

"How much reading of books does it take before our children start to experiment with withcraft?" he asked.

Scothorn, who first protested before the board last December, said she "respectfully disagreed" with the committee's finding and "remained firm" in the use of the books.

Scothorn pointed out that the book's hero, Harry Potter, "lies, cheats, steals, and rebels against authority.

"Are we giving mixed signals to our children?" she asked.

She read from one book which depicted a suicide and called death "the great adventure.

"We have contacted the American Center for Law or Justice and they told us that people all over the country are protesting these books," she told the board. "I believe this will go before the Supreme Court."

Charles Lowry, pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, read scriptures that supported his concern about the books.

"My motive is not to persuade, but to help you understand that having this in school is against my religious beliefs," he explained.

"I don't believe that (removing the books from the schools) is that great of a price not to violate peoples beliefs," he said.

Loralee Cooley, holding up a "Harry Potter" book and then a Bible, said, "I don't find a conflict."

She said she had read all four "Harry Potter" books and found them to be "a good read.

"They show a struggle of good and evil with good winning," she said.

She read a quote from one Harry Potter book about love and pointed out it's similarity to the biblical verse "and the greatest of these is love.

"If that message comes across in a classroom, maybe that's the best place," she said.

Parent Sheila Winton said she did not want public schools teaching her children moral values.

"If witchcraft is to be presented to my child, it is up to me to do it," she said.

"There may be some good things in 'Harry Potter'," said Jennifer Conner. "That's what makes it so dangerous. It's mixed in with occult practices and witchcraft. (The children) are thinking it's all good and that's what's confusing."

While many say the "Harry Potter" series encourages children to read, Karin Sutherland said that concerns her.

"This mass hysteria of all the kids wanting to read 'Harry Potter,' well, that sends up a red flag to me," she said.

Board President Lee Porter explained that school policy allows professional staff a wide range of freedom in selecting curriculum, adding that "the board reserves the right to be the final judge."

"I want to encourage children to read," said PMS English teacher, Carol Hannah, who uses an audio tape of "The Sorcerer's Stone" in her class.

"Kids in the 7th and 8th grades are very fantasy-oriented," she said. "Harry Potter doesn't have bad language in it like a lot of the books do, and it is recommended to fuel the imagination and has very strong moral content."

Dr. Tim Powers, who led the reconsideration committee of teachers, said all committee members read the first "Harry Potter" book and wrote a summary and personal views about it. After reviewing other material about the book separately, the committee then met together to discuss and make a decision.

He said the committee found the books met the teaching objectives, were consistent with the general education goals of the district, and were appropriate for students.

"I believe this material is appropriate for students in the classroom and in the library," he said.

Before making their decision to uphold the committee's recommendation, board members told how they felt about the books.

Nancy Coffee, a retired English teacher, said she respected other's opinions.

"However, I feel we're starting down the road to censorship ... There's more at stake here than 'Harry Potter' books – censorship and violation of freedoms," she said.

Bill Jones said his three grandchildren have read all the books and can't wait until the next one's out.

"They're fairy tales; that's all they are," he said. "If we start taking one book, two books out of the library, pretty soon we won't have any books at all."

"We as parents work hard to lay a foundation – a Christian foundation – for our children," said Joe Martinez. "If they have that foundation, they'll make a good decision. You don't want to let them go out in the world not knowing about these things. You can't just keep them in a shell."

"Mrs. Hannah was my teacher in the 7th grade – one of the best ones I've had," said DeFever. "The concern I have with this is that it's so controversial. Anything you have to send home a sheet to parents about it, I'm concerned with that personally."

"We're responsible to our students who may not have the foundation Mr. Martinez was talking about," said Dr. Johnson. "I'm also concerned about these things. I'm concerned about censorship. But we have a large Christian population in this town. If it were something else, we'd be politically correct and do what they want. It seems like we're being opposite here.

"We should have something different to opting out. Maybe we should not have something we should have to opt out on," he added.

Porter commented, "I respect the opinions of both sides. I read the four books and personally I don't have a problem with those books."

The board members then unanimously passed a motion asking the school administration to review the district's "opt out" policy and procedures and bring a recommendation to the next board meeting.

Parents have the right to ask that their children "opt out" when they object to certain curriculum. The children then are given an alternate curriculum and may go to a different room when the material they find objectionable is being taught.

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CEILING

annual revenues – using the $1.50 tax rate – are estimated at $19,974,164, leaving a surplus balance of $13,381.

Factors that may affect the budget, McVay cautioned, includes unplanned vehicle purchases totaling $110,00, fluctuations in the tax levy and student average daily attendance and funds derived from an agreement with Plano school district.

McVay based the budget on an estimated Average Daily Attendance (ADA) of 3,220 students, 49 students less than this year's ADA of 3,269.

"We're hopeful not to see a big decline in student enrollment," he said.

A certified tax roll of $732,367,333 had not been released by the Gray County Appraisal District until July 25, but the final figures are extremely close to budget estimates.

"They are down slightly from last year," McVay explained, "but they didn't change the budget assumptions."

Payroll savings from staff attrition countered increased health insurance costs, helping officials balance the budget while still including major facility repairs and an average 1.4 percent pay increase for school employees.

A pie chart of proposed expenses for the coming year shows payroll costs comprise 81 percent of the budget. Contracted services take up 9.2 percent, followed by supplies and equipment at 4.7 percent, debt services at 2.5 percent, and other expenses at 2.3 percent. Three-tenths percent goes to capital outlay.

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TAX-FREE

downtown on Cuyler Street.

At Dunlap's, manager Christy Parker said previously the store will also have sales in conjunction with the tax-free weekend and would be open on Sunday as well.

State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander predicted earlier this week that the state's annual sales-tax holiday will save Texas consumers about $42 and will boost the state's economy by drawing visitors here.

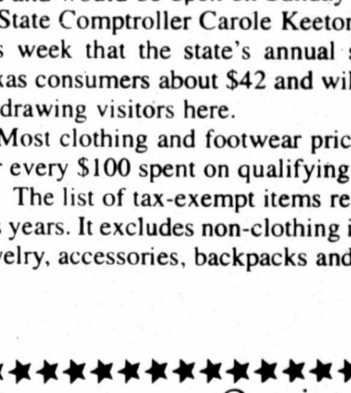
Most clothing and footwear priced under $100 are tax free. For every $100 spent on qualifying items, shoppers save about $8. The list of tax-exempt items remains the same as in previous years. It excludes non-clothing items like handbags, wallets jewelry, accessories, backpacks and school supplies.

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Meeting Wayne Watson



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Christian recording artist Wayne Watson autographs a "Freedom Crusade" t-shirt for fans, Holly, Matt and Miranda Owens, at The Coffee Shop Tuesday afternoon. Watson led the musical portion of the Freedom Crusade held in Harvester Stadium Sunday through Wednesday.

Nobody 'begets' anybody in this Bible parapharase

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — In the Rev. Eugene H. Peterson's retelling of the Bible, when Jesus raises a young girl from the dead, he first has to work his way through neighbors bringing casseroles to the grieving family's home.

The poetic "valley of the shadow of death" from Psalm 23 becomes simply "Death Valley." And when God prepares to flood the earth, he decides to spare Noah because "Noah was different. God liked what he saw in Noah."

Those folksy touches are part of the appeal of Peterson's "The Message: The Bible in Contemporary Language," published by NavPress of Colorado Springs, Colo.

The 2,265-page volume is a compilation of biblical paraphrases that Peterson has written for 20 years.

Released in July, NavPress sold 320,000 copies in advance and ordered an initial print run of 500,000, the largest it has ever had for a Bible, NavPress spokeswoman Kathleen Campbell said.

Peterson's New Testament, published in 1993, sold 2.5 million copies, and his other "Message products" — more than 20 in all — have sold 4.5 million.

In addition to good sales, Peterson's work has enjoyed gentle treatment from other biblical scholars.

Vern Poythress, a New Testament professor at Westminister Theological Seminary in Glenside, Pa., says he and fellow conservatives may quibble with many of Peterson's renderings but have leveled few attacks because "The Message" isn't a Bible and isn't presented as such.

He sees it as useful for evangelism among people who know nothing about the Bible, so long as they realize it's merely one writer's interpretation of the biblical message. He says Peterson's work "is at the far end of the spectrum, not only in paraphrasing but cultural updating."

Peterson translated the Bible directly from the Greek and Hebrew and avoided earlier English translations. His purpose was to capture the earthy, vigorous tone of the originals.

"My intent was to provide something for people who had never read the Bible before, or didn't think they could read it," he said.

In "The Message," Paul the Apostle is that "jailbird preacher." In the Psalm 23, "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want," becomes "God, my shepherd! I don't need a thing."

Nobody "begets" anybody in "The Message." They have babies.

"I've been reading the Bible since I was a little kid, but I found myself, when I first cracked it open — I was on an airplane — and I found myself laughing out loud or crying," recalled Brad Rauch, a friend of Peterson's and general manager of Christian radio station KALS in Kalispell.

Rauch is just one of many admirers. Peterson, who grew up in Kalispell and now lives nearby on the shore of western Montana's Flathead Lake, has fans all over.

Bono, lead singer for the Irish rock band U2, cited "this guy Eugene Peterson" in a Rolling Stone interview last December.

"He's a poet and a scholar, and he's brought the text back to the tone in which the books were written," Bono said. "A lot of the Gospels were written in common kind of marketspeak. They were not at all highfalutin like the King James version of the Bible."

Peterson's mother was a Pentecostal preacher, and her son started out his career as a scholar of Greek and Hebrew at New York Theological Seminary and an associate pastor at a Presbyterian church in White Plains, N.Y.

In 1962 he went to Bel Air, Md., to organize a new Presbyterian church and stayed 29 years. He still regards himself primarily as a pastor.

Christ towers over tyranny



Minister's Musings

DR. JIMMY FLYNN
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First, a risen Christ is big enough to cope with the tyranny of man over man. Not only can he save the individual, but his power has world-wide implications.

Isaiah said, "The government shall be upon his shoulder." (Isaiah 9:6) He has not abdicated his sovereignty in the affairs of men. He is still the Lord of history.

When he was crucified, the Bible said, "a superscription was written over him in letters of Greek and Latin and Hebrew - 'This is the King of the Jews.'" (Luke 23:38) He was then and still is.

Greek was the language of culture, Latin the language of government, and Hebrew the language of religion. One of our failures is not seeing Christ as King of the physical and material as well as the spiritual, of the mind as well as the soul, of the government as well as the heart.

We are engaged in this country in a debate of the separation of church and state. It is important that the church and state remain separate. But there is another sense in which Christ cannot be separated from anything that pertains to life, for he "is all and in all." (Colossians 3:11) He said,"Ye call me Master and Lord: And ... so I am." (John 13:13) He is the Master of every phase of our lives.

Monday and Tuesday as Well

He is Master of our business on Monday and Tuesday as well as our religious life on Sunday. Secularism is growing because we have tried to get him abdicated from the realms of economics, politics, and science. We have limited Christ to the little sphere of man's religiosity. We have hidden him in cloistered sanctuaries, in clouds of incense and in rituals.

We thought that the world's problems could be solved by diplomacy, by scientific advancement, by economic progress. We lost the New Testament concept that envisioned a cosmic Christ who was woven into the warp and woof of the universe and who could not be taken out without destroying the fabric of the whole world.

The Pursuit is Guaranteed

We are in danger in the United States today if we take Christ out of all phases of our lives. Our Declaration of Independence speaks of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, but it is the pursuit of happiness that is guaranteed and not happiness itself.

Chasing happiness around may be fun for awhile, but the entertainment of it soon wears thin. There is a better way. Paul says that the kingdom of Heaven is not a matter of whether you get what you like to eat and drink, but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. (Romans 14:17) Christian joy is dependent on a personal relationship with God and not on externals.

In the upper room Jesus told his disciples, "These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you and that your joy might be full." (John 15:11) He further told them that his joy is one which cannot be taken away. (John 16:22) No pagan philosophy, no atheistic ideology, and no deep sorrow can dislodge the joy that Christ gives.

We have made the mistake of dividing our lives into neat little compartments. Politics in one section, economics in another, and religion put back in a dark little corner - brought out for display only for a few minutes on Sunday morning.

I believe that a great spiritual revival today would have social consequences throughout the world. Christ has an answer to the social problems. He can meet them in his resurrection power and glory. The world today offers many "saviors" but none of them saves to the uttermost. The world today offers many panaceas but they cannot reach to the depths of our depravity. The world today offers many shortcuts to salvation but to be truly saved we must be reconciled to God.

Court rules state wrong to revoke scholarship

SEATTLE (AP) — State education officials were wrong to revoke a college student's scholarship after he decided to pursue a degree in religious studies, a federal appellate court panel has ruled.

In a 2-1 decision July 19, a panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that the state policy denying its Promise Scholarships to students seeking a degree in theology "lacks neutrality."

Attorneys for the state had argued that their policy was legally sound and reflected a prohibition in the state constitution against public money being used "for or applied to any religious worship, exercise or instruction."

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

Romance Is Fast Out of Gate But Falters in the Backstretch

DEAR ABBY: For the past three months, I've been seeing a guy I met in night class. However, all of a sudden, it seems like our relationship is going backward instead of forward.

He's dealing with a very stressful situation at work, and I'm doing my best to be supportive by not pressuring him. I don't want to seem pushy, so I haven't said anything, but sometimes I feel neglected.

At first, we were e-mailing and talking on the phone daily. We even started calling each other "honey" and "darling." Physically, we're really into each other — but when we're not in bed, we can't seem to hold a conversation.

Can this relationship be saved? Or is he trying to tell me something?

LOST AND CONFUSED
IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR LOST AND CONFUSED: One of the major problems with jumping into bed with someone without getting to know him first is the problem you're having now. You don't know him well enough to know if he's telling you the truth or trying to back away.

The smartest thing you can do is to be sympathetic about his work problems. Let him talk to you about them. Try to learn more about his interests and concerns outside the bedroom, and talk to him about yours. In other words, give him time and a chance to see that there is more to you than the sexual side.

Whether this relationship has substance or was just a fling remains to be seen. But speaking realistically, few people can sustain indefinitely the level of heat you two were generating. When that cools, there has to be a community of interest for the romance to survive.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 53-year-old woman planning to live with my 54-year-old boyfriend. The term "boyfriend" is the problem. I feel silly introducing him as my boyfriend, but I don't like the terms "lover" or "significant other," "life partner" or "domestic partner." Nothing sounds right to me — even "friend" feels inappropriate.

Any ideas, Abby?

EAST COAST LIVE-IN LADY

DEAR LADY: Since you don't like any of the commonly used terms, simply introduce him by his name: "... and this is John Smith." The way you and John treat each other will convey your message more effectively than any label.

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DEAR ABBY: "Learned Too Late in Fort Worth" was written by the husband dying of cancer who pondered the wasted years with a wife who was always too busy for him.

That letter reminded me how fortunate I am to spend each precious day with my wife of 60 years. In fact, our relationship once prompted me to write some song lyrics using a theme I hope all seniors with living spouses will embrace.

AUTUMN DAYS

When autumn days remind us
that the summertime is gone
And the shadows show the sun is
on the wane,
It seems so easy to forget that
life continues on
As we revel in our strolls down
mem'ry lane.
But then I stop to reason that
living knows no season,
And realize our numbered days
are few.
That's why I don't recall if summer skies were gray or blue
But live each lovely autumn day
with you.

FRANCIS STROUP,
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DEAR FRANCIS: You're not only a lyricist, you're also a poet and philosopher. May the melody linger on.

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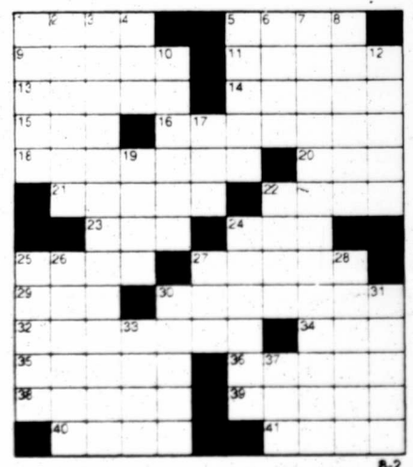
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Yesterday's answer



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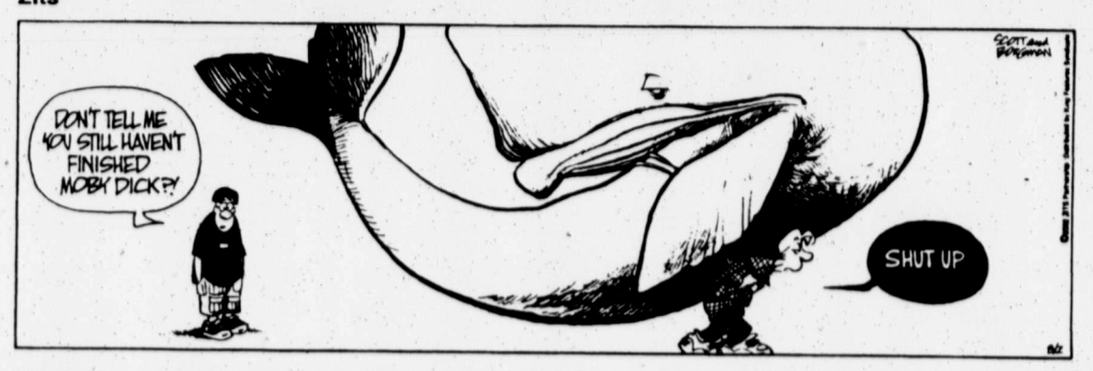
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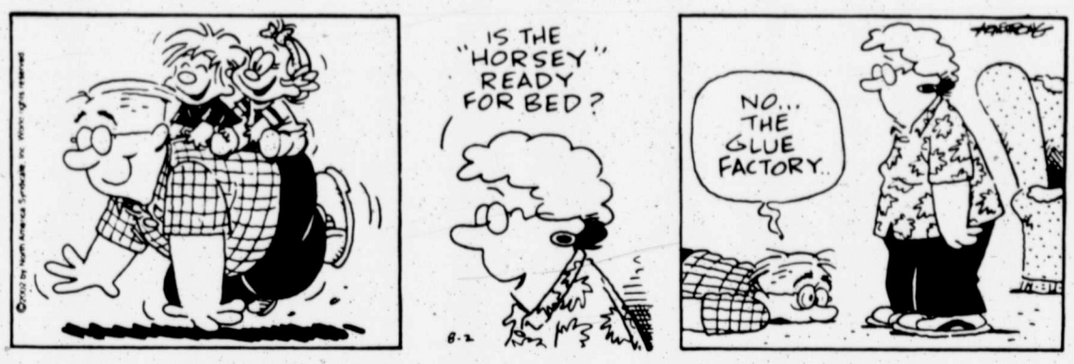
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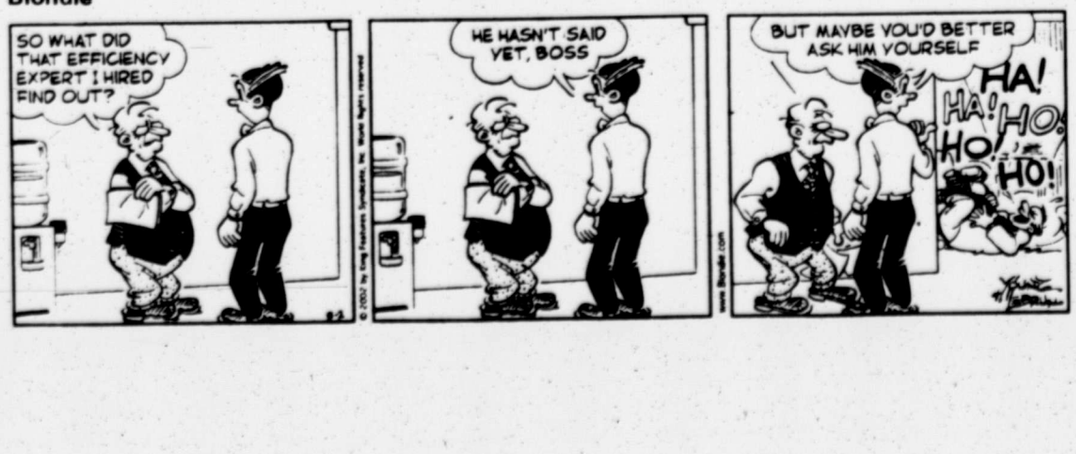


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SPORTS

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CROSS COUNTRY

PAMPA — Pampa High and Middle School cross country practice starts Monday at 8 a.m. near the Super Playground area in Central Park.

The tryouts are for boys and girls in the 7th through 12th grades.

SOFTBALL

PAMPA — City of Pampa Recreation Department will be offering Men's Open and Mixed Open for the fall softball season.

Entry fee or sponsor's fees for teams are $200 per team ($185 if team is already sanctioned). The player's fee is $15 per player with a minimum of 11 persons for Men's Open and 12 persons for Mixed Open.

Entry deadline is Wednesday, Aug. 28 at 5 p.m. There will be no teams added after this date.

Schedules will be available after 1 p.m. on Sept. 2 at the Recreation Office.

Play will begin the week of Sept. 2.

Roster forms, fact sheets and by-laws are available at the Recreation Office, 816 South Hobart, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

If you have questions or would like more information on the fall leagues, please contact the Recreation Office at 669-5770 during business hours.

VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — Two-a-day workouts start Monday, Aug. 5 for Pampa High volleyball prospects.

Workout times are from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Pampa has a three-way scrimmage set for Aug. 17 at Plainview. River Road will also participate.

GOLF

PAMPA — Pamcel Golf Club is hosting a two-man scramble Aug. 10-11 with the entry deadline set for 12 noon Aug. 9.

Cost is $110 per team.

The scramble is limited to the first 36 teams. The tournament will be flighted by the total team handicap (maximum 10-stroke difference) and past performance.

All handicaps must be verifiable.

On Aug. 9, there will be a free practice round. There will be 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. tee times available for Saturday's (Aug.10) round.

Sunday's (Aug. 11) tee time will be according to flight.

Carts are available for $15 per day. Personal carts can be used.

A free evening meal is planned for Saturday, (Aug. 10) followed by a drawing for door prizes and calcutta.

For more information or to enter, call Derek Bigham at 663-4937, Don Alexander 663-4942 or Marcus Schock 663-4137.

Former Oiler returns to Houston as Texan

HOUSTON (AP) — Defensive end Gary Walker hopes his second pro football experience in Houston will be better than his first.

Walker is the only member of the expansion Houston Texans who also played for the Houston Oilers, spending two seasons in Columbia blue before the team bolted for Tennessee and became the Titans after the 1996 season.

"The Oilers had their glory days, but when I came here in 1995, the only thing they were talking about was the move to Tennessee," Walker said. "It was a bad situation, something I'd like to forget."

Walker's situation with the Oilers wasn't so bad. He played in 15 games and started nine at defensive tackle and received all-rookie honors from several publications.

Walker got his first pro start in 1995 against Chicago, replacing injured Ray Childress, now a Texans limited partner. Walker finished the season with 32 tackles and 2.5 sacks.

His all-rookie selection was the first for an Oiler since Childress in 1985.

Walker remembers the Oilers' final season in 1996 with dwindling attendance and fan anger toward owner Bud Adams.

"The fans treated us fine. I just think they didn't want to give Bud their money so they stayed away," Walker said. "They'd go to bars and watch the games."

Walker moved with the team to Tennessee and started two more seasons for the Titans. It was a rough start there, too.

"I don't think the people in Tennessee were ready for pro football," Walker said. "When we got there, they were complaining about us raising their taxes. When we stopped playing in Memphis and went to Vanderbilt the people in Memphis wouldn't come to the games.

"It took them a while but they finally got a fan base. We'll see how long that lasts."

Walker left the Titans and played two seasons at Jacksonville, where Texans coach Dom Capers served as defensive coordinator two seasons, 1999-2000.

Walker probably wouldn't be with the Texans if the Jaguars hadn't been in a salary cap crisis that forced them to give up Walker, defensive end Seth Payne and offensive tackle Tony Boselli in the expansion draft.

Streetball champs



Two players from Pampa and two from Borger were on the Ballers team, which won the Amarillo 3-on-3 Streetball Challenge this summer. Team members were (from left) Shade Haddox, Jarrett Kotara, Braydon Barker and Tyler Fernandez. The tournament was a two-day event with close to 300 teams entered in all age groups from the 10 & Under Division to the Supreme Court Division. The Ballers swept through pool play, going 3-0 the first day, and again going undefeated in bracket action the next day. Teams were grouped into divisions with similar height, age and playing ability. The Ballers were sponsored by Frank's Flooring of Borger.

Oswalt in complete command as Astros beat Mets

NEW YORK (AP) — Roy Oswalt was enjoying the evening so much, he wanted to stick around a little longer.

Pitching at Shea Stadium for the first time in his young career, Oswalt was in complete command on a steamy Thursday night. He eventually got pulled in the seventh inning, and wound up with the win as the Houston Astros beat the New York Mets 3-1.

"I felt real comfortable on this mound. Everything was clicking," Oswalt said. "I was hoping he was going to leave me out there."

But manager Jimy Williams had seen enough after 89 pitches, and relieved Oswalt after pinch-hitter Tony Tarasco's RBI grounder cut the Astros' lead to two runs.

"Just a managerial decision," Williams said. "I just thought it was the right thing to do."

Oswalt couldn't really disagree, either, especially after seeing the results.

Octavio Dotel came out of the bullpen and struck out pinch-hitter John Valentin to strand runners at second and third, and breezed through the eighth. Billy Wagner pitched the ninth for his 21st save in 26 chances.

"Our bullpen's done a great job all year. Once they've come in, most of the time the game's over," Oswalt said.

After the Astros won the series opener 16-3 and then the Mets bounced back to romp 10-0, Oswalt (12-6) and Pedro Astacio (10-4) put the emphasis back on pitching.

Brad Ausmus drove in two runs and Craig Biggio homered as the Astros won a matchup of wild-card contenders and improved to 55-52, the same record as New York. The Mets lost a series for the first time since the All-Star break, having won four and split two.

"It was a big game, especially after the Mets scored like they did last night," Oswalt said. "The first night, we came out swinging the bats. Last night, it's like we took the night off."

Bowlers can sign up now for fall bowling leagues

PAMPA — Harvester Lanes is getting ready for the fall bowling season with several leagues planned for bowlers of all ages.

Interested persons can come to the bowling alley, located at 1401 S. Hobart, to pick up a registration form. Bowlers can also sign up or get more information by calling 665-3422.

Fall Schedule

Monday

Senior Mixed League: Meeting date, Aug. 26; Starting date, Aug. 26.

Celanese Mixed League: Meeting date: Jan. 6; Starting date, Jan. 13.

Tuesday

Harvester Women's League: Meeting date: Aug. 20; Starting date, Aug. 27.

Casino League: Meeting date: Aug. 20; Starting date: Aug. 27.

Wednesday

Generation Gap: Meeting date: Aug. 28; Starting date: Aug. 28

Wednesday Night Mixed League: Meeting date: Aug. 28; Starting date: Aug. 28.

Thursday

Chamber Merchants League: Meeting date: Aug. 22; Starting date: Aug. 29.

Lone Star Women's League: Meeting date: Aug 22; Starting date: Aug. 29.

Caprock League: Starting date: Aug. 22; Meeting date: Aug. 22.

Friday

Harvester Combo League: Meeting date: Aug. 23; Starting date: Aug. 30.

Saturday

Stars & Strikes League: Meeting date: Sept. 7; Starting date: Sept. 7.

Pee Wee League: Meeting date: Sept. 7; Starting date: Sept. 7.

Church League: Meeting date: Aug. 24; Starting date: Aug. 24.

PHS practice schedule

Pampa High School Football Workout Schedule

Aug. 5

Equipment checkout: 9 a.m. 12th grade; 9:45 a.m. 11th grade; 10:30 a.m. 10th grade; 11:15 a.m. 9th grade.

Meeting: 12 p.m., 9-12 grades.

Practice: 6-8:30, all teams.

Aug. 6

Practice: 9 -11:30

Practice: 6 -8:30

Aug. 7

Practice: 9 -11:30

Practice: 6 -8:30

Aug. 8

Practice: 9 -11:30

Practice: 6 -8:30

Aug. 9

First Day of Pads

Practice: 9-11:30

Practice: 6 -8:30

Aug. 10

Picture Day, 9 a.m.

Varsity practice only: 8:30 -11

Aug.12

Practice: 9 -11:30

Practice: 6 -8:30

Aug. 13

Practice: 9 -11:30

Practice: 6 -8:30

Aug. 14

Starting one day of practice 6 -8:30

Aug. 15

Practice: 6 -8:30

Aug. 16

Practice: 5 -7:30

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Aug. 17

Varsity scrimmage: 10 a.m. at Quanah, Leave Pampa at 7 a.m.

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Rangers' Everett jolts former team with seven RBIs

By the Associated Press

After going on a home run binge against his former team, Carl Everett was the model of diplomacy.

He hit a grand slam and a three-run homer Thursday night to power Texas to a 19-7 victory over Boston. The Red Sox shipped Everett to the Rangers in December.

"I'm really not trying to beat them more than any other team," said Everett, who finished with a career-high seven RBIs. "The people who were there that didn't want me aren't there any more so it's not that big a deal. I was pretty close to some of those guys. We won, that's all that matters."

Everett, always a slugger, became known more for his temper than his bat in recent years.

An argument with umpire Ron Kupla in 2000 earned him a 10-game suspension. Last season, he argued with his managers, Jimy Williams and Joe Kerrigan.

"I'm sure, playing against the Red Sox, he was locked in, but I didn't see anything any different," Rangers manager Jerry Narron said. "He plays hard every night."

In other games, it was: Minnesota 6, Chicago 0; Baltimore 4, Tampa Bay 3; Oakland 5, Detroit 3; Seattle 10, Cleveland 6; Anaheim 2, New York 1; and Toronto 3, Kansas City 2.

Everett hit a three-run homer in the first inning to put Texas up 6-1 and hit his eighth career grand slam in the second.

By then, the Rangers were up 12-1, on their way to setting season highs for runs and homers (six) a day after they had a season-best 21 hits in a 17-6 pounding of the New York Yankees.

"I had guys telling me to try to hit homers, but I'm not that good," Everett said. "The one I was begging for was the fourth one (in the fifth inning). I knew I didn't get it so I was begging for that one."

Rafael Palmeiro hit his 476th career homer in the eighth inning, passing Willie Stargell and Stan Musial for 20th place on the career list.

In his AL debut, Todd Hollandsworth hit a three-run homer, and drove in four runs in his first game since he was acquired from Colorado in a deadline deal Wednesday.

Twins 6, White Sox 0

Eric Milton pitched his fourth career shutout and Michael Cuddyer hit his first career grand slam as Minnesota beat Chicago at the Metrodome.

Milton (13-7), who gave up six runs off 11 hits in his last outing against the White Sox, held Chicago to three hits, striking out 11 and walking none in Minnesota's first complete game shutout of the season.

White Sox starter Dan Wright (7-9) struck out a career-high eight in the loss.

Orioles 4, Devil Rays 3

Chris Richard homered again and Sidney Ponson won for the second time in 12 starts as Baltimore won at Tropicana Field.

Richard hit his second homer in as many major league games this season — a two-run shot in the fifth. He went deep on the first pitch he saw Wednesday night. Richard missed nearly four months after offseason shoulder surgery.

Ponson (5-5) allowed two runs over 6 2-3 innings, giving up four hits. The right-hander is 2-2 in his last 12 starts.

Rookie Jorge Sosa (1-4) allowed four runs and four hits, including two homers, over 5 2-3 innings. Jorge Julio recorded his 29th save.

Athletics 5, Tigers 3

Miguel Tejada extended his hitting streak to 21 games with a homer and Eric Chavez homered twice as the Athletics beat Detroit in Oakland.

Tejada's streak is the longest in the AL this season. Ray Durham also homered and Chavez drove in three runs as the A's won for just the third time in nine games.

Micah Bowie (1-0) got the final two outs in the fifth inning for his first AL victory and his first big league win since Sept. 23, 1999, with the Chicago Cubs.

Billy Koch earned his 27th save in 32 opportunities.

Pamcel to host Tuesday Scramble

PAMPA — The Pamcel Golf Club is hosting a scramble on Tuesday, Aug. 6 which is open the public.

The scramble starts at 6:15 p.m. and golfers must be signed up by 5:45 p.m. There be a blind draw with a required handicap.

Fee is seven dollars for non-members and five dollars for members. Carts will be available to rent at four dollars per person.

In case of a tie, the pot rolls over to the next scramble. It is winner-takes-all.

The scramble is limited to the first 40 entries.

For more information, contact Derek Bigham at 663-4937, Don Alexander 663-4942 or Marcus Schock 663-4137.

Aug. 20 will be the next scramble.

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Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, August 4, 2002:

Reach out for others without expectations, and you will discover that you're much happier. How you deal with people could transform as a result. Know that you're not going to change others, so don't waste your energy. Express your ideas and thoughts, but without anticipating reactions. If you want something, focus your energy on it; with endurance, this desire could become a reality. You enter a special new life cycle this year. Aim high. If single, a very special romance will enter your life, probably by the holidays. If attached, you will find the fewer demands you make, the better your relationship will become. GEMINI helps you pursue your desires.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ What starts out as a premonition could develop into a misunderstanding or a problem. Loosen up with a cantankerous friend who might be doing "Gone With the Wind" over what you consider a nonissue. Remember that what bothers you might not bother someone else. Tonight: Catch up on your mail.

This Week: You're under the gun, but others come to the rescue, and so does your own ingenuity. Cut yourself some slack. Delegate, if possible.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★ Use care with an authority figure who might be overly touchy, also triggering others around you. Adjust plans, whether you want to or not. Remember that you cannot fight city hall, certainly not right now. Hold back on spending right now. Tonight: Order a pizza.

This Week: Others knock on your door. They need you. Don't push for a hard bargain, because you could find yourself left out in the cold.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Someone close to you acts up. You might want to throw in the towel, but you hang in there anyway. Still, distance yourself accordingly rather than getting into the thick of things. Isolate what is important to you, and go off and do it. Don't count on an entourage. Tonight: Read a good book.

This Week: Deal with finances before finances deal with you. You'll be much happier as a result. Ask for feedback if you need it.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★ Listen well to someone who really is out of sorts. Deal with money carefully, because someone's fuse might be attached to this issue. Confusion surrounds your dealings in general, so the less you do that's of a key nature, the better. Tonight: Vanish.

This Week: You hit your power days this month on Monday and Tuesday. Seek feedback about a money investment on Wednesday.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Aim for what you want, but don't be surprised by unexpected developments from the wild card in your life. Mixed messages add to the confusion. Realize what must happen to calm the waters. Talks start up with tension. Tonight: Chat over dinner.

This Week: Close your door on Monday. With determination, clear off your desk. If possible, get the job done by mid-Wednesday. Suddenly, everyone needs or wants YOUR attention.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ Complications mar the best intentions. Stop the inner dialogue, and you might notice that you are sabotaging yourself. Work with the unpredictable rather than reacting to it. Realize what might be going on with someone close to you. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

This Week: You get what you want finally. Take advantage of your star power through midweek. Afterward, you opt to cocoon.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ How you handle the inevitable might reflect on you later. The good news is that you enjoy the excitement, though you might need to decipher an odd communication more directly. Get others' views. Someone decides on a serious talk. Tonight: Don't make it a late night.

This Week: Assume responsibilities immediately. You greet unusual success. Guard against fragile feelings.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Deal differently with a person who might be very important to the quality of your life. Don't be so concerned about family and personal matters. Flow with another's impulsiveness. Use caution with finances. Tonight: Allow an associate to dominate.

This Week: Follow your imagination, and you'll get the kind of results you want. Seek out experts. By Wednesday, you know exactly what you're doing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★ Others seem to push your buttons. Process your internal responses rather than reacting. You might want to change your plans as a result. Stay even when dealing with others, with an understanding of what your expectations are. Tonight: Listen to the other side.

This Week: Partnerships and associates play a key role through Wednesday. Break past a restriction on Thursday or Friday.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★ Rather than getting involved in a commotion, step back and make strong personal choices. Your ability to pull out could make or break your day. Others seem destined to create an uproar. Go exercise, or find a tree to read under. Tonight: Easy does it.

This Week: Your popularity might interfere with your work. Oh, well. You might as well make the most of the moment. Can you take the week off?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★ Others might be reacting to your unpredictability. On the other hand, you might be quite put off by another's indiscretion or reversal. Don't make anything more difficult than need be. Hang with a trusted loved one. Tonight: Have a pillow fight.

This Week: Do what you need to do in order to further a key cause. Do nothing halfway this week. Let others run with the ball from Wednesday on.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★ Consider your options carefully, especially if they surround a loved one who could be out of sorts. A parent or boss might be unhappy with what you decide to do. Know that right now, you cannot please everyone all the time. Express your feelings. Tonight: Don't push too hard.

This Week: You're not in the mood to work, but by Wednesday, it appears you have little or no choice. Whatever happens, know that you did it to yourself.

1 Public Notice

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Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

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District: Amarillo

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Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's web site at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code 152.905, a Public Hearing will be held August 19, 2002 at 8:30 a.m. in the District Courtroom, Hughes Building, Room 434, Pampa, Texas, for the purpose of setting salaries for the 31st District Court Reporter, 223rd District Court Reporter and the Gray County Auditor and Assistant Auditor for the coming budget year.

August 1, 2002

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Robert Eldon Douthit, Deceased, were issued on July 15, 2002, in Cause No. 8901, pending in the County Court of Gray County, Texas, to: Gyndol Sue Douthit.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o J.A. Martindale
Attorney at Law
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DATED the 15th day of July, 2002.

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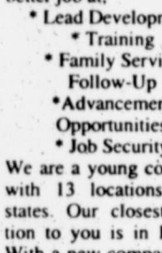
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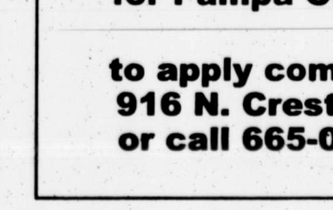
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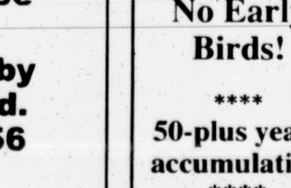


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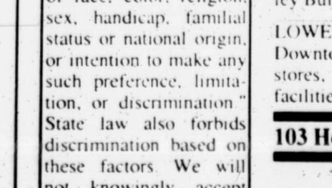
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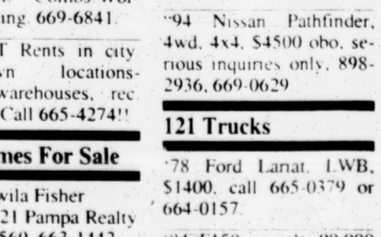
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Many U.S. students steadfast in Israel

JERUSALEM (AP) — A day after a bombing that killed seven people, including five Americans, many U.S. students opened a new semester at Hebrew University saying they wouldn't be driven away by the attack. But some were shaken enough to consider leaving.

Many of the foreign students had only recently arrived in Israel to begin Hebrew language classes at the university over the summer. On Thursday, as the shattered windows of the bombed-out cafeteria were being boarded over, classes began as scheduled.

"It hardened my resolve to stay here," said Daniel Faraha, 20, from Carmel, Ind., who narrowly escaped the blast. The bombers, he said, "did this because they wanted us to run away."

Lissi Young, 25, from Boston, left the cafeteria 30 minutes before the blast. She said that two of her friends, Marla Bennett, 24, and Benjamin Blutstein, 25, remained behind and died.

Young said she had been in the country over a year, and she hadn't decided whether she would leave. "My family can't sleep, they're crying and calling me," she said, sobbing. "I don't know if its fair to do this to my family."

In a tearful ceremony at Israel's airport, caskets with the remains of Blutstein, of Susquehanna Township, Pa., and Janis Ruth Coulter, 36, who worked in New York City, were put aboard a plane for a flight to the United States. The flight arrived Friday morning in New York. The body of Bennett was to be flown home to San Diego on Saturday.

"I'm more empty than furious," Dr. Richard Blutstein, Benjamin's father, said on NBC's "Today." "We haven't really discussed why. Right now, we're just taking it one step at a time."

Blutstein said his son was a very genuine person, with a keen interest in religion and music.

"He had some eclectic tastes. He was sort of on a spiritual journey and he was very serious about his music," he said. "He was supposed to come home yesterday."

Another American, Dina Carter, 37, who had Israeli citizenship, was buried in Jerusalem on Friday. Funeral arrangements for the fifth American, David Gritz, 24, who held French citizenship, were not known. Two Israelis killed in the attack were buried Thursday.

The Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus has about 500 foreign students at its international Rothberg School, and another 1,000 foreign students spread throughout its three campuses.

"We're not going to let them win. We're not going to let them scare us away," said Catherine Cochinov, who arrived from Ottawa on Tuesday.

"I'm staying. I think all of us are staying," Cochinov said, as she and fellow international students ate lunch in a dining area. Other students voiced their agreement. "If we felt strongly enough to come now, I don't think this is going to be a deterrent," she said.

"I don't know what's going to happen if more incidents happen on campus. I can't say I'm staying no matter what."

Unemployment rate holds at 5.9 percent in July

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's unemployment rate held steady at 5.9 percent in July as companies, uncertain about the economic recovery and shaken by accounting scandals, added just 6,000 new jobs.

The Labor Department reported Friday that new hiring in the services industry was tempered by job cuts in construction and manufacturing, leaving July's jobless rate unchanged from the previous month.

Analysts said the report was disappointing because so few new jobs were created, though it was the third straight month of increases. They had predicted 60,000 new jobs for July instead of the 6,000 reported. A revised 66,000 new jobs were added in June, up from the 36,000 previously reported.

"This indicates that we have begun the third quarter on a very slow boat," said Sung Won Sohn, an economist with Wells Fargo & Co. in Minneapolis. "The best we can say is the labor market is in the process of stabilizing."

The number of U.S. jobs has been essentially unchanged during the past five months and the unemployment rate has remained within a narrow 5.8 percent to 6 percent range since April.

Long-term unemployment of 15 weeks or longer edged down in July after rising continuously during the previous 13 months.

The jobs market "has exhibited no signs of either significant deterioration or marked improvement in the past several months," said Kathleen Utgoff, Bureau of Labor Statistics commissioner.

Other areas of the economy have been gaining ground after the economic slump, but the jobs market is continuing to sputter. Companies whose profits and revenues took a hit have been worried about the recovery's staying power and have been wary of making big commitments in hiring and in capital investment.

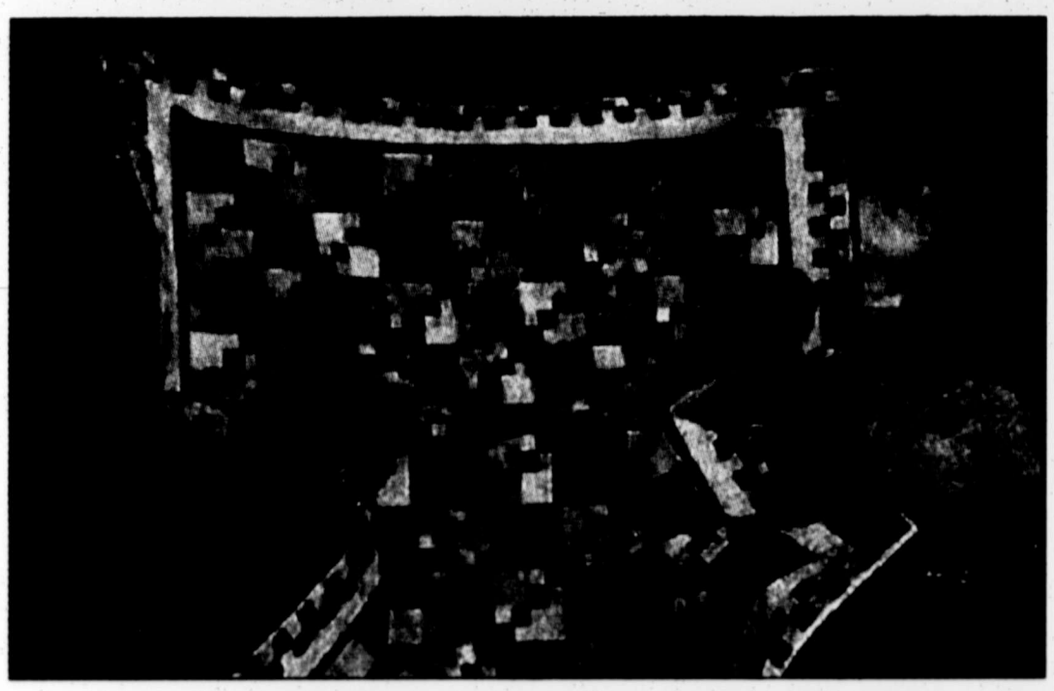
Some economists think the unemployment rate could rise as high as 6.5 percent by the fall before any improvement is realized.

The economy has lost momentum in the spring after bolting out of the starting blocks at the beginning of the year, growing at an annual rate of just 1.1 percent. That was down from a 5 percent rate in the first quarter of this year.

Given the mixed outlook of recent economic indicators, analysts predict the Federal Reserve will leave short-term interest rates alone at its next meeting Aug. 13. Interest rates have been at a 40-year low all year, and most economists think they will stay unchanged through the rest of 2002.

In a separate report Friday, the Commerce Department said that consumers splurged in June, increasing their spending by 0.5 percent. Favorable incentives, such as free-financing offers, along with warm weather enticed shoppers. Consumers had tightened the belt in May, with spending flat.

PPQG quilt



(Courtesy photo)

(Standing) Kathy White, Donna Reynolds, (seated) Jean McCarley, Thelma Matthews, and Darlene Vespestad, members of Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild (PPQG), show off the guild's "Wind on the Plains" donation quilt. The hand-quilted queen size spread will be given away during PPQG's "Century of Quilts" show on Oct. 5th and 6th. The show is being held in conjunction with the Gray County Centennial celebration. Proceeds from the quilt will be used to support guild projects and contributions made to non-profit organizations. Tickets are $1 each or 10 for $5 and are available from any guild member or by calling Ticket Chairman Susan Carter at 665-1728.

Abducted girls rescued from desert area

LANCASTER, Calif. (AP) — Two teenage girls kidnapped from a remote lovers' lane were reunited with their families after an intense 12-hour search that ended when sheriff's deputies shot and killed their abductor on a desolate stretch of road.

Tamara Brooks, 16, and Jacqueline Marris, 17, had minor injuries and were released late Thursday from Kern Medical Center in Bakersfield, hospital administrator Peter Bryan said. He said the girls were "coherent, awake, alert," but declined to discuss their conditions.

Tamara and her family arrived by plane at a small airport near Lancaster late Thursday and were whisked into a Los Angeles County sheriff's van. The whereabouts of Jacqueline and her family were not immediately known.

Kern County Sheriff Carl Sparks said he was certain the suspect, Roy Dean Ratliff, 37, who was wanted for rape, was just minutes away from killing the girls when he was discovered in a remote location in the high desert, 100 miles from where they were kidnapped.

"He was hunting for a place to kill 'em and bury 'em," Sparks said on CNN's "Larry King Live." He said the girls had been raped.

When two deputies arrived, the suspect showed a gun, according to the sheriff. The deputies shot at him numerous times while he sat in the car and struck him twice in the head, Sparks said.

The two girls were in the back of the vehicle at the time, but were not visible to the deputies when the shooting started, Sparks said.

He said the girls still had duct tape stuck on them when they were rescued but were no longer bound by it. Television footage showed the sobbing girls being bandaged for what appeared to be minor injuries.

Friends and relatives who gathered in Lancaster hugged and wept when they were told the girls were safe.

"If you're watching this honey, I love you, I can't wait for you to get home," said Jacqueline's father, Herb Marris of Mission Viejo.

Parents of Princess' driver take action

LONDON (AP) — The parents of the French driver blamed for the car crash that killed Princess Diana said Friday they are taking legal action to clear his name, asking for the blood sample used to prove he had been drinking.

Henri Paul died in the Aug. 31, 1997 crash in a Paris traffic tunnel that also killed Diana and her boyfriend Dodi Fayed. An investigation concluded that Paul had been drinking and was driving at a high speed.

Jean and Gisele Paul say they are not convinced the blood sample used to judge his alcohol level was their son's.

"We want to know the truth. We're certain that our son wasn't drunk," Paul's mother, Gisele Paul, told British Broadcasting Corp. radio

"We don't accept it. ... They say parents can be biased, but everyone he knew would say the same," she added, speaking through a translator.

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