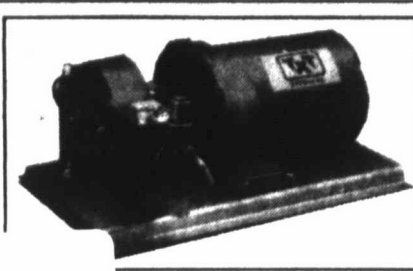




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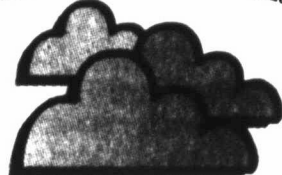
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AUSTIN (AP) - Saturday's Texas Lottery game results:
Winning number: 16-18-20-38-43. Bonus Ball: 43.
One jackpot ticket, sold in Houston, worth \$70 million.
Estimated jackpot for Wednesday night drawing: \$4 million.

DEATHS

Lena Ruth Blackwell, 70, telephone operator.
Dale Siegenthaler, 76, salesman.

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Bush unveils \$2.4 trillion budget

Features big increases for defense, homeland security, and record deficit

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP ECONOMICS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush sent Congress a \$2.4 trillion election-year budget on Monday featuring big increases for defense and homeland security but also a record \$521 billion deficit. He blamed the soaring deficit on the 2001 recession and the costs of fighting a war on terrorism.

"The reason we are where we are is because we went through a recession, we were attacked and we're fighting a war. Those are high hurdles for a budget and for a country to overcome," Bush told his Cabinet.

He said he was confident he could cut the deficit in half in five years by working with Congress "to bring fiscal discipline to the appropriations process."

Bush proposed squeezing scores of government programs and sought outright spending cuts in seven of 16 Cabinet-level agencies. The

Agriculture Department and the Environmental Protection Agency were targeted for the biggest reductions.

The president declared that his spending blueprint advances his three highest priorities — winning the war on terror, strengthening homeland defenses and boosting the economic recovery.

"Our nation remains at war," Bush said in his budget message. "This nation has committed itself to the long

war against terror. And we will see that war to its inevitable conclusion: the destruction of the terrorists."

The president's plan for the 2005 budget year, which begins next Oct. 1, proposes spending \$2.4 trillion for all government activities, up 3.5 percent from the current year.

Revenues will total \$2.04 trillion, a sizable 13.2 percent increase that the administration forecasts will occur from growing tax receipts powered by

(See BUDGET, Page 3)

New technique nets marijuana

"Desert Snow" turned to illegal weed when Pampa law enforcement officers put to use the techniques taught at the recent 32-hour drug interdiction course at the Pampa Mall.

Pampa police officer, Aaron McWilliams, and reserve officer Chad Johnson were on patrol at 7:14 p.m. last Friday when they saw a gray 1990 Lincoln Town Car traveling east on Brown Avenue at a high rate of speed. After the officers turned their patrol car around and began following the Lincoln, it turned abruptly south onto Cuyler Street.

The Lincoln then turned east on Tuke Street as the officers hurried to catch up to it. The Town Car's driver ignored the patrol car's emergency lights and made two more turns before finally stopping in the 700 block of South Campbell, at Lions Club Park.

The officers found three people in the car. The driver and a back seat passenger were both 16-year-old males. The front seat passenger was Antino Mario Shorter, 17, 837 E. Campbell.

Officer McWilliams put to use the knowledge he had just gained the day before at the "Desert Snow" course, sponsored in part by 31st District Attorney Rick Roach, according to a news release from the Pampa Police Department. The techniques taught in the course are to be used when making traffic stops that could yield drug-related arrests and/or seizures.

McWilliams and Johnson saw tobacco products in the car. Texas law does not allow persons under age 18 to possess such products. Johnson found a box of cigars in the back seat, and when he opened the box, he found that it contained what appeared to be marijuana. Under the back seat, Johnson found what appeared to be a marijuana pipe and a larger amount of alleged marijuana. The gross weight of the suspected drug was later determined to be 5.65 ounces.

The three occupants of the car were arrested, and the two juveniles were released to Gray County Juvenile Probation Department. Shorter was booked into Gray County Jail.

All three were charged with possession of marijuana more than four ounces but less than five pounds. The charge is a state jail felony, but it is enhanced to a third-degree felony because the suspects allegedly possessed the marijuana within 1,000 feet of a drug-free zone, Lions Club Park.

Shorter was released Sunday on \$3,000 bond, according to Gray County Jail officials.

Seat of honor



(Photo by Ben Briscoe)

Retiring Pampa High School Vice Principal Floyd Sackett, seated center, receives a plaque honoring him for his years of service to the Pampa Independent School District from PHS Principal Evan Smith, right. Standing behind him is his wife Janice, while PHS Vice Principal Daniel Barker, background, applauds. Sackett's fellow staff members and students honored him with a retirement reception Friday.

Cattlemen rest in IBP class-action suit

By DAVID BOWSER
SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

MONTGOMERY, Ala. -- A class-action lawsuit against the world's largest beef packer could be over Monday.

Attorneys for cattle suing IBP, in a surprise move Friday, rested their case. Lawyers for IBP moved for the judge to issue a ruling that the cattlemen had not proven their allegations that the giant beef packer had used captive supplies of cattle, cattle owned or controlled by the packer more than seven days prior to slaughter, to manipulate the cash cattle market in violation of the Packers and Stockyards Act.

U.S. Senior District Judge Kyle Strom said he would hear arguments from both sides on the motion Monday morning.

The class-action lawsuit covers cattlemen who sold cattle to IBP on the cash market between Feb. 1, 1994, and Oct. 31, 2002. Potentially, that could include more than 30,000 cattlemen and 4,000 feedyards, including many in the Texas Panhandle.

People close to the cattlemen's legal

Attorneys for cattle suing IBP, in a surprise move Friday, rested their case. Lawyers for IBP moved for the judge to issue a ruling that the cattlemen had not proven their allegations.

team said a strategic decision was made Thursday night to call only one witness that had been scheduled to testify Friday. Herman Schumacher, an auctioneer and cattle feeder from South Dakota, Schumacher, however, testified only that he had refused to sell cattle to IBP on the condition that he not reveal the price the packer paid.

The cattlemen's attorneys apparently felt that their final witness Thursday, Tom Feller, a cattle feeder from Wisner, Neb., was strong enough to make their point they decided not to put any other witnesses on the stand that could be torn apart under cross examination by IBP attorneys.

Feller testified Thursday afternoon that he felt blessed because he lived in an area, Cuming County, Neb., where there was a competitive market. He said there are about 300,000 head of fed cattle at any given time in Cuming County in the northeast corner of

Nebraska. Because of the large number of cattle in the area, he said he often gets four or five buyers a week, including one from IBP, at his two feedyards, which have a total one-time capacity of holding 20,000 head of cattle.

Although Feller said he liked the IBP cattle buyer, Feller added that there was a time in 1994 when he didn't sell any cattle to IBP.

In testimony earlier in the case, cattle feeders Mike Callicrate of Kansas and Jim Miller of Colorado, testified that they had been boycotted in 1994 by IBP.

"I didn't sell a lot of cattle to IBP in that period," Feller said Thursday.

He said that in 1994, he sold most of his cattle to small packing plants around Omaha. Even then, he said, despite the number of bids he got, he lost money on most of his cattle.

Feller said that by 2000, he was selling 15 percent of his cattle to Excel, 20

percent to a packer in Minnesota, 15 percent to Nebraska Beef, 15 percent to Greater Omaha and 10 percent to IBP, but he said that when IBP was not in the market, it was evident.

Feller said that since IBP is the largest packer in the world, other packers waited for IBP to bid and set the market before they bid. If IBP didn't bid, Feller said, the price of live cattle usually went lower.

Tom Green, an attorney for IBP, pointed out that 90 percent of the cattle Feller sold in the summer of 2000, part of the period covered by the lawsuit, was to other packers who bid more than IBP.

Green also pointed out that in 1994 through 1996 the supply of cattle was increasing and the price of fed cattle was at an all time low.

Feller testified that the supply of cattle was at times controlled by IBP, thus giving them the ability to control cattle prices in the cash market.

If Judge Strom denies IBP's motion, then the packer's attorneys are expected to put forward their case early next week. The case could go to the jury by the end of next week.

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Pakistani scientist confesses to transferring nuclear technology

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — The founder of Pakistan's nuclear program has acknowledged in a written statement that he sent sensitive technology to Iran, Libya and North Korea to aid their atomic programs, a Pakistani government official said Monday.

Abdul Qadeer Khan — long regarded as a national hero in Pakistan — made the confession in a statement submitted "a couple of days ago" to investigators probing allegations of nuclear proliferation by Pakistan, the official told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

The transfers were made during the late 1980s and in the early and mid 1990s, and were motivated by "personal greed and ambition," the official said.

The official said the trans-

ferees were not authorized by the government.

A meeting of the National Command Authority that controls Pakistan's nuclear program was briefed on the statement at a meeting on Saturday, when Khan was sacked from his position as a scientific adviser to the prime minister.

Two senior military officials briefed a number of Pakistani journalists late Sunday about Khan's confession. Khan had previously been reported as denying any wrongdoing.

They told journalists that Khan admitted to selling out-dated "drawings and machinery" to the three countries to earn money for Pakistan. However, Khan claimed the transfers to Libya and Iran were also motivated a desire to help other Muslim countries become nuclear powers, said

two journalists who attended the briefing.

The government official said the two-month probe into the proliferation allegations had reached its conclusion, but said it was up to the authority to decide whether to prosecute Khan and six other suspects in the case.

President Gen. Pervez Musharraf, who heads the authority, is due to make an address to the nation about the progress of the investigation after the Muslim holiday of Eid al-Adha, the Feast of Sacrifice, which ends Thursday in Pakistan, officials said.

Pakistan began its investigation in November after revelations by Tehran to the International Atomic Energy Agency, the U.N. nuclear watchdog. Allegations of nuclear transfers to Libya and

North Korea have also surfaced.

The government official said that "questions have been put" to two former army chiefs, Gen. Mirza Aslam Beg and Gen. Jehangir Karamat, to check information provided by Khan and other suspects during the "debriefings" — as the government has referred to the questioning of scientists.

The official stressed that the two generals were not the focus of the investigation. He said they told investigators they never authorized nuclear transfers.

However, the official said the probe had concluded there had been a lapse in security that allowed the transfers' to take place, although no blame had been apportioned.

Analysts say that many unanswered questions remain over how powerful generals who oversaw the Pakistan's nuclear program that began in the 1970s — with the aim of creating a military deterrent against rival India — could have been so in the dark about any nuclear transfers by its scientists.

The mission to create the

bomb was conducted in secret, using black market suppliers to circumvent international restrictions on trade in nuclear-related technology. Pakistan conducted its first nuclear test in 1998.

In all, 11 employees of the Khan Research Laboratories, a top nuclear facility named after Khan, have been questioned since November, and some subsequently released. Officials say that three scientists and four security officials — military officers among them — are still being investigated.

ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests as of 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Jan. 30

An information report on a welfare concern was taken in the 800 block of North Dwight.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in the 700 block of West Browning. A purse or wallet was taken from an unlocked vehicle. Estimated loss was \$50.

Telephone harassment was reported in the 900 block of East Francis.

Minor in possession of tobacco was reported in the 1300 block of Garland. Several juveniles were taken into custody and released to their parents. Two were arrested for minor in possession of alcohol, one for public intoxication, one for evading arrest/detention, one for possession of marijuana and three for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Saturday, Jan. 31

Charles Mathis Ashley, 56, 713 E. Malone, was arrested at the Western Motel for disorderly conduct/language, possession of drug paraphernalia and public intoxication.

Assault by threat was reported in the 1900 block of North Hobart. The incident was turned over to municipal court.

Lucio Gutierrez Magana Jr., 18, 436 Hughes, was arrested on a capias pro fine for minor in possession of alcohol.

Josh Guadalupe Magana, 17, 436 Hughes, was arrested for aggravated assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1100 block of South Huff. Entry was through the front door. Clothing was damaged. No items were taken. Estimated damage was \$700.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 700 block of West Browning. A windshield was damaged on a parked vehicle. Estimated dam-

age was \$300.

Theft over \$50 and under \$500 was reported in the 500 block of Bradley. Two pit bulls were stolen. Estimated loss is \$300.

David Edward Heuston, 46, 1013 S. Wells, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Larry Don Evans, 60, Groom, was arrested for disorderly conduct/language and public intoxication.

Jimmy Don Corley Jr., 29, 241 Miami, was arrested at the intersection of Ballard Street and Craven Avenue for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Daniel Heuston, 19, 1933 Lea, was arrested at the intersection of Ballard Street and Craven Avenue for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Jaime Darrell Ledgerwood, 28, Lefors, was arrested at the Hide-A-Way Lounge for criminal nonsupport.

Sunday, Feb. 1

Salvador Rodriguez, 26, 405 Davis, was arrested at 417 N. Faulkner on a bond surrender for a charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense; and warrants for public intoxication, running a stop sign, open container, no seat belt, and two counts of no valid driver's license.

Bernadette Lynn Mogrum, 42, 732 S. Banks, was arrested at Borger Police Department for unsafe backing and disorderly conduct/language.

Brandon Ray Orr, 23, 1129 Wilcox, was arrested at 321 E. Brown for public intoxication and assault by threat.

Monday, Feb. 2

Ricky Donnell Ivy, 39, Skellytown, was arrested at 900 W. Wilks for driving while intoxicated.

Natasha McGill, 21, 520 Yeager, was arrested at 520 Yeager #5 for two counts of theft over \$50 and under \$500, and bond surrender on a charge of forgery.

ACCIDENTS

Pampa Police Department today reported the following accidents.

Thursday, Jan. 29

9:48 a.m. — A 1992 Mitsubishi Eclipse driven by Denia Poteet Sissom, 60, 917 E. Albert, and a 1987 Chevrolet Suburban driven by Enrique Flores Mungia, 51, 710 Davis, collided at Brown and Cuyler streets. Sissom was cited for leaving the scene of an accident. No injuries were reported at the scene.

12:12 p.m. — A 1988 Oldsmobile Delta 88 driven by Alex R. Fox, 23, Skellytown, and a

1990 Honda Accord driven by Dona Jean Kitterman, 44, 1109 Garland, collided in the 1200 block of North Hobart. Fox was cited for defective equipment and no insurance. No injuries were reported at the scene.

Sunday, Feb. 1

1:15 a.m. — A 2000 Suzi Esteem driven by Clayton Allen Davis, 18, 708 E. 15th, collided with a parked 1997 Ford F250 pickup in the 300 block of North Davis. Davis was cited for violation of driver's license restriction and failure to maintain a single lane. No injuries were reported at the scene.

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Jan. 31

8:05 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide check in the 1800 block of Fir. None was found.

Sunday, Feb. 1

9:11 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a false alarm in the 600 block of West Browning.

12:15 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

3:37 p.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to a report of smoke in the 600 block of North Dwight. The smoke was steam coming from a dryer vent.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance Service responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Sunday, Feb. 1

12:12 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Prairie drive and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

2:13 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred one to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Anthony Gram of Pampa:	KMI	59.76	+0.76
Wheat	NCBL	17.34	+0.02
Milo	Kerr McGee	48.56	-0.16
Corn	Limited	18.62	+0.42
Soybeans	Williams	9.95	-0.19
	MCD	25.76	+0.02
	XOM	40.48	-0.31
	Atmos	25.35	-0.25
	Pioneer Nat	31.10	-0.82
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa:	JCP	26.47	+0.29
OXY	COP	65.85	-0.03
BP	SLB	61.94	+0.76
Celanese	Tenneco	10.52	-0.10
Cabot Corp.	CVX	85.84	-0.51
Coca Cola	Wal-Mart	54.59	+0.74
VLO	Cabot Oil Gas	22.56	-0.13
HAL	OKE	8.70	-0.17
Triad	New York Gold	402.45	
NOI	Silver	6.23	
	West Texas Crude	32.05	

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests as of 7 a.m. today.

Sunday, Feb. 1

Steven Ray Stone, 29, 1100 Terrace, was arrested on a bond surrender for a charge of possession of marijuana, and two capias pro fines.

Bobby Preston, 24, 2116 N. Dwight, turned himself in to serve time on a sentence for a charge of damage to a fixed object.

Fran Guardado, 24, 716 E. Denver, was arrested for public intoxication.

Rod Darnell, 27, 1052 Varnon, was arrested for assault causing bodily injury and possession of a controlled substance less than one gram.

OBITUARIES

LENA RUTH BLACKWELL

1933-2004

Lena Ruth Blackwell, 70, died Saturday, Jan. 31, 2004, in Amarillo. Memorial services are set for 10 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 3, at Paramount Terrace Christian Church chapel with the Rev. Ron Kohler officiating. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, at Miami Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Blackwell was born Sept. 5, 1933, in Gray County. She has been a resident of Amarillo for 24 years, moving from Pampa. She was a member of the Church of the Brethren in Pampa and attended Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo. She retired from Southwestern Bell Telephone as an operator in 1995.

Survivors include a daughter, Debra Kline of Corpus Christi; a son, Kenneth Everett Blackwell of Amarillo; a sister, Lela Catherine



Meadows Vise of Pampa; three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John C. and Ona Mae Blair Gray, and one brother, Kenneth E. Gray in 1996.

Memorials may be made to Make-

A-Wish Foundation, 411 S. Fillmore St., Amarillo, Texas, 79101.

— Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

DALE SIEGENTHALER

1928-2004

Dale Siegenthaler, 76, died Sunday, Feb. 1, 2004, at Pampa. No services are scheduled at this time. The body was donated to Texas Tech Medical School in Lubbock, with arrangements under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Siegenthaler was born Feb. 26, 1928, at Morris, Okla. He married Alta McClain on Oct.

7, 1949, at Tahlequah, Okla. He had been a resident of Pampa for approximately a year and a half. He was an insurance salesman for 15 years, and later opened his own car lot. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Alta, of the home.

— Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

SERVICES TOMORROW

BLACKWELL, Lena Ruth — 10 a.m., Paramount Terrace Christian Church Chapel, Amarillo. Graveside, 2 p.m., Miami Cemetery, Miami.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 20s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph shifting to the southeast after midnight. Tuesday, mostly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the lower 50s. Southeast winds 15 to 25 mph. Tuesday night, mostly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of snow after midnight. Breezy. Lows in the upper 20s. Southeast winds 15 to 25 mph. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of snow. Highs in the mid 40s. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with

a 20 percent chance of snow. Lows in the mid 20s. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of snow. Highs in the mid 30s. Thursday night, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of snow. Lows in the lower 20s. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 40s. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 20s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 40s. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 20s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 40s.

STATE

Seasonable temperatures will continue for most of the week, with cooler temperatures late this week.

Good chances of rain are forecast the middle of the week, with some snow possible in the north.

Southeast Texas will likely see rain late this week.

The high temperature in Texas cities Sunday was 80 at McAllen. Dalhart recorded 14 overnight, the state low. North and South Texas received

some rain, with nearly an inch recorded at Rockport.

The West Texas forecast calls for highs today in the 40s in the Panhandle, 40s and 50s in the South Plains, upper 40s to mid 50s in the south, and 60s in the west. It will warm a little Tuesday, then turn a little cooler beginning Wednesday. Thursday will be cold in the Panhandle and South Plains, with highs in the 30s, and the rest of the region will see highs dip to the 40s and 50s by late this week. Chances of precipitation will be fairly good beginning Tuesday night and running through Thursday. The Panhandle will see a 40 percent chance of snow Wednesday, and a slight chance of snow is forecast Wednesday night and Thursday in the South Plains. The south and west will see a slight chance of some snow Thursday night. The mountains may see several inches of snow midweek, and non-mountainous areas in the far west may see rain or snow. It will be windy Tuesday and

Wednesday over the region, with light to moderate winds the rest of the week.

In South Texas, highs will be in the 60s through Thursday, except a little cooler in areas of Southeast Texas and in the north. It will be cooler Friday in the north and south-east, highs only in the 50s. In the north, good chances of rain with some storms will begin Tuesday night, continuing Wednesday. Rain is likely Wednesday in Southeast Texas and in the eastern Coastal Bend; heavy rainfall will be possible there, along with storms with severe conditions. Rain may continue on Friday in the southeast. Offshore winds should be brisk this afternoon in the Coastal Bend and again Thursday and Friday on the southern coast.

In North Texas, highs will be mostly in the 50s today through Wednesday, turning cooler Thursday in the north-west; by Friday highs should be in the 40s across the region with colder temperatures possible in the northwest.

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Suicide bombings will unite Kurdish rivals, leaders say

IRBIL, Iraq (AP) — American military officials raised the death toll in suicide bombings at two Kurdish party offices to 67 on Monday, while leaders of the rival U.S.-allied parties said the attacks would serve to strengthen Kurdish unity.

No group claimed responsibility for Sunday's attacks, the bloodiest in Iraq in six months. American and Kurdish officials suspected foreign militants or Ansar al-Islam, an al-Qaida-linked Islamic militant group operating in Kurdish areas of the north.

"All indications point to the involvement of Islamic terrorists with al-Qaida connections," Barham Salih, prime minister of the eastern sector of northern Iraq's autonomous Kurdish enclave, said from Washington. "This demonstrates that the terrorists are losing and this will only strengthen our resolve."

The casualty figure was released by military officials meeting with U.S. Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz, who was visiting troops in Mosul on Monday after spending a day in Baghdad. The officials said 267 people were injured in the attacks.

The near-simultaneous attacks Sunday killed many of the top leaders of the two par-

ties, who were gathered to greet hundreds of ordinary Kurds on the first day of the four-day Eid-al-Adha, or the Feast of Sacrifice, holiday.

The two party offices were eight miles apart in the heartland of Iraq's minority Kurds, who have been the most supportive of the U.S. invasion and occupation.

The U.S.-installed Iraqi Governing Council declared a three-day period of national mourning beginning Monday during which flags will fly at half-staff and Quranic verses will be recited.

Also Sunday, a rocket attack on a U.S. supplies base in Balad north of the capital Baghdad killed one American soldier and wounded 12, including two seriously. Another soldier was killed Sunday and two others were hurt when their Humvee overturned near the town of Haditha.

The two deaths mean 524 U.S. service members have been killed since the Iraq conflict began in March.

The suicide attacks were carried out by two men dressed as Islamic clerics with explosives wired to their bodies, Kurdish television said.

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BUDGET

a stronger economy.

The president projects the 2005 deficit will be \$364 billion, down from a projected record high deficit in dollar terms of \$521 billion this year. He pledged to cut that in half over the next five years.

The president's budget, featuring a line drawing of the White House in forest green on the cover, states that stronger economic growth and reductions in general government spending will produce steady improvements in the deficit, which the administration projects will fall to \$237 billion in 2009.

Democrats immediately attacked the spending proposal for what they viewed as harmful reductions in various government programs and the president's insistence on making his 2001 and 2003 tax cuts permanent at a cost projected in the budget of more than \$900 billion over 10 years.

"This administration pledged that its tax cuts and policy choices would not turn record surpluses into record deficits, but this budget shows that's exactly what's happened," said Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle.

Sen. Ted Kennedy, D-Mass., called on Congress to reject Bush's spending plan, charging it was the "most antifamily, anti-worker, anti-healthcare, anti-education budget in modern times."

Rep. John Spratt, senior Democrat on the House Budget Committee, said Bush's budget would reduce government spending on a broad swath of government programs from transportation

to environmental protection that provide "priority services that the American people want and expect."

Bush would boost military spending by 7 percent in 2005, but that does not include the money needed to keep troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. Officials said a supplemental request for these funds will be sent to Congress but not until after the November elections. Congress last year approved an \$87.5 billion wartime supplemental for the current budget year.

Homeland security, another top priority would receive a 10 percent boost, including an 11 percent increase in FBI funding to support increased counterterrorism activities.

A firestorm of criticism erupted last week when it was revealed the administration had re-estimated the 10-year cost of the newly enacted Medicare prescription drug benefit program at \$534 billion, far above the \$400 billion figure Congress used in passing the measure two months ago.

The budget documents said the major reasons for the discrepancy were higher estimates for the number of participants in the program and new projections for health care price increases.

As previously announced, Bush's budget proposes an ambitious program to return Americans to the moon as early as 2015 and eventually send a mission to Mars.

However, the budget only contains \$1 billion in new money for the effort over the next five years with another \$11 billion reallocated from current NASA programs.

In 2005, Bush proposes increasing NASA's budget by

6 percent to \$16.2 billion.

Other programs that would receive boosts in Bush's budget include his No Child Left Behind education program; job training programs, including one that links community colleges with employers' and an \$18 million increase for the National Endowment for the Arts.

Bush's budget proposes to hold the spending increase for all of the government's discretionary programs to 3.9 percent in 2005. That average rise includes big boosts for the military and homeland security.

Scores of government programs outside those two areas will be restrained to an overall increase of just 0.5 percent, below the rise in inflation, and some agencies will suffer outright cuts.

The budget calls for outright spending cuts in seven of 16 Cabinet-level agencies.

The Agriculture Department's budget authority for 2005 would be reduced by 8.1 percent while EPA's budget would be cut by 7.2 percent. The departments of Commerce, Health and Human Services, Justice, Transportation and Treasury would also see their funding for discretionary programs decrease in 2005 under Bush's spending plan.

Some non-Cabinet agencies would also see large reductions for 2005 including a 49.2 percent cut for the General Services Administration, the government's landlord, and a 10.4 percent reduction in spending at the Small Business Administration.

The Corps of Engineers would see its budget reduced by 13.1 percent under Bush's proposal.

Bush to order an investigation of intelligence failures in Iraq

By DEB RIECHMANN
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) —

President Bush, declaring he wants "all the facts," said Monday he will order an independent investigation into intelligence failures in Iraq but said he wants to first consult with former chief weapons inspector David Kay.

Trying to quiet mounting election-year criticism from Republicans and Democrats alike, Bush said he will name an independent, bipartisan inquiry into the Iraq problem and gaps in other areas, such as secretive regimes like Iran and North Korea and stateless groups such as terrorists.

Bush defended his decision to go to war based on intelligence that Kay now says was erroneous. Kay has concluded that Iraq did not possess weapons of mass destruction.

"We do know that Saddam Hussein had the intent and capabilities to cause great harm," Bush said, talking to reporters after meeting with his Cabinet. "We know he was a danger. And he was not only a danger to people in the free world, he was a danger to his own people. He slaughtered thousands of people, imprisoned people."

"What we don't know yet is (reconciling) what we thought and what the Iraqi Survey Group has found, and we want to look at that," the president said. "But we also want to look at our war against proliferation and weapons of mass destruction, kind of in a broader context. And so, I'm putting together an independent, bipartisan commission to analyze where we stand, what we can do better as we fight this war against terror. I want to know all the facts."

Kay threw the administra-

tion's rationale for war in Iraq in doubt with his determination that Saddam did not have the weapons of mass destruction that the United States had insisted he possessed.

Kay told Congress last week that "it turns out we were all wrong, probably" about the Iraqi threat.

The president did not set a timetable for the investigation to report its findings, and he sidestepped a question about whether the country was owed an explanation before the November elections.

Bush's decision to go to an outside commission comes amid assertions that America's credibility is being undermined by uncertainty over flawed intelligence used as a basis for invading Iraq.

He initially reacted coolly to setting up such a body, then decided during the weekend to go forward. By establishing the commission himself, Bush will have greater control over its membership and mandate.

A senior White House official discussing the situation on grounds of anonymity said the body would be patterned after the Warren Commission, which conducted a 10-month investigation that concluded in 1964 that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in killing President Kennedy.

In appointing the members, Bush will draw heavily from experts familiar with problems in intelligence, the White House official said, describing them as "distinguished citizens who have served their country in the past."

Sen. Jon Corzine, D-N.J., whose measure to set up a similar bipartisan commission to investigate prewar intelligence was defeated in the Senate last July, said any investigative panel must be able to probe the collection and analysis of intelligence as well as the use of the information, "including whether there was any misrepresentation or exaggeration of the intelligence."

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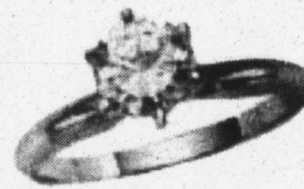
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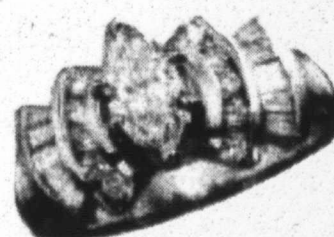
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TEXAS EDITORIAL

Despite tuition hikes, Texas universities still affordable

From the Jan. 26 Fort Worth Star-Telegram:

As predicted in an earlier editorial, some of the same Texas legislators who voted for higher education tuition deregulation are now upset because of so many public complaints about the resulting substantial increases.

The Legislative Oversight on Higher Education conducted two days of hearings on the matter last week, and members seemed perplexed as to cause and effect.

Consider a remark from Rep. Fred Brown, R-Bryan: "I'm just aggravated. I don't feel like we're getting a straight answer on anything." Ditto from Rep. Lois Kolkhorst, R-Brenham, who during the hearing with various university representatives said she kept asking the "same questions, but I can't get the same answers."

Perhaps we can help. Every institution of higher education in Texas has been complaining for years about being underfunded. Rather than deal directly with the problem, the Legislature decided last year to let colleges and universities set their own fees and tuition.

That's the Legislature's equivalent of taxation without representation.

Although public colleges are exactly that — public — their management is not elected by voters or susceptible to recall. And their rate structures are not vulnerable to voter rollback.

True, higher education is accountable to the Legislature. But recognizing that the Legislature meets only every two years and that this opportunity might never come by again, the powers-that-be within higher education did what was to be expected: They looked after their institutions' own best interests.

It is disingenuous for lawmakers to portray themselves as shocked or alarmed by subsequent (and predictable) events. If the Legislature had wanted to limit the range of tuition and fee increases, it could have done so quite easily. But that will have to await the next legislative session.

In the interim, there's also this to consider: Despite the increases, higher education costs in Texas remain among the most affordable in the country.

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Texans talk safety in the skies

The 2003 holiday season saw a boost in nearly every sector of our economy, including aviation. The increase is not only a reflection of our improving economy, but also an indication of growing passenger confidence. Since September 11, 2001, Congress has been working hard to make sure that when Americans travel the skies, they are safer than ever.

A few months ago I asked the citizens of Texas about their comfort level when it comes to air travel. Your remarks provided insight into the progress of our aviation security system as seen through the eyes of the traveling public. Texans were almost evenly split on whether they feel safer today than prior to 9/11. Here are some of your comments:

•The small amount of new inconveniences outweighs the possible outcome without these regulations. People need to remember that flying is not a right. If you do not want to deal with the hassles, jump in your car and drive to your destination. *Johnny, Odessa*

•The TSA should employ passenger profiling to concentrate attention where it needs to be. *Joseph, Houston*

•The security technology available today should have been utilized long

Capitol Comments

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON
U.S. SENATOR

ago... Pilots should be allowed to carry weapons and armed air marshals should be on every flight coming into the U.S. and flying in U.S. borders. *Kenneth, Richardson*

There is no doubt in my mind the traveling public is considerably safer than we were on September 10, 2001. We have created the Transportation Security Agency under the new Department of Homeland Security, invested heavily in personnel and equipment, and made background checks, training programs and qualifying tests mandatory for all airport screeners. But our work is not done.

While we've enhanced security nationwide, if we do not protect our cargo we are still vulnerable to attacks. For this reason I asked our readers: "Air cargo security remains one of my top priorities. Twenty-two percent of cargo that is shipped in the United States travels on

passenger planes. Yet, only a tiny percentage is inspected. While we have employed rigorous screening procedures for baggage and passengers, the belly of the plane is still exposed to the threat of terrorism. Twice the Senate has unanimously passed legislation I introduced to close this dangerous loophole, but the House of Representatives has failed to act. What is your opinion on shipping air cargo with passenger flights?"

Texans feel strongly about improving cargo security, with 70 percent saying people who handle cargo should be subject to criminal background checks. Seventy-nine percent agree that handlers should be trained on how to safeguard cargo tampering and that cargo should be kept in a secure area at all times. Below are a few responses from people across the state:

•Unchecked cargo should not be shipped on passenger planes. *James, San Antonio*

•I believe that air cargo is an important part of our commerce... Thus I think that cargo handlers, shippers and carriers should have to meet background checks. I do not believe that airlines should have to bear a higher part of those costs how-



Catching wild cats would be easier

If I had a choice of catching 1,000 feral cats or bringing democracy to Iraq, I'd take the cat job in a New York second.

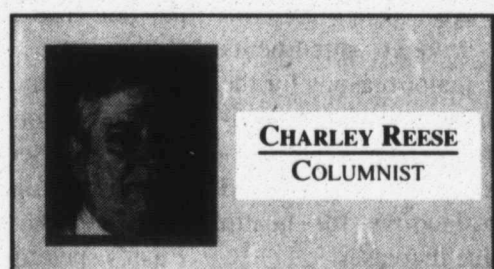
The Shiites want immediate elections; the Sunnis have just organized themselves and oppose immediate elections. The Kurds want autonomy, but the Turks have warned that they'll cause big trouble if the Kurds get it. On top of all of that is an ongoing guerrilla war that, despite the claims of success by the United States, continues to take a steady toll of American and Iraqi lives. Unemployment is still close to 60 percent.

Some say it would not take much of a spark to set off a civil war, and you can bet the guerrillas will be more than happy to strike that spark if they can.

In the meantime, back at the ranch, President George W. Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney remain in denial, refusing, it seems, to accept the fact that there are no stockpiles of weapons of mass destruction, nor were there any when they led us to war.

Sooner or later it will sink into the minds of the American people that more than half a thousand Americans have been killed, about 2,500 have been wounded, and \$200 billion has been spent on false pretenses, and there is no end in sight.

David Kay, who just quit as the chief weapons searcher, now says there are no stockpiles and probably never were any. Loyal as a lap dog, however, he has given



CHARLEY REESE
COLUMNIST

Bush an out by blaming the CIA. The amazing thing is that Bush doesn't have the smarts to take the hint. He keeps insisting he "did the right thing based on good intelligence."

That's so typical of an ideologue. When the facts contradict the theory, ignore the facts and stick with the theory. Bush apparently intends to keep the search going until after the November election so he can always say the issue hasn't been settled.

Yeah, I know that the Bush administration says it plans to hand over sovereignty to the Iraqis this summer, but you can't believe anything the Bush administration says. We'll have to wait to see how the administration defines sovereignty. My guess is it defines sovereignty as an obedient Iraqi government that will allow large numbers of American military forces to remain in the country.

Whether Iraqis will agree to that kind of "limited sovereignty" remains to be seen. If the past is indicative of the future, Iraqis will view the government as a front for the United States and eventually overthrow it and kill off the lead-

ers. In that case, all the lives and limbs lost, all the billions of dollars poured down a Middle East rathole, will have been in vain.

It's too bad we elected a president who had no knowledge of foreign policy, but far worse had no interest in or curiosity about it. Richard Perle, one of the neocon architects of the war, has said in public print that Bush knew nothing. That's why he became a willing victim of the neocon ideologues he put in his administration. They saved him the trouble of having to think, and that is apparently what he likes most: Not having to think. Don't ask me to think or make decisions, he seems to say; just tell me what I should do and say, and I'll read the TelePrompTer.

That would have been all right if he had surrounded himself with wise and experienced people, but he chose a pack of mad-dog ideologues with delusions of grandeur who are itching to impose American will on the rest of the Earth and are fanatically committed to their theory, the facts to the contrary be damned.

Let's hope that Bush's replacement will be somebody with a functioning and engaged brain who is more interested in solving problems for the American people than in keeping fit, dressing sharp and reading quips somebody else wrote at carefully staged photo ops.

(Write to Charley Reese at P.O. Box 2446, Orlando, FL 32802)

TODAY IN HISTORY

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Monday, Feb. 2, the 33rd day of 2004. There are 333 days left in the year. This is Groundhog Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 2, 1943, the remainder of Nazi forces from the Battle of Stalingrad surrendered in a major victory for the Soviets in World War II.

On this date:

In 1536, the Argentine city of Buenos Aires was founded by Pedro de Mendoza of Spain.

In 1653, New Amsterdam — now New York City — was incorporated.

In 1848, the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, ending the Mexican War, was signed.

In 1870, the "Cardiff Giant," supposedly the petri-

fied remains of a human discovered in Cardiff, N.Y., was revealed to be nothing more than carved gypsum.

In 1876, the National League of Professional Baseball Clubs was formed in New York.

In 1882, Irish poet and novelist James Joyce was born near Dublin.

In 1897, fire destroyed the Pennsylvania state capitol in

Harrisburg. (A new statehouse was dedicated on the same site nine years later.)

In 1945, President Franklin Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill departed Malta for the summit in Yalta with Soviet leader Josef Stalin.

In 1971, Idi Amin assumed power in Uganda, following a coup that ousted President Milton Obote.

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Travis Science Fair



(Courtesy photo)

Travis Elementary recently conducted a school Science Fair. Winners from Mrs. Mary Lou Lane's fifth grade class were (left-right) Emily Nicklas, first place; Hannah Lake, second place; and Haley Clark, third place.



(Courtesy photo)

Travis Elementary recently conducted a school Science Fair. Winners from Mrs. Annie Baker's fifth grade class were (left-right) Brittany Covil, first place; Brittney Clark, second place; and Cassie Doyle, third place.

Arizona prison drama ends peacefully

BUCKEYE, Ariz. (AP) — Two inmates with a history of violent crime climbed down from a prison guard tower and surrendered after releasing a female captive, peacefully ending the longest U.S. prison hostage standoff in decades.

"In the end, waiting it out paid off," Corrections Department Director Dora Schriro said Sunday following the conclusion of the 15-day drama that left the medium- to high-security Arizona State Prison Complex-Lewis in lockdown.

The captive was receiving medical care. Her colleague had been released Jan. 24.

"Her voice is exceptionally strong," said Schriro of the guard, whose name was not released. "I would characterize her spirit as being exceptionally strong. To the eyes, she looks well."

Prison officials Sunday identified the hostage-takers as Ricky Wassenaar, 40, and Steven Coy, 39. Both were taken into custody by the federal Bureau of Prisons.

Wassenaar is serving 28 years for armed robbery and assault. Coy is serving a life sentence for a 1993 crime

spree in Tucson that included armed robbery, aggravated assault and rape.

Corrections officials declined to say what led to the surrender, but in one concession, Wassenaar was allowed on Thursday to give an interview to Phoenix radio station KTAR-AM, which broadcast it after the standoff ended.

"It was initially an escape attempt," Wassenaar told the station. "We were on our way out. This was a stopping point to get some arms, firearms, to get out of here. Unfortunately, the plan went bad."

Though Wassenaar said it was an escape attempt, Cam Hunter, a corrections spokeswoman, told ABC's "Good Morning America" on Monday: "We don't really know what their goal was. ... Whether it was truly an escape attempt or a hostage that was their goal, we don't know."

A criminal probe has been launched into the standoff, Hunter said. "They will be held accountable for their actions," she said.

The female guard later thanked Schriro for not ordering the tower to be stormed.

Gov. Janet Napolitano said she told him: "Thank you for not leaving me. Thank you for not rushing the tower. They would have killed me."

Negotiators had regular contact with the inmates throughout the standoff, and at times had seen the guard or talked to her by telephone.

Throughout the negotiations, prison officials exchanged food, cigarettes and toiletries for ammunition from the tower and opportunities to talk to or see the guards. Many of the early exchanges were done with a robot.

Hunter said officials did not know how the female guard was treated. "These are two very violent criminals and you worry always about a female hostage," she said.

After the standoff ended, officials released information on how the guards took over the tower.

In the pre-dawn hours of Jan. 18, Wassenaar and Coy were armed with makeshift knives when they were released from their cells to report for duty as part of a kitchen work crew, officials said.

Groundhog Day blues: Punxsutawney Phil predicts six more weeks of winter

PUNXSUTAWNEY, Pa. (AP) — If you're tired of winter, Punxsutawney Phil had a message for you Monday — get used to it.

After a rap on an oak stump roused him from his home on Gobbler's Knob, the world's most famous furry forecaster "saw" his shadow this chilly Groundhog Day morning, which according to tradition means six more weeks of winter.

Phil even included a topical reference in his proclamation — to the capture of Saddam Hussein.

"I'm glad I live in this luxurious burrow on the knob, and not in a dirty, smelly, spider hole like a slob," said the proclamation read aloud by one of the organizers. "When I come out, I don't want to negotiate; but to just do my job and

prognosticate."

The prediction drew boos from thousands who gathered in 17-degree weather for the 118th annual festivity run by the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club.

The spirited crowd, some clad in furry groundhog hats or even full-length costumes, chanted "Phil! Phil! Phil!" after fireworks and a long night of rock music drew to an end and the hour of the ceremony neared.

Including Monday's prediction, the groundhog is reported to have seen his shadow 104 times since the tradition began in Punxsutawney. It is rooted in a German superstition that if a hibernating animal casts a shadow Feb. 2 winter will last another six weeks. If no shadow is seen, legend says spring will come early.

People from as far away as England descended on this small town to shake the winter doldrums.

Mike and Anne Castledine, a retired couple from Derbyshire, England, caught groundhog fever after seeing the Bill Murray movie "Groundhog Day," and just wanted to experience it for themselves.

"We were quite hooked once we'd seen the movie," Anne Castledine said Sunday.

What Groundhog Day entails is a lot of revelry, although alcohol has been banned from Gobbler's Knob, the site just outside town where Punxsutawney Phil appears.

"We couldn't care less if he sees his shadow," said Bill Cooper, president of the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club. "It's a people holiday."

CLUB NEWS

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m., (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication that week. Thank you.

Altrusa

Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa met Jan. 27 at Pampa Country Club with President Billie Sue Evans presiding. Terry Gamblin and Gaye Whitehead served as greeters. Among those present were guests Alicia Hughes and Leona Willis.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—The Accent was delivered by Penni Pfitzner who reviewed the purpose of club evaluations.

—DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) Day at Lamar Elementary School is set for March 5. Members were encouraged to volunteer for the project.

—Altrusa Board of Directors will host a luncheon for CASA volunteers on Saturday, Jan. 31.

—Add-An-Altrusan Day was observed Jan. 22 at Lovett Memorial Library. Twenty-two members and 14 guests were present.

—New Member Orientation is scheduled at 7

p.m. Feb. 17 at the library.

—In conjunction with Random Act of Kindness Month in February, Altrusans were asked to keep a list of acts of kindness shown and received.

—Brenda Tucker conducted new member initiation for Mildred Brazeal, Jackie Collins and Kelli Jo Eakin.

—Billie Dixon reviewed mid-year evaluation forms that members had completed. Suggestions for improvements to club programs and projects were discussed.

—Birthday greetings went to Glyndene Seitz, Sue Baker, Georgia Johnson and Janet Bilyeu who will celebrate birthdays in February.

The next meeting will be at 12 noon Feb. 10 at Pampa Country Club.

20th Century Club

Twentieth Century Club met recently in the home of Mary Wilson with President Phyllis White presiding.

The following business

was conducted and announcements made:

—Secretary Myrna Orr took roll and read minutes from the previous meeting which were approved as read.

—Committee chairs delivered reports.

—The Nominating Committee reviewed the proposed slate of officers for the 2004-05 club year beginning in September. New officers elected are Fay Harvey, president; Orr, vice president; Louise Bailey, secretary; Billie Dixon, treasurer; Vonna Wolf, reporter; and White, parliamentarian.

—Brenda Hightower of Pampa was introduced by Wolf. Hightower directs a hand bell choir at First United Methodist Church and presented a program on the subject. This is the 50th anniversary of the American Guild of English Hand Bells.

The next meeting will be Feb. 10 with Mildred Laycock as hostess and Harvey in charge of the program.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Bride Has Second Thoughts About Second Time Around

DEAR ABBY: I am engaged to be married on Valentine's Day. He is a wonderful man; we have been together for three years. It will be the second marriage for both.

I really like this man. He's funny, witty and kind. He loves me and my children, and they love him very much.

My problem is I do not feel that we're soul mates. Is this just a fantasy? What if I'm making another mistake? I don't want to hurt anyone, but I can't help feeling that since I don't feel butterflies after being with him for more than three years, something is missing.

Am I being silly or looking for something that does not exist?

STILL LONELY
IN THE MIDWEST

DEAR STILL LONELY: The thing about "butterflies" is, if you don't catch them and mount them, they tend to fly away. I often suspect that when people talk about butterflies, they are describing a mixture of anxiety and excitement otherwise known as infatuation — which isn't permanent.

However, if you truly feel lonely when you're with this funny, witty, kind and likable man, after three years of dating, then he isn't the life partner for you. Let him go. It wouldn't be much of a marriage if you felt you were in solitary confinement.

DEAR ABBY: I'm getting married in the summer. Everything is great except for one issue that is about to explode. I have two nieces, 3 and 8, who will be flower girls along with a third girl. My fiancée wants the girls to be taken to another room with a baby sitter after the ceremony and cocktail hour.

I fear an ugly scene because my older niece and I have a special relationship, and she loves weddings. My family would like her to stay for the reception.

It's the bride's day, of course, and I want her to have the wedding of her dreams. How should I handle this?

GROOM-TO-BE
WHO NEEDS HELP

DEAR GROOM-TO-BE: Handle it firmly. The wedding is not only the bride's day, it is also your day. While I understand the wisdom of the small children being entertained separately, the 8-year-old should be mature enough to behave properly at the celebration. Since you want her there, she should not be excluded.

DEAR ABBY: My 10-year-old son is extremely sensitive. The kids in his class know it and love to pick on him. I've talked to his teacher, but she can't seem to catch them in the act.

I don't know what else to do. He is becoming depressed and eating less and less. I'm worried about him, but I don't know what to tell him to make him feel better. How can I help him?

CARING MOTHER
IN GEORGIA

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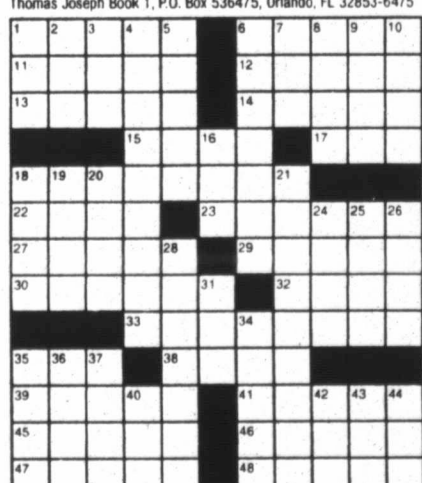
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SPORTS

Super Bowl XXXVIII goes to New England

NOTEBOOK

BASEBALL

PAMPA - There will be a Harvester Baseball Booster Club meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the ready room at the high school athletic fieldhouse.

All parents are urged to attend.

BASEBALL-SOFTBALL

PAMPA - An organizational meeting for the baseball and softball programs will be held at 7 tonight at Optimist Park.

Persons interested in becoming a coach, manager or commissioner are urged to attend the meeting.

FOOTBALL

HOUSTON (AP) - Jake Delhomme knew exactly how the Carolina Panthers were going to pull out the Super Bowl.

After leading his third straight touchdown drive of the fourth quarter, this one tying the game with 1:08 left, Delhomme had the rest of the game mapped out in his mind. It didn't even matter to him that New England would be starting at its 40 after John Kasay's kickoff went out of bounds.

"The defense would stop them, we'd go to overtime and win," he said. "There was no doubt in my mind that it was going to happen."

That explains why Delhomme looked so stunned when time ran out on a 32-29 loss to the Patriots on Sunday night.

Boosted by the short field, New England's own comeback quarterback, Tom Brady, set up Adam Vinatieri for a 41-yard field goal with 4 seconds left. He nailed it, leaving the Panthers with only a kick-off return to try winning the championship.

They didn't come close to returning the kickoff for a score, leaving Delhomme agonizing on the sideline.

Hands on his hips and biting his lip, he forced himself to watch the Patriots celebrate amid falling confetti. With his eyes turning red at the edges, Delhomme seemed practically in a trance until New England running back Kevin Faulk came by for a quick hug.

"It's just the worst feeling in the world," Delhomme said.

HOUSTON (AP) - No matter how bad they've looked or how often they've failed, Tom Brady and Adam Vinatieri always crave another chance.

John Kasay gave it to them. A botched kickoff gave New England good field position, and the two Patriots who thrive on pressure pulled out another Super Bowl championship.

Brady withstood a heavy pass rush and completed four of five passes on a final drive, moving New England into field goal range in less than a minute. Vinatieri then was perfect on a 41-yard kick with 4 seconds to go, setting up a 32-29 victory Sunday over Carolina.

"Tom and Adam, it's been that way many times this year," said coach Bill Belichick, who won his second Super Bowl in three years. "They are both great players, and great players play well in

big games under pressure."

This time, they had help.

The Panthers turned the fourth quarter into a wild, back-and-forth affair. Jake Delhomme threw a 12-yard touchdown pass to Ricky Proehl with 1:08 left, and Kasay's extra point tied it at 29.

Then, one of the NFL's most accurate kickers tried to pin the Patriots and send it to overtime, but hit the ball poorly. Kasay's kickoff flew out of bounds — a double whammy for the Panthers. The clock didn't start, and the Patriots got the ball at their 40-yard line.

Kasay had a look of disbelief after the kickoff went awry, and the Panthers knew they were in deep trouble.

"John just didn't hit it," coach John Fox said. "He was trying to drive it deep, and he hooked it right."

Without even touching the ball, the Patriots had regained control.

"I'm sure he'd like to have that one back," Brady said. "It's a pressurized situation. He's trying to get all (the distance) he can. We had great position to start with."

All that was left for the quarterback known as "Mr. Cool" and the kicker known as "Mr. Money" to do what they do best — sparkle under pressure. To that point, they hadn't done it.

Brady had a chance to put New England in control midway through the fourth quarter, and blew it. On 3rd-and-goal from the 9, he floated a pass toward Deion Branch in the end zone. It went right to cornerback Reggie Howard, whose interception left Brady angry with himself.

New England was up by five points at the time and well within

range for a field goal that would have put the Panthers in a tough spot. Instead of throwing it away and taking the three points, Brady threw his worst pass of the playoffs.

"I just didn't make the best throw," Brady said. "I think I was throwing to the right guy, but I just didn't put enough air on it. I threw it right to him."

He wanted one more chance. When Kasay's kick went out of bounds, Brady made sure there would be no more mistakes.

He went 4-of-5 for 47 yards in only 59 seconds, avoiding a determined rush to make perfect throws. His 17-yard pass down the right sideline to Deion Branch put the ball at the 23-yard line with 9 seconds left.

Carolina	0	10	0	19	—	29
New England	0	14	0	18	—	32

Second Quarter

NE—Branch 5 pass from Brady (Vinatieri kick), 3:05.

Car—S.Smith 39 pass from Delhomme (Kasay kick), 1:07.

NE—Givens 5 pass from Brady (Vinatieri kick), :18.

Car—FG Kasay 50, :00.

Fourth Quarter

NE—A.Smith 2 run (Vinatieri kick), 14:49.

Car—Foster 33 run (pass failed), 12:39.

Car—Muhammad 85 pass from Delhomme (pass failed), 6:53.

NE—Brady 1 pass to V. V. (Faulk run), 2:51.

Car—Proehl 12 pass from Delhomme (Kasay kick), 1:08.

NE—FG Vinatieri 41, :04.

A—71,525.

Brady wins another MVP award

HOUSTON (AP) - New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady picked up his second Super Bowl MVP trophy on Monday — and now has one for each nightstand.

If only he could get some sleep.

Working on one hour of rest because of the celebrations that followed one of the most exhilarating Super Bowls ever, Brady claimed the trophy and the luxury car he gets for being chosen Most Valuable Player. He's already picked out a place for it: by his bed, where it's sure to keep the other one from getting lonely.

"Carolina played their hearts out," Brady said, about 11 hours after he drove New England into field goal position in the final seconds to help the Patriots beat the Panthers

32-29. "I think we just had the ball at the end of the game. That's kind of how we wanted it."

After a record-setting scoring drought to open the first half, the 38th Super Bowl turned into a high-scoring shootout that was remarkably similar to New England's first NFL title two years ago, when Brady also won the MVP after setting up Adam Vinatieri's game-winning field goal.

"Tom absolutely deserves all the credit he gets," coach Bill Belichick said at the post-Super Bowl news conference Monday. "The thing about that MVP trophy in the Super Bowl is it usually goes to the winning team. And that's what's most important to him."

And that's what he does better than just about anybody.

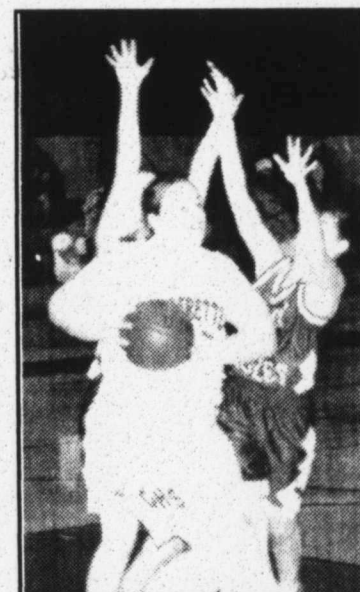
Pampa teams seek revenge

PAMPA - Both Pampa teams will be looking for some revenge when they take on Dumas Tuesday night in District 3-4A basketball action.

Dumas beat Pampa 47-42 in the first-round meeting in the boys game.

Pampa enters the game with a 4-4 record and tied for fourth place. Dumas is at 3-4 and in fifth place.

Dumas girls defeated the Lady Harvesters 50-40 back on Jan. 9. The Lady Harvesters are also in fourth place with a 5-5 record. The Demonettes are in fifth at 4-5.



Jennifer Jenkins led Groom in scoring.

High School Basketball

Gametime is 6 for the girls and 7:30 for the boys in Dumas.

GROOM - Groom lost a close battle to Hedley 51-45 in a District 4-1A boys game Friday night.

Groom led by two (39-37) going into the fourth quarter.

Hedley had three players — Stephen Howard, Will Wallendorff and Wes Shields who scored 11 points each.

Chance Barkley and Cody Schaffer had 14 and 13 points, respectively, for the Tigers. Thane Barkley had 12.

Hedley won the girls game.

Haley Bennett was Hedley's high scorer with 22 points. Rebekah Howard followed with 15.

Jennifer Jenkins had 9 points and Britteny Martin 8 to lead Groom.

WHITE DEER - Stratford notched a 55-41 win over White Deer in a district boys game Friday

night.

Stratford's top scorer was Tyler Haynes with 15 points.

Nick Hillman had a game-high 19 points for the Bucks. Andrew Parsley and Tanner Mitchell followed with 7 each.

In the girls game, Stratford came away with a 40-29 victory.

Deidre Tarver and Alisha Sladek had 10 points each to lead Stratford scoring.

Ashley Davis was White Deer's top scorer with 11 points. Emily Nüsser followed with 8.

SHAMROCK - Boomer Wright scored 24 points to lead Shamrock by Wheeler 60-58 in district boys activity Friday night.

Emiliano Garcia had 17 points and Brad Masters 14 to lead Wheeler in scoring.

Shamrock won the girls contest 54-50.

Kita Ledbetter was Shamrock's high-point girl with 16 points.

J'Shae McCasland had 14 points to pace Wheeler. Lyndi Finsterwald added 12 and Brittany Taylor 10.

News schools, class changes under UIL realignment

AUSTIN (AP) - The new schools and schools changing conferences for the 2004-05 and 2005-06 school years under University Interscholastic League realignment: CLASS 5A

Membership: 245 schools
Enrollment: 1,925 students and up
NEW: Garland Sachse

MOVING UP: Class 4A to 5A—Austin Anderson, Bastrop, Brownsville Porter, Conroe Oak Ridge, Denton Ryan, Edinburg, Granbury, Harlingen South, Huntsville, Killeen Harker Heights, Killeen Shoemaker, Los Fresnos, Mesquite Horn, Mission Sharyland, North Crowley, North Richland Hills, Richland, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo, Richardson, Richardson Pearce, San Antonio Jefferson.

Elevated by Request—Corpus Christi Miller, Corpus Christi Moody,

Dallas Carter, Fort Bend Willowridge, Laredo Cigarroa, Laredo Johnson, Laredo United South.

CLASS 4A
Membership: 222 schools
Enrollment: 900-1,924

NEW 4A: Mansfield Timberview
MOVING DOWN: 5A to 4A—Arlington Seguin, El Paso Andress, Houston Washington, Houston Westbury, Houston Worthing, Houston Yates, Klein Oak, McKinney, San Antonio Brackenridge, San Antonio Harlandale.

MOVING UP: Class 3A to 4A—Burnet, Elgin, Everman, Forney, Fort Worth Carter-Riverside, Fort Worth Diamond Hill-Jarvis, Lake Dallas, Paris North Lamar.

Elevated by Request—Clint, Dallas Pinkston, Fabens, Houston Kashmere,

Houston Scarborough, Houston Wheatley.

CLASS 3A
Membership: 187 schools
Enrollment: 390-899

NEW: Carrollton Ranchview
MOVING DOWN: 4A to 3A—Dallas Roosevelt, Levelland, Palestine, Silsbee, West Columbia Columbia, West Orange-Stark, Wichita Falls Hirsch.

CLASS 2A
Membership: 226 schools
Enrollment: 190-389

NEW 2A: Donna Idea Academy
MOVING DOWN: 3A to 2A—

Ballinger, Bishop, Celina, Childress, Denver City, Dimmitt, Early, Godley, Hardin, Hebbronville, Jourdanton, Kermit, Kountze, Newton, Queen City, Slaton, Taft, Teague, Trinity, Troy, Tulia, Woodville.



Second grade winners in the Lamar Elementary Hot Shot basketball contest were (front row) Trae Hannon, Gatlin Taylor and Cager Osborne, boys division; (back row) Krysten Miller, Kirstie Winegeart and Leanne Hinton, girls division. The contest is Lamar's annual fund-raiser.

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2510 Evergreen	\$89,900	3/2/2 - 1806 SF/GCAD	
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2131 Chestnut	\$65,000	3/1.5/2 - 1414 SF/GCAD	
1919 N. Russell	\$55,000	2/1/1 - 1143 SF/GCAD	
818 N. Somerville	\$52,500	3/2/2 Det - 2032 SF/GCAD	
2121 Chestnut	\$49,900	3/2/1 - 1332 SF/GCAD	
1712 Chestnut	\$49,500	3/1.75/1 cp - 1305 SF/GCAD	
1533 Williston	\$49,500	2/1/1 cp - 1677 SF/GCAD	
526 N. Gray	\$45,000	3/2/1 - 1451 SF/GCAD	
1115 Charles	\$45,000	3/1.75/1 cp - 1008 SF + 1008 SF Bsmnt	
1900 Hamilton	\$40,900	3/1.75/2 - 1520 SF/GCAD	
1316 Mary Ellen	\$39,500	2/1/1 - 1030 SF/GCAD	
2126 N. Russell	\$38,000	2/1/None - 1485 SF/GCAD	
1710 Beech	\$37,000	3/1/1 - 1170 SF/GCAD	
2247 Mary Ellen	\$35,000	3/1/1 - 1078 SF/GCAD	
711 E. 14th	\$33,000	3/1.5/1 - 1032 SF/GCAD	
2314 Mary Ellen	\$32,500	3/1/1 - 1148 SF/GCAD	
2005 Hamilton	\$29,900	2/1 - 1089 SF/GCAD	
1013 Mary Ellen	\$29,500	2/1/1 - 1280 SF/GCAD	
2630 Seminole	\$28,500	2/1/None - 1020 SF/GCAD	
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310 N. Faulkner	\$12,000	2/1/None - 966 SF/GCAD	
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931 Cinderella	\$55,500	3/1.75/2 - 1198 SF/GC
1024 Sierra	\$55,000	3/2/2 - 1274 SF/GC
600 E. 17th	\$49,900	4/1.5/2 - 1290 SF/GC
2120 N. Christy	\$49,900	3/1.75/1 - 1381 SF/GC
2209 N. Dwight	\$45,000	3/1/1 - 1040 SF/GC
2131 N. Nelson	\$39,900	3 or 4/1/2 - 1725 SF/GC
2124 N. Christy	\$37,900	3/1.75/2 - 1232 SF/GC
871 N. Wells	\$35,000	3/2/1 - 1116 SF/GC
809 N. Dwight	\$31,000	3/2/1 - 1269 SF/GC
1800 Faulkner	\$29,900	2/1/1 - 1405 SF/GC
704 N. Wells	\$27,500	3/1.75/1 - 1100 SF/GC
217 N. Faulkner	\$26,200	3/1/1 - 1020 SF/GC

Iran's largest pro-reform party to boycott parliamentary elections

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — The leader of Iran's largest pro-reform party said Monday it will boycott Feb. 20 parliamentary elections, saying they would not be free and fair and raising the stakes in the country's growing political crisis.

Mohammad Reza Khatami, leader of the Islamic Iran Participation Front and brother of Iran's president, said the party would not field any candidates because thousands of liberal candidates have been disqualified from the polls by hard-line clerics of the Guardian Council.

Many of the disqualified candidates are sitting lawmakers, including Khatami, who also is deputy parliament speaker.

"We have no hope for the possibility of free and fair elections. All legal opportunities have been killed," Khatami said.

Earlier, the government spokesman said Iranian Cabinet ministers backed calls to postpone the vote and vowed

during an emergency meeting not to hold a sham election. The decision came after Interior Minister Abdolvahed Mousavi Lari presented a report saying conditions for free elections did not exist.

"The Cabinet also agreed not to hold elections that are not competitive, fair and free," spokesman Abdollah Ramezanzadeh said.

Reformist President Mohammad Khatami did not attend the Cabinet meeting because he is resting at home with severe back pain.

The five ministers assigned last week to reach a compromise with the council said their efforts had failed "despite showing flexibility," Ramezanzadeh said.

The powerful council ultimately decides when an election is held, but the government's position strengthens the hand of reformists demanding a boycott.

Without the participation of the Islamic Iran Participation Front, enough hard-line candi-

dates will run uncontested to retake control of parliament from the reformists. Reformists won the parliament in 2000 for the first time since the 1979 Islamic Revolution, and used it as a platform to press for social and political reforms.

The controversy began last month when the Guardian Council, whose 12 members are appointed by Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, disqualified more than 3,600 of the 8,200 people filing papers to run in the polls.

After protests and an opinion from Khamenei, the council Friday restored 1,160 low-profile candidates to the list.

Reformists say the council disqualified liberal candidates to fix the election in favor of conservatives. The hard-liners repeatedly have thwarted President Khatami's efforts toward greater democracy and a relaxation of the Islamic social code.

France cancels flights as precaution; no intelligence to support U.S. fears

By JOHN LEICESTER
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

PARIS (AP) — French intelligence had no indications of its own to support U.S. warnings of a threat to trans-Atlantic flights on Sunday and Monday, but they were canceled anyway as a precaution because of the American concerns, a French official said.

Transport Minister Gilles de Robien, in the government's first public comment on the cancellations, said the decision was based on the "principle of precaution when there are signals."

"We work very well with the Americans and they send us those signals," the minister said on RFO television. He declined to elaborate on the "signals," but said of the Americans: "It's completely normal that we work with them against international terrorism."

The U.S. intelligence related specifically to perceived threats against two Air France Paris-Washington flights Sunday and Monday that were canceled, said a senior French security official. The flights were canceled as a result.

"Our American friends have concerns, so

we are doing them a service," said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"From French sources, we had no particular information about a threat to those flights. The American services say that they do, so we believe them. There's no reason why they would lie, so as a precautionary measure the two flights for Washington were canceled," he said.

Also canceled were four British Airways flights between London's Heathrow Airport and Washington on Sunday and Monday, and a Sunday Heathrow-Miami flight. In addition, Continental Airlines said it canceled Flight 17 for Sunday from Glasgow, Scotland, to Los Angeles with an intermediate stop in Newark, New Jersey.

The U.S. government said it had fresh indications that the al-Qaida terror network had a continued interest in targeting commercial planes flying to the United States.

Air France also canceled six trans-Atlantic flights over Christmas because of U.S. security concerns, although French officials later said their checks of names of passengers who caused concern to U.S. agencies turned up nothing to substantiate a threat.

Texas cattle on feed shows 8 percent increase from 2003

AUSTIN — Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.83 million head on Jan. 1, up 8 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, the estimate was down slightly from the Dec. 1 level. Producers placed 420,000 head in commercial feedlots during December, up 17 percent from a year ago and 5 percent below the November 2003 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 410,000 head during December, up 3 percent from last year and unchanged from the November 2003, total.

On Jan. 1, there were 2.33 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 82 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was up 6 percent from last year and down 1 percent from the

December total.

December placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 317,000 head, an 8 percent decrease from the November total. Marketings were up 4 percent from last month to 334,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 11.2 million head on Jan. 1, 2004. This inventory was 6 percent above Jan. 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.75 million head, 10 percent above December 2002. December placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 503,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 529,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 448,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 268,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.74 million head, down 3 percent from 2002.

Disney to stop at WT in intern search

CANYON — Representatives from Walt Disney World will be on the West Texas A&M University campus Feb. 9-10 to recruit students for the Disney College Internship Program. The program is a one-of-a-kind paid internship for all majors.

WTAMU students interested in the program must attend a Disney presentation from 6-8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9 in the Classroom Center, Room 101 to be eligible for an internship interview. Students must be currently enrolled with at least a sophomore standing, carry a 2.5 or higher grade point average and have an open file with the WTAMU Career and Counseling Services Office.

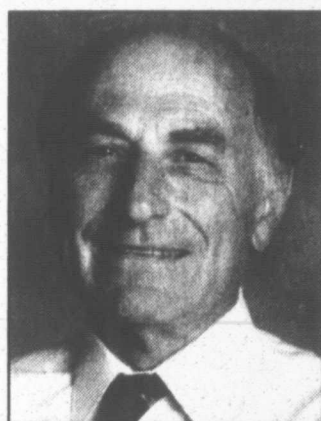
Six WTAMU students are participating in the program this semester. These students, as well as past interns, benefit from the program. "One semester at Disney can open more opportunities towards the future than you thought possible," Wayne Gourley, a senior theatre major from

Arlington, said.

The Disney representatives will be interviewing for the fall (approximately September-December) and the fall advantage (approximately May-December) internship programs. The Disney internships offer students the experience of learning, living and working at Disney World in Orlando, Fla. Student interns live on the Disney campus and work in one of its four theme parks, more than 20 resorts, three water parks or its dining/entertainment/retail complex.

Part of the internship program includes six courses designed by experts from the Disney University and recommended for credit by the American Council on Education. Students can receive general elective credit from WTAMU for the experience.

For more information or to RSVP for the Disney presentation, call WTAMU's Career and Counseling Services at (806) 651-2345.

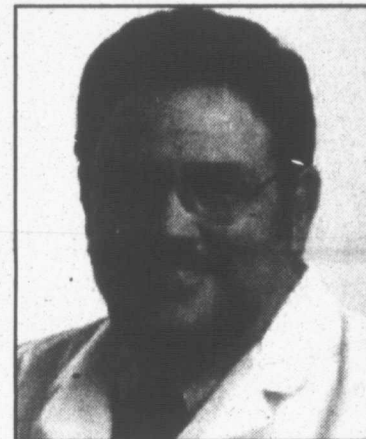


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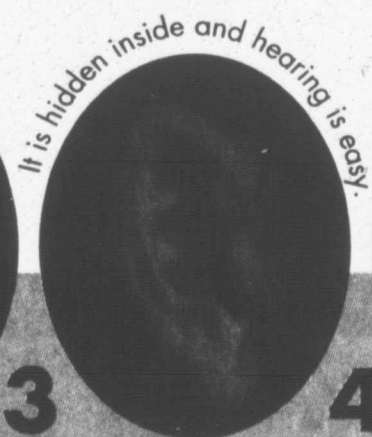
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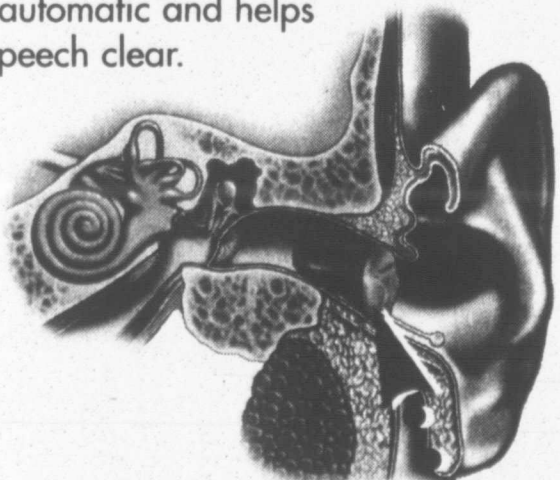


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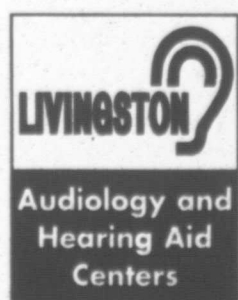
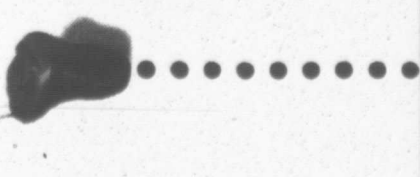
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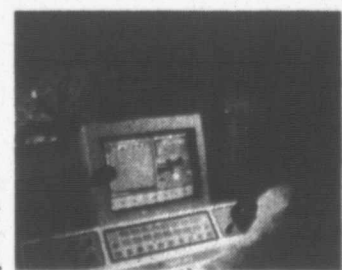


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