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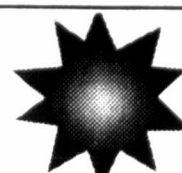
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Good Evening!

AREA

BORGER — The Borger Kiwanis Club will host its 37th annual Pancake Day on Saturday, April 8, from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Borger Middle School cafeteria.

The event coincides with the club's 50th anniversary celebration of community service to Borger and Hutchinson County, according to David Hagler, club president.

Hagler said the Pancake Day is the club's largest program of support for fund raising to benefit various community programs and charities. Pancake Day chairman Marcia Keller will be assisted by more than 30 club members.

In addition to pancakes, the menu will include bacon, sausage, coffee and milk. Tickets will be available at the door.

PAMPA — The Top O' Texas A&M University Mothers' Club of Pampa will be hosting the district meeting of the Federation of Texas A&M University Mothers' Clubs on Saturday, April 8, at the Pampa Country Club.

Coffee and registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. A luncheon will be served at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$12 a person, with reservations required.

All Aggie moms, wives and former students and graduates are invited to attend.

For more information, contact Judy Wood at 669-3039 or Ruth Thompson at 665-8137.

SHAMROCK — The Top O' Texas CattleWomen group is offering programs for clubs and organizations.

Programs that are available include "Who Owns the Land?", "When the Environment Collides with the Constitution," "Cattlemen: Stewards of an American Tradition" and "Consumer Presentation (slides)," according to Diane Buckingham, CattleWomen spokesman.

The organization also offers two children's programs, "Yo-Slime-It! Germ Meets Food Safety Sam" and "Stevie the Steer."

For more information, contact Sally Youngblood in Lefors at 806-835-2406.

The next scheduled meeting of the Top O' Texas CattleWomen will be at 10:30 a.m., April 11, at the Shamrock Museum.

STATE

AUSTIN — State Rep. John Smither of Amarillo has filed a bill in the Legislature for a hotel in Palo Duro Canyon.

Smither's H.B. 3060 would allow the construction of a resort hotel in the state park.

According to the bill, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will oversee the leasing of land for a resort hotel with at least 100 guest rooms to be built by Jan. 31, 1999.

The proposed hotel would have dining facilities and at least one banquet room, according to a Smither aide. The bill also calls for the state agency to limit, by reasonable means, adverse impact to park surroundings and assure that the hotel is aesthetically compatible with the landscape.

The hotel and improvements would eventually revert to the state.

Smither's office in Austin said that under the bill, proceeds from the lease could be used only for maintaining the park and enhancing its facilities.

GOP ready for tax cuts showdown

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — With high rhetoric and a bit of suspense, Republicans maneuvered today to muscle the final provision of the "Contract With America" — a \$189 billion tax cut over five years — through the House.

Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., emerged from a closed-door morning meeting with Republican lawmakers, saying he was still two or three votes short of being assured the bill would not be blocked from debate.

"We're going to find out during the vote if we have the votes," he told reporters. "It's a little more difficult than I would expect."

President Clinton continued to lead Democratic opposition to the measure, telling the Building Trades Association: "We can't afford a lot of these tax cuts. We've got too big a deficit."

He accused Republicans of cutting essential government programs like Head Start and education "to pay for a tax cut for the wealthiest Americans. ... That is wrong."

One moderate GOP lawmaker who had said he was leaning toward voting to block the bill, Rep. Christopher Shays of Connecticut, said this morning he had decided to vote with his leadership on the key procedural question.

"We need to conclude our business," he said. "We've boxed ourselves in and that's unfortunate."

Shays was among more than 100 Republicans seeking to scale back the central tax cut in the bill, a \$500-per-child credit. They wanted it limited to families earning \$95,000 and less. The cap in the bill is \$200,000.

However, Shays said he's been assured by House leaders that "the wishes of so many people will not be ignored in the

future." And Gingrich said he promised to establish an internal task force to ensure that all wings of the party have a say in shaping the 1996 budget Congress will consider later this year.

A victory tonight on the tax bill — which Gingrich has called the contract's "crowning jewel" — would culminate the 100-day Republican revolution eight days early. But it would then go to a much more skeptical Senate.

In addition to the per-child credit, the GOP bill offers families a reduction of up to \$145 in the so-called marriage penalty.

Better-off Social Security recipients would get a repeal of the 1993 tax increase on their benefits and an increase in the amount of outside income they can earn before their benefits are cut.

Businesses would see more generous depreciation for investing in new equipment, repeal of the corporate minimum tax that prevents profitable companies

from escaping taxation altogether, and a sharp reduction, retroactive to January, in taxes on profits from selling securities, real estate and other assets.

Other features include reduced capital-gains taxes on individuals, expanded Individual Retirement Accounts and tax credits for adoptive parents and families who care for elderly relatives at home.

Before the final vote, Democrats will offer their own less expensive plan cutting taxes \$24 billion over five years and featuring expanded IRAs and deductions for college tuition and interest on student loans.

Defended by Republicans as tax relief for the middle class and job-creating economic stimulus for business, the GOP package was derided by Democrats on Tuesday as a deficit-busting giveaway to the wealthy, financed by spending reductions in programs going to children and the needy.

Two men to face grand jury after examining trials before justice of peace

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

A pair of men will face a Gray County grand jury after a justice of the peace ruled Tuesday probable cause exists to present criminal charges against them to the panel.

Michael Alexander Romero, accused of burglary of a habitation, and James Purdue, accused of aggravated assault, will have their charges considered by the grand jury, Justice of the Peace Bob Muns said Tuesday.

Lujana Gail Phillips, 37, told Muns during an examining trial that Romero is the man who broke through her bedroom window about 3 a.m. Jan. 26 while she was alone at 412 Hill.

"I was afraid he would try to rape me and beat me up," Phillips testified.

Romero was arrested by Pampa policemen and charged with burglary of a habitation. District Attorney John Mann said it is alleged Romero burgled the house with the intent to commit sexual assault.

Romero, on the advice of his attorney Jean Martindale, declined to testify.

His \$10,000 bond was continued. Romero is a prisoner in Gray County jail.

In a second examining trial, Muns ruled James Purdue will also have a grand jury consider aggravated assault charges against him.

It is alleged he struck Tina Thompson, 32, with a golf putter on the top of her head Oct. 21, 1994 at her Coffee Street home.

Mrs. Thompson testified she suffered a skull fracture when she tried to break up a fight between Purdue and her ex-husband. However, she said she recalls seeing nothing in Purdue's hand. She said neither Purdue nor her ex-husband Delbert Thompson play golf.

"I remember nothing after I grabbed James to keep him from hitting Del," Mrs. Thompson testified.

Purdue is free on \$10,000. He did not testify at the examining trial.

Mann said a second charge alleging aggravated assault against Purdue will be dismissed to be presented to a grand jury later. In the second charge, Delbert Thompson is named as the victim.

Mann explained an examining trial is intended to answer the question of whether a crime has been committed and whether it is probable the accused committed the crime. Reasonable doubt as to their guilt or innocence does not have to be established.

Attempt to freeze gopher leads to explosion in California school

CERES, Calif. (AP) — Three janitors trying to freeze a gopher to death caused an explosion that injured 19 people, most of them students, at an elementary school, officials said.

The Fowler (Elementary) School janitors were blown out of a utility room Monday when one of them tried to light a cigarette after spraying the rodent with a freezing solvent used to clean gum and wax off floors.

Two janitors remained hospitalized Tuesday in stable condition. Sixteen pupils near the

explosion had been treated for minor injuries.

The gopher survived and was later released in a field.

Jeff Davis said he and the other janitors were trying to euthanize the animal, which a student had found on school grounds and brought to them.

The men were inside a small, poorly ventilated utility room with the doors closed when they sprayed several cans of the gum remover on the gopher, said police Sgt. Hollie Hall. Then one of them tried to light a cigarette, causing the explosion.

Report shows state boards disciplined more than 3,500 doctors in '94

WASHINGTON (AP) — State medical boards disciplined 3,685 physicians in 1994 for misconduct ranging from abuse of prescription authority to alcohol and drug impairment to sexual misconduct.

The number of physicians who had their licenses revoked or suspended or were reprimanded grew by 11.8 percent from 1993, Dr. Gerald J. Bechamps, president of the Texas-based Federation of State Medical Boards, said today.

That represents less than 1 per-

cent of the 615,854 physicians licensed to practice medicine.

The federation, headquartered in Eufless, said that in the past three years the number of reprimands, revocations and other disciplinary actions has increased 38 percent.

Bechamps, of Winchester, Va., said the medical boards are "on the front line when it comes to protecting the public from incompetent, impaired or unfit physicians."

Medical professionals, rather than the general public, are filing a

growing number of the complaints — about 25 percent, federation leaders told a news conference.

But the rate of disciplinary actions fluctuated among the states, with some reporting 10 or more per 1,000 physicians and others one or two. The boards vary in how many resources they have for investigations and the state laws they operate under, said Dr. James R. Winn, the federation's executive vice president.

Dr. Sidney M. Wolfe of Public

Citizen's Health Research Group, an outspoken critic of the medical profession, said in response to the federation report: "A large number of doctors each year injure or kill patients through negligence. But only a fraction of even those doctors seem to be the subject of disciplinary actions by the states."

Many physicians receive no more than a slap on the wrist from state boards, he charged.

The board released these statistics for 1994:

—A total 4,155 actions were taken against 3,685 physicians.

—Some 86 percent of the actions were deemed "prejudicial," meaning the physicians lost their license, had it restricted, were put on probation or received a formal reprimand.

—Some 14 percent were non-prejudicial or administrative in nature, including reinstatements of licenses, replacement of lost licenses, denials and modifications due to a physician's illness.

Ceramics exhibit



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Ora Lee Powell, left, Southside Senior Citizens' Center secretary; Rose Hughes and Winnie Roland are just a few of the members of the Southside Senior Citizens' Center who will have their ceramic works on exhibit and for sale at the center's Annual Tea this Sunday. The Show and Sell Ceramics Exhibit will be from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the center, located at 438 W. Crawford. Donations will also be taken at this yearly fund-raising event.

Juarez employees set up bridge toll booths

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico (AP) — Juarez city employees established their own toll booths at the Paso del Norte Bridge, with the idea of keeping the money collected at home rather than sending it to Mexico City.

Tired of the federal government's management of money collected at the bridge, city employees and supporters — with the backing of the city government — set up the wooden booths about 10 feet in front of the federal toll booths on Tuesday and continued operating them today.

Federal employees eventually abandoned their posts, unable to charge motorists and pedestrians a second toll to cross.

Mayor Francisco Villarreal said the toll money that now goes to the federal government for projects elsewhere in Mexico would be better used in Juarez, across the border from El Paso.

A 1993 agreement involving the city, state and federal governments stipulated that 10 percent of the approximately \$5 million collected annually at the bridge would go to the Juarez city government, with the remainder going to the federal government.

But to collect the 10 percent, city and state governments would have to match the federal contribution peso for peso, and agree to use the money only for improvements on roads and bridge infrastructure. City offi-

cials said those conditions are impossible to meet, so they've never received any of the toll money.

"They offer us the 10 percent like we were little babies. The end of the (federal government's) exclusion has reached its time. We will be here (until) hell freezes over," Villarreal said.

"There are many decisions that could be made in the heat of the moment but that would hurt the crossers," said Jose Manuel Gutierrez Saucedo, Juarez administrator for the Directorate of Bridges and Federal Highways.

"They're the last people we want trouble with. Mexico City will have to decide and we will implement their decision."

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

CLEMENTS, Leatrice Ann "Frenchie" — 2:30 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, Pampa.
TURNER, Louise McDonald — 2 p.m., Trinity Baptist Church, McLean.

Obituaries

LEATRICE ANN CLEMENTS

Leatrice Ann "Frenchie" Clements, 68, of Pampa, died Tuesday, April 4, 1995. Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Dr. Darrel Rains, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Clements was born Dec. 2, 1926 at Tonkawa, Okla. She married Bill Clements on Feb. 7, 1946 in Pampa. She resided in Pampa from 1946 to 1962, when she moved to Lawton, Okla. She returned to Pampa in 1989. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Bill, of the home; a son, Robert L. Clements of Carlsbad, N.M.; two sisters, Mary Southard of Pampa and Lottie Parker of Midwest City, Okla.; four brothers, Donald Wills of Northridge, Calif., John R. Wills of Tarzana, Calif., Gary Wills of Austin and Richard Wills of Rochester, N.Y.; and two grandchildren, Christa Clements and Mandy Clements both of Carlsbad.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

WILLIAM D. MCKNIGHT

DENISON - William D. McKnight, 79, of Denison, father of a Pampa resident, died Tuesday, April 4, 1995. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the Cedarlawn Cemetery with Billie Smith, minister, officiating and military graveside rites courtesy of Denison VFW. Burial will be under the direction of Bratcher Funeral Home.

Mr. McKnight was born Oct. 22, 1915 at Antlers, Okla., the son of Ozzie and Billie McKnight. He married Nora Broyles on June 8, 1940 in Bonham, Texas. He was a molder for Sherman Foundry until his retirement in 1978. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Navy. He was a member of the Shannon Church of Christ.

Survivors include two sons, David McKnight of Pampa and Larry McKnight of Garland; a daughter, Betty McKnight of Denison; two sisters, Leoma Martin of California and Sybil Young of Denison; five brothers, Derle McKnight of Arlington, Lloyd McKnight of Sherman, Glenn McKnight of Denison, Ozzie McKnight of Commerce and Calvin McKnight of Whitewright; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

BETTY MARIE HENDERSON SCHAUB
HOUSTON - Betty Marie Henderson Schaub, 73, of Houston, a former Pampa area resident, died Tuesday, April 4, 1995 in Houston. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Schaub was born Dec. 28, 1921 in Ringling, Okla. She was raised at Mobeetie and moved to Pampa in 1945. She moved to Houston in 1993. She married James L. Schaub on Dec. 21, 1942 at Wheeler. She had worked in the Pampa school system for over 20 years. She was a member of Hobart Baptist Church of Pampa.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Karen, in 1947, and a son, Phillip, in 1984.

Survivors include her husband, James, of the home; a daughter, Brenda Ward of Amarillo; a son, David Schaub of Houston; two sisters, Nettie Walker of Mobeetie and Nadine Jones of Brawley, Calif.; a brother, Claude Henderson of Covington, La.; and three grandchildren, Lance Ward and Scott Ward, both of Dallas, and Valerie Lytle of Houston.

The family requests memorials be to Alzheimers Disease and Related Disorders, P.O. Box 2234, Pampa, TX 79066-2234.

The family will receive friends at Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Home in Pampa from 6-8 p.m. Friday evening.

LOUISE McDONALD TURNER

MCLEAN - Louise McDonald Turner, 75, died Tuesday, April 4, 1995. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Trinity Baptist Church with the Rev. Q.D. Bevell, pastor, and the Rev. Dean Driver, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Samnorwood, officiating. Burial will be in the Hillcrest Cemetery by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Turner was born in Kress and had lived in the McLean area since 1945. She married Lewis Finley McDonald in Canadian; he died in 1957. She later married Vernon Turner in 1973 at Panhandle. She retired after 23 years with Marie Foundations. She was a Baptist and a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary and the McLean Care Center Auxiliary.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Robert Lewis McDonald, in 1965.

Survivors include her husband, Vernon; a daughter, Betty Throckmorton of Shamrock; two sons, Jim McDonald and Clifford McDonald, both of McLean; two brothers, Billy Joe Immell of Kerrville and Vernie Immell of Amarillo; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Ambulance

American Medical Transport reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, April 4

2:26 p.m. - One patient was transported to Coronado Hospital from the 800 block of North Somerville on a medical assistance call.

6:59 p.m. - One patient was transported to Coronado Hospital from the 1000 block of Charles on a medical assistance call.

Calendar of events

VFW DOMINO DAY

VFW Domino Day is set for 1-5 p.m. Thursday at the Post Home, Borger Highway. Free coffee, bring your own dominos. No alcohol permitted.

Obituaries

JIMMIE D. TWIGG

Jimmie D. Twigg, 65, of Pampa, died Wednesday, April 5, 1995 in Amarillo. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Twigg was born on Aug. 23, 1929 in Pampa. He was a 1948 graduate of West Seattle High School in Seattle, Wash. He returned to Pampa in 1952, where he had resided ever since. He married Virgie Armstrong on Dec. 19, 1953 in Clovis, N.M. He was a boilermaker for 37 years, retiring in 1990. He was a member of the Boilermakers' Local #531 in Amarillo and the Loyal Order of the Moose.

Survivors include his wife, Virgie Twigg, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl and Dirk Ammerman of Pampa; a sister, Wanda Matthews of Borger; four grandchildren, James Dale Twigg, Jeffrey Don Twigg, Liana Ammerman and Ted Ammerman, all of Pampa; and several nieces and nephews.

The family will be at 1024 Charles.

Police report

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

TUESDAY, April 4

Patty Harlan of Johnson's IV, 2211 Perryton Parkway, reported theft which occurred on Feb. 2.

Jani McCarthy, 2208 N. Wells, reported theft which occurred between 3:15 and 5:30 p.m. March 27.

Simple assault - family violence was reported in the 1500 block of Williston which occurred at 1:27 p.m. Tuesday.

Doug Boyd of Doug Boyd Motor Co., 821 W. Wilks, reported unauthorized use of a 1989 Nissan which occurred March 2.

Mary Gething Jones, 423 S. Barnes, reported hit and run in the 600 block of South Cuyler.

Domestic disturbance was reported twice, at 6:20 and 7:23 p.m., in the 1000 block of South Christy.

Arrests

TUESDAY, April 4

James Jerry Triplett, 29, 1040 S. Christy, was arrested at Gray County Sheriff's Office on two warrants.

Robert C. Jones, 26, 1012 S. Christy, was arrested at the residence on a charge of domestic assault.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL

Admissions

Pampa

Willie B. Clatterbaugh
 Palmer C. Cotham
 (extended care)
 Ruby S. Free
 William B. McMillion
 (rehabilitation unit)
 McLean
 George P. Vanhuss
 Panhandle
 Groves Burum
 Dismissals
 Pampa

Martha A. Bevel

Palmer C. Cotham

Gracie P. Franklin

Nellie B. Martin

Hortencia Portillo

and baby girl

Canadian

Calvin Williams

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

Admissions

Shamrock

Blaze Diamond

Dismissals

Shamrock

Virginia Anderson

Fires

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

TUESDAY, April 4

1:42 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to a smoke scare at 1900 N. Wells.

2:26 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to a medical assistance call at 818 N. Somerville.

9:02 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to a trash collection bin fire at 1439 Dogwood.

WEDNESDAY, April 5

2:18 a.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to an alarm malfunction at Coronado Hospital.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.

Wheat	3 1/2	Enron	33	NC
Milo	4.06	HealthTrust Inc.	36.58	dn 1/8
Corn	4.60	Wal-Mart	25.78	NC

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

NOWSCO	11	NC
Occidental	22.78	up 1/8

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

Magellan	72.21	NC
Puritan	15.46	NC

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

Arco	63 1/4	up 1/8
Amoco	114.78	dn 1/8
Cabot	37 1/2	up 1/2
Cabot O&G	15 1/4	in 1/2

Accidents

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

SATURDAY, April 1

Unknown time - A red vehicle was in collision with a legally parked 1992 Honda owned by Mary Gething Jones, 423 S. Barnes, in the 600 block of South Barnes.

TUESDAY, April 4

6:55 p.m. - Tommie Michelle Shoffner, 16, 317 Starkweather, a passenger in a 1962 Chevrolet pickup driven by Justin Scott Dorman, 403 N. Ward, was ejected from the passenger door of the pickup at the intersection of Charles and Cook. She was taken by ambulance to Coronado Hospital, where she was treated and released.

Senate OKs more sex offender bills

AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas Senate has approved three more bills designed to get tough on sex offenders and child molesters.

The bills, sent to the House on Tuesday, included a "three strikes and you're out" sentence, public notification when sex offenders are released and creation of child safety zones at parks, schools and other locations.

They are part of 14 measures called "Ashley's Laws" - named for 7-year-old Ashley Estell of Dallas, who was abducted from a Plano park, molested and killed in 1993 by a paroled sex offender who had served 18 months of a 10-year prison sentence.

"We have set public policy that's going to say children are important to us in Texas," said Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, the bills' sponsor.

"If you commit a crime against

one of our children, you will pay a special price. We will have special laws that will deal with you," she said.

Approved Tuesday were bills to:

- Create an automatic sentence of 40 years without possibility of parole for third-time offenders convicted of a first-degree felony sex offense against a child. The sentence would require two prior felony convictions, one of which must be for a sex offense against a child.

The measure also would require a favorable psychiatric evaluation and a two-thirds vote of the full Board of Pardons and Paroles for a convict to obtain parole.

- Establish child safety zones by requiring sentencing judges to bar sex offenders from participating in programs that include children and going near areas where children gather, including schools, parks and

swimming pools.

This bill also would require the sentence of community supervision for a sex offense be raised to at least five years.

- Require public notification when a sex offender is released back into a community, including publishing of notice in a local newspaper.

The bill also would require courts or prisons to register convicted sex offenders before their release and require registration of offenders who move to Texas from other states.

"The mentality that we've had with child molesters is let them come back into the community and let them continue to do their dastardly deeds. What we have finally said is no more. This is not going to happen again," Ms. Shapiro said.

She said she isn't worried that public notification might cause harassment of convicted offenders.

Crisis Pregnancy Center schedules 'Walk for Life'

A "Walk for Life" to benefit Top O' Texas Crisis Pregnancy Center is set for 9 a.m. Saturday at Central Park.

The statewide walk will support crisis pregnancy centers across Texas and Texans United for Life, according to Kim Laycock, interim center director.

Of local money raised, 51 percent will remain in Pampa and 49 percent will go to Texans United for Life, she said.

In 1994, more than 300 local walkers raised about \$8,000 for the center, located at 118 E. Browning.

Eleven Pampa churches are participating in the walk. All contributions are tax deductible and the center is supported by individual and church donations, Laycock said.

Wheeler residents are to sponsor a walk in their city to support Pampa's crisis pregnancy center, Laycock said.

Top O' Texas Crisis Pregnancy Center offers free pregnancy tests, confidential counseling, maternity and infant clothes, referrals for medical care, adoption, post abortion counseling and financial assistance, and education programs about abortion and chastity for church and civic clubs.

To participate in the second local "Walk for Life," call the center at 669-2229.

Sheriff's Office

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

TUESDAY, April 4

Jennifer Armbrister, 412 Commerce, McLean, reported information.

Arrests

MONDAY, April 3

Jason Dewey Kysar, 20, 1209 Duncan, was arrested on violation of probation.

Dewey Rodney Hill, 24, Amarillo, was arrested on a charge of assault with bodily injury. He was released on bond.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Clear tonight with a low near 50 and southerly winds 5-10 mph. Thursday, sunny with a high in the middle 80s and southwesterly winds 10-20 mph. Tuesday's high was 68; the overnight low was 42.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Generally clear tonight with a low in the mid 40s to low 50s. Tuesday, sunny with a high in the low to mid 80s. South Plains: Tonight, fair. Lows 40-45. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs in lower to mid 80s.

North Texas - Tonight, a slight chance of showers central and

east. Otherwise decreasing cloudiness. Lows 49 to 57. Thursday, some early morning fog east, otherwise mostly cloudy. areawide. Highs 73 to 80.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, decreasing clouds with rain ending. Lows in low 50s. Thursday, sunny and warm. Highs in upper 70s. Hill Country to near 80 south central. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, becoming partly cloudy with showers ending. Lows in upper 50s inland to near 60 coast. Thursday, sunny and warm. Highs in low 80s inland to mid 70s coast. Upper Coast: Tonight, mostly cloudy with scattered showers or thunderstorms. Lows in mid 50s inland, near 60 at

the coast. Thursday, becoming partly cloudy. Highs in mid to upper 70s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight through Thursday, fair skies. Warmer again Thursday afternoon. Lows tonight 20s to mid 30s mountains with 30s and 40s lower elevations. Highs upper 50s to near 70 mountains with 70s to mid 80s lower elevations south.

Oklahoma - Tonight, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms southeast, clear to partly cloudy elsewhere. Lows in mid 40s to mid 50s. Thursday, sunny west and north, partly cloudy elsewhere. Highs in mid to upper 70s.

City briefs

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TAX SERVICE: Mary Jane and Mary McBee. 1040EZ \$15 and 1040A \$25. 669-9910. Adv.

SUNSET BAR & Grill New Hours, Tuesday-Saturday, opening at 5 p.m. Adv.

CHILDCARE in my home - Monday-Friday, 6 a.m.-6 p.m. Ages 0-4. \$40 week. 665-5010. Adv.

SONFLOWERS WILL close it's doors, Friday 11 p.m. Hours will be Tuesday thru Thursday 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. No lunches will be served after Tuesday. Please if you have a gift certificate, come and redeem it by Friday 7th. Thank you so much for your support. Adv.

EASY'S POP Shop - Marlboro cigarettes \$1.79 pack, \$14.99 carton. Use our convenient drive-up window. Adv.

BUSINESS, FARMS, Corporations, Fiduciaries, Partnerships, Corporations, Non-profit Organizations. We prepare all returns. H&R Block, 1301 N. Hobart, 665-2161. Adv.

"WALK FOR Life '95", Saturday, April 8th, Central Park 9 a.m. to benefit Top O' Texas Crisis Pregnancy Center. Please check in, return sponsor form, between 8:30-9:00 a.m. Extra T-shirts available for \$10 donation. Adv.

FOR COMMERCIAL or residential heating and air estimates, call Malcolm Hinkle, Inc. at 665-1841. Adv.

FREE CAR Wash, Saturday, April 8 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, corner of Foster and Ballard. Adv.

SUNDAY AMONG The Stacks, Joe Kyle Reeve, Library Business Resources, Sunday, April 9, 3 p.m. Free admissions. Adv.

CHOCOLATE EASTER suckers, eggs and lots of other fun Easter basket stuffers are in at Celebrations, 665-3100. Next to Watson's Feed & Garden. Adv.

VCR'S CLEANED and Aligned - \$14.95. Pick up and delivery available. 665-5330. Adv.

NOW HERE - Exciting new colors! BeautiControl by Lynn Allison. Register for drawing (with purchase) for numerous new items and complementary facial. Billie's Boutique, 2143 N. Hobart. Adv.

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April

5-7 - JAY STRACK CRUSADE sponsored by PAMPA MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE, continues at M.K. Brown Auditorium, 7 p.m.

7 - ART FOR HEART, hosted by SHEPARD'S CROOK NURSING at the Pampa Country Club, 6 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person and are available at Shepard's Crook Nursing and Pampa Chamber of Commerce offices. For more information, contact Dee Barker at 665-0356.

8 - PAMPA AREA CRIME SUMMIT: TAKING A STAND sponsored by TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE, M.K. Brown Auditorium from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

9 - SOUTHSIDE SENIOR CITIZENS' ANNUAL TEA, 438 W. Crawford, 3-5 p.m. Featuring a Show and Sell Ceramics Exhibit. Donations are accepted.

10 - HIDDEN HILLS LADIES GOLF PLAY DAY, Hidden Hills Golf Course, 6 p.m. For more information, contact Hidden Hills Golf Pro Shop at 669-5866.

12 - INTERMEDIATE SANCTION FACILITY DEDICATION CEREMONY. Luncheon and tour, M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building and Rufe Jordan Unit. Buses will transport visitors to the unit after the 11 a.m. dedication ceremony for luncheon and tour. Tickets are \$10 person and may be bought at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce office, 200 N. Ballard. For more information, call Chamber at 669-3241.

15 - BETA SIGMA PHI SPRING FASHION PARADE AND BRUNCH, M.K. Brown Auditorium's Heritage Room, 10:30 a.m. Tickets available at door for \$10 person. For more information, contact Annette Brown at 665-4122. Proceeds benefit scholarship fund.

17 - TOP O' TEXAS KNIFE AND FORK CLUB, Pampa Country Club, 7 p.m.

17 - HIDDEN HILLS LADIES GOLF PLAY DAY, Hidden Hills Golf Course, 6 p.m. For more information, contact Hidden Hills Golf Pro Shop at 669-5866.

18 - CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MONTHLY LUNCHEON, M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building, 11:45 a.m. For your reservation, call the Chamber office at 669-3241.

20 - BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS BOARD MEETING, Nona Payne Room of the Pampa Community Building at 7 p.m.

22 - WEST TEXAS A&M PRESENTING MADRIGAL DINNER, sponsored by Pampa Fine Arts Association, M.K. Brown Auditorium, 6:30 p.m. Advanced tickets \$20 for adults and \$10 for students 12 and under. To purchase tickets, contact PFAA office at 665-0343.

22 - HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL DAY, Community Recycling Center from 9 a.m. till 7 p.m. For more information, contact Pam Green at 665-2514.

22-23 - CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH presenting an Easter musical/drama, *The Day He Wore My Crown*, Saturday, 7 p.m., and Sunday, 6 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, contact the church at 665-0842.

23 - GRAY COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION sponsors COWBOY POETRY with Frances Tucker and Charlie Brown, 2:30 p.m., Lovett Memorial Library auditorium. For more information, contact the Lovett Library at 669-5780.

24 - RECEPTION HONORING DR. RAYMOND W. LAYCOCK'S RETIREMENT, Coronado Hospital Foyer of new wing, 5-7 p.m.

24 - LEAGUE OF PAMPA WRITERS, Lovett Memorial Library, 111 Houston, at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 669-3002.

24 - HIDDEN HILLS LADIES GOLF PLAY DAY, Hidden Hills Golf Course, 6 p.m. For more information, contact Hidden Hills Golf Pro Shop at 669-5866.

29 - TOP O' TEXAS KIWANIS CLUB CHILDREN'S MIRACLE NETWORK CARNIVAL, Coronado Center, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, contact Barbara Slater at 665-4354.

29 - 4-H GERANIUM FLOWER SALE from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Dobson Cellular parking lot. For more information, contact Sharon Price at 669-7185.

29 - Fourth annual SADDLE UP for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital trail ride, Arrington Ranch between Pampa and Skellytown. For information, call Sharon Williams, 806-883-2235; Amy Anders, 806-274-2854; or Mary Slavin, 806-868-5541.

29-30 - HERITAGE ART CLUB SHOW, Lovett Library. Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday from 1-4 p.m. For more information, contact Polly Benton at 669-9565.

Note: Civic clubs, organizations, church groups and others wanting their special meetings and activities listed on the community calendar should contact the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce office, 200 N. Ballard, or call 669-3241.

Ban placed on fish

FORT WORTH (AP) — State health officials have banned possession of fish taken from two recreational havens in Fort Worth.

Saying that "unacceptably high levels" of toxic organic compounds had been detected, Texas Commissioner of Health David Smith warned Tuesday against eating fish caught at Fossil Lake and Lake Como.

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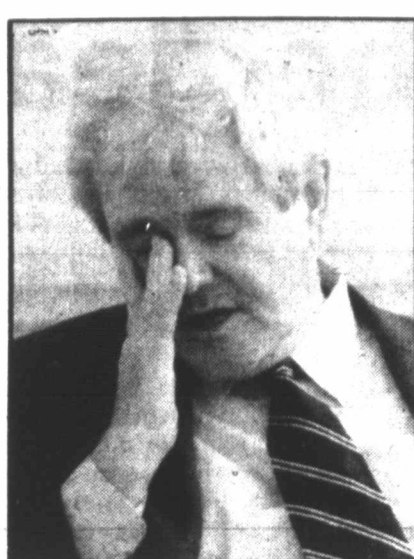
Gingrich backtracks on gays in military policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Faced with Republican chairmen reluctant to revisit the issue, House Speaker Newt Gingrich now says it is unlikely Congress will review the don't-ask-don't-tell policy on gays in the military if the courts leave it in place.

Two days after asserting, "I expect Congress to take up that issue," and saying that Republicans were likely to restore the ban on gays serving in the military, Gingrich said the Clinton administration regulations will remain in place if they survive court scrutiny.

Only if the Clinton administration regulations were judged unconstitutional by federal appeals courts and, possibly, the Supreme Court, would Congress review the issue, Gingrich said. A federal district judge in New York last week ruled the Clinton policy unconstitutional; the administration plans to appeal.

During an appearance on CBS *This Morning* Tuesday, Gingrich said that if the Clinton policy remained in place after court review, "that will not be an issue



(AP photo)

House Speaker Newt Gingrich wipes his eyes at the end of a long work day in his Capitol office late Tuesday afternoon.

that you'll see necessarily very much legislative action on."

Gingrich asserted Tuesday that he wasn't changing his position. He said he made his comments last Sunday on ABC's *This Week*

With David Brinkley, when asked what would happen if higher courts upheld a federal judge's ruling last week that the don't-ask-don't-tell policy was unconstitutional.

In fact, the question by conservative columnist George Will mentioned the court decision but did not ask what Congress might do if higher courts upheld it. Instead, Will noted that the policy was put in place by a Democratic president and a Democratic Congress and asked, "Do you expect this Congress to take up that issue?"

Gingrich's response Sunday did not mention the court decision or whether it would be upheld.

Prior to the Clinton presidency, military recruits were routinely asked about their sexual preference and any recruit, enlistee or officer who declared his or her homosexuality was immediately discharged. Under the new policy recruits are not asked about their sexual preference and homosexuals may remain in the service as long as they keep their

status private and obey all codes of conduct.

Rep. Peter Torkildsen, R-Mass., a moderate Republican who opposes the gay ban, attended a news conference at which several House members criticized Gingrich. Torkildsen said Gingrich should avoid straying from the Republican agenda of reforming Washington and cutting spending.

"I hope we can get that focus back to where it should be," Torkildsen said.

Both Rep. Floyd Spence, R-S.C., chairman of the House National Security Committee, and Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said they had no immediate plans to re-examine the Clinton policy on gays in the military.

In 1993, Gingrich not only voted for the policy that the Pentagon now follows, he "strongly" opposed an amendment by Rep. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif., that would have allowed the military to resume its practice of asking recruits about their sexual preference.

ACLU files lawsuit alleging school promoted Christianity

GALVESTON (AP) — The Santa Fe school district is facing a federal lawsuit alleging that it has violated constitutional prohibitions by promoting Christianity.

The lawsuit was filed Tuesday by Galveston lawyer Anthony Griffin on behalf of two parents, a high school student and the American Civil Liberties Union.

It alleges that the district has violated the First Amendment since at least 1993 by allowing religious meetings on school grounds during school hours, promoting one religion and making fun of others and sanctioning Christian prayers at school, sporting

events and high school graduations.

Named as defendants in the lawsuit are the district, its board of trustees, Superintendent Richard Ownby and future members of the school board. Ownby said Tuesday he had not been notified of the lawsuit.

"If I had to be sued, I guess this is the best reason to be sued for," he said, noting that the ACLU had notified the district several times last year that it was violating the Constitution.

"I think some of them believe we do things until we're caught and then we stop," he said. "But when things have been brought to our attention, we have tried to deal with it."

A protest was launched last year by some parents when copies of the New Testament were given to high school students as classes were dismissed April 11, 1994.

Several months earlier, the New Testament was given to students at Santa Fe Intermediate School.

Ownby said he had conferred with the school board president before approving the handout because board policy prohibited the distribution of religious material on school grounds.

The district was wrong when it allowed the New Testaments to be handed out on school campuses, Ownby said Tuesday.

But, he said they changed the way they were distributed in order to comply with the law.

The adult plaintiffs and the school student were not identified in the lawsuit for fear of retaliation.

"These suits tend to generate a fair amount of hostility and (not identifying the plaintiffs) gives a small modicum of protection," said Deborah Gilman, legal director of the ACLU for Texas.

In addition to unspecified monetary damages, the lawsuit asks for an injunction against the district to prevent the mixing of school and religion.

Egypt and U.N. agree to reroute highway away from pyramids

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Egypt and the United Nations reached an agreement today to reroute a highway from the 4,500-year-old Giza Pyramids, saying the cost didn't matter when it came to saving wonders of the ancient world.

The nearly completed eight-lane highway, which passes within two miles of the three pyramids and the Sphinx, will be dismantled as early as next week, said Abdel-Halim Nouredin, Egypt's chief antiquities official.

The Giza pyramids and the half-man, half-lion Sphinx are already suffering from garbage and traffic near the plateau. The monuments are built of lime-

stone, which is crumbling from weather erosion and air pollution.

UNESCO and Egyptologists said the highway, part of a road around Cairo to alleviate interminable traffic jams, would have further damaged the monuments with more pollution and vibrations.

The agreement apparently ends the six-month dispute, though both sides said more study was needed.

The new highway will wind north of the pyramids, said a statement from Egypt and the U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Nouredin

declined to say how far away the road would be built or how much it would cost.

The government earlier put the price at \$14.7 million.

Nouredin acknowledged the Egyptian government made a mistake in 1985 when it approved plans for the road near the plateau, listed as one of 440 U.N. World Heritage Sites. However, he said, the important

thing was rectifying the error.

"What we have done is really historical. No one believed this complicated problem could have a solution," he told a news conference, also attended by a six-member UNESCO team.

"You cannot put in a balance how much it costs, how much it lost, along with how much to preserve the site. ... That is not important," Nouredin said.

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Opinion

Is the CIA growing cold, obsolete?

The problems the Clinton administration is experiencing in finding somebody to head the Central Intelligence Agency who can be confirmed by the Senate - problems that don't seem to have ended with the naming of Deputy Defense Secretary John Deutch as the latest nominee - should cause some serious rethinking in Washington. Unfortunately the rethinking that seems to be occurring is unlikely to help much.

It has become a cliché to note that with the Cold War over, the world is a different - not necessarily less dangerous, but decidedly different - place than it has been since the end of World War II. It is vital to revisit the question of just what function intelligence gathering and analysis should serve in a changed and changing world. That process should include the possibility of dismantling the CIA, an agency designed for a Cold War world, and starting over with an agency vitalized by a new mission.

Every bureaucracy, public or private, eventually becomes set in its ways and stodgy in practice, populated more by people seeking to cover their rear ends than people infused with a sense of mission and a burning desire for accomplishment. It didn't take the lamentable Aldrich Ames case, in which a Soviet spy in the CIA went undetected despite amazing sloppiness for eight years, to tell close observers that the CIA has long since become one of those agencies.

With the collapse of the Soviet Union, the problems facing the United States around the world have changed radically. The possible development of nuclear weapons in North Korea, the apparent sponsorship of terrorism by Iraq, Iran, and other states, and the rise of long-suppressed ethnic conflicts around the world might well produce more dangers than the essentially bipolar world in which the United States and Soviet Union were locked in ideological and sometimes physical conflict. But the problems of today and tomorrow will be different in character than those the CIA was assembled to handle.

Most people in Washington pay lip service to these facts, but little has been done to change the institutions designed to deal (sometimes well, sometimes terribly) with the Cold War. A few halting steps toward internal reform were taken by former CIA Director R. James Woolsey, but the scuttlebutt is that he resigned because he felt hamstrung by the unchanged culture of the CIA.

Mr. Deutch, apparently believing that the problem was that Mr. Woolsey wasn't close enough to the Clinton foreign-policy team (insofar as it makes any sense to use such a term to describe such an unorganized and unfocused mess), has asked to be made a member of the Cabinet. That's the wrong diagnosis and an unfortunate effort at a solution.

If anything, a useful, intelligence agency should be as independent of policy-making as possible, mandated to collect and analyze information as objectively as is humanly possible without regard to policy or political considerations, giving policy-makers unvarnished information and allowing them to deal with the implications. Putting the intelligence chief in the midst of the policy-makers would defeat this goal and might be, as Senate Intelligence Committee Chairman Arlen Specter has suggested, "an inherent conflict of interest."

The real problem is that the CIA is an outmoded tool in a changed world. It might be time to scrap the agency and build a new one based on changed needs in a changing world. A new agency with a new mission just might be effective at least for a while as some new government agencies are.

That wouldn't solve the more fundamental problem that the Clinton administration doesn't have a discernible or coherent foreign policy. But it might help to push along the process of reassessing the real interests of the United States in our changing world.

Berry's World



"So far I have counted four 'uncaring,' five 'cold-hearted' and eight 'mean-spiriteds.'"

Viewpoints

The death of a speech code

In 1990, Stanford University enacted a speech code which prohibited "personal vilification of students on the basis of their sex, race, color, handicap, religion, sexual orientation, or national and ethnic origin." Its core was the largely unused "fighting words" exception to the First Amendment in the 1942 Supreme Court's Chaplinsky decision.

Preceding the code was a vigorous two-year debate on campus. What particularly startled me then was a letter in the *Stanford Daily* urgently advocating an even harsher speech code than the administration's. The letter was signed by the African-American Law Students Association, the Asian-American Law Students Association and the Jewish Law Students Association.

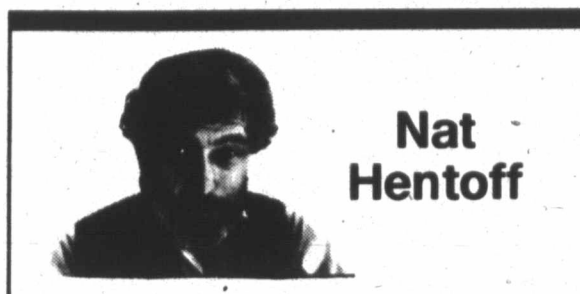
The most distinguished opponent of the speech code on campus was law professor Gerald Gunther, arguably the preeminent constitutional scholar in the country. Gunther had received his elementary school education in Germany, and during the Stanford debate, he noted that as a child, his teacher, fellow students and the townspeople would address him as "Judensau" (Jewish pig).

But, he said, he learned long ago that the way to deal with vicious speech is "with more speech, with better speech, with repudiation and contempt."

Professor Gunther, however, lost the battle over what he called "this hideous precedent" of a speech code.

For years, the university had prized itself for adhering to First Amendment standards of free speech even though it is a private university.

Involuntarily - as of February - Stanford is back on a First Amendment standard because of a lawsuit brought by a law school alumnus, 27-year-old Robert Corry and eight other alumni and students



Nat Hentoff

still at Stanford. They claimed that the speech code obstructed "the development of a healthy atmosphere of free and open discussion on campus."

California Superior Court Judge Peter Stone has declared the Stanford code unconstitutional because it is "overbroad," thereby punishing speech that goes beyond "fighting words." After all, Judge Stone ruled, "Stanford cannot proscribe speech that hurts the feelings of those who hear it." The university, having targeted "the content of certain speech," violated the plaintiff's First Amendment rights.

But how does the First Amendment apply to a private university? It does in California because of the 1992 "Leonard Law": Private educational institutions may not discipline any student "solely on the basis of... speech or other communication that when engaged in outside the campus is protected from government restriction by the First Amendment."

Stanford's defeat is likely to affect private and public colleges in other states. Indeed, Sheldon Steinbach, general counsel for the American Council on Education - representing 1,700 colleges and universities - told the *San Francisco*

Chronicle: "This is the final nail in the coffin of speech codes."

Court rulings aside, the codes have not worked. Tribalism and tensions have increased despite the presence of speech codes. Actually, in part because of them. As Sheldon Steinbach says, "If you're fearful that somehow you will misspeak you wind up avoiding the very people you need to get to know."

The president of Stanford, Gerhard Casper, has decided that the university will not appeal Judge Stone's decision. Yet the Stanford co-regarded by other colleges as the best drawn of all codes. Exultantly, Paul McMasters of the Freedom Forum First Amendment Center at Vanderbilt University, declares: "The big tree in the forest of speech codes has fallen."

Although there is no "Leonard Law" in other states, Judge Peter Stone gave encouragement to students at private universities around the country. He approvingly cited the plaintiff's argument that states' civil rights, sexual harassment and workplace protection measures already affect private institutions and individuals because - like the Leonard Law they are "important to the interests of the people of the state" and so are a "constitutional exercise of the broad police powers of the state."

Tom Grey, the Stanford law professor who designed the speech codes, wanted to appeal the court decision. He insists the code has worked because nobody has ever been brought up on charges in the 4-1/2 years of its existence. A student responds, "that indicates one hell of a chilling effect."

Stanford's president now mourns the imposition of First Amendment standards on "the fragile private sphere." Stanford is hardly that fragile. Nor are its students.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, April 5, the 95th day of 1995. There are 270 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

One hundred years ago, on April 5, 1895, Oscar Wilde lost his criminal libel case against the Marquess of Queensberry, who'd accused the writer of homosexual practices; Wilde himself ended up being convicted on a morals charge, and was sent to prison.

On this date:

In 1614, American Indian princess Pocahontas married English colonist John Rolfe in Virginia.

In 1621, the Mayflower sailed from Plymouth, Mass., on a return trip to England.

In 1792, George Washington cast the first presidential veto, rejecting a congressional measure for appointing representatives among the states.



Creeps and wackos fuel media trash

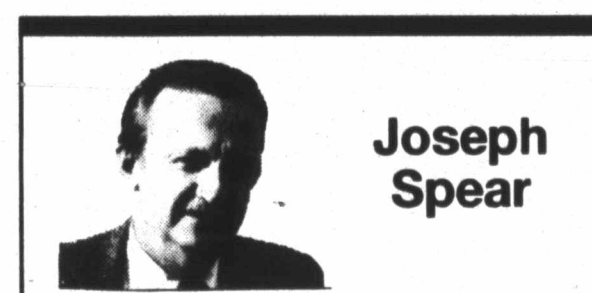
I write today on a subject that is likely to be entirely alien to the literate and high-minded readers of this newspaper (and, I immodestly add, to this column), but it is very important and I urge you to let me get into the meat of the thing before you decide whether to skip to the funnies.

The topic: Talk television, radio and similar hustles.

I didn't know anything about these matters, of course, until I researched them, but it seems talk television, radio and similar hustles have taken over the airways. Some two dozen talk shows flicker across American television screens in a given day. More than a thousand radio stations are dedicated to the talk format. In a 1993 Times Mirror Center for the People and the Press poll, 44 percent of the respondents cited talk radio as their primary source of political information.

True, they did not cite the *National Enquirer* or the *Weekly World News*, but the differences are marginal. In recent weeks, talk television, radio and similar hustles (for the sake of brevity, I shall henceforth refer to them acronically as TTRASH) have demonstrated anew how shameless they are and how low they will go to out-sleaze one another.

On television, *The Jenny Jones Show* dredged up the old secret admirer surprise gimmick with a twist: The guests who were to be surprised and the admirers who were to declare their hidden affections were all men. One decidedly heterosexual surprisee took umbrage, took out a shotgun and dispatched his admirer. He did not do the



Joseph Spear

actual shooting on television, but you can count on it, it's coming. "Snuff Talk," they'll call it.

On radio, a Christian-oriented syndicate called the Salem Radio Network recently signed up a new talk-show host named Oliver North. Yes, we speak here of the same Oliver North who has been labeled a liar by a string of conservative luminaries and institutions from Ronald Reagan to the *Reader's Digest*. Obviously, talk radio does not mean truth radio.

Whatever your cravings, TTRASH has got it. You want transvestites, three-way sexual encounters, man-stealing sisters and women who fall in love with UPS drivers, tune in to television at almost any hour of the day or night.

You want right-wing bromides and towering egomania masquerading as humor, tune in to the grandest motormouth of them all, Rush Limbaugh. You won't have any trouble finding him. On radio, stop your scanner when it pauses on a bombastic boor going on endlessly about tree-

huggers and femi-Nazis. If you are trying to find him on television, quit zapping with your remote when you tip across a sumo wrestler in a suit.

You want liberal? Jocular populist and former Texas commissioner of agriculture Jim Hightower does a twice-weekly bit on ABC Radio. If you're in Denver, you can tune in to former Democratic senator and presidential candidate Gary Hart on KOA.

You want religion? Check out Parson Pat Robertson on his own cable channel. He has a hot line straight to heaven, over which God regularly informs the parson of His positions on women's rights, the line-item veto and whether Paula Jones' lawsuit against Bill Clinton should be postponed until Bill is out of office (which, Pat infers, God hopes is soon).

You want left-wing flako? Jerry "Governor Moonbeam" Brown can be found on the Talk America Radio network.

You want right-wing flako, with a bit of wacko icing? Listen in on former Watergate conspirator G. Gordon Liddy, produced by the Westwood One radio syndicate.

There's a zillion of them, and there will be a zillion and one tomorrow. Like a burning oil well, TTRASH is fired by an endless supply of fuel and is not likely to go out for a while. As long as the American people talk trash, act trash and watch trash, TTRASH will continue to dominate the airways.

By definition, I remind you, this excludes the literate and high-minded people reading these words.

Affirmative action: The social Brillo pad

Observe the familiar posture: Bill Clinton, one foot on the ground, the other arcing high in the political air as yet another straddle gets under way.

Clinton, the other night, had a bunch of folks over to the White House. He wanted them to tell him what to do about affirmative action. A president with a coherent, well-defined philosophy wouldn't have had to stage such an event. Well, Q.E.D. That's why this kind of event got staged.

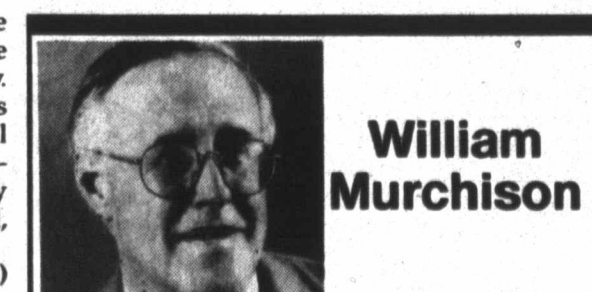
One guest at the conclave reported: "He (Clinton) said his concern was this issue has legs, and how do you convince people who are sort of the white working class that this issue doesn't hurt them?"

How indeed? By saying to them, "Now, now, this is all for the public good?" That ole dog won't hunt.

The euphemistic phrase "affirmative action" no longer camouflages the unfairness of government policies preferring one class of citizens to another.

"There is no superior person by constitutional standards," said Justice William O. Douglas, the arch-liberal, in a 1974 affirmative-action case. But the federal government today says otherwise. There is a superior person, in legal terms. Minorities and women have rights to which mere white males may not aspire. These rights encompass hiring, educational opportunity, promotion, loans and government contracts.

Federal affirmative-action policy is conditioned on the premise that the remedy for past discrimination is present discrimination. This not only insults normal intelligence - it outrages the



William Murchison

everyday sense of justice. Were not most of us brought up by mothers who informed us, severely, that "two wrongs don't make a right?"

Affirmative action is not only the diametrical opposite of what Congress intended when it set out in the 1960s to guarantee equal rights to all, it is a social Brillo pad, painfully abrading the skins of its victims.

Clinton, characteristically, wants to be on both sides at the same time, so that diametrically opposed constituencies will vote for him. Fat chance! The likelihood is that his promised review of affirmative-action policies will result in next to no action but lots of vague, honeyed rhetoric - a Clinton specialty.

Not that anybody is going to be worrying much about what this White House says and does on affirmative action. The new Republican Congress may consider a bill completely banning racial preferences. The California Civil Rights Initiative would prohibit the state from practicing

discrimination. Not only is it likely to pass, it deserves to pass.

Affirmative action challenges our whole understanding of equality. Perhaps Americans, whatever they say, really don't believe in equality. Whites, after all, used to segregate blacks. Today, minorities (not just blacks) and women (who are actually a numerical majority) claim rights superior to those exercised by whites and males. Whatever happened to all-men-are-created-equal-and-endowed-by-their-Creator with certain unalienable rights? Today's liberal establishment has located a whole host of rights you can alienate just by ignoring.

Yet equality remains our most cherished political myth. What do Clinton, the feminists and "civil rights" organizations think is going to happen when the government wipes its feet on that myth? That we'll all gently smile and nod? Guess again.

Americans are talking a lot, and rightly so, about the need somehow to recover lost moral standards. A good place to begin might be with the recovery, in our nation's capital, of respect for simple truth-telling and honest dealing.

An honest, truthful government, worthy of its citizens' respect, wouldn't tell lies such as, discrimination isn't discrimination, quotas aren't quotas, inequality isn't inequality. Our own government, abetted by the establishment media, lies constantly about racial and gender preferences and expects citizens not to notice or care. Sorry. They've noticed - and, on present evidence, they care very much.

Lifestyles

All in a day's work



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Cristino Pena (right), a Pampa High School freshman receives his paycheck from Jason Dyer of Hoagie's Deli. Pena began training at Hoagie's as part of the PHS Senior Development Job training Program. "He has a paying job here as long as we're in business," said Shelly Dyer, owner. Pena has become independent enough in his work that school personnel who watch the senior development students as they work have faded from his work site. Pena not only works there during the class hour but does so on a regular part-time basis. During the summer, he will be working at the deli 40 hours each week.

Area Newsmakers

FORT HAYS, Kan. — Fort Hays State University recently awarded **Corey Alfonsi**, a Pampa High School senior, a Fort Hays Bronze Academic Award and an Award of Excellence in business.



Alfonsi

He is the captain of the Varsity Wrestling Team and participates in cross country and track. He is active in the youth group at United Methodist Church and has helped rebuild flood damaged homes on youth missions. He has ranked Academic All-District each year of high school.

Alfonsi, who is the son of Neal and Peggiann Combs, intends to major in business.

Navy Seaman Recruit Billy D. Blanton, son of Maria L. Blanton of Pampa recently completed U.S. Navy Basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Blanton completed a variety of training which included classroom study, practical hands-on instruction, and an emphasis on physical fitness. In particular, Blanton learned naval customs, First aid, Fire Fighting, water safety and survival, and a variety of safety skills required for working around ships and aircraft. Blanton and other recruits also received instruction on the Navy's core values — honor, courage and commitment; and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

The 1995 graduate of Pampa High School joined the Navy in February 1995.

Navy Seaman Amber Clark, daughter of James R. and Phyllis E. Clark of Skellytown is halfway

through a six-month deployment to the Persian Gulf and western Pacific ocean aboard the ammunition ship USS Kiska, which most recently has included duty off the coast of Somalia in a major international military operation.

Clark is one of 405 Sailors aboard the ship, which departed the Naval Weapons station at Concord, Calif., in November. Most recently, Clark has been supporting the withdrawal of United Nations forces from Somalia by helping shuttle passengers, mail and cargo between Mombasa, Kenya, and the ships off the coast of Mogadishu, Somalia.

During the deployment, Clark has traveled more than 23,000 miles aboard the ammunition ship, which initially was tasked with supporting the seven-ship USS Constellation carrier battle group. So far, USS Kiska crew members have transferred more than 4,000 tons of ordnance and ammunition to ships serving in the Persian Gulf and Western Pacific Ocean. Clark's ship also has delivered more than 340,000 gallons of fuel, and tons of cargo, mail and supplies to more than 20 ships operating in the area.

While spending more than 71 days at sea, Clark also has visited Hong Kong, Japan, Kenya and Singapore. While in Hong Kong, USS Kiska Sailors volunteered their free time to help renovate and landscape a school for the mentally handicapped. During their visit to the United Arab Emirates, they helped organize a fund drive for another handicapped school located in Dubai.

Clark's involvement in the deployment underscores the Navy's ability to conduct air, around and logistics operations supported entirely by ships at sea — a critical option in regions where access to land bases is limited or does not exist.

Clark is scheduled to return to Concord in May. She is a 1993 graduate of White Deer High School. She joined the Navy in June 1993.

Timmons elected president of local Texas Music Association chapter

The Top of Texas Chapter of the Texas Music Association elected **Donna Timmons** as its 1995 president. Timmons, has worked as a professional musician for 20 years in various bands including Krackerjack, Lost Injun and is now working with Salty Dawg. She has appeared on Nashville Network. Timmons has also won numerous awards as a songwriter including first place in the blues division at the National Songwriters of America Competition. Timmons is the founding president of the Top of Texas Chapter, which was formed in April of 1994. The chapter was formed to create an awareness of the many musicians and professionals in the Panhandle area.

"Music is one of the dominant art forms in Texas," said Timmons. We have long been the home of many talented musicians and are now developing a full-service, in-state industry to support these artists' creative endeavors. The Texas music industry is a growing, vibrant sector of our state's economy that provides jobs for our citizens and enhances the value of our daily lives."

In 1994, the association created a public service announcement produced by Lindley / Ockander International Television, sponsored a booth at Michael Martin Murphey Westfest, celebrated October as

Texas Music month with an awards show and then sponsored a state board meeting of the Texas Music Association in Amarillo.

Other officers for the association include: Jolee Hoff with Cadillac Red Productions / Amarillo musician, first vice president; Chuck Alexander, Amarillo musician with "Insufficient Funds," second vice president; Sheryl Anderson with Anderson Talent Agency / Amarillo musician, secretary; Tad Fowler, Amarillo attorney / musician, treasurer.

Other board members include: Andy Chase, Gerald Fox, Woody Key, Stew Moss, Neoma Nelson, Bill Ockander,



Donna Timmons

Vic Richardson, Randy Tupin and Jay Weeks.

As president of the Top of Texas Chapter, Timmons automatically becomes the state vice president and will represent the chapter at all state board meetings in Austin, San Antonio, Dallas and Amarillo. Other state representatives chosen were Fox, Mike Richardson, Fritz Blanke and Vic Richardson with Hoff and Tupin chosen as alternates.

The Top of Texas Music Association is the local arm of a statewide not-for-profit music industry trade organization.

This chapter of The Texas Music Association was specifically chartered to serve as collective representation of music-related businesses, musicians and support companies in the Texas Panhandle; to foster growth and development of the music / entertainment industry, to provide an organized network for communication, understanding and opportunities for its members and to raise awareness of the industry with the general public.

One major focus for the Texas Music Association is celebrat-

ing Texas Music Month in October. Other goals are to work toward the greater good for the music industry in the Amarillo area, to develop a legitimate music awards show for the Panhandle and to sponsor music business seminars.

Membership is open to members of the community interested in sharing the efforts to build a stronger industry and to develop this sector of the Texas Panhandle's culture and economy. Meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. For more information, call 359-2328.

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Baldheaded man amazed by bald-faced rudeness

DEAR ABBY: I am a middle-aged man who started to lose my hair when I was in high school. I wasn't exactly happy about it, but I knew there was nothing I could do, so I just accepted it. I am now 34, and bald — I mean Kojak bald!

I am no longer sensitive about my baldness, but I continue to be amazed at the number of people who joke about it. Some have suggested that I get a hairpiece. (A few years ago I considered it, but I wasn't sure I could take the comments it would provoke, so I never did.)

Abby, you would not believe some of the questions people have asked me. For example, can you imagine a person asking an obese person:

— "How long have you been obese?"

— "Does it bother you when people make jokes about obesity?"

— "Weren't you terribly upset when you first noticed you were getting obese?"

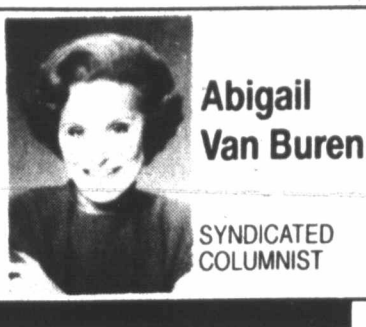
— "Is anyone else in your family obese?"

— "Does obesity come from your mother's side or your father's?"

— "Do you worry that your children may be obese, too?"

Abby, few people are so rude as to ask such questions, but if you substitute "bald" for "obese," you will have a sample of what bald people have to put up with.

Baldness. I can tolerate. Rude-



Abigail Van Buren
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

ness, I cannot!

BALD IN TEXAS

DEAR BALD: You're mistaken — obese people are also targets for rude questions.

Apropos baldness, I am reminded of a comment made by Eric Hoffer, the San Francisco longshoreman, political and social philosopher who in 1961 wrote "The True Believer": "We do not mind having our hair ruffled, but we will not tolerate any familiarity with the toupee that covers our baldness."

DEAR ABBY: I am 37 years old. My mother is 54. I am the oldest of four daughters. Mom has been physically abused by my father ever since I can remember. He hits her, throws things at her, calls her terrible names and accuses her of sleeping with every man who sets foot on our property — from the mailman to the garbage man. He listens in on

her telephone conversations, opens her mail and drives by her place of employment to make sure she's there.

Abby, we have begged Mom to leave this crazy man. We fear that one day she may die at the hands of this lunatic.

Mom works at a job that pays decent wages, and there is only one sister living at home. She's in college.

I believe in God. I've prayed and so have my sisters. We want to see our mother safe and happy. Please advise.

TERRIFIED

DEAR TERRIFIED: Your mother should not put her life at risk by continuing to live with this sick, abusive man. She should either get him out of the house or go to a battered woman's shelter as soon as possible. Assist your mother in finding a shelter and a counselor who can help her face reality.

Your father should be examined psychiatrically and encouraged to enroll in a program for men who commit violence against their wives.

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Horoscope



Thursday, April 6, 1995

Ventures or enterprises you originate have better than average chances for success in the year ahead. Do not be afraid to strike out on your own.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your instincts for gauging the wants and needs of others is accurately tuned today. This could be a big plus if you're marketing something to the public. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.50 to Matchmaker, P.O. Box

4465, New York, NY 10163.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Mental pursuits might be more your cup of tea than physical ones today. You would be better off balancing the books instead of trying to balance the barbells.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Because you will be sharper than usual when it comes to buying or selling today, you will probably show a profit.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Endeavors in which you assume personal management should go smoothly today, but when you delegate duties to others, the results might be less desirable.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Let persons with whom you're involved savor the spotlight today. You will be more effective as the director who calls the shots from the wings.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If your expectations are higher than usual today, do not put a damper on your thoughts. Instead, think like a winner.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You should be able to handle difficult assignments commendably today. Your behavior will

enhance your standing in the eyes of your peers.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You mustn't let yourself get into a rut today. Try to do mildly adventurous things that stimulate your enthusiasm and zest for life.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If you're alert today, you might spot an opportunity that could be of personal benefit to you in an area where you seldom operate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You might not find comfort mingling with the crowd today, but you may find great pleasure in the companionship of one with whom you share much in common.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You'll have more fun being active and productive today than you would frittering your time away. Involve yourself in meaningful activities.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Someone you recently met who you'd like to know better shares the same sentiments. This is a good day to arrange something special just for the two of you.

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"We have two more jumps before Daddy yells, 'Stop that now or I'm comin' up there!'"



"Uh, oh...he's looking at wallpaper samples."

The Family Circus



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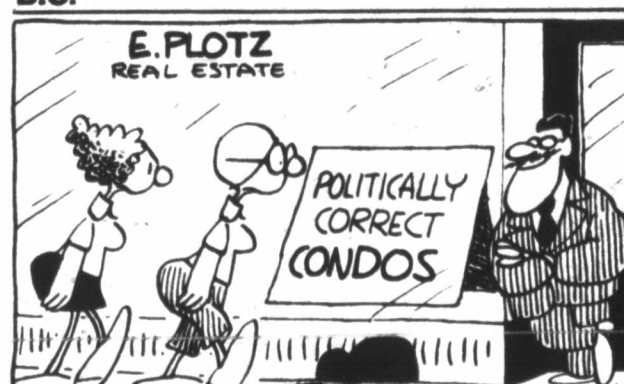
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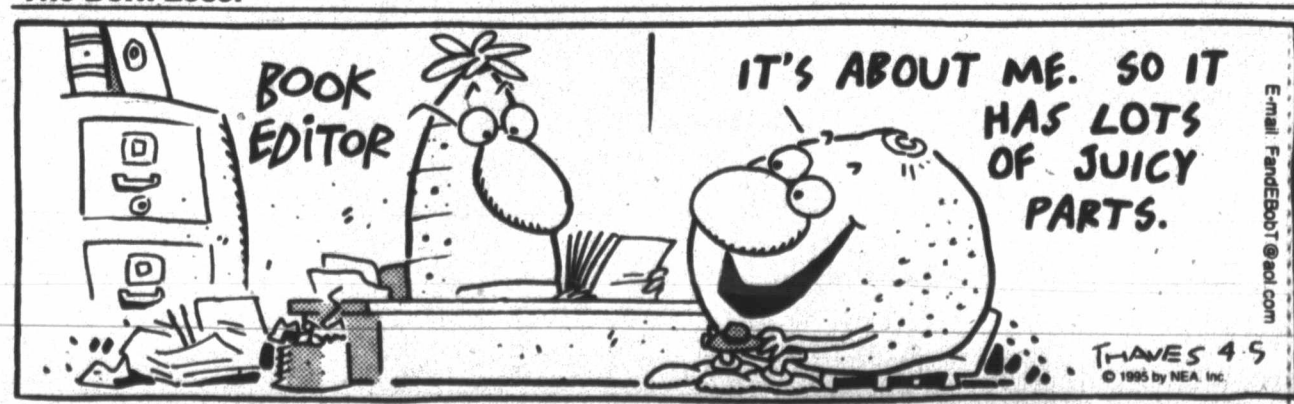
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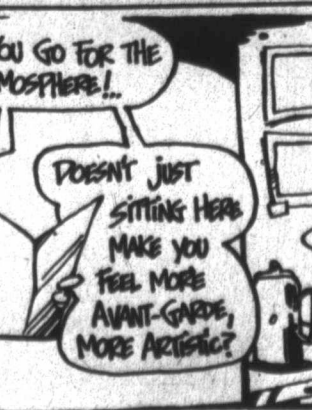
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The Born Loser



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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

BRISCOE — Fort Elliott opened the District 2-1A baseball season Monday, blanking Claude, 7-0, as Jake Swigart pitched a one-hitter.

Swigart faced 21 batters, striking out 15 and not allowing a walk.

"It was the best game Jake's pitched in the three years I've been here," said Fort Elliott coach Curtis Smith. "He did a great job."

Fort Elliott is 4-0 overall and 1-0 in district play. Claude falls to 1-3 and 0-1.

Shortstop Justin Westbrook led the Cougars at the plate and in the field. He hit a three-run homer and went deep in the hole on two groundballs to throw out the runners. Westbrook also turned two double plays.

Swigart also had two hits and an RBI; Donnie Barr had two hits, two RBI and two stolen bases; Jake Moffett, two hits, and David Helton, one hit, two runs scored and a stolen base.

MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK

PAMPA — The Pampa Middle School will host a girls' 7th and 8th grade track meet Friday at Randy Matson Field.

Field events begin at 4 p.m., followed by running events at 4:30 p.m.

Four schools are entered in the meet.

PRO BASKETBALL

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The San Antonio Spurs don't have to be reminded about the advantage of having the NBA's best record in the regular season. They can think back to last June, and what the extra home game meant to the Houston Rockets in the finals.

The Spurs' 113-89 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers on Tuesday night tied the club record of 23 road wins and improved their record to 53-18 — one-half game better than the Orlando Magic.

"But, big deal. It doesn't make any difference now," center David Robinson said. "It'll make a whole lot of difference at the end. Obviously, we want home-court advantage throughout the playoffs and we've got a decent schedule. But we've got to get it done."

San Antonio won division titles during Robinson's first two seasons and has finished second in each of the previous three. But they have yet to get past the second round of the playoffs.

"The Spurs have never tread in these kind of waters before," coach Bob Hill said. "We've never had the best record in the NBA before, so we have to keep doing the things we're doing. Just because you've reached a certain level, it doesn't mean you change your attitude."

Hill detected a change in his team's on-court demeanor in the first half against the Clippers as Robinson scored 24 of his 27 points — while his teammates combined for only 26 more. It led to a four-point halftime deficit and a locker-room tirade by Hill.

"He was breaking stuff, acting (like) a fool, but we needed it," forward Sean Elliott said. "We just were not alive at all in the first half, but we picked it up in the second half and were a lot more alert. The good sign in this whole thing was that we made a good night out of a bad night."

Hill was angry about the way his players stood around and depended on Robinson, last season's NBA scoring champion, for the bulk of the offense.

"We went right back to throwing it to him and watching him in the first half, so I was calling other people's plays to get everybody else in the game," Hill said. "I did that on purpose. I told them I'm not going to call David's plays."

The Spurs stopped feeding him the ball and the Spurs outscored the Clippers 63-35 over the final 24 minutes. Down by four with 4:27 left in the third quarter, San Antonio went on a 33-7 run that ended on Chuck Person's 3-pointer with 7:25 to play.

The Clippers, led by Eric Piatkowski's 17 points, have not won consecutive games since Dec. 7-9, when they recorded their first two victories of the season following a club-record 0-16 start.

"I hate it when we play like this," coach Bill Fitch said following his team's ninth loss in 10 games. "We missed shots, followed missed shots with missed shots, played bad defense, had no patience and made silly turnovers."

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — Jerry Tarkanian certainly doesn't need to coach college basketball again to prove he can win.

Yet despite the pressures of the sport, college basketball's winningest coach by percentage wants back into the profession he left three years ago after 24 years, including 19 at UNLV and an NCAA title in 1990.

He's the front-runner for the head coaching job at his alma mater, Fresno State. The former UNLV coach arrived in Fresno on Tuesday to interview for the job. A decision could be made as early as today, school officials said.

Both sides hinted that if all goes well in the interview, Tarkanian will be named Fresno State's next coach.

"I think there's some interest in me," Tarkanian deadpanned after arriving in Fresno.

His wife, Lois, told the Las Vegas Sun she thought Fresno State was close to offering a deal.

Baseball trying to put best foot forward

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

The St. Louis Cardinals are offering free admission for home exhibition games. Stars like Barry Larkin are sticking around to sign autographs.

The Toronto Blue Jays plan to do something special for fans, too. They just aren't sure what.

"You can't just apologize," the Blue Jays president said Tuesday. "Words are hollow. You have to show them."

Sparky Anderson showed up — again — at spring training. The Detroit manager, who left camp rather than work with replacement players, took a flight from California to Tampa, Fla., near the Tigers' camp in Lakeland.

"I'm just so happy to be back," he said. "Nothing's going to bother me. I'm just tired of playing bad golf."

But while baseball was feeling good and making good-will gestures, all was not peaceful.

Major league umpires made no progress with management in lifting an owners' lockout. The sides remained far apart, and time is growing short before the start of exhibition games April 13 and opening day April 26.

"I thought that now that they've resolved their differences with the players, baseball would want to put its best face on and try to reach an agreement, but I guess not," umpires' union head Richie Phillips said.

Umpires originally asked for a 60 percent pay raise over four years, and then dropped it to 53 percent. Owners offered a 3 percent increase.

"We have a sincere interest in reaching an agreement on a fair and equitable basis, but

the leagues believe the association's demand for a 53 percent increase is grossly excessive," management lawyer Robert Kheel said.

In another legal matter, a three-judge panel denied the owners' request to have an injunction stayed, letting stand a ruling issued last week by U.S. District Judge Sonia Sotomayor.

The panel of the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ridiculed management lawyer Frank Casey and dismissed his argument that owners could simply do away with free agency and salary arbitration.

"Well, what will it take to persuade you that that position is wrong?" Chief Judge Jon Newman said. "Do you want to hear it from Judge Sotomayor? Or from us? Or what?"

No one will be hearing from

Bo Jackson this spring — he's retired. And Darren Daulton won't around any longer as the Philadelphia Phillies' player representative — he's resigned from that job, frustrated by the 232-day strike.

"I don't want to be part of it," he said.

A day before the official reopening of training camps, Jackson said he was finished. The only player ever to be an All-Star in baseball and football said he'd rather spend more time with his family.

"After eight months I've really gotten to know my family," he said. "That is the big thing behind it."

Jackson could have gone this week to Homestead, Fla., where a special camp has been set up for free agents. The site, about 40 miles south of Miami, will open Friday for the likes of Dave Winfield,

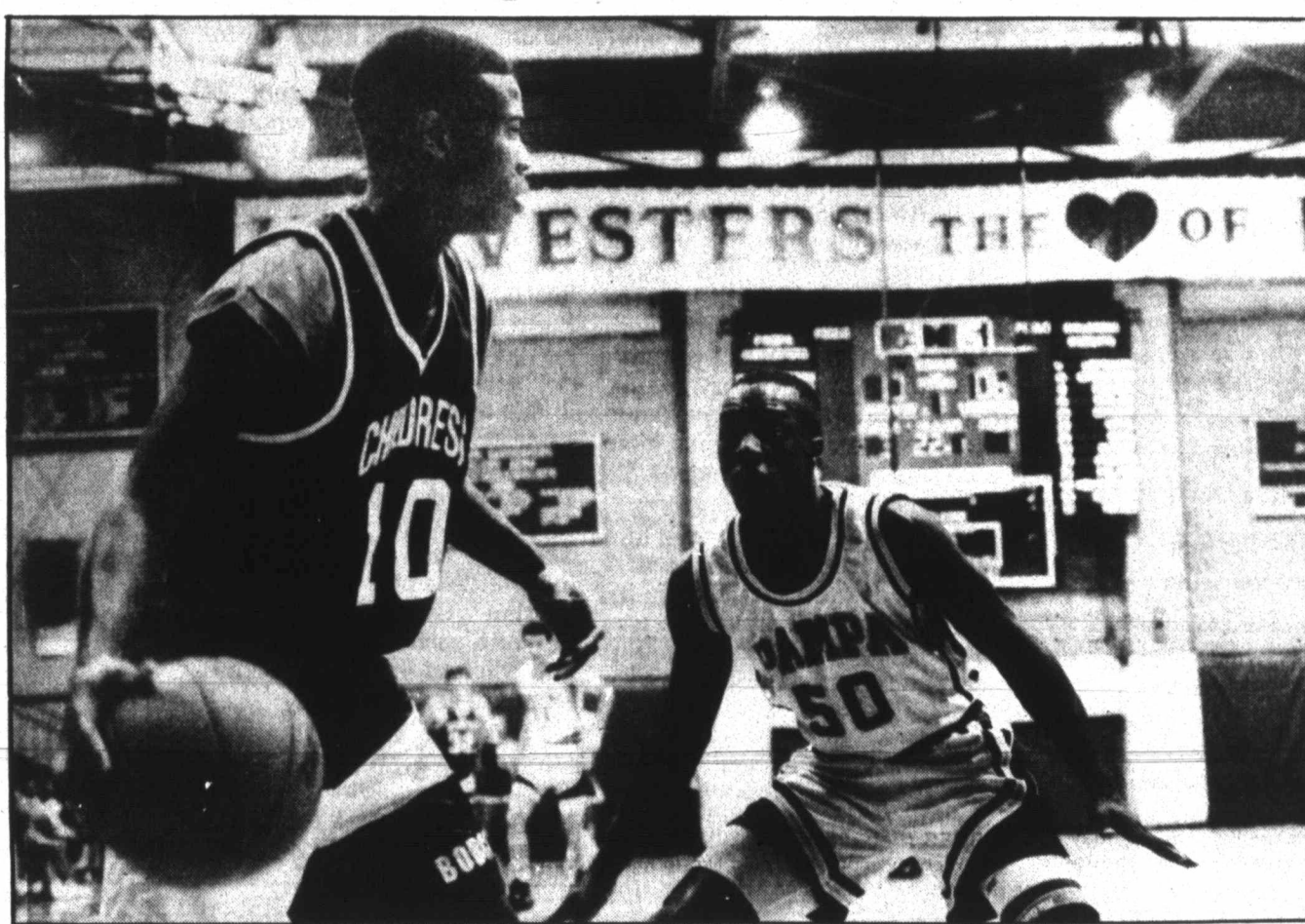
Orel Hershisier, Kevin Brown and any other unattached players.

Former Oakland manager Jackie Moore will run the camp, and former players Andy McGaffigan, Greg Olson, Jerry Morales, Wes Gardner and Paul Lindblad will coach.

"The purpose of the camp is to have a place for the guys to get into shape and to have a place to play. We will have intrasquad games, and we're trying to set up exhibition games of some sort, although playing major league teams would probably be very difficult," said Mark Belanger, the union executive in charge of setting up the complex.

Reliever John Franco, one of the most attractive free agents, apparently will decide between re-signing with the Mets or going to Baltimore.

Golden Spread guard



(Pampa News photo)

Senior point guard Duane Nickelberry of Pampa (No. 50) has been selected to play in the Golden Spread All-Star Games Thursday through Saturday at Cal Farley Coliseum. Nickelberry, who averaged 17 points per game in District 1-4A this season, will play for the East squad, coached by Arnold Perales. Also playing for the East are Willie Herring of White Deer, Bo Burgin of Groom, Blaine Bivins of Canadian and Justin Westbrook of Fort Elliott. Nickelberry, who was hampered by an ankle injury in the pre-district season, helped lead Pampa to a 26-8 record and as far as the regional semifinals. He averaged around four assists and three steals per game. The East meets the North squad at 8 p.m. Friday.

Oilers will have new offensive look

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Oilers have changed offenses and coaching staffs, now they're expecting better results.

Jack Pardee started last season as head coach committed to the run-and-shoot offense. Pardee was replaced by Jeff Fisher with six games to go and Fisher started converting the Oilers away from the run-and-shoot.

Now he's completing the job with a pro style offense he hopes will get the Oilers better than a 2-14 record.

"This is the one we'll stick with," Fisher said. "You can't put in an offense in a short period of time and expect to be successful. The last six games last year showed that."

The Oilers lost 11 straight games last season and finished the season 1-5 under Fisher, who had to teach his new offensive philosophy and prepare game plans at the same time.

This year, he's already had a mini-camp that spotlighted offense.

"We've put a great deal of emphasis on installing the offense," Fisher said. "We've got some things scheduled in April, May and June and

hopefully we'll be ready for training camp."

Fisher expects his new offense to be much more adjustable than the run-and-shoot.

"It's a multiple offense that will have different combinations of people in the game at different times," Fisher said. "You'll see a little bit of everything but you'll definitely see a commitment to the running game."

Fisher has changed more than the Oilers offense. Only three assistants remain from last year's staff.

Jerry Rhyme is the new offensive coordinator and Fisher has relinquished his defensive coordinator duties to Steve Sidwell.

The Oilers also have moved to upgrade at quarterback by signing former Los Angeles quarterback Chris Chandler to a four-year, \$5.6 million contract to compete with Cody Carlson and Bucky Richardson.

They worked out former Washington Redskins quarterback Mark Rypien on Monday and could use the third pick in the draft on April 22 to choose Alcorn quarterback Steve McNair.

"There's going to be competition at all positions," Fisher said. "I think that helps your football team."

Mentally Cody is competing right now. He'll compete physically when he's healthy."

Carlson had major off-season knee surgery.

That was Carlson's problem last season. He spent 11 games on the injury list and Richardson, although a fan favorite, didn't take charge when he had the opportunities.

Chandler, who has played before for Rhyme, already is familiar with the offensive scheme.

"I probably know this offense better than the one last year (with the Rams)," Chandler said. "It's 95 percent familiar. He's (Rhyme) added a few improvements and I've got a lot of confidence in his ability to call a good game."

Chandler likes what the Oilers are doing with their offensive line, a serious problem last season when it was hurt by injuries and the retirement of Mike Munchak.

"Those guys are going to give us a chance to be successful on offense," Chandler said. "If they play well, we play well. They are by far the most important part of this offense."

The Oilers have added Dallas Cowboys Pro Bowl center Mark Stepnoski and plan to move Bruce Matthews to guard.

Borger downs Harvesters in district action

BORGER — Borger exploded for 10 runs in the fourth inning enroute to a 17-7 win over Pampa in a District 1-4A baseball game Tuesday at Huber Park.

Pampa is now 2-2 in district play and in a three-way tie with Hereford and Randall for fourth place in the standings. Borger, which snapped a two-game losing streak, is tied with Canyon for second place at 3-2.

"Borger came out crushing the ball. When a team gets 17 hits it's tough to beat them. Our kids fought back, though, and never gave up. I'm proud of them for that," said PHS head coach Dennis Doughty.

The Harvesters took a 3-0 lead in the second inning on a two-RBI double by Ross Watkins and a run-scoring single by Danny Frye.

Borger claimed a 5-3 lead after three innings and Pampa cut the margin to one on Hank Gindorf's leadoff homer in the top of the fourth.

Borger broke things open in the bottom of the fourth to take a 15-4 lead. A two-run homer by winning pitcher Tory Lopez started the Bulldogs' 10-run assault.

The Harvesters tried to come back and scored three runs in the fifth. Watkins led off with a double and scored on a throwing error. Todd Finney's double and Gindorf's single scored two more.

Borger ended the game with the 10-run rule by scoring two runs in the bottom of the fifth.

Rene Armendariz, now 2-2 on the season, was the losing pitcher.

"One thing I was pleased with is that we got some clutch hits, which is something we haven't been doing," Doughty said. "That was a bright spot for us."

Pampa hosts Amarillo Caprock at 1 p.m. Saturday at Harvester Field.

Norman likes Woods' chances to win Masters

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Greg Norman remembers when he was 19 years old, the same age as Tiger Woods.

"I had an 18-handicap then," Norman said. "I was a professional two years later, but I didn't learn the game as early as he did."

Norman played a practice round with the U.S. amateur champion at Augusta National Golf Club on Tuesday and said, "He impressed me more than he did when I played with him two years ago. He is extremely long. And he has a lot of golf smarts."

Norman said it's easy for a young player in his first Masters "to get thrown to the wolves. But Tiger has a good grasp of playing the kind of shots this course demands."

Norman said Woods could become the first amateur to ever win the tournament.

"He's good enough," Norman said.

"Tiger Woods is very talented," two-time Masters champion Nick Faldo said. "He hits the ball a long way. He has some serious shoulder speed. He's a nice young kid and it makes you feel old to see him play."

Woods, the 19-year-old freshman from Stanford and U.S. Amateur champion, impressed Faldo on the 500-yard, Par-5 No. 15. Woods hit a downwind drive 356 yards, knocked a 9-iron on the green, and made his putt for eagle.

Woods will be paired with defending champion Jose Maria Olazabal of Spain on Thursday.

Olazabal said Woods has the disadvantage of no experience over the thinking man's golf course. No amateur has finished better than 15th since 1962.

"Experience is a great factor here," Olazabal said. "He'll make a lot of mistakes because he doesn't know the course."

Bo Jackson: From sports to screen

By KENDAL WEAVER
Associated Press Writer

Bo Jackson, who turned his two-sport stardom into a hit feature of celebrity marketing, is retiring from baseball, ending one of America's great sports stories.

Bo, however, is not about to disappear. Jackson said Tuesday he is interested in becoming an actor, a real one on the big screen, not just the Bo who performed athletic feats for TV commercials.

"I'm very serious about this," he

said of his desire to learn the stagecraft of Hollywood. "I'll never just play 'Bo Jackson' ... I've been playing 'Bo Jackson' for 32 years."

Now on the William Morris agency roster, with pilots and possible movie projects in the works, he said he might play an ex-athlete, but "I want to get as far away from the sports spectrum as I can."

The end of his dazzling sports career — Heisman Trophy, baseball and NFL star — came with little fanfare. He was at his Chicago home Tuesday taking calls, fielding ques-

tions on the phone while greeting his 6-year-old back from gymnastics class.

Home, with his wife and three children, is where he wants to be now, something he learned during the eight months baseball players were on strike.

"After eight months I've really gotten to know my family," he said. "That is the big thing behind it."

Jackson said he also will be pursuing business interests. Among his various investments in his native Alabama, he and Charles Barkley own a restaurant at Auburn.

Scoreboard

SOCCER

Standings in the Pampa Soccer Association leagues are listed below

Girls				
Under 8				
Team	Won	Lost	Tie	
Citizens Bank	3	0	0	
Culberson Stowers	2	0	1	
Dean's Pharmacy	1	0	1	
K & K Inc.	0	1	2	

Under 10				
Team	Won	Lost	Tie	
Dust-Rite	3	0	0	
Shear Perfection	2	1	0	
Keyes Pharmacy	1	1	0	
T-Shirts & More	1	1	0	
Dr. Avery Rush M.D.	1	1	0	

Under 12				
Team	Won	Lost	Tie	
Haydon Ford	1	0	0	
Jay's Drive-Inn	1	0	0	
Red's Ditching	0	1	0	

Note: There is only one Under 14 girls team in the PSA and they play boys teams and out-of-town teams. The team is sponsored by N.B.C. There is no official score kept in the Under 6 boys and Under 6 girls leagues. Those teams are as follows:

Under 6 Girls
Mr. Gattis, Givens Inc., Thurmond McGlothlin Inc., Panhandle Medical, La Fiesta and Quality Sales.

Under 6 Boys
Industrial Oilfield, Beaver Express, Culligan Water, Fat Tony's, Bill Allison Auto, Hawkins Communications, W.T. Ford, Cooper Energy, Four R Industrial, Clifton Supply, Wayne's Western Wear and Davis Electric.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association
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EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Orlando	53	19	.736	
x-New York	47	25	.653	6
Boston	30	43	.411	23 1/2
Miami	29	45	.392	25
New Jersey	27	45	.375	26
Philadelphia	20	52	.278	33
Washington	18	53	.254	34 1/2

Central Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Indiana	47	26	.644	
x-Charlotte	43	28	.606	3
x-Chicago	39	33	.542	7 1/2
x-Cleveland	39	33	.542	7 1/2
Atlanta	35	37	.486	11 1/2
Milwaukee	28	44	.389	18 1/2
Detroit	26	45	.366	20

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-San Antonio	53	19	.736	
x-Utah	42	30	.583	11 1/2
Denver	35	37	.486	18 1/2
Dallas	31	39	.443	21 1/2
Minnesota	20	53	.274	34

Pacific Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Seattle	51	21	.708	
x-Phoenix	51	22	.699	1/2
x-L.A. Lakers	46	26	.639	5
Portland	38	34	.528	13
Sacramento	35	37	.486	16
Golden State	23	49	.319	28
L.A. Clippers	15	59	.203	37

x-clinched playoff berth.
Tuesday's Games
Indiana 94, New York 90
Miami 95, Philadelphia 92
Boston 97, Cleveland 92
L.A. Lakers 104, Denver 101
Utah 114, Seattle 92
Golden State 122, Phoenix 114
Portland 95, Minnesota 91
San Antonio 113, L.A. Clippers 89
Sacramento 109, Houston 105
Wednesday's Games
Chicago at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Indiana, 8:30 p.m.
New York at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Phoenix at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle at Denver, 8 p.m.
Houston at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

By The Associated Press
BASEBALL
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PROP-
ERTIES—Named Thomas Duffy vice
president of finance and royalty adminis-
tration.
American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Released Rocky
Elli and Mike Carista, pitchers, and Nicko
Riesgo and Darryl Robinson, first base-
men.
National League
FLORIDA MARLINS—Agreed to
terms with Mark Gardner, pitcher, on a
one-year contract.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Signed
Lenny Webster, catcher, to a minor-league
contract.
BASKETBALL
NBA—Fined Rick Mahorn of the New
Jersey Nets \$7,000; Derek Harper of the
New York Knicks \$5,000; and Patrick
Ewing of the New York Knicks \$3,500 for
their actions in a game on April 2.
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS—Signed
Corey Gaines, guard, for the remainder of
the season.
SEATTLE SUPERSONICS—Granted
Kendall Gill, guard, an indefinite leave of
absence because of clinical depression.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
CHICAGO BEARS—Traded Trace
Armstrong, defensive end, to the Miami
Dolphins for Miami's 1995 second and
third round draft picks.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Signed Rick
Cunningham, offensive tackle, to a one-
year contract. HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS—
Acquired Mike Sillinger, center-right
wing, and Jason York, defenseman, from
the Detroit Red Wings for Stu Grimson,
and a left wing, Mark Ferreri, defenseman; and
a sixth-round draft choice in 1996. Sent Tim
Sweeney, center-left wing, and David
Williams, defenseman, to San Diego of the
IHL. Recalled

HOCKEY

National Hockey League
At A Glance
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EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	18	13	4	40	113	101
Washington	16	12	7	39	94	84
New Jersey	15	13	7	37	101	94
Florida	14	16	4	32	86	91
N.Y. Rangers	14	17	3	31	90	93
Tampa Bay	3	18	3	29	85	95
N.Y. Islanders	10	20	4	24	85	114

Northeast Division						
Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Quebec	24	8	3	51	145	99
Pittsburgh	23	9	2	48	136	109
Buffalo	16	12	5	37	92	78
Boston	17	14	2	36	98	82
Hartford	13	16	5	31	88	98
Montreal	12	16	5	29	85	110
Ottawa	4	25	4	12	74	124

WESTERN CONFERENCE						
Central Division						
Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	23	7	3	49	125	75
St. Louis	20	10	3	43	122	88
Chicago	19	12	3	41	124	83
Toronto	15	13	3	37	97	100
Dallas	12	16	6	30	99	91
Winnipeg	9	18	6	24	99	127

Pacific Division						
Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Calgary	17	13	5	39	114	98
Vancouver	12	13	5	33	105	106
Los Angeles	12	15	3	31	116	130
Edmonton	12	19	3	27	94	126
San Jose	12	18	2	26	82	115
Anaheim	10	19	4	24	85	123

Tuesday's Games
Buffalo 6, Hartford 3
Washington 5, N.Y. Islanders 4
Tampa Bay 1, New Jersey 1, tie
Calgary 3, Chicago 2
Dallas 2, Vancouver 2, tie

Wednesday's Games
Hartford at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Quebec at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Anaheim, 11 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Buffalo at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Montreal at Quebec, 7:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

BOWLING

Harvester Lanes - Pampa
Team Hits & Mrs. Couples

Team	Won	Lost
Clemens Home Repair	41	15
Dale's Automotive	34	22
Rug Doctor	33	23
Safety International	33	23
Danny's Market	32	24
Coca-Cola	30	26
Sammy's Grill	29	27
Pizza Hut	23	33
National Bank of Commerce	23	33

Week's High Scores
Men — High game: Earnest Byars, 213;
High series: Jim Eakin, 591; High handi-
cap game: Sam Bowers, 233; High handi-
cap series: David Wortham, 644.

Women — High game: Bea Wortham,
193; High series: Nancy Loofer, 573; High
handicap series: Kristi Lee, 651; High
handicap game: Diane Jennings, 242.

CAPROCK MEN'S LEAGUE				
Team	Won	Lost		
Chris' Pro Shop	34	10		
D & M Motorsports	32	12		
Graham Furniture	30	12	13 1/2	
Byrum Farms	29	15		
Pin Movers	28	16		
Team Fifteen	26	18		
Stephens Welding	25	19		
Easy's Pop Shop	24	19	1/2	
Schiffman Machine	23	21		
Ogden & Son	21	22	1/2	
Scotty's	20	23	1/2	
Clemens Home Improvement	9	25		
Pizza Hut	16	28		
Frito-Lay	12	32		
Sadie Hawkins	11	33		

Week's High Scores
High game: Toddy Black, 264; High series:
Greg Haddock, 659; High handicap game:
Toddy Black, 280; High handicap series:
Greg Haddock, 707.

Wheeler boys, Canadian girls win Mustang Relays

WHEELER — Outstanding track and field performances were a normal occurrence at the Mustang Relays.

Wheeler, paced by Clifton Fletcher in the field events, scored 122 points to win the boys division last weekend.

Fletcher, a senior, won both the discus and shot put events. His 146-4 toss in the discus set a new meet record.

Canadian scored 122 points to win the girls division. Bessie Ann Reed set a new record in the high jump at 5-4, breaking the old mark by two inches. Canadian's 400-meter relay team (Amber Rupprecht, Julie Franks, Heather Long and Reed) zipped to a 50.88 to set a new record.

Five other meet records were set in the girls' division.

Wheeler Mustang Relays

Team totals: 1. Wheeler 102; 2.

Shamrock 94; 3. Qunah 81 1/2; 4. Canadian 76; 5. Groom 49 1/2; 6. Fort Elliott 42; 7. Miami 35; 8. Lefors 22; 9. Claude 18; 10. McLean 14; 11. Wellington 11; 12. Memphis 5; 13. Hedley 2.
3200: 1. Browning, Miami, 11:05; 2. Sanderson, McLean, 11:05; 3. Gray, Groom, 12:15.
400 relay: 1. Wheeler, 45.50; 2. Qunah, 45.33; 3. Shamrock, 45.68.
800: 1. Hernandez, Canadian, 2:06.33; 2. Ritter, Groom, 2:06.35; 3. Minkley, Claude, 2:09.73.
110 hurdles: 1. Edwards, Qunah, 15.49; 2. Rupprecht, Canadian, 15.84; 3. Ledbetter, Wheeler, 16.23.
100: 1. Swigart, Fort Elliott, 11.51; 2. Rose, Wheeler, 11.53; 3. J. Jalmo, Qunah, 11.57.
400: 1. Caldwell, Shamrock, 52.27; 2. Bruton, Shamrock, 52.33; 3. Timmons, Canadian, 53.33.
300 hurdles: 1. Edwards, Qunah, 42.06; 2. Rupprecht, Canadian, 42.08; 3. Hilton, Canadian, 42.10.
200: 1. Jackson, Qunah, 23.29; 2. Swigart, Fort Elliott, 23.33; 3. Ryan, Shamrock, 23.88.
1600: 1. Howard, Lefors, 5:05.04; 2. Neighboer, Miami, 5:05.10; 3. Blasingame, Miami, 5:07.19.
1600 relay: 1. Shamrock, 3:33.33; 2. Canadian, 3:37.18; 3. Groom, 3:38.27.
Shot: 1. Fletcher, Wheeler, 49-11; 2. Simmons, Qunah, 48-2 1/2; 3. Pillard, Claude, 44-10 1/4.
Discus: (broke old record of 146-0) 1.

Fletcher, Wheeler, 146-4; 2. Simmons, Qunah, 145-7 1/2; 3. Brickey, Wheeler, 127-6.
Long jump: 1. Swigart, Fort Elliott, 20-6; 2. Ryan, Shamrock, 19-11; 3. Barr, Fort Elliott, 19-8.
High jump: 1. Bruton, Shamrock, 6-8; 2. Holland, Wellington, 6-0; 3. Ryan, Shamrock, 6-0.
Pole vault: 1. Stevens, Wheeler, 13-3; 2. Ritter, Groom, 11-6; 3. Bradley, Wheeler, 11-0.
Triple jump: 1. Angton, Shamrock, 41-5; 2. Swigart, Fort Elliott, 40-6; 3. Mayberry, Miami, 39-7 1/2.
Team totals: 1. Canadian 122; 2. Panhandle 73; 3. Wheeler 63; 4. Memphis 52; 5. Claude 50; 6. Clarendon 46; 7. Shamrock 44; 8. Qunah 41; 9. Boys Ranch 40; 10. Groom 25; 11. Wellington 20; 12. McLean 6; 13. Miami 5; 14. Kelton 2.
800 relay: 1. Canadian, 1:47.83; 2. Clarendon, 1:48.80; 3. Memphis, 1:50.54.
3200: 1. Demester, Canadian, 12:29.46; 2. J. Eisenhauer, Claude, 13:07.02; 3. Amanda Rives, Wheeler, 13:23.64.
400 relay: (broke old record of 52.26) 1. Canadian, 50.88; 2. Clarendon, 52.87; 3. Shamrock, 53.25.
800: 1. Lee, Canadian, 2:32.33; 2. Rives, Wheeler, 2:41.97; 3. Bradstreet, Wheeler, 2:44.18.
100 hurdles: 1. Caldwell, Qunah, 16.76;

2. Wallace, Wheeler, 17.00; 3. Beddingfield, Panhandle, 17.30.
100: 1. Smith, Clarendon, 12.82; 2. Cooper, Boys Ranch, 12.91; 3. Odhams, Memphis, 12.96.
400: 1. Cooper, Boys Ranch, 62.38; 2. Stephenson, Claude, 64.57; 3. Hess, McLean, 66.32.
300 hurdles: 1. Rupprecht, Canadian, 47.36; 2. Wallace, Wheeler, 50.17; 3. Sitz, Panhandle, 51.74.
200: (broke old record of 26.95) 1. Williams, Memphis, 26.40; 2. Cooper, Boys Ranch, 26.67; 3. Angton, Shamrock, 26.69.
1600 relay: (broke old record of 4:17.4) 1. Panhandle, 4:15.46; 2. Canadian, 4:20.89; 3. Claude, 4:29.70.
Shot: (broke old record of 34-7) 1. D. Angton, Shamrock, 34-7 1/2; 2. Scott, Wellington, 32-9 1/2; 3. Crowell, Claude, 31-8.
Discus: (broke old record of 118-11) 1. Neusch, Panhandle, 122-6; 2. Angton, Shamrock, 107-4; 3. Case, Groom, 106-11.
Long jump: 1. Odhams, Memphis, 16-5; 2. Martinez, Qunah, 15-10; 3. Cantu, Wellington, 15-10.
High jump: (broke old record of 5-2) 1. Reed, Canadian, 5-4; 2. Martinez, Qunah, 5-2; 3. Pruitt, Qunah, 4-10.
Triple jump: (broke old record of 33-8) 1. Neusch, Panhandle, 35-9 1/2; 2. L. Odhams, Memphis, 35-5 1/2; 3. S. Odhams, Memphis, 32-9 1/2.
1600: 1. Compton, Wheeler, 6:00.10; 2. Eisenhauer, Claude, 6:09.95; 3. Labriola, Boys Ranch, 6:16.67.

Kings victorious over Rockets

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — The Sacramento Kings and Denver Nuggets are on the verge of starting a new season after 72 games each.

With Walt Williams scoring 30 points, including six free throws in the final 1:06, the Kings ended a 10-game losing streak against the Houston Rockets and moved into a tie for the eighth Western Conference playoff position with a 109-105 victory Tuesday night.

Sacramento's victory, combined with Denver's home loss to the Los Angeles Lakers, gave both the Kings and Nuggets 35-37 records.

"I couldn't afford to take him out in the second half," Sacramento coach Garry St. Jean said of Williams. "He was playing hurt. He hurt bad, but without him we don't have a win."

Williams, who has suffered back spasms throughout the season, hurt his back early in the first quarter. He also twisted an ankle, and late in the game he fell hard to the court after a desperation foul by Mario Elie.

"I was in a lot of pain, but I could stand it, so I kept playing," said Williams, who scored 30 points for only the second time this season. "We got the ball to the right people down the stretch and made the big shots when we had to."

Mitch Richmond scored 17 points for the Kings, who had a four-point halftime margin, but trailed 83-81 with 9:44 left in the game.

"We let them back into the game and then it was nip and

tuck," St. Jean said. "They kept making runs at us and we were able to withstand them."

Clyde Drexler scored 29 points for the Rockets, who had won eight straight road games against the Kings and hadn't lost to Sacramento since March 21, 1992.

"I thought we played our hearts out," Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. "We played very hard. We had an excuse and our team was battling a team that had a very big game."

Houston played its fourth consecutive game without Hakeem Olajuwon and Vernon Maxwell, who are both suffering from anemia.

Brian Grant and Olden Polynice each scored 14 points and Michael Smith grabbed 11 rebounds for the Kings.

"You lose an MVP and it affects the way you play," Tomjanovich said. "It's different if it happens at the beginning of the year and you can put in another system."

Sam Cassell and Robert Horry each added 16 points for the Rockets.

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Man accused of serial murders describes killings in precise, grisly detail on tape

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — The tape-recorded voice that filled the courtroom was calm and unwavering as a man accused of murdering 10 Charlotte women described the killings in precise, grisly and often chilling detail.

Henry Louis Wallace told how he strangled his victims with towels and undergarments, how one woman fell to her knees in the middle of the attack and started to pray, and how he stayed in another victim's apartment long enough to calm her infant son.

He recalled bathing one victim after she was dead "to wash

everything off her," and pouring rum over another victim before setting her home on fire.

"I can't explain why I did these things," he says on the tape that was played Tuesday, calling his crimes an out-of-body experience. "It's like I really didn't do it, but I'm going to be the one to pay for it."

Police said Wallace made the confession about 12 hours after he was arrested in March 1993. The tape was played during a pretrial hearing to determine whether defense attorneys, who say the statements were coerced, can keep the jury

from hearing the conversations.

Wallace, 29, has pleaded innocent to 10 counts of murder, eight counts of rape and 18 other crimes, including armed robbery and arson. No trial date has been set. He also is charged with killing an 11th woman in South Carolina.

Wallace was assaulted Tuesday morning on the way to court by another inmate, the brother of one of the victims. His lawyer said he suffered only cuts and scratches.

In court, Wallace smiled during the testimony of one police investigator and snacked on peppermint candy. As the tape was

played, he folded his hands and stared down at the table.

Police said Wallace first wrote down the names of the victims on a sheet of paper, numbering them 1 through 10. Over the next hour, interrupted only by a short break for breakfast, Wallace described the killings with minimal prodding from police.

He said he put a "Boston choke hold" on Caroline Love, his girlfriend's roommate and his first victim. After she passed out, Wallace said, he had sex with her, then "took a cord and placed it around her neck

and strangled her to death."

Wallace said he placed Love's body in a large orange plastic bag and drove around Charlotte before finding a place to dump it. Afraid that someone might spot the bag, he came back the next day and removed her body.

Describing the murder of Audrey Spain, one of his co-workers at a Taco Bell, Wallace said: "I was not myself. I was speaking in tongues or something."

He told police he poured a bottle of rum over Valencia Jumper after strangling her, then put a can of pork and beans on

the stove, took the batteries out of the smoke detectors and threw a match into a glass of rum, setting her apartment on fire.

He said he stuck around Vanessa Mack's apartment after strangling her to calm her infant son.

In another attack, Wallace said, the young son of Brandi Henderson began crying as he was choking her with a towel. Wallace said he put the towel around the boy's neck. "It wasn't enough to choke him, just enough to make him stop breathing," Wallace said. The boy survived.

Armed gunmen terrorize Philippines town

IPIL, Philippines (AP) — They came by boat, truck and bus, some 200 heavily armed men intent on terrorizing and plundering this coastal town.

Believed to be bandits from a Muslim rebel faction, they robbed local banks, ransacked at least one department store and set buildings on fire to divert police. They fired at civilians indiscriminately, witnesses said.

At least 46 people died and 47 were wounded Tuesday before the gunmen fled into the forest or by sea, taking nine hostages with them according to one witness. Initial reports put the death toll at about 100.

The government said the gunmen who attacked

the town of Ipil were members of Abu Sayyaf, a Muslim group fighting for a religious state in the southern Philippines. The group has been linked to plots to kill Pope John Paul II and to blow up American airliners over the Pacific, and reportedly has ties to the accused mastermind of the World Trade Center bombing.

President Fidel Ramos declared a state of emergency in Ipil, a town of 50,000 people on the island of Mindanao about 480 miles south of Manila. All troops stationed on Mindanao were put on alert, and today, Ramos said he ordered the military "to shoot to kill" any suspected gang members.

Soldiers and police scoured mountains and coastal areas for the fleeing raiders, and the government and private groups rushed food and blood supplies to the devastated town today.

Authorities and relatives of the missing sifted through the ruins, looking for bodies.

Placido Avanzado, 60, had left his house Tuesday to get a haircut in the town center. His wife found his charred remains early today in the smoldering rubble of the barbershop.

"This is my husband," Lolita Avanzado said. A bullet rolled out of her husband's right armpit as she showed reporters where he was shot. Lying nearby were two other bodies that looked like burned logs.

The gunmen waited for a signal to launch the raid, attacking four of the town's seven banks simultaneously at midday, according to radio reports and the military.

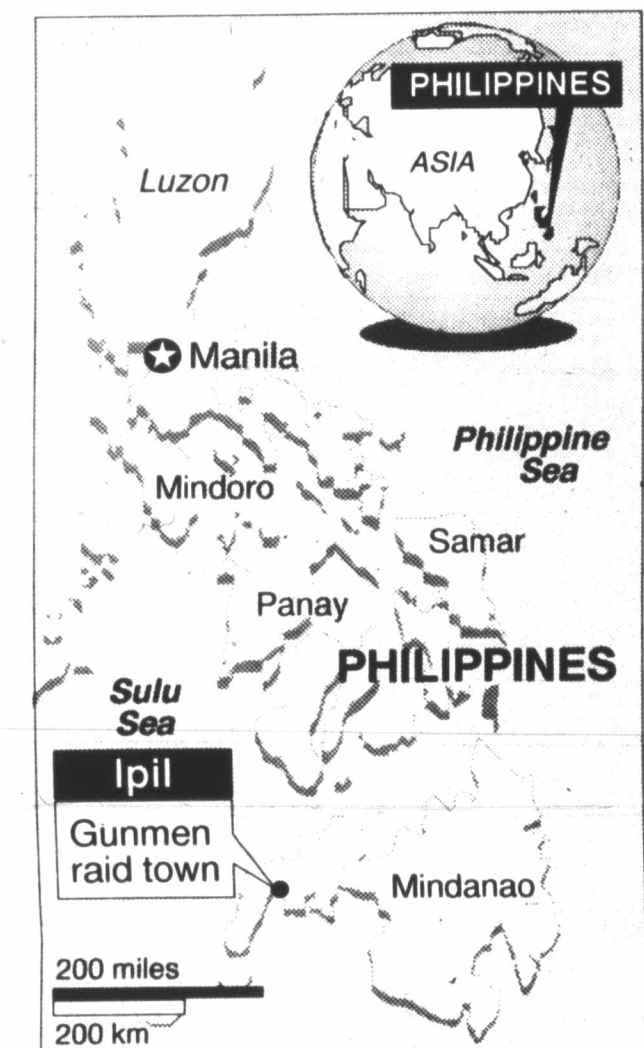
They also ransacked at least one department store and set many dozens of buildings on fire. Radio reports said thick smoke filled the town, and one witness who arrived in Zamboanga by bus called Ipil "a burning inferno."

Regional police chief Orville Gabuna said the raiders, many wearing military uniforms and red headbands, broke into three groups — two fleeing toward a forest and the third boarding motorized outriggers at Ipil.

The attackers took nine people hostage as they fled, including a village chief, said Ipil telephone company manager Ramon Villanueva. He was interviewed by a Zamboanga radio station.

Miguel Mondido, 39, who was shot in the arm, said she saw a truck full of men heading for the center of town.

"When the truck reached the commercial district, the armed men immediately jumped out of the truck and I just heard shooting," Mondido said.



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Stern makes offensive comments about slain star

DALLAS (AP) — Hispanic leaders are expressing hurt and anger and threatening a station boycott after controversial radio personality Howard Stern joked about the death of Tejano music star Selena on his show.

Callers jammed the switchboards at KEGF-FM, the Dallas radio station that carries Stern's show, after a broadcast Monday in which Stern parodied weeping mourners and made disparaging comments about Mexican and Mexican-Americans.

Stern's broadcast poked fun at "the singing star and portrayed her music as silly and shallow. On a tape of the broadcast, Stern and his sidekicks play excerpts of Selena's music with gunfire accompaniments in the background.

"This music does absolutely nothing for me," he said. "Alvin and the Chipmunks have more soul. ... Spanish people have the worst taste in music. They have no depth."

Hispanic leaders called the

remarks disrespectful and racist and threatened a boycott of businesses that advertise on the shock jock's radio show. As of Tuesday, no boycotts had materialized.

Officials of KEGF-FM, the Dallas-Fort Worth radio station that carries the Stern show, distanced themselves on Tuesday from Stern's remarks but said they would continue to carry his program.

"We've gotten hundreds of calls on this. Some have been upset and some haven't," Adrianna Basulto, executive assistant to the station manager, is quoted in today's editions of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "We're telling them to direct their complaints to Howard Stern, because he was the one who made the statement."

Said Hector Flores, with the League of United Latin American Citizens: "It's a total lack of respect for the dead, a total lack of respect for people. It's incredible for this guy to continue oper-

ating with this trash drivel he puts out on the air."

Selena was shot and killed on Friday at a motel in Corpus Christi, her hometown. A former employee was arrested and charged in the killing. Her death devastated her fans, more than 30,000 of whom paid their respects during an all-day visitation Sunday. She was buried Monday.

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