

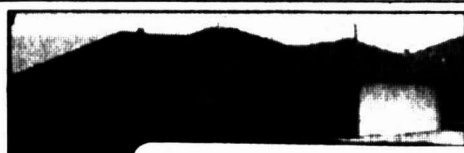
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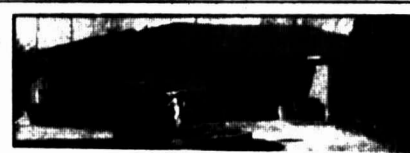
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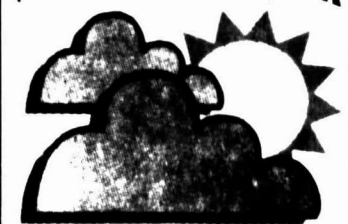


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Traffic Commission to consider signage

Yield and stop signs along 25th Street and a traffic study for Garland Street are to be considered by members of the Traffic Commission at 7 p.m. Thursday, in the second floor conference room at City Hall.

VFW dance planned

The local VFW Hall will rock this coming Friday night. Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657 will host a dance featuring live music by "Tiny Lynn and Band" from 8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m., at its location at 105 S. Cuyler downtown.

STATE

Montague Co. jail ready for escapees

MONTAGUE (AP) — Montague County's jail has improved some security measures since four inmates broke out two weeks ago and is now ready for their return, authorities say.

All staffers have had additional training, and three jailers instead of two are working per shift, said chief sheriff's Deputy Gary Studebaker.

"We've got a secure facility," he said Monday. "Those folks (inmates) have 24-7, 365 days to think of nothing but getting out. It's going to happen at this facility or any facility."

DEATHS

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Mary Leoria Kimbley, 87, nurse's aide.

Johnny Douglas Rader, services pending.

Harold T. Thornhill, 97, retired stillman.

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To deed or not to deed PEDC board wrestles with land use

By NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR

Can the Pampa Economic Development Corporation deed land to the Pampa Industrial Foundation?

That is the question PEDC board members and City Attorney Don Lane are trying to determine.

Celanese donated the property to the PEDC in 1999 to be used for local economical development.

Following the vote in November

2001 to dissolve the PEDC, the only business the board can act upon is to the close down the PEDC. No recruitment can take place. PEDC is to pay the outstanding debt before the entity can be officially dissolved.

Concerned about the future of the property donated to help provide jobs for local residents and boost the local economy, Celanese officials requested at a Jan. 14 meeting and again on Jan. 28 that the land be utilized for its original intent.

PEDC board members met in executive session for 35 minutes Monday evening to discuss the Celanese land situation, but took no action when they returned to open session.

Board members commented prior to the closed-door session about a letter each of them received a few days ago from City Attorney Don Lane concerning the legalities binding the PEDC.

Doug Locke, a board member, requested the board go into the executive session. (See DEED, Page 3)

Grand jury

Officer indicted in sexual assault;
man charged with soliciting teen

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
EDITOR

A meeting of the Gray County grand jury resulted in 12 indictments, including one charging a Pampa police officer with sexual assault and another charging a 44-year-old man with using the Internet to solicit sex with a teen-age girl.

Grand jurors, meeting here Friday, handed up the 12 indictments to 31st District Judge Steven Emmert. The indictments were released by the District Attorney's office today.

Heron Erasmo Garcia, 34, 1229 N. Wells, was indicted on a charge of sexual assault stemming from an incident alleged to have happened on Jan. 10.

An affidavit submitted by Texas Ranger Gary Henderson when seeking an arrest warrant alleges that the reported victim told investigators that a

uniformed Pampa police officer stopped her car and gave her two options — to go to jail for drunken driving or go to a nearby motel and have sex with the officer. The officer reportedly visited the woman in the motel room several times during the 11 p.m.-7 a.m. shift on the day of the incident.

The affidavit said the 35-year-old woman picked out a photo of Garcia from a photo lineup. Garcia, a Pampa police officer since May 2001, has been placed on administrative leave without pay. He is currently free on a \$102,500 bond.

Another indictment handed up Friday charges Jerry Lee Cooper, 44, 320 S. Houston, with criminal solicitation of a minor.

On Sept. 28, 2001, Cooper was arrested by Pampa police near the Supr Playground after a two-week Internet sting (See JURY, Page 3)

New leadership



(Courtesy photo)

Pampa Middle School held elections for Mayor and Vice Mayor for the Spring 2002 semester. Pictured left to right are the newly-elected Vice Mayor Katherine McSparrin and Mayor Felicia Urban.

Ag experts wonder what's in store for farm bill

By DAVID BOWSER
STAFF WRITER

FORT WORTH — Dr. Ronald D. Knutson, professor emeritus at Texas A&M University and specialist in agricultural policy and marketing, is wondering whether the U.S. Senate will be able to pass a farm bill this month.

The U.S. House of Representatives passed their version of a new farm bill last September. The current one expires in September.

The Senate has come up with two versions of a farm that are expected to be debated this month.

Normally, if there were significant differences between the Senate and House bills, they would go to a conference committee of Representatives and Senators to work out a final bill to be sent to the President to sign into law.

While the House has passed their farm bill, the Senate is divided between a farm bill proposal by Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-South Dakota, and Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, and a bill proposed by Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., and Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss.

Knutson said the Senate could end up sending both the Daschle/Harkin

bill and the Roberts/Cochran bill to conference committee to be reconciled with the House bill, the first time such a thing has happened.

"The Senate really can't decide what it's going to do," Knutson said, "but the Senate is going to do something — I think."

The House bill revolves around fixed Agricultural Marketing Transition Assistance, or AMTA payments, with supplemental payments similar to the last farm bill. The major difference is that there are now AMTA payments for soybeans. In the past, soybeans had only small supplemental payments.

The Roberts/Cochran bill has higher fixed payments than the House bill, Knutson said.

Fixed payments are de-coupled from production in keeping with the United States' world trade commitments on agricultural subsidies. The payments are fixed no matter what is produced.

The Senate bill is front loaded. The payments at the beginning of the bill's period are higher than at the end of the payment periods.

Even though it is front loaded, the beginning numbers are not as high the House bill or the Roberts/Cochran bill. (See FARM, Page 3)

Enron's Lay takes Fifth; senators denounce him

WASHINGTON (AP) — Kenneth Lay, the presidential pal who built Enron into a darling of Wall Street only to see it collapse in scandal, exercised his constitutional rights Tuesday and refused to testify to Congress.

"I am deeply troubled about asserting these rights," Lay said. "It may be perceived by some that I have something to hide."

He said his attorneys had advised him not to testify. "I cannot disregard my counsel's instruction," he said.

In a brief statement, Lay expressed a "profound sadness" about what had happened to Enron. Before being called to the witness table, Lay sat glumly as he was criticized by senator after senator for maintaining his silence.

Lawmakers said they had a wide array of questions for Lay about the Enron bankruptcy and its devastating impact on millions of American investors and thousands of company employees.

"I thought you would think it was important to answer those questions, too," said Sen. Peter Fitzgerald, R-Ill. "Apparently you didn't think it was the least you could do."

(See LAY, Page 3)

FBI issues attack warning

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI considers a tip about a possible terrorist attack against the United States or against Americans in Yemen to be credible, even though the information does not cite specific targets and is not corroborated by other sources.

Investigators distributed photographs of men believed to be involved and police nationwide were put under orders to detain any of them immediately.

The warning identified one possible attacker as Fawaz Yahya al-Rabeei, a 22-year-old from Yemen. A U.S. official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said al-Rabeei is believed to have links to al-Qaida but is not believed to have been involved in the attack against the USS Cole in the Yemen port of Aden in 2000.

Officials acknowledged they did not know whether al-Rabeei was in the United States

and could not be sure even that he was still alive. A hurried review of U.S. immigration records indicated al-Rabeei has never been in the United States, a Justice Department official said today.

Internationally, allies were trying to determine where al-Rabeei and his associates have traveled recently, but those efforts were being hampered by aliases the men might be using. The FBI listed at least 14 aliases for al-Rabeei, including "Furqan The Chechen."

Officials said they decided to issue the warning out of an abundance of caution and because of the immediacy.

"We had credible information, we had a specific name," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said. "It's exactly this type of action that helps disrupt or prevent terrorist attacks, which is why the FBI does it — and properly so."

(See WARNING, Page 3)

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ON RECORD

CARSON CO. SHERIFF

There were six persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of Feb. 4-10, 2002. Currently, there are nine persons incarcerated in this jail and an additional 14 prisoners are held in other jurisdictions.

Arrests made this week were:
Hector Mendez, 28, Amarillo, was arrested by the Department of Public Safety for traffic warrants.

Eric Gonzales, 22, Borger, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, second offense.

Andrus Candelaria, 42, Amarillo, was arrested for public intoxication.

Detina Cawyer, 30, Skellytown, was arrested on a warrant out of Ochiltree County.

James Davis, 39, Pampa, was arrested on a motion to revoke for driving while intoxicated.

Forrest King, 19, Amarillo, was arrested for resisting arrest and violation of a protective order.

AMBULANCE

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

Monday, Feb. 11

7:29 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of North Christine. One patient was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

9:33 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a patient transfer to Baptist/St. Anthony's West in Amarillo.

Tuesday, Feb. 12

12:42 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to provide mutual aid with McLean EMS. One patient was transported to PRMC.

2:00 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a patient transport to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

SHERIFF

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

Monday, Feb. 11

Mark Allen Haynes, 33, 613 Roberta, was arrested on warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia, no insurance and driving with license suspended.

Ronnie Don Jenkins, 51, 312 1/2 N. Wells, was arrested for public intoxication.

FIRE

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

Monday, Feb. 11

9:29 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a suspicious 55-gallon drum at City of Pampa Water Pump Station #2. No problem was found.

POLICE

Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and reports during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Sunday, Feb. 10

Amanda Jenkins, 20, 520 N. Ward, was arrested for minor in possession of alcohol, possession of marijuana under two ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia. She was released after bond was posted.

David Jenkins, 18, 520 N. Ward, was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released after posting bond.

Monday, Feb. 11

Alfredo Campos, Jr., 44, 529 S. Somerville, Apt. 45, was arrested for theft under \$50 and theft out of Potter County.

Dona McPherson Free, 35, 1017 Love, was arrested for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

Steven Paul Free, 32, 1017 Love, was arrested for disorderly conduct by language.

Police investigated an assault of injury to a family member in which one person was reportedly bitten in the 1700 block of Coffee.

A theft under \$50 is being investigated in the 1000 block of West Wilks. Two 30-pack cases of beer were reported stolen. Both cases were recovered, according to the police report.

Windows in a back door and one bedroom were reported broken out at a residence in the 1400 block of Alcock. Estimated damage was \$20.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1100 block of South Prairie. Reported stolen were 20 pairs of pants, 50 DVD movies and four crown rims for a vehicle. Items reported damaged were a couch, love seat, chair and television. Estimated loss was \$14,710.

A \$39 check was reported lost to the Pampa Police Department.

Tuesday, Feb. 12

Pampa police are investigating a report of \$30 being reported stolen in the 1900 block of North Hobart.

OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

THORNHILL, Harold T. — Graveside services, 3:30 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

JOHNNY DOUGLAS RADER

Johnny Douglas Rader, of Pampa, died under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Monday, Feb. 11, 2002. Services are pending Funeral Directors of Pampa.

WINNIE CLARK

Winnie Clark, 79, of Pampa, died Tuesday, direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

MARY LEORIA KIMBLEY

1914-2002

Mary Leoria Kimbley, 87, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2002. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Kimbley was born May 19, 1914, at Copan, Okla. She married Harold Lee Kimbley on July 6, 1931, at Bartlesville, Okla.; he died July 24, 1974.

She was a nurse's aide at Worley Hospital for 15 years prior to retiring in 1974. She

returned to Pampa in 1990 after relocating to Bartlesville for a time and was a member of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ in Pampa.

Survivors include two daughters, Thelma Matthews of Pampa and Gene Fletcher of Lefors; two sons, Phillip Kimbley of San Antonio and Dick Kimbley of Pampa; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

HAROLD T. THORNHILL

1904-2002

Harold T. Thornhill, 97, of Pampa, died Monday, Feb. 11, 2002, at Amarillo. Graveside services will be at 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, at Fairview Cemetery with Royce Riggan, youth pastor of the Community Church of Hereford, and Dean Thornhill, a grandson, officiating. Masonic graveside rites are courtesy of the Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Thornhill was born Sept. 5, 1904, in Chautauqua County, Kan. He married Eula Brewster on March 14, 1925, in Sedan, Kan. She preceded him in death on Oct. 21, 2000. He had been a resident of Pampa from 1945 until 1998 when he moved to Amarillo. He worked for Skelly Oil Company for 25 years as a stillman, retiring in 1969.

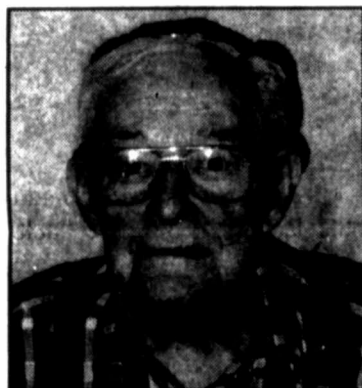
He was a member of the First Baptist Church, a 50-year member of the Pampa

Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM, and a member of Lubbock Scottish Rite Consistory.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Harold Eugene Thornhill, and DeArlen L. Thornhill.

Survivors include two daughters, Patricia Riggan of Amarillo and Betty Fletcher of Odessa; a brother-in-law, Dale Brewster of Wichita, Kan.; 10 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and 21 great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church Building Fund, 203 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065; or to a favorite charity.



WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today, partly sunny and breezy with highs 50 to 55. Northeast winds 15 to 25 mph with higher gusts, decreasing late this afternoon. Caution advised on area lakes. Tonight mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 20s. Light winds. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid-50s. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 60s. Thursday evening, partly cloudy. Friday, partly cloudy. Lows 30 to 35. Highs in the mid 50s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s. Highs 60 to 65.

STATEWIDE

Dry, cool weather should stick around the Lone Star State for a few more days, forecasters said.

Clear skies will send temperatures into the 30s in North Texas overnight. It will be

sunny and mild Wednesday, with highs in the 50s and lower 60s.

South Texas will be partly to mostly cloudy overnight, with showers possible in far southern parts of the region. Lows will range from the lower 30s to the lower 40s. Temperatures will warm into the middle 50s and lower 60s on Wednesday.

Clouds were expected to blanket West Texas Tuesday night as lows dip into the teens and 20s. Partly cloudy skies will return Wednesday, with highs in the lower to middle 50s.

A band of high clouds covered southeast Texas early Tuesday morning, but skies were clear elsewhere.

A low pressure system over the panhandle and a dome of high pressure in the Gulf of Mexico were funneling a light southerly wind across much of the state. However, a northerly breeze from 10 to 20 mph with some stronger gusts was reported behind a cold front in the panhandle.

Predawn temperatures ranged from the upper 20s to the middle 40s in far South Texas.

City Briefs

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Sen. Clinton under fire for acceptance of gifts

By MARK SHERMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton's acceptance of expensive gifts that poured into the Clinton White House between her election to the Senate and her swearing in last year "is disturbing at best," said a lawmaker who oversaw an investigation of presidential gifts.

"The current system is broken and needs to be fixed," Rep. Doug Ose, R-Calif., said Tuesday at a hearing on the gifts.

He said his investigators found undervalued gifts, others that were never reported and still more that disappeared.

The examination of gifts to the Clintons also found that 17 separate gifts of china, cutlery and furniture worth more than \$75,000 arrived in December 2000 alone, at a time when the Clintons were looking to furnish two newly purchased homes, one each in Washington and Chappaqua, N.Y.

Ose also noted that the gifts were received "after the former first lady's election to the U.S. Senate and before she was subject to Congress's very strict gift acceptance rules."

The timing of the gifts had not been made public before. As a senator, Mrs. Clinton is prohibited from accepting most gifts worth more than \$50. Since the presents arrived while she still was first lady, no such limit applied.

The Clintons took with them \$360,000 worth of large gifts when they left the White House in January 2001, according to the year-long investigation by a House Government Reform subcommittee. The Clintons also left with additional gifts too small to trigger public disclosure.

Investigators alleged the Clintons undervalued dozens of gifts, including a suit from Yves Saint Laurent reported as being worth \$249, a dollar below what was then the threshold for public disclosure. The investigators did not say how much they believe the suit was worth.

Dozens of gifts were labeled "lost" or "misplaced" in the records investigators examined, including a \$4,200 18-karat gold

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saxophone pin and a \$1,200 rug from Pakistan.

The hearing was intended to bolster support for Ose's legislation to change the rules governing gifts to presidents. He wants to consolidate responsibility for receiving, cataloging and storing gifts in one government office. Now, six agencies are involved.

The National Park Service, one of the agencies, already has tightened its policy for accepting donations.

Bruce Lindsey, a confidant of the former president, declined to testify at Tuesday's hearing, Ose said. Lori Krause, who investigators said was a political appointee who headed the White House gifts office, also was invited to testify. Krause did not return telephone calls Monday.

Controversy over presidential gifts first arose last year when the Clintons disclosed they had received \$190,027 in the president's final year in office. According to investigators' records, the Clintons returned 21 items worth \$44,000 a year ago after some donors complained the gifts were for the White House, not the former first family.

Spokesmen for the Clintons referred calls to former White House press secretary Joe Lockhart.

"This is really kind of sad," Lockhart said. "The core right-wing of the Republican party is refusing to let go of an issue that was fully resolved last year."

The subcommittee's Republican staff members briefed reporters Monday on the investigation on condition of anonymity.

Movie on 2000 presidential campaign set to premiere

NEW YORK (AP) — A movie about a television producer's experience on the 2000 presidential campaign trail, with President Bush as one of the characters, is set to make its public debut next month.

"Journeys With George" comes from the camera of Alexandra Pelosi, who was on the campaign as a producer for NBC.

"This is the campaign experience from my seat," said Pelosi, 31, who lives in New York and is the daughter of California Rep. Nancy Pelosi, the House Democratic whip.

Pelosi said Monday she plans to show the 75-minute film at the South by Southwest Film Conference and Festival in Austin, Texas, next month.

She said the film was named by then-candidate Bush, who sat down for interviews with her throughout the filming period. But she refuted published reports that said he is portrayed negatively and implications that the movie is primarily about him.

"It's not a George Bush blooper tape," she said. "It's my movie about my experience."

Pelosi said she hasn't been in touch with the White House about the film, and the Bush administration hasn't reached out to her, but she showed the film to Mark McKinnon, who was Bush's top ad-maker in the 2000 campaign.

According to this week's Time magazine, McKinnon then sent an e-mail to Bush adviser Karen Hughes, saying the movie would not do any great damage.

White House officials did not immediately return a telephone message seeking comment.

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tive session to discuss the legal position and disposition of the real estate.

Lane has extensively researched the phase-down requirements the PEDC is under. Pampa is the first economic development group in Texas to vote to dissolve the entity.

On Jan. 14 Joe Mullenax, human resources and process safety manager of the local Celanese facility, and Lisa Ryan, Celanese Site Director, attended a PEDC meeting requesting the land be utilized for economic development.

Mullenax again attended a PEDC meet on Jan. 28 and asked if the land could be deeded to the Pampa Industrial Foundation with the proviso that PIF use the land to implement the original intent so there would be no misunderstandings as to the intended end use of the property.

The PIF is a group of local businessmen working towards increased economic development in the area. Mullenax told the board he has talked to the group about accepting the property.

He told the board members he believed this was a "reasonable and practical disposition" of the land that will best serve the interest of the Pampa community at large. He also said Celanese would assist with the costs associated with the transaction.

Dalton Lewis, president of the board, said this morning that Lane is continuing to research what the options of the PEDC are regarding the land.

At the Jan. 28 meeting, Lane said he has researched Attorney General's opinions on matters relevant to the PEDC, and was continuing to do so.

In other business, the board approved hiring

someone for a couple of days to help get the files organized which were removed from the former office location of the PEDC.

Files have been located in boxes in several locations within the Pampa City Hall since the office was closed.

Board members decided to utilize office space at the building formerly occupied by U.S. Bus.

Steve Phillips, board member, said he thought the location would be a good location for the files since the building is PEDC-owned, and board members would be able to get access to any files which are needed.

Personnel Services Inc. will be contacted to obtain an employee for a few days. Lewis said he would be available to assist the temporary worker.

Lane answered questions about a loan PEDC made to Billy Scribner. Lewis asked about the status of the Scribner loan. He said he heard the business had been closed and Scribner had moved.

Phillips said Scribner is still in the Pampa area, and that he had been working out of town. He said Scribner is still based here, but his business has had some changes.

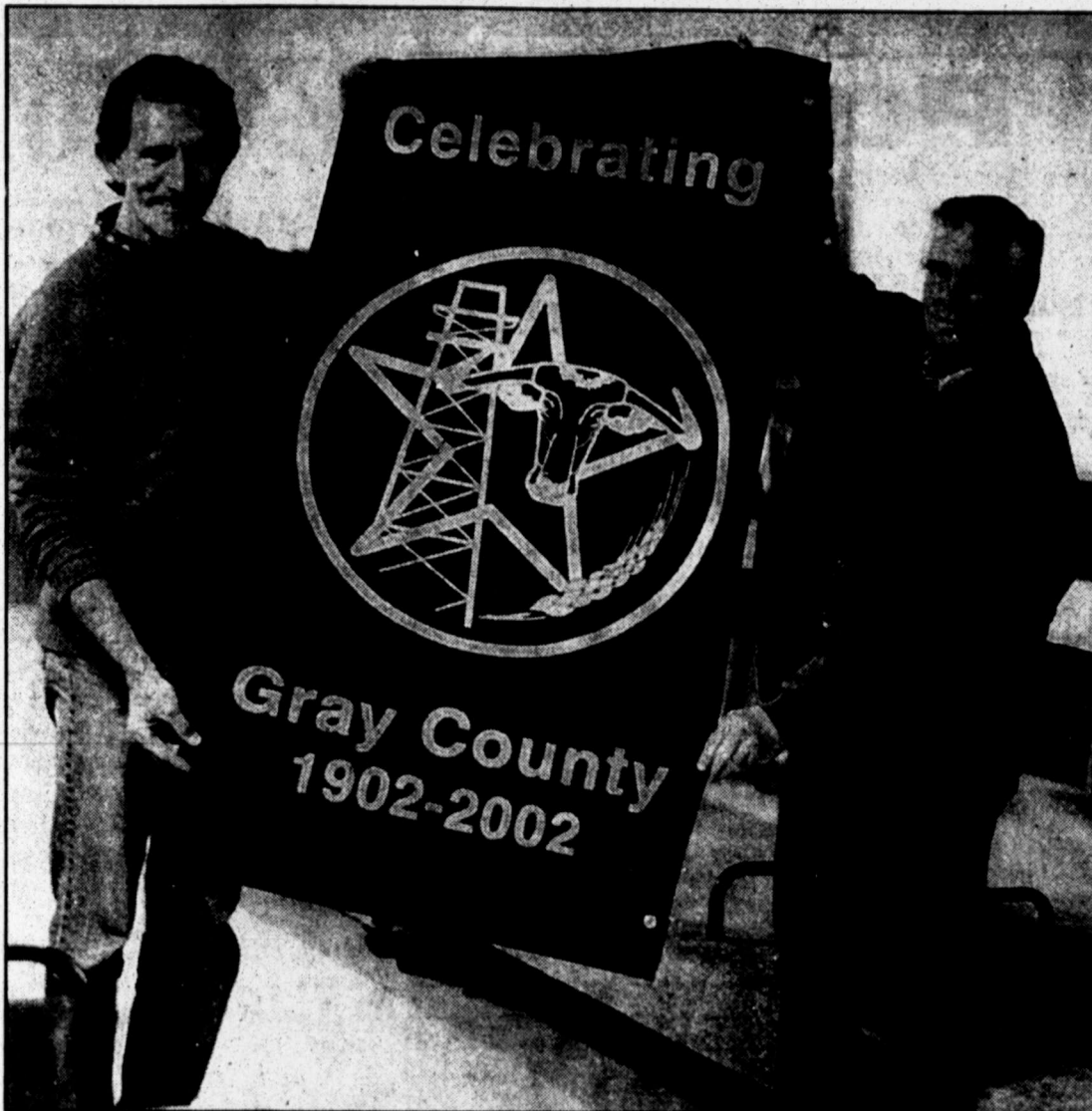
Lane said the PEDC has a second lien behind the bank on the Scribner property.

Phillips said Scribner knows he has the obligation and said, "I feel he has every intention of paying it." He said he would like to learn the specifics of the loan at the next meeting.

Board member Gary Sutherland said he would contact the Top O' Texas Dairy about the forgivable note as he understood the dairy has reached the amount they are required to meet to have the \$250,000 forgivable note met.

PEDC board is scheduled to meet again on March 11.

Banner year



(Courtesy photo)

Lee Cornelison and Gerald Wright show off a special banner designed for the upcoming Gray County centennial celebration. Festivities are scheduled for Oct. 5-6. For more information about the event, contact Darlene Birkes at 665-8044.

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operation.

Police began investigating the circumstances leading to the arrest after a 14-year-old girl and her parents reported that a man had asked for the child's e-mail address, saying he wanted to correspond with her. After a brief e-mail exchange, the girl became frightened and told her parents, who then informed police.

Det. David Conner, posing as the 14-year-old, began corresponding with the man through e-mails and in an Internet chat room, police said. As the exchange continued, police said it became apparent that the man intended to meet the girl and have sex.

A meeting was set up between the man and a female city police officer posing as the girl. Cooper was arrested when he came to the meeting place.

He remains in Gray County Jail in lieu of a \$100,000 bond.

Four indictments name Johnny Todd Preston, 29, 1037 S. Wells, on enhanced charges. Grand jurors indicted Preston for

engaging in organized criminal activity on March 23, 2001; for possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver on Nov. 19, 2001; for having a prohibited substance in a correctional facility on Nov. 19, 2001; and for unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon on Nov. 19, 2001.

Rufus-Sito Nanez III, 27, 337 Jean, was charged in three indictments — unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon and burglary of a habitation on Aug. 20, 2001; and burglary of a habitation on Oct. 18, 2001.

Two indictments charged Toby Dean Phillips, 31, with failure to comply with sex offender registration requirements on Nov. 27, 1999, and failure to register as a sex offender on April 4, 2001. Phillips address was listed as 1901 Williston on the indictment connected with Nov. 27, 1999, and as 610 Carr in the indictment concerning the April 4, 2001 incident.

Jennifer Renee Winegeart, 26, 112 N. Nelson, was indicted for possession of a controlled substance in connection with an incident on Jan. 16.

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WARNING

He said the president had not altered his public schedule. Vice President Dick Cheney, who has gone to secure, undisclosed locations during times of high alert, was working at the White House Tuesday, Fleischer said.

The warning, issued Monday night, came after interviews with detainees in Afghanistan and Cuba, where some al-Qaida operatives are being held, officials said. The FBI's alert listed about a dozen associates of al-Rabeei, most from Saudi Arabia and Yemen. One associate was listed as possibly coming from Tunisia.

The bureau published the alert and photographs of al-Rabeei and his associates on its public Web site, www.fbi.gov, to help Americans identify the possible perpetrators.

The alert, sent to 18,000 law enforcement agencies, cautioned that, "recent information indicates a planned attack may occur in the United States or against U.S. interests on or around Feb. 12, 2002. One or more operatives may be involved in the attack."

The FBI asked police "to stop and detain" any of the individuals named in the alert and said all "should be considered extremely dangerous."

In Yemen, an Interior Ministry official said Yemeni authorities were attempting to gather information on al-Rabeei and about a dozen associates at the request of U.S. authorities. The state news agency Saba quoted a government official saying Yemen had been warned al-Rabeei might try to enter the country from Afghanistan to attack U.S. interests.

The commander in charge of the war, Gen. Tommy Franks, was in Yemen on Monday and discussed military and security matters with the country's president. Franks said there was no expectation of putting U.S. troops on the ground in Yemen, where suspected al-Qaida terrorists may be hiding.

At the State Department, an official said Tuesday the U.S. embassy in Yemen has been at a very high state of alert for some time. It is standard procedure, he added, for the embassy to review the security situation when there are new developments.

He said no U.S. diplomatic missions anywhere are closed because of security concerns. He added that there have been no authorized departures from diplomatic missions for nonessential personnel.

Although the alert was issued on the fourth night of the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, officials said there

was no intelligence suggesting the games were a possible target. Instead, they urged that all locations in the United States and abroad with Americans to be on guard.

The alert did not say whether the attack was planned by or involved Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network.

Before Monday, FBI and Homeland Security officials had issued three general alerts urging all Americans to be cautious and on the lookout for possible terrorist activities.

The last was issued Dec. 3 and was supposed to last through the holidays. It has since been extended through the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City and is to expire March 11.

In addition, the FBI has issued narrower alerts to specific industries when uncorroborated information about threats to their facilities emerges. In the last month, such alerts went to nuclear power plant operators and to operators of Internet sites cautioning about possible threats.

Often, FBI officials later conclude the information that prompted such alerts is not credible or could not be corroborated.

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FARM

"That indicates that Harkin and Daschle do not believe as strongly in fixed payments as does Roberts," Knutson said.

There is also some question as to whether all the Democrats agree with Daschle on this.

There is a big difference in the bills, too, in the marketing loan provisions.

The Daschle/Harkin bill substantially increases the loan rate, resulting in potentially higher Loan Deficiency Payments, or LDPs.

"The interesting thing is that LDPs are based on current production and, if you like subsidies, as a farmer, you really like the LDPs," Knutson said.

Target prices, which had been eliminated in the last farm bill, are back. The target price provision said if the average market prices for the year fall below a given price, a target price, there could be another payment to farmers.

"The House bill has this in it," Knutson said, "and it has relatively high target prices."

The Senate bill has much lower target prices.

The Roberts/Cochran bill doesn't have any target prices, but it has a counter cyclical farm savings account. The plan is similar to one in Canada.

Under the 'Canadian plan, farmers are allowed to put money in an account with taxes deferred to the future, and it's matched by the government, up to \$10,000.

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LAY

Fitzgerald called Lay an "accomplished confidence man."

Said Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., "Trust was broken in this case. We need to put the pieces together to find out what happened."

"Obviously Mr. Lay, the anger here is palpable," said Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass.

Lay sat in a front row of the crowded hearing room, barely moving, his hands at times pressed against his knees. His daughter, Liz, sat one row behind him but his wife, Linda, who has publicly defended him and called him a victim, was not at the hearing.

His attorney, Earl Silbert, said afterward that Lay had "agonized very deeply" about not testifying but that he had insisted Lay assert his constitutional protection.

Among a group of former Enron employees in the audience was Katherine Benedict, 34, who was a marketing specialist at the company for seven years. "It makes me sad," she said outside the hearing room. "We had such reverence for him and such respect for him as our leader."

Benedict, who said she lost \$5,000 in her retirement account, expressed frustration that Lay did not testify but said she believed the story will come out eventually.

William Powers, an Enron director and dean of the University of Texas Law School, who led an internal company investigation, said in prepared testimony that

Lay approved partnership arrangements by senior executives.

Lay "bears significant responsibility for those flawed decisions, as well as for Enron's failure to implement sufficiently rigorous procedural controls to prevent the abuses," Powers said.

Lay was the most visible symbol of Enron Corp., which was ranked as the nation's seventh-largest company before it crumbled into bankruptcy on Dec. 2.

He joins five other men who have cited the Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination and declined to testify in Congress' deepening inquiry.

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TEXAS EDITORIALS

Tax code needs revision

From the Fort Worth Star-Telegram:

The saga of Enron Corp. offers fresh evidence of the need to drastically streamline and simplify the federal tax code.

As the New York Times recently reported, Enron paid no income taxes in four of the past five years and qualified for \$382 million in tax refunds.

Enron gamed the system by creating 881 subsidiaries as off-shore tax havens, including 692 in the Cayman Islands. The company also realized huge tax deductions by granting stock options to executives.

Enron's complicated tax-avoidance schemes, although apparently legal, are an indictment of the Internal Revenue Code.

The code — now containing nearly 1.4 million words augmented by 20,000 pages of Treasury Department-issued regulations — seems to get fatter and more Byzantine each year.

Its complexity and its maze of exemptions, deductions and credits baffle honest taxpayers and encourage cheating by unscrupulous ones, whether they be individuals or corporations.

In 1945, the instructions for the basic 1040 income tax form totaled four pages. The booklet now runs more than 100 pages.

More than half of the 132 million Americans who will send the Internal Revenue Service a tax return this year will pay someone to help prepare their taxes, said a recent Associated Press report.

America has a massive army of well-compensated tax planners, tax lawyers and tax lobbyists. A Tax Foundation economist estimated last year that Americans' financial burden for complying with the tax code is \$140 billion annually.

But many don't play by the rules. The federal government loses a colossal amount of revenue — by some estimates, \$200 billion annually — as a result of cheating on taxes.

That amount, extrapolated over a decade, would pay for President Bush's 10-year, \$1.35 trillion tax cut and leave \$650 billion to deal with problems such as reducing the national debt and funding Social Security.

The tax code needs to be greatly simplified to reduce the cost of compliance and curb cheating. Tougher enforcement against cheating also is needed.

A recent survey by the Roper polling organization showed that increasing numbers of Americans believe the some cheating on taxes is acceptable. Although 76 percent said that no cheating was permissible, 24 percent asserted that at least a little was OK. In a 1999 survey, only 13 percent found any cheating tolerable.

When people cheat on their taxes, "honest taxpayers get stuck making up the difference," Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill recently observed.

Whereas one of every 79 tax returns was audited in 1988, only one of every 232 was audited in 2000, The Associated Press recently reported.

If tax reform is to be more than just talk, the multitude of tax exemptions and deductions now available must be eliminated.

That would make the tax system vastly simpler, fairer and much less vulnerable to cheating. It also would tremendously reduce taxpayers' costs — both in terms of money and time — for preparing returns.

Although political reality appears to preclude the elimination of all deductions and exemptions, there's a crying need for Congress to take giant steps in that direction by greatly paring and simplifying the tax code.

There's something dreadfully wrong with a system in which your annual bill to Uncle Sam is determined by how many off-shore tax havens you set up in the Cayman Islands.

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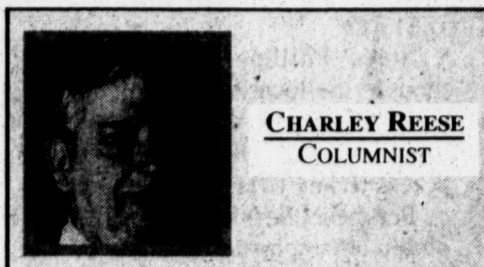
Explore your country now

LAFAYETTE, La. — Now that it has become such an annoying hassle to fly, perhaps Americans should really explore their own country. One good place to start is here, a moderate-sized city about 60 miles west of Baton Rouge that bills itself as the "capital of French Louisiana."

This eight-parish (counties, most states call them) area is the heart of the Cajun and Creole culture. It's real. It's not a made-for-tourists attraction. The area and the people have a long history here since the French, expelled by the British from Canada, settled in this beautiful land laced with bayous, swamps, marshes and prairies.

A new friend, Jim Chauvin, explained to me: "We used to party 'bout 325 days a year, with a few days off for Lent. Now we party year-round." I don't think he was pulling my leg. Cajuns seem to celebrate just about everything, from flowers to history to religion to, well, if nothing else is left, Fridays. What they really celebrate is life, and all of us would do well to learn from them that life is about more than working and shopping.

I can't emphasize enough that these parties and festivals are not staged to draw tourists. They are done for their own enjoyment, but the people being so hospitable, they are happy if strangers join in. This is a point with me since I live



CHARLEY REESE
COLUMNIST

in Orlando, Fla., the artificial entertainment capital of the world.

Arcadiana, as the area is sometimes called, is one of the few places where you can find good food almost any place you eat and where you are likely to hear the cooks, waiters and waitresses laughing and joking with each other.

Another friend, who works on the off-shore oil rigs, typified this attitude with a story from his own experience. The foreman on the oil rig was from Ohio. He took my friend aside one day and expressed astonishment that most of the Cajuns would only work 32 hours a week: "They could be making big money with overtime. How come they don't?"

"How come they don't work more than 32 hours? Because they can't get by on 24 hours."

Cajuns are famous for eating almost anything. My favorite line from a history book remains a remark made by a Virginia lady about the 10th Louisiana

Regiment during the War for Southern Independence. This regiment was as famous for foraging as it was for fighting.

"The 10th Louisiana," the Virginian said, "eats everything its path."

Another joke they tell on themselves is that you can tell a Cajun zoo from any other because every animal enclosure will have a sign with the name of the animal, its natural habitat and a recipe.

My first contact with Louisiana came when my father was transferred from the little town in Georgia where I was born to Beaumont, Texas, and later Port Arthur, Texas, just across the Sabine River. Leaving Georgia was like a spiritual root canal, and I protested mightily. But I found, as I always have, that every place in the United States has its own beauty, charm and history.

There are a lot of beautiful and interesting things to see in French Louisiana, from antebellum mansions to rice mills to re-creations of original French villages. And unlike the mother country, France, it's right on our doorstep. You can even prep for the trip by reading the novels of James Lee Burke, which are set here. Then you can visit and follow the footsteps of his tough fictional detective, Dave Robicheaux.

But bring a good appetite and be prepared to have fun.



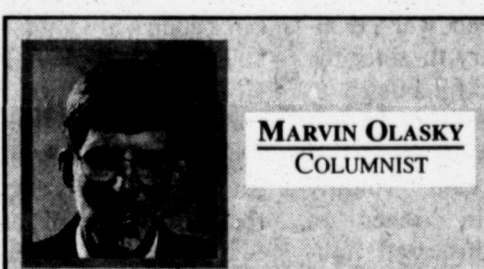
How far will new translation fly?

"Dishonest and grossly unfair," snapped Paige Patterson of Southeastern Baptist Seminary in Wake Forest, N.C. "A retrograde move" based on a "passing modern fad," sighed renowned Anglican theologian J.I. Packer. "Toys with translation methodology for the sake of political correctness," said James Dobson, the Focus on the Family president known for his books and radio show.

Patterson, Packer, Dobson and dozens of other distinguished theologians and evangelical leaders were responding to a Jan. 28 announcement by the International Bible Society. The venerable IBS said it was moving speedily to publish a revision of the most-used Bible in the United States, the New International Version, which will reduce the presence of words such as "he" and "man" that feminists find objectionable.

The revision will be called Today's New International Version, and as experts in Greek combed through the hundreds of changes that IBS and its partner, Zondervan Publishing House, are making, they found political correctness overcoming a reverence for the New Testament and Christ Himself. (The Old Testament translation is still several years away.)

For example, the New Testament book of Hebrews points out (in the NIV translation) that Jesus "had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest ..." The TNIV reads, "For this reason he had to be made like his brothers and sisters in every way, in order that he might become a merciful



MARVIN OLASKY
COLUMNIST

and faithful high priest ..."

Wayne Grudem, seminary professor and past president of the Evangelical Theological Society, asks, "Did Jesus have to become like a sister 'in every way'?" ... This text does not quite proclaim an androgynous Jesus, but it comes close.

Sometimes the retranslation result is ugly, ludicrous or both. The NIV's Gospel according to Mark includes the famous, "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." The TNIV makes the apostles seem like slave traders: "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to catch people."

Western, Bible-based culture emphasizes individual reward for endurance under trial, and not merely group identity. But to rid the Bible of the generic "he," the TNIV often turns singulars into plurals. The Epistle of James in the NIV, for example, reads, "Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life ..." But the TNIV verse reads, "Blessed are those who persevere under trial, because when they have stood the test, they will receive the crown of life ..."

The sense of betrayal among many evangelicals was heightened by memory of an agreement five years ago. In 1997, IBS and its partner, Zondervan Publishing House, were planning to bring out a feminist version, but opposition among evangelicals forced them to pledge to stick to non-ideological guidelines. Now the publishers are breaking that agreement.

The funny-sad thing is that these changes won't soothe ardent feminists. Detroit Free Press columnist Desiree Cooper wrote: "I'd argue that the IBS isn't going far enough. Even as they are changing 'brothers' to 'brothers and sisters,' one thing will remain the same: God will still be a 'He.'"

Wait a few years, Ms. Cooper, and your wish may be granted.

Will this new translation fly?

There's a lot of marketing muscle behind it; Zondervan is part of HarperCollins, which in turn is part of the Rupert Murdoch empire.

And, as President R. Albert Mohler Jr. of Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Ky., said, "They are counting on concerned evangelicals to have short memories."

But the TNIV also has powerful opponents. No one is authorized to treat the Bible like silly putty," said William Merrell of the Southern Baptist Convention executive committee.

Merrill noted that the Bible's integrity is "threatened by intrusion of hypersensitivity and political correctness. You cannot apply the changing cultural mores to determine what the word of God says."

TODAY IN HISTORY

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 12, the 43rd day of 2002. There are 322 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 12, 1809, Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president of the United States, was born in present-day Larue County, Ky.

On this date:
In 1733, English colonists led by James Oglethorpe

founded Savannah, Ga.

In 1870, women in the Utah Territory gained the right to vote.

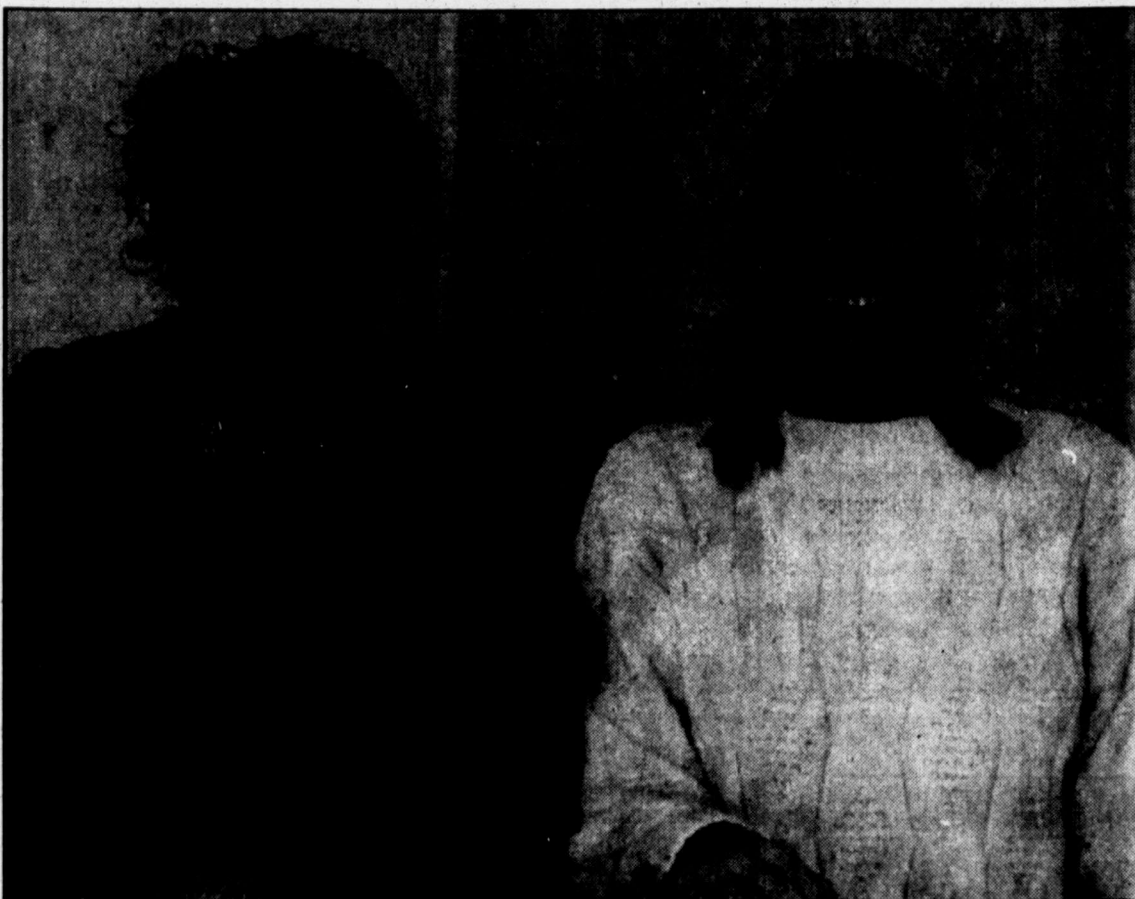
In 1892, President Lincoln's birthday was declared a national holiday.

In 1909, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was founded.

In 1915, the cornerstone for the Lincoln Memorial was laid in Washington, D.C.

Business Review

Customers welcomed at Sun Loan



Myrna Rodriguez, left, assistant manager of Pampa's Sun Loan, and Lisa Slatten, manager, right, welcome customers to the local business. Myrna and Lisa provide loans on a walk-in basis, and the business specializes in small signature loans ranging from \$100 to \$500. Sun Loan is located at 1534 N. Hobart, and the staff may be reached at 665-6442.

Sun Loan company has been in Pampa since 1996. The business offers small loans to Pampa-area residents.

The local business specializes in small signature loans ranging from \$100 to \$500. The loan can be secured with collateral if needed.

Pampa's Sun Loan staff, Manager Lisa Slatten and Assistant Manager Myrna Rodriguez, are ready to provide any help to local residents.

Sun Loan provides loan services on a walk-in basis. Applications by telephone are also welcome. Sun Loan is licensed by the State of Texas and all applications are subject to Sun Loan credit policy.

In business for five years in Pampa, Sun Loan's local office opened Sept. 16, 1996, at its current location at 1524 N. Hobart.

Sun Loan is one of 138 company branches in seven states. Besides Texas, Sun Loan has offices in Oklahoma, Missouri, New Mexico, Illinois, Utah, and Nevada.

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a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Sun Loan Company is also offering Electronic Filing for fast tax refunds this year. Taxpayers can receive their income tax refund in two to four business days.

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Myrna and Lisa welcome customers to stop by to see them at the local business.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Greetings Pour Out Online To Our Troops Overseas

DEAR READERS: Today's column will be different. I want to thank you for making OperationDearAbby.net a tremendous success. Because of your generosity, our troops have received more than 375,000 messages. That's the equivalent of more than five tons of letters. (Heaven only knows how many trees have been spared because they weren't needed for paper.) And the Department of Defense tells me that the number of "hits" — that's visits to the site — has topped 25 million!

I'll share a sample of the messages that were received from young readers (spelling and grammar preserved):

DEAR SOLDIER: I'm glad you are perfecting us. But I'm sorry your away from your family near Christmas. I hope you are o.k. and I hope you can see your family again. If you watch football, the Small Bears won the championship. The Raiders are in second place. It was a good game, it was 18 to 12. I hope you win the war. If you don't die can you please write me back? I'll write to you again.

P.S. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We're thinking of you.

MEMPHIS (3RD GRADE)

From a girl to her brother who's in the Army:

DEAR TIMMY: I want to fill you in on what has been going on. First of

all, Mom and Dad have split up. Now Dad has someone else named Theresa. Her little girl is one of my friends. Me and Mom now live in an apartment. I am in forth grade now. I even have my own locker. I go to the same school, but now I'm getting into an after school program. Thank you for risking your life for us. Your sister

ANDREA

DEAR SERVICEMAN: I'm 13. I'm a very nice girl. I like to sing, dance, play video games, talk on the phone and listen to my CD player. Thank you for protecting our country and my family. You left your home to fight for us. Thanks to you, a lot of people are still alive. You put your lives in danger and that is really brave. You should get a gold medal. I felt really sad when

I heard terrorists bombed New York and the Pentagon and killed so many innocent people. I think whoever was in charge of the bombing should be killed. You are heroes and nobody will ever forget you.

KYANA, CANOGA PARK, CALIF.

And these, from a Webelos Boy Scout Troop in Tennessee:

DEAR SOULDIER: Hope you make it back to your family. Have a happy new year. I know how it feels. My dad got killed in the war when I was four. I have a new dad now, and I'm sad about all those kids who lost their mom and dad. Hope it stops.

DYLAN

DEAR SODLER: I'm African

Amirican. Please, please, please kick really kick kick Afghanistan's B-U-T-T. And I'm not joking.

MALCOLM.

P.S. Please don't die. Come back to your family in once peace. Please!!!!!!!

And last, from a budding humanitarian:

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Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD
By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Bocho series
- 6 Pancake pile
- 11 Island greeting
- 12 Actress
- 13 Roy
- 15 Terminus
- 16 Decline
- 17 Hill insect
- 18 Fake
- 20 Wall
- 23 Bigwig
- 27 Pinnacle
- 28 TV warrior
- 29 Friend of Flopsy
- 31 Solitary sort
- 32 Peaceful protest
- 34 Used to be
- 37 Earth prefix
- 38 Last mo.
- 41 Roy
- 44 Blockhead
- 45 — firma
- 46 Records
- 47 Lend — (listen)

DOWN

- 1 Not believable
- 2 With
- 35-Down, "M*A*S*H" star

SAUD MIFF
BENNY ORALS
UNCLE MELEE
TSHIRT LEW
TOOT SONICS
ERR SAXONY
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LAIDIN RAT
JAZZES CASE
AKA TSETSE
MELBA ALIEN
BREED PINTS
SAND SAGS

Yesterday's answer

26 Saloon
30 Just
31 Ray of "Good-fellas"
33 British brew
34 Be
35 See 2-Down
36 Marina spot
38 Challenge
39 Poet
40 Russian ruler
42 Foot feature
43 "Dawson's Creek" role

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IT'S AROUND HERE SOMEWHERE.

I'M COMPLETELY NOT STRESSED, THOUGH.

For Better or For Worse

SHRIEK!! A BABY?! MICHAEL, THAT IS THE MOST WONDERFUL NEWS! I'M SO HAPPY FOR YOU!!!

OH, I KNOW YOU WEREN'T PREPARED—NOBODY'S PREPARED! EVEN PEOPLE WHO THINK THEY'RE PREPARED, AREN'T PREPARED!

YOU'RE GOING TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR A NEW LIFE! YOU'RE GOING TO BE A FATHER! ... MONEY, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE MORE IN COMMON THAN WE'VE EVER HAD BEFORE!!

WHAT IS IT? I THINK I JUST FELT A HAIR GO GREY.

Zits

I THINK YOU'RE WEARING TOO MUCH JEWELRY, PIERCE.

ARE YOU KIDDING? THIS IS HOW I TELL IF I'M WEARING ENOUGH!

Garfield

LISTEN TO ODIE HOWL LIKE ONE OF HIS WOLF ANCESTORS

EVEN AFTER YEARS OF DOMESTICATION, A DOG IS STILL IN TOUCH WITH PRIMAL URGES A THOUSAND YEARS OLD

LOST HIS INTERNET CONNECTION

Beetle Bailey

WHAT A MORNING!

THE STREETS ARE A SHEET OF ICE!

AND HERE COMES SARGE...

CAREFUL, SARGE... CAREFUL...

AW, HE WASN'T CAREFUL

Marvin

MEGAN, HOW COME YOU'RE ALWAYS READING BOOKS?

BY CONSTANTLY INCREASING MY KNOWLEDGE, I'LL GET INTO AN IVY LEAGUE COLLEGE AND EARN TONS OF MONEY AS A LAWYER

COOL!... DO COLORING BOOKS COUNT?

B.C.

THE LUG

SHOULDN'T THAT BE "THE LUGE"?

EVER TRY TO HAUL ONE OF THOSE SUCKERS BACK UP THAT MOUNTAIN?

Hagar The Horrible

HAGAR IS INSIDE TEACHING HAWLET HOW TO DRAW...

I DIDN'T KNOW HAGAR COULD DRAW!

AND WHATEVER YOU DO, SON, NEVER DRAW TO AN INSIDE STRAIGHT!!

Peanuts

HERE, LINUS... I WANT YOU TO HAVE THIS VALENTINE... BUT DON'T MISUNDERSTAND...

THIS DOESN'T MEAN I LOVE YOU OR ANYTHING...

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

IT MEANS I HAPPENED TO HAVE AN EXTRA ONE LEFT OVER...

Blondie

DAGWOOD, I BORROWED YOUR CHAIR YESTERDAY AND BROKE IT

FEELS GOOD TO ME

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SPORTS

Harvester rally past Randall for 5-2 victory

RANDALL — Pampa defeated defending District 3-4A champion Randall 5-2 in boys soccer action Monday night.

Randall drew first blood in the first half, scoring two goals.

Pampa answered back with a goal by Chance Crain on a pass from Ryan Nash.

Pampa controlled the ball the remainder of the first half and went into halftime with Randall leading 2-1.

Pampa came out the second half and scored quickly on a penalty kick by Chance Crain.

It was followed by a breakaway pass from Sammy Silva to Nash for the goal that gave Pampa a 3-2 lead.

Pampa would score again on a long pass from Keenan Davis to Silva for a 4-2 lead.

Outstanding defensive play by Kevin Hopson, Tristan Brown and Sepp

Soccer

Haukebo kept the ball in Randall territory most all the second half.

Mark Garza scored an unassisted goal late in the second half to wrap up the scoring.

A complete team effort, including sharp passing by wings Curtis Pritchett and Blake Helms, and solid goal play from Shea Brown and Carlos Medina helped secure

the big win for Pampa.

The Harvesters, who defeated Canyon 2-0 last weekend, are now 2-0 in district.

Pampa hosts Borger at 4:15 today at the PHS Soccer Complex, which is located behind Travis Elementary School. They are scheduled to play Palo Duro at 7 Friday night in Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo.

In the girls' match last night, Randall came away

with a 3-0 win over Pampa.

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The Pampa Soccer Association is hosting a fund-raising Valentine's Day dance for middle school students Saturday, Feb. 16.

The dance will be held at the MPAC building behind Harvester Field from 8 to 11. All middle school students are invited and the cost is three dollars per student.

Regional boxers



Youth Survival Club boxers, coaches and board members gather together before the boxing team leaves this weekend for Lubbock and the Texas State Regional Golden Gloves championships. Front row, from left, boxer Dino Cano, boxer Joe Cano, club representative Michael Chaney; Middle row, from left, coach Rose Kelly, head coach-trainer Mike Holliman and youth director Robert Perez Sr.; Back row, from left, president Chris M. Perez, boxers Joshua Perez, Nikki Medley, Chris Perez, Santos Alvarez, Tommy Williams, David Meyer and Luiz Aguilar. Not pictured are boxer Marcus Villarreal and board member Gilbert Villarreal.

Approval expected for Marlins, Expos sales

NEW YORK (AP) — With baseball owners set to approve the sales of the Florida Marlins and Montreal Expos, the teams are getting ready for new management.

John Henry, whose group was given approval last month to buy the Boston Red Sox for \$660 million from the Jean R. Yawkey Trust, is selling the Marlins to Jeffrey Loria for \$158.5 million.

Loria is selling the Montreal franchise to Baseball Expos LP — a Delaware limited partnership owned by the other 29 teams — for \$120 million, with baseball loaning him the difference between the prices.

Both sales were expected to gain overwhelming approval Tuesday, and baseball intended to announce new management for the Expos following a telephone conference call of major league

teams. Tony Tavares, who quit last month as Anaheim Angels president, will become president and chief executive officer of the Expos. Hall of Famer Frank Robinson, Selig's vice president in charge of on-field discipline, will become manager.

Bob DuPuy, baseball's chief legal officer, offered the general manager's job to Omar Minaya, senior assistant general manager of the New York Mets. Minaya spent Monday at the commissioner's office in New York negotiating the job's salary and responsibilities. While he had pretty much decided to accept, he told baseball officials he would not give his final answer until Tuesday, a person familiar with the talks said, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

NOTEBOOK

BASEBALL

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers have hired former catcher Jim Sundberg as a minor-league catching instructor.

The 50-year-old former defensive standout for the Rangers and Kansas City Royals also will work in community and baseball instruction programs for the proposed minor-league club in Frisco, Texas.

Sundberg is the Rangers' career leader in games played. He won six American League Gold Gloves while the Rangers catcher from 1974 to 1983 and again in 1988 and '89.

He was the starting catcher for the Kansas City Royals' 1985 World Series champions.

HOCKEY

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Ziggy Palffy scored in his first game back from a disappointing Olympic experience and Felix Potvin outduelled Ed Belfour with 32 saves as the Los Angeles Kings beat the Dallas Stars 2-1 Monday night.

Adam Deadmarsh scored on a deflection in the first period. He and Palffy lead the Kings with 18 goals each.

Starting for the 17th time in 19 games, Potvin lost his shutout bid with just 36 seconds remaining when Mike Modano's 20-foot wrist shot from the right circle deflected off Pierre Turgeon and past Potvin's stick.

AUTO RACING

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The Ford camp is defending itself against charges of whining to NASCAR, sabotaging its own efforts and outright laziness.

Ahhh, let the Daytona games begin.

With a rules change that favors the Fords going into effect Tuesday at Daytona International Speedway, the other three makes are up in arms and taking it out on their Ford rivals.

"They've been sandbagging here all week," said Jimmy Spencer, a longtime Ford driver who moved to a Dodge team this year.

Spencer was 44th in the first round of time trials and said he was still slower than the Fords on Monday, a day before they were allowed to shave a quarter-inch off their rear spoilers.

"They were hauling the mail down the straightaway. I thought they already had changed on the spoiler because they were going so fast," Spencer said. "I don't mind going to a prize fight, but I want to have a fighting chance."

NASCAR permitted the Fords to reduce its spoilers — the winglike metal device at the rear of the trunk lid — to 6 inches because the Tauruses haven't been competitive at Daytona.

The Fords have been slow in practice, had just two cars in the top 20 after the first round of time trials and brought up the rear in the Budweiser Shootout.

Flashback

1950: Pampa slipped by the Phillips Blackhawks 46-44 in a high school basketball game.

Dwain Reno and Jimmy Howard had 13 points apiece to lead the Harvesters in scoring.

Harvesters host Herd in must-win contest

PAMPA — Pampa, still clinging to playoff life, hosts Hereford at 7:30 tonight in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The Harvesters face a must-win situation to have a chance for the No. 3 playoff seed in District 3-4A. Both Pampa and Hereford have 7-6 records and are tied for fourth in the standings.

Palo Duro — which holds down the third-place playoff spot at 8-5 — plays at Dumas tonight. A win would put the

Dons in the playoffs.

Canyon and Randall have already secured the top two playoff spots.

Pampa lost to Hereford 41-38 in a close contest all the way in the first district meeting. The Harvesters will be looking to stop 6-7 post Andrew Carnahan, who had 17 points to go along with a big night on the boards for the Whitefaces.

Chadd Platt, a 6-2 senior, had 11 points for Pampa.

PHS tennis team opens 2002 spring season

COPPELL — The Pampa Harvester tennis team opened the spring season by competing in the Coppell Power Invitational Tournament. Teams entered included Plano West, the current 5A Team Tennis state champion, and Dallas Highland Park, the current 4A state champion. Pampa was a 4A regional semi-finalist a year ago. Other schools entered were Richardson Pearce (4A regional semi-finalist), Coppell (5A regional quarterfinalist), Mansfield (5A regional quarterfinalist) and Frisco (4A regional quarterfinalist).

The Harvesters started the day by winning three doubles matches against Plano West. Those winning were the doubles team of Brittany Kindle and Helen Brooks at No. 2 doubles; Jay Gerber and David Thacker at No. 1 doubles, and Zach Hucks and Tyler Howard at No. 2 doubles.

Kindle and Brooks went onto place third at No. 2 doubles and

Hucks and Howard also took third at No. 2 boys doubles.

Gerber and Thacker finished fourth at No. 1 doubles and played an awesome match against Plum and Chang of J.J. Pearce, said Pampa coach Carolyn Quarles. Plum and Chang, who were second at state last spring, won 6-4, 6-4.

"I was pleased with our effort and results from the weekend. The competition was outstanding and every match required us to play hard and be the best we could be," coach Quarles said.

Sophomore Adam Etchison defeated John Averson of Highland Park 6-4, 3-6, 6-1, in an impressive singles match.

Players of the week are senior Brittany Kindle and junior partner Helen Brooks. Also, sophomore Zach Hucks and junior Tyler Howard.

Pampa's individual results from the tournament will be published in Wednesday's edition.

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PHS swimmer advances to state meet in Austin

LUBBOCK — Pampa swimmer Joe Johnson qualified for the state meet after winning the 500 freestyle at regionals last weekend at Pete Ragus Aquatic Center.

Johnson's winning time was 5:19.59.

He will compete in the state meet Feb. 22 in Austin.

In the team division, Pampa placed fourth out of 11 teams in the boys division. Pampa was sixth out of 10 teams in the girls division.

Pecos won both boys and girls championships.

Pampa individual result as follows:

Girls Division

200 freestyle: Tamra Henthorn, third place; Kelley Stowers, fourth place.

1-meter diving: Jessica Hall, fourth place.

100 freestyle: Tamra Henthorn, fourth place; Kelley Stowers, sixth place.

200 freestyle relay: fifth

place, Kelley Stowers, Jessica White, Megan David and Tamra Henthorn.

100 backstroke: Kandice Maddox, eighth place.

100 breaststroke: Jessica Hall, seventh place.

400 freestyle relay: fourth place, Megan David, Kandice Maddox, Kelley Stowers and Tamra Henthorn.

Boys Division

200 freestyle: Clay David, second place; Joe Johnson, fourth place.

200 intermediate: Michael Eskridge, fifth place.

100 butterfly: Ben Whitten, sixth place.

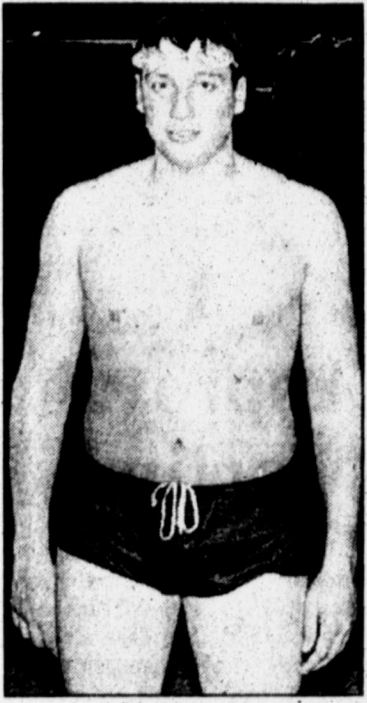
100 freestyle: Garrett Johnston, fifth place; Clay David, sixth place.

500 freestyle: Joe Johnson, first place.

200 freestyle relay: sixth place, Garrett Johnston, Michael Eskridge, Ben Whitten and Clay David.

100 backstroke: Garrett Johnston, third place.

400 freestyle relay: third place, Garrett Johnston, Joe Johnson, Ben Whitten and Clay David.



Joe Johnson

U.S. men sweep made-in-America halfpipe snowboarding

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — For all the scripted ways organizers have tried making the Winter Games truly American, three snowboarders have pulled off the equivalent of spray painting "USA" on the white spires of the Mormon temple.

Ross Powers, Danny Kass and J.J. Thomas took gold, silver and bronze in the men's halfpipe Monday, thrusting themselves and their radical sport to the forefront of the Salt Lake City Olympics.

Elsewhere Monday, the men's luge single changed champions for the first time in a decade and Russia extended its record reign in pairs figure skating — at least in the eyes of judges, if not the fans.

The full sweep in the halfpipe marked the first time Americans took all three medals in an event since men's figure skating in 1956.

Their haul doubled the U.S. medal count to six, with two golds — the other in women's halfpipe. Germany and Austria are tied with the United States for overall medals.

The power of their sweep was best illustrated at the medals ceremony late Monday, when three U.S. flags were raised side-by-side.

"It was pretty cool," said Kass, the 19-year-old poster boy for this X-Games crossover sport. "Everybody was psyched."

The trio left the medals podium to chants of "USA!" then stirred up the crowd by tossing out their baseball caps.

And what about their bouquets of yellow roses?

"I saved them for my mom," said Powers, smiling.

Picabo Street's bid to become the first American woman to win three Olympic

skiing medals was pushed from Monday to Tuesday because of high winds.

Other events Tuesday included the women's 10-km and men's 15-km classical cross-country events, men's moguls and men's 500 meter speedskating.

Later in the day, the U.S. women will face Germany in their first hockey game and athletes will compete in the 120-kilometer ski jump, women's luge and men's short program figure skating.

FIGURE SKATING: Russia's 11th straight pairs title started with a collision and ended with a controversy — both involving the Canadian duo.

Elena Berezhnaya and Anton Sikharulidze were crowned the champions, although many observers felt the best duo was Jamie Sale and David Pelletier of Canada.

Fans serenaded the Canadians with chants of "Six! Six!" when they finished — begging the judges to give them a perfect score. Pelletier even kissed the ice before leaving to celebrate.

Instead they got four 5.9s for artistry. Russia got seven, with the 5.9 from the Chinese judge making the difference.

Sikharulidze and Sale smacked into each other in warmups, but neither seemed affected by it.

China's Shen Xue and Zhao Hongbo won the bronze medal. Americans Kyoko Ina and John Zimmerman finished fifth but called their performance "the greatest thing we've ever done."

LUGE: If Germany's Georg Hackl was disappointed about his demotion to silver

after three straight golds, he sure didn't show it.

Hackl and bronze medalist Markus Prock of Austria hoisted Zoeggeler on their shoulders, then smiled for pictures. The trio looked as happy as the American snowboarders.

"I'm getting a silver, and that's great," said Hackl, who missed becoming the first winter athlete to win the same event four times but still won a medal in a record-setting fifth games.

"Now, two silver medals will frame three gold medals."

Adam Heidt was fourth, just missing the chance to win America's first luge medal in 38 years. It was still the best singles finish in U.S. team history.

SPEEDSKATING: Four steps into Jeremy Wotherspoon's 500-meter qualifying race, the Canadian's medal hopes were over.

Casey FitzRandolph seized the opening with an Olympic record run, putting him in position to become the first American since Eric Heiden to win the men's 500 meters.

Teammate Kip Carpenter was a surprising third, while U.S. record holder Joey Cheek was seventh at 34.78.

Defending gold medalist Hiroyasu Shimizu of Japan had the second fastest time.

MEN'S HOCKEY: Latvia and Germany will face off in a showdown Tuesday night for a chance to join Belarus in taking on the six giants of international hockey.

Belarus (2-0-0) beat France 3-1 Monday night in the men's preliminary round, clinching its second straight trip to the medal round. Ukraine (1-1-0) beat Switzerland 5-2 Monday, but was eliminated because of its 1-0 loss to Belarus on Saturday.

SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association
At A Glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

New Jersey 32 15 681 —

Boston 28 21 571 5

Washington 26 21 553 6

Orlando 25 24 510 8

Philadelphia 25 24 510 8

New York 19 28 404 13

Miami 18 29 383 14

Central Division

Milwaukee 28 18 609 —

Toronto 29 21 580 1

Detroit 26 21 553 2 1/2

Indiana 25 25 500 5

Charlotte 23 25 479 6

Atlanta 16 33 326 13 1/2

Cleveland 15 33 312 14

Chicago 11 36 234 17 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

Dallas 35 14 714 —

Minnesota 33 16 674 2

San Antonio 31 17 646 3 1/2

Utah 25 24 510 10

Houston 16 33 326 19

Denver 14 31 311 19

Memphis 14 35 286 21

Pacific Division

Sacramento 37 12 755 —

L.A. Lakers 33 13 717 2 1/2

Portland 25 23 521 11 1/2

Seattle 25 23 521 11 1/2

Phoenix 24 24 500 12 1/2

L.A. Clippers 25 26 490 13

Golden State 14 32 304 21 1/2

Sunday's Game

West 135, East 120, All-Star game

Monday's Games

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Utah at Indiana, 7 p.m.

Toronto at Cleveland, 7 p.m.

New Jersey at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Phoenix at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.

New York at Orlando, 8 p.m.

Milwaukee at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Memphis at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

Boston at Denver, 9 p.m.

Dallas at Seattle, 10 p.m.

San Antonio at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Washington at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Chicago at Charlotte, 7 p.m.

Orlando at Miami, 7:30 p.m.

Toronto at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Phoenix at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Cleveland at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.

Dallas at Portland, 10 p.m.

Boston at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

OLYMPICS

Winter Olympic Medals Table

At Salt Lake City

(Through Monday, Feb. 11)

(14 total medal events)

Nation

Germany 2 3 1 6

United States 2 3 1 6

Austria 1 1 4 6

Norway 2 2 0 4

Russia 1 1 1 3

Italy 2 0 0 2

Finland 1 1 0 2

Netherlands 1 1 0 2

Switzerland 1 0 1 2

Canada 0 1 1 2

Spain 1 0 0 1

France 0 1 0 1

China 0 0 1 1

Czech Republic 0 0 1 1

Japan 0 0 1 1

WOMEN'S HOCKEY:

Kazakhstan goalie Natalya

Trunova made 59 saves against

Canada, the defending silver

medalist — yet it still wasn't

enough. The Canadians won 7-

0.

Russia lost 3-2 to Sweden,

which means the Russians must

beat or tie the Canadians on Wednesday to advance to the medal round.

BIATHLON: Magdalena

Forsberg of Sweden already

was considered the most suc-

cessful female biathlete. Now

she has an Olympic medal to

bolster her status.

Forsberg took bronze in the 15-kilometer event, finishing third to Andrea Henkel of Germany and Liv Grete Poirée of Norway.

Ole Einar Bjoerndalen of Norway won the men's 20-kilometer, followed by Frank Luck of Germany and Victor Maigourov of Russia.

Kansas outlasts the 'Horns

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Drew Gooden needed to clear his head to keep No. 2 Kansas undefeated in the Big 12.

He needed to avoid missed shots and fouls, and if he couldn't, Kansas was looking Monday night at the very real possibility of a loss to Texas.

But after going 2-of-9 from the field with three fouls in the first half, the Big 12's leading scorer came alive in the second and finished with 28 points, leading the Jayhawks to a 110-103 overtime victory.

Jeff Boschee added 21 points, including two 3-pointers in overtime, for the Jayhawks (22-2, 11-0).

Kansas kept alive its bid to win its first Big 12 regular-season title since 1998 and become the league's first team to go undefeated in conference play.

Gooden scored the Jayhawks' first eight points of the second half and hit a driving layup and free throw in overtime.

"I basically went into the locker room to get my mind right," Gooden said. "I tried to think about what I did that first half and basically stay away from what I did."

Until overtime, the nation's

highest scoring team couldn't shake a Texas team that matched the Jayhawks' vaunted transition game nearly basket for basket.

Brandon Mouton scored 25 points as Texas (16-8, 7-4) went over the 100-point mark for the second straight game. The Longhorns were the first team to score 100 on Kansas in 406 games.

The loss was the first for the Longhorns in 54 games when they scored 100 points at home. Texas gave up 100 points for the first time since a 102-72 defeat to the Jayhawks in 1997-98.

Texas coach Rick Barnes said he knew he had the team to keep up with the furious tempo.

"We were not going to not run," Barnes said. "We ran and we really made great decisions."

Kansas led 48-44 at half-time, and the pace got even faster in the second half of Monday night's only game involving a Top 25 team.

After his first-half struggles, Gooden started scoring with quick turnaround jumpers near the basket.

Unfazed by Kansas' sudden ability to score in the paint, Texas kept pressing the pace

with Mouton and point guard T.J. Ford, who had 16 points and 11 assists.

Neither team led by more than six in the second half, and the score was tied six times.

Texas tied it at 96 with 31 seconds left in regulation on Royal Ivey's driving layup. Kansas set up for a final play, but Kirk Hinrich got tied up in the lane and took a wild shot. Several players made a stab at the rebound before Aaron Miles — who had 13 assists — missed a wide-open 15 footer at the buzzer.

"It's a game of mistakes, and we didn't make too many in overtime," Kansas coach Roy Williams said.

Boschee, who hit two 3-pointers in the game's opening minutes, hit his first two attempts in overtime to give the Jayhawks the lead for good, and they went on to their ninth straight win.

Texas lost its second overtime game at home to a Top 10 team this season. Oklahoma beat the Longhorns 85-84 on Feb. 2.

"We're right there. We're close," Barnes said. "We lost two overtime games at home to teams everyone's talking about getting No. 1 seeds."

Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 13, 2002

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ What you thought was a given could change before you can snap your fingers. Don't count on anything for the long term. New beginnings happen if you listen to a friend and discuss alternatives. Relax and share. A friend spouts his or her view. Tonight: Relax and dream.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Aim for more of what you want. Unexpected developments toss another perspective into a work-related matter. You could be overwhelmed at first. Carefully review a decision that involves a friendship. Tonight: Continue an important discussion.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Take charge while others stew about what to do. Think in terms of gain and growth. Unexpected developments surround news from a distance. Your sense of responsibility comes through. Just go off and do, for now. Reserve important calls until the evening. Tonight: Take your bow in the limelight.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Be careful when dealing with an associate. This person obviously wants what he or she wants. Ease up and remain direct in your dealings, even if someone throws a tantrum or tries a multitude of different tactics. Others quickly discover that you're too smart for any of

this. Tonight: Read between the lines.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Smile at someone's behavior as you learn how to deal with this person. Your fun-loving personality likes excitement. Feedback from a friend or associate casts a new light on a pending agreement. Flow with information. You actually might need to take notes when someone shares. Tonight: A discussion over dinner.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Others want you to hear them. Your focus zeroes in on a minor crisis or problem that appears out of the blue. Discussions with those around you shed new information. Never doubt your abilities to find solutions, as long as you remain calm. Talk about ways of increasing efficiency. Tonight: Where your friends are.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Dig into work and get the job done. Stay upbeat when dealing with those around you. Unexpected developments take you in a new direction. Conversations revolve around a child or a creative endeavor. Let opportunity in. Let a child free-associate. You could hear some very interesting information. Tonight: Clear off your desk at home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ What remains good news is how much bounce you have. Don't settle right now. Rather, try another approach or look at the situation from a totally different perspective. Lighten up when dealing with change. Everything changes. Tighten up message-taking procedures at home. Tonight: A midweek

romp!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Create your plans around your personal life right now. A sudden flux or change takes you in a new direction. Your humor and sense of fun helps others

lighten up. You could get into the excitement of the moment. Friends amuse you with their ideas. Tonight: Out and about. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ You feel lucky. However, don't push, especially when finances are involved. You might not be too comfortable with someone and his or her point of view. Keep researching and asking questions of those you trust. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Expenses could become excessive, unless you rein yourself in. Impulsiveness follows you left and right. Hold down any financial agreements. Stay even with others and opt to be non-reactive. Express your ideas in discussions. Tonight: Pay bills.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Much is happening behind the scenes. What you see happening could jolt you. Examine your interests, and you might make a decision to head in another direction. Use your charisma and personality to maximize an opportunity. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy!

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

2-12 CRYPTOQUOTE

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Cinderella Pageant winners



(Courtesy photos)

Kylin Sinclair of Panhandle, top left, was recently crowned "Overall Mini Miss" of the Greater Panhandle Cinderella Pageant. Jenna Munsell, top right, of Pampa was

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Local educators attend TCTA conference

Area educators Carrie Johnson, Marsha Richardson, Sue Cree, Janet Abbe, Billie Sue Evans, Anita Grice, Jan Stroud and Jeanna Miller were among nearly 600 teaching professionals from across the state who gathered in Richardson recently for the Texas Classroom Teachers Association's (TCTA) 2002 Annual Convention.

The local educators are elected delegates of Pampa Classroom Teacher's

Association, an affiliate of TCTA, an association for Texas teaching professionals founded in 1927 that now has 44,000 members across the state. TCTA President Linda Hancock of Midland was the presiding officer at the convention.

Convention participants heard addresses from candidates for top statewide offices, including gubernatorial candidates, Republican Gov. Rick Perry and Democratic Party candidate Dan Morales; and candidates for lieutenant governor, Democratic Party candidate John Sharp and Republican Party candidate David Dewhurst.

The candidates shared their views on public education in Texas and how their election

would benefit teaching professionals and the students they serve. Convention participants also heard a keynote address from Dr. Scott Poland, a nationally regarded expert in the field of school violence and crisis management.

Local leaders serving as voting delegates also attended sessions on various education issues, elected some of TCTA's 2002-03 statewide officers and district directors, and helped celebrate TCTA's 75th anniversary.

Participants also honored winners in TCTA's annual awards program, including Friend of Education recipients, Texas Rep. Jim Dunning, D-Waco, winner in the Public official category, and Dale Bonner of Denison,

named in the private citizen category; Karen Thornton of Lubbock, Ron Leach of Ector County and Yolanda D. Chapa of McAllen, winners of Administrator of the Year awards.

Jay Watkins of Denison was named School Board Trustee of the Year; media excellence award winners were The Associated Press and Austin bureau reporter Connie Mabin, the Midland Reporter-Telegram and reporter Hillary Condon, and Weslaco's KRGV-TV and chief weather forecaster Tim Smith; and internal TCTA award-winners, Jeanette Moore of Slaton, named TCTA Retiree of the Year, and Cynthia Mitchell of McAllen, named TCTA Faculty Representative of the Year.

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Lehman Brothers, Inc. and Federated Investors, Inc. (Lehman/Federated) will take over the contract for investing, marketing, and participant services beginning no later than May 1, 2002, realizing significant savings to the participants.

"I have always said that government has to be smaller, smarter and faster or it will be bigger, dumber and slower. TexPool's services can help local governments get a better return on their investments. And that's a smarter way to invest the taxpayers' money," Rylander said.

Committee members noted that during the evaluation process, Lehman/Federated clearly demonstrated that they had researched TexPool operations and understood what it would take to transition from the previous management and operate TexPool in a cost-effective and participant-friendly manner.

In addition to the savings, the participants will benefit from enhanced services such as extended cut-off times and longer service hours. This management structure

and investment strategy change will allow investors to put more of every dollar into their investment and less into fees and finance charges.

"These two companies' reputations in the money management and investment industries are unparalleled," Rylander said.

Federated is the largest manager of AAA money market assets in the U.S. and the largest manager of institutional money market assets. Also, Federated's portfolio management team has remained intact, with no turnover in the last ten years.

Likewise, Lehman is highly regarded for its fixed income research, and the Lehman Treasury Index is the benchmark standard in the industry. Further, it is well known in the municipal finance market in Texas.

"I have every confidence that these premier companies will oversee TexPool's operations in such a way that it will remain the investment service of choice for local governments in Texas," Rylander said.

Organized in 1989, TexPool is the largest and oldest local government investment pool in the State of Texas. TexPool currently provides investment services to more than 1,700 communities, cities, counties, school districts and other public entities throughout Texas, investing about \$13 billion in the fund.