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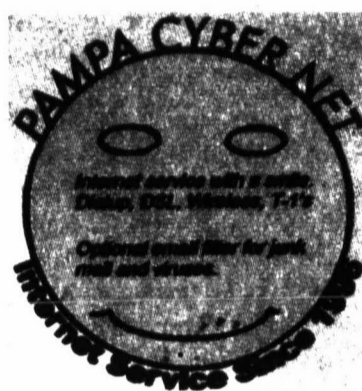
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LOCAL

Spring craft day scheduled at library

Lovett Memorial Library is holding a Spring Craft Day for children from 10 — 11 a.m. Saturday, March 22.

The craft day is open to children three years old and older. There is no charge for the program and all supplies will be provided.

Shanla Brookshire, the children's librarian, has planned craft projects which will celebrate spring.

To register, contact the Lovett Memorial Library at 669-5780.

STATE

UT student charged in computer hacking

AUSTIN (AP) — Federal charges were filed Friday against a 20-year-old University of Texas at Austin student, Christopher Andrew Phillips, for hacking into a university system and stealing Social Security numbers.

DEATHS

Evelyn Gloden Kenner, 72, homemaker.

Ethel Laverne Newman, 88, former Pampan.

Mary Alice Rheams, 79, lifetime church member.

Alta May Skaggs, 94, homemaker.

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Navy ships abandon Turkey option

Moving out of Mediterranean Sea

WASHINGTON (AP) — Signaling impatience with the Turkish government, the Pentagon on Friday began moving Navy ships out of the Mediterranean to the Red Sea, where they could launch long-range cruise missiles on a path to Iraq that would not go over Turkey, officials said.

About a half dozen ships set out for the trip through the Suez Canal, and about that many were expected to follow soon, according to officials familiar with the movement, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The shift could be the first step in a larger redeployment of ground and naval firepower away from Turkey, which so far has refused to grant overflight rights for U.S. naval aircraft and cruise missiles like

the low-flying Tomahawk. The Pentagon had hoped to base a 60,000-strong U.S. Army force as well as additional Air Force warplanes in Turkey for use in an Iraq war, but Turkey has not approved those, either.

About 50 American and British planes at Incirlik air base in south-central Turkey enforce a no-fly zone over northern Iraq, but it is not clear that the Turkish government would allow them to fly offensive missions against Iraq.

From the Red Sea, the Navy cruisers, destroyers and submarines would be able to launch their Tomahawks for flights over Saudi Arabia to targets inside Iraq.

The ships are part of the USS Harry S. Truman and USS Theodore Roosevelt carrier battle groups, which have been operating in the eastern Mediterranean for weeks in anticipation of war against Iraq.

No decision has been made to move the carriers from the Mediterranean, but that could be the next step, the officials said Thursday, speaking on condition of anonymity. Each carrier has about 80 aircraft aboard.

Tomahawks are satellite-guided missiles normally used in the opening stages of war to strike high-value, fixed targets such as government buildings in areas where the risk of civilian casualties is relatively high.

The Tomahawks are 18 feet long and are designed to evade radar by skimming the land or sea surface. They carry 1,000-pound warheads. Following the Gulf War, they became one of the weapons of choice to respond to Iraqi breaches of U.N. sanctions.

The issue of overflight rights for U.S. missiles and planes has been overshadowed by the Bush administration's struggle to win Turkey's approval to base 60,000 or more U.S. troops there to open a northern front against Iraq.

The Turkish parliament rejected the U.S. request for basing rights earlier this month, and Pentagon officials said

Thursday it appeared increasingly unlikely that the Army would position its 4th Infantry Division in Turkey, as originally planned.

About three dozen cargo ships with the 4th Infantry Division's weaponry, equipment and supplies have been waiting off the Turkish coast for weeks, and the troops are still at their base in Fort Hood, Texas.

During the 1991 Gulf War the Navy positioned carriers and Tomahawk-launching ships in the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf. It now has three carriers in the Gulf — the USS Kitty Hawk, the USS Constellation and the USS Abraham Lincoln. Those carrier battle groups include about 20 Tomahawk-firing ships and submarines.

Spring weather



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Preston and Anna Steele were out early today absorbing the sun during an early morning walk. Zeke, a golden retriever puppy, was also enjoying the springtime weather with his owners.

NASA to return shuttle to orbit

WASHINGTON (AP) — NASA is making plans to return the space shuttle to orbit as early as this fall and has instructed engineers to be prepared to make any "corrective actions" recommended by the board now investigating the Columbia tragedy.

William F. Readdy, associate administrator for space flight, issued a memo this week instructing agency officials to organize a team to plan for making changes in the space shuttle — or its operations — so that the craft would be ready to fly.

"The team will prepare for a safe return to flight as soon as practicable," the March 12 memo said. "As a goal, the SSP (Space Shuttle Program) shall plan for corrective actions and reviews which support a launch opportunity as early as the fall of 2003."

Readdy said NASA will be guided by the recommendations of the Columbia Accident Investigation Board, which is studying the factors involved in the Feb. 1 destruction of Columbia in which the crew members perished.

The memo instructed engineers to review specific problems that already are being investigated by the CAIB. These issues include foam insulation that peeled off the shuttle's external fuel tank and smashed into the craft's

left wing and may have damaged the thermal protection tiles on that wing.

The return-to-flight team also is to review ways to inspect and repair damaged tiles while the shuttle is in orbit. Other issues to be studied are how the spacecraft is prepared for orbit, the policies on granting safety waivers and methods used to identify in-flight safety problems and how those issues are relayed to top NASA management.

Readdy said NASA will not "prejudge" the conclusions of the accident review board, but will concentrate efforts on problems that the board has already publicly discussed, such as the foam insulation debris and possible broken tiles on the wing.

"That's the elephant in the room," said Readdy. "We can't ignore those."

NASA's plans call for the first mission to be directed toward continuing the construction of the International Space Station. The mission also would be used to rotate crew now in the station.

Three crew members now on the station, Expedition 6, will be replaced by next month by two crew members to be flown to the space station aboard a Russian Soyuz space craft.

Authorities examine bond between Smart, captors

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — After nine months of living under bridges and in tents with a self-styled prophet and his wife, Elizabeth Smart returned to her million-dollar home alive.

When stopped by police, she readily lied about her identity and said the two drifters were her parents. The 15-year-old was nervous and agitated when asked to remove her sunglasses and gray wig and never asked about her family once the truth emerged.

"There is clearly a psychological impact that occurred at some point," Salt Lake Police Chief Rick Dinse said.

Dinse said the man accused of kidnapping Elizabeth from her home, Brian Mitchell, had been excommunicated from the

Mormon church, the religion Elizabeth was raised in, and considered himself a polygamist. But Dinse added, "I do not want to attach his relationship with Elizabeth in that fashion."

Asked about reports that Elizabeth had been taken to be a wife, the girl's aunt, Angela Dumke, said Friday that the family couldn't be certain, but they wouldn't be surprised.

"You never know. He's nuts," said Dumke, a sister of Elizabeth's father, Ed Smart. "This guy's probably involved in polygamy."

Mitchell had produced a 27-page manifesto, titled "The Book of Immanuel David Isaiah," in which he wrote as a messenger of Jesus Christ. One

passage suggests polygamy was taken away from the people as punishment and that a just God would restore the "blessing" of polygamy to those who truly followed Jesus.

Dumke said another theory of is that Mitchell's wife, Wanda Barzee, considered Elizabeth to be her child.

Police on Thursday briefly outlined Elizabeth's movements, saying she was snatched from her bed at knife-point on June 5 and spent her first two months with Mitchell and Barzee achingly close to home.

She was held in a tent in Dry Creek Canyon, a popular hiking area within two miles of the Smarts' house. The area was searched many times last summer.

Hours after she vanished, Elizabeth heard one of her uncles calling out her name but was unable to respond, her family said.

In October, Elizabeth and her captors rode a bus to San Diego and spent the winter there. They sometimes slept under a highway-bridge. Mitchell was arrested twice during the time police say Elizabeth was with them, once in Salt Lake City on suspicion of shoplifting and once in San Diego for breaking into a church.

The trio returned to the Salt Lake area Wednesday in dirty clothes and carrying bedrolls. They were arrested within hours when two couples recognized Mitchell and called police.

When officers approached the teen, Sandy Officer Bill O'Neal said, "she kind of just blurted out, 'I know who you think I am. You guys think I'm that Elizabeth Smart girl who ran away.'"

Elizabeth told police her name was "Augustine" and that her cheap black sunglasses protected her eyes while they healed from surgery. When they asked why she wore a wig and T-shirt for a head scarf, she became upset.

"Her heart was beating so hard you could see it through her chest," O'Neal said.

Handcuffed and loaded into a separate police car from Mitchell and Barzee for the ride to the station, Elizabeth began to cry.

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OBITUARIES

EVELYN GLODEN KENNER
1930-2003

Evelyn Gloden Kenner, 72, of Pampa, died Wednesday, March 12, 2003, at Amarillo. Private family graveside services are scheduled with Dr. Randy White, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Kenner was born April 8, 1930, in Texas County, Okla. She married Bill Kenner on Jan. 6, 1950, at Clayton, N.M. She had been a Pampa resident since 1950 and was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Bill, of the home; a daughter, Sandra Mathis of Amarillo; two sons, Karl Kenner of Amarillo and John Kenner

of Pampa; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Affiliates, 600 W. 11th St., Amarillo, TX 79101.

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ALTA MAY SKAGGS
1908-2003

Alta May Skaggs, 94, of Pampa, died Wednesday, March 12, 2003, at Pampa. Services will be at 2 p.m., Saturday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Dr. Randy White, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Elmhurst Cemetery in Guymon, Okla., under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Skaggs was born May 1, 1908, at the family homestead in a dugout, in the community of Eva, Texas County, Okla. She attended Center School and grew to adulthood in the Eva-Four Corners area. She worked at the telephone office, which only had five telephone circuits to Elkhart, Kan., and Texhoma, Okla. The office was located in Scott Hargrove's store.

In 1939, she also worked for Jim and Ruby Jordan in their store at Four Corners in the Oklahoma Panhandle. In the early 1940s, she worked in the Wheat Belt Cafe in Guymon, Okla., where she met the love of her life, Clifton Skaggs.

She married Harry Clifton Skaggs on July 21, 1941, in Cheyenne, Okla., at the First Christian Church of Christ rectory. They enjoyed 61 years and seven months of wonderful married life together, having lived many places including Guymon, Okla., Perryton, Shamrock and Pampa to name a few. After retirement, Pampa had been their permanent home.

She was a proud, loving wife and mother with

numerous talents and interests. She knitted, crocheted and tatted many beautiful items for her family and friends.

She had been a longtime member of the First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and a sister, Coral Hazel.

Survivors include her husband, Harry C. Skaggs, of the home; two sons and daughters-in-law, Rodney and Artalee Skaggs of Yucaipa, Calif., and Roger and Velma McCoun of Amarillo; five grandchildren, Rhonda Cavalletto and her husband Don of Paso Robles, Calif., Jay Skaggs and Robin Carlton and her husband Bill, all of Yucaipa, Calif., Kelly McCoun of Abilene and Chris and Dawn McCoun of Carrollton; and 10 great-grandchildren, Carl, Craig, Andy, Cerra and Cayla Cavalletto, Jed Skaggs, Jake and Jamie Carlton, and David and Haley McCoun.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church of Pampa.

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ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following arrests and incidents.

Wednesday, March 12

An information report was taken in the 1100 block of East Francis.

A criminal mischief report was taken in the 1100 block of East Francis. Two tires were reportedly slashed. Their value was over \$50 and under \$500.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of East Francis. A portable CD player which was valued at \$200 was taken from a vehicle. A back side window was also broken out. No estimate of damage was available.

Thursday, March 13

Gregory Green, 30, 1809 N. Banks, was arrested for theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000.

James E. Camp, 61, 205 Tignor, was arrested on a municipal warrant for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Randall Thomas Townsend, 48, 520 N. Frost, was arrested for theft under \$1,500, enhanced, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Natasha McGill, 20, 620 E. Foster, was arrested for obstruction and aggravated robbery.

Dennis Wayne Taylor, 49, 1112 E. Kingsmill, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, second offense, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance in a correctional facility.

Theft of four ribeye steaks was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart. The steaks, valued at \$17.95, were recovered and a suspect was taken into custody.

A theft report was made in the 1800 block of North Banks. Several rings were taken with an estimated value of \$3,040. One arrest was made.

An arrest was made in the 1000 block of South Huff on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Two juveniles found a prescription bottle of prescribed medication in the 1400 block of Sumner. The bottle was released to police who are attempting to locate the owner of the medication.

Friday, March 14

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 2100 block of West Alcock. Tools valued at \$1,400 were taken.

A report of a minor in possession was taken by police.

FIRE

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

Thursday, March 13

8:27 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a call at Highway 60, one half mile west of Pampa. A truck had backed into a gas meter. Gas had been turned off when the personnel arrived on scene.

6:51 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to 15th and Evergreen on a trash fire. The fire was extinguished.

Friday, March 14

1:23 a.m. — Two units and six personnel responded to a structure fire at 1232 East Browning. Residents had placed a couch cushion on the porch after it had caught on fire earlier in the evening believing the fire was extinguished, but the fire rekindled and caught the porch on fire. It was extinguished by fire personnel.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance today reported the following calls ending at 7 a.m.

Thursday, March 13

12:33 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2500 block Mary Ellen; no patient was transported.

1:50 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Hilton Road; one patient was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa		
Wheat	3.15	
Milo	3.86	
Corn	4.34	
Soybeans	4.95	
The following show prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:		
OXY	29.94	-0.04
COP	49.86	-0.40
Schlumberger	37.51	-0.46
Tenneco	2.14	NC
CVX	63.19	-0.47
Wal-Mart	49.39	-0.16
OKE	17.80	-0.15
NS Group	7.46	-0.01

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa		
BP	37.77	-0.62
Celanese	16.61	-0.64
Cabot Corp.	22.14	+0.13
Cabot Oil Gas	23.89	+0.31
Coca Cola	39.81	+0.36
VLO	39.68	+0.13
Halliburton	19.81	+0.38
Triad Hospitals	24.42	+0.07
NOI	21.31	-0.09
KMI	42.83	-0.52
XCEL	11.29	-0.04
Kerr McGee	38.34	-0.16
Limited	12.44	+0.23
Williams	3.95	-0.11
McDonalds	12.95	+0.15
Exxon Mobil	34.30	-0.19
Atmos	21.25	-0.18
Pioneer Nat	25.00	-0.22
Penney's	20.15	+0.05

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Department today reported the following arrest.

Thursday, March 13

Dana Daniels, 37, of White Deer, was arrested on a Carson County warrant for failure to appear on a terroristic threat charge.

UT student charged in computer hacking

AUSTIN (AP) — Federal charges were filed Friday against a 20-year-old University of Texas at Austin student for hacking into a university system and stealing Social Security numbers and other personal information from more than 55,000 students, faculty and staff members.

Christopher Andrew Phillips, a computer science major, was charged with unlawful access to a protected computer and unlawful use of a means of identification.

Phillips told authorities that he wrote and executed a computer program designed to access a university Web site, Texclass, that tracks employees that attend training classes,

according to a criminal complaint. By gaining access to Texclass, Phillips was able to access a broader range of information, including names and Social Security numbers from a UT database of personal data.

Phillips turned himself in to federal officials Friday morning, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Matthew Devlin.

Phillips told officials he had no intention of using the information to harm anyone, according to the complaint filed by a Secret Service agent who searched Phillips' residences in Houston and Austin.

A grand jury has begun to examine the case, Devlin said.

ETHEL LAVERNE NEWMAN
1914-2003

CHICKASHA, Okla. — Ethel Laverne Newman, 88, died Monday, March 10, 2003. Burial was Tuesday, March 11, in Chickasha.

Mrs. Newman was born July 29, 1914 at Wellington. She married Albert Newman in 1935. The couple lived and worked in the Pampa area for a number of years before relocating to Chickasha.

She was preceded in death by her husband,

Albert; and a daughter, Helen.

Survivors include three grandchildren, Debbie Butler, Bob Newbrough and Robert Newbrough, all of Chickasha; and four brothers, A.L. "Chunky" Leonard of Pampa, Denzil Leonard of Canadian, Ted Leonard of Wichita Falls and Jesse Leonard of Kerrville.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

SERVICES TOMORROW

JEFFRIES, Dorothy Gardenhire — 2 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Pampa.

RHEAMS, Mary Alice — 10 a.m., White Funeral Home Chapel, Lumberton, Miss.

SKAGGS, Alta May — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is calling for sunny skies, highs in the upper 70s and south winds 10 to 15 mph, shifting to the southwest 20 to 25 mph in the afternoon. Caution is advised on area lakes. Tonight should be mostly clear with lows in the upper 40s and south winds 15 to 20 mph. Saturday should be partly cloudy. Slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s. Southwest winds 15 to 20 mph. Chance of rain 20 percent. Saturday

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STATEWIDE

Skies were mostly clear across Texas, allowing temperatures to drop near seasonal norms early Friday in most locations.

Readings overnight were in the 40s in northern sections and in the lower 50s in the southern half of the state.

The warmest overnight readings for the eastern half of Texas was 55 at Killeen, with Mineral

Wells reporting the coolest reading of 44. Light northerly winds also helped drop temperatures.

Statewide, temperatures ranged from the upper 30s in the Panhandle to around 70 in far South Texas.

For South Texas, the outlook was for patchy fog late in the day in the hill country with no rain likely until Sunday.

The National Weather

Service said West Texas will have a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms beginning Saturday and continuing through the first part of next week.

The prospects for North Texas are for sunny skies through Friday, partly cloudy and continued warm on Saturday with a chance of showers and thunderstorms the next several days.

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MOVING SALE: Sat., Mar. 15, 9-1 p.m. 1137 N. Russell. Lots of furni., antiques, pickup toolbox.

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SAINT PATTY'S Day Blow Out at the End Zone, 2401 Alcock, Saturday, Mar. 15th, 8 p.m. Green Beer, \$3.50 pitchers, and .75¢ Draught.

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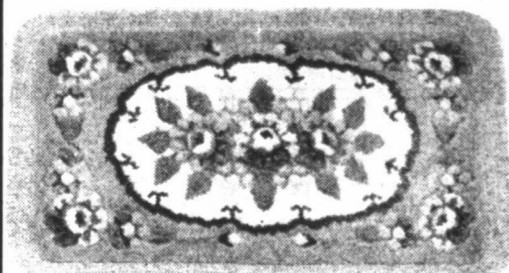
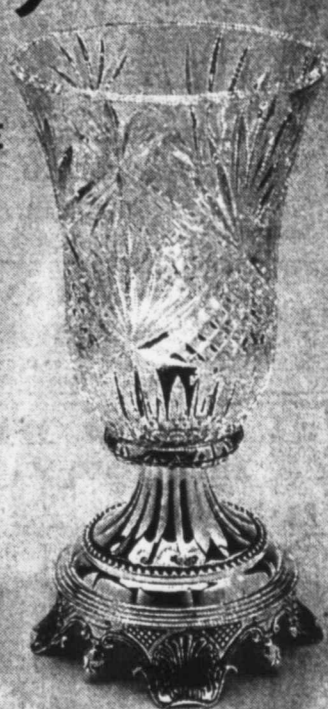


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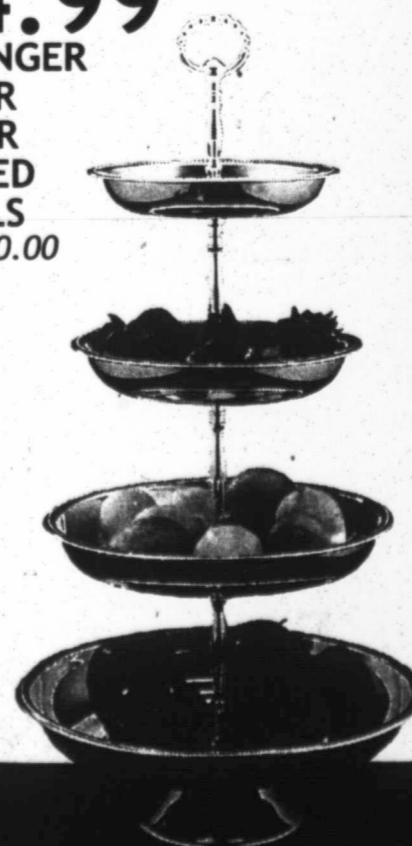
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RELIGION

Briarwood Men plan special program

Men's Ministry of Briarwood Church, 1800 W. Harvester, will be having their monthly meeting on Sunday, March 16, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Michael J. Decker, pastor/evangelist/author, and Garre Lagrone, Christian recording artist, will be guests for the program.

Decker comes from a background of adventure, violence and intrigue. From years of abuse he became a warrior who learned his trade in military schools and jungles of Viet Nam. He then became an enforcer in organized crime. Three tours in prison brought about his final destiny.

Studying through the Crossroads Bible Institute, graduating and becoming an ordained minister, Pastor Michael brings a powerful message and testimony. He is now a part of "Beyond the Walls Prison Ministry."

Lagrone is an anointed praise and worship leader and powerful music evangelist. He has a new CD in Trinity Broadcast Networks' new digital recording studios in Nashville. He is seen regularly on prime time Christian Broadcasting and GLC Network and in concerts around the country.

All men of the community are invited to attend.

Mormon romance novels a hit in church

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Most romance novels are filled with details of how the heroes and heroines consummate their love.

Then there's the Mormon romance novel, in which descriptions of the characters' sex lives are limited to little more than the first kiss — that could happen after they're engaged to be married.

The novels, with chaste men and women brought together by their faith, are gaining in popularity as Mormon readers search for fiction that reflects their values.

"Commitment is what's

strong in our market," said Robby Nichols, vice president of marketing for Covenant Communications, a publisher of Mormon books. "There is no swearing, no graphic anything and we steer as far from innuendo as we can."

Author Anita Stansfield helped open the market for other Mormon romance writers in 1994, with her novel "First Love and Forever," about a woman whose former boyfriend reappears as she struggles in her marriage to an insensitive man.

Stansfield has since sold more than 600,000 books and is now working on her 23rd novel.

"I realized that there was a big hole in the LDS market for women's fiction and I felt like I could do better," Stansfield said. "I couldn't find anything to read that satisfied me."

Her novels follow the structure of traditional romances — a central love story with a happy ending — but her books are built around the lifestyle of members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The main relationship typically involves a wayward man who becomes Mormon to marry the woman he love, or Mormon couples who come together after a death, divorce or estrangement.

To help kids



(Courtesy photo)

First United Methodist Church of Pampa members, Barbara Whitten and Marge Holland, present a check to Pampa elementary teachers Kelley Smith, Melissa True, Martha Campbell, and Deborah Davis. The check represents the offerings of those who attend Sunday evening Vesper services. These people wanted to assist Pampa children who needed shoes, eye glasses or supplies. The church members gave the money to the teachers before evening worship. Scott Penrod, FUMC minister, said that the congregation has a strong interest in local missions.

Salvation is free, but not cheap

Would a Christian preacher try to talk unbelievers out of making a commitment to follow Christ? You wouldn't think one would, huh? But I know one who did. He wasn't trained in any seminary. That may have been why he didn't understand the objective of preaching. He didn't even receive any training at a home church.

That could also explain some of his unconventional ideas. But how in the world could anything explain why a preacher, about to launch a major evangelistic outreach, would drive his first three converts away. Didn't he realize that Jesus died on the cross for them? Who did he think he was? Only Jesus would have a right to do something like that and we certainly know that he wouldn't. Don't we know that? I'm sure you've already guessed the name of the preacher. That's right! It was Jesus.

In Luke 9:57-62 Jesus encounters three prospects. Two came to Jesus and committed to follow Him. Another was personally invited by Jesus, "Follow me." Now before we look at each of these three men, let me set the stage. The event that immediately follows the encounter with these three men is the sending out of the 70 disciples for the purpose of evangelizing Judea. You'd think that Jesus would be in the mode of saving them and then moving on to the next convert.

But He wasn't. He handled things differently. And maybe His example can teach all of us



Minister's Musings

MIKE SUBLETT
HI-LAND CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Christians today a thing or two.

The first man came and said to Jesus, "I will follow You wherever You go." Wow! What a commitment. You'd think that Jesus' next words would be, "Praise the Lord!" But they weren't. He said, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nest, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head." What in the world did that have to do with the man's commitment. Jesus' words reveal that He must have either had serious doubts about the man's commitment or felt it necessary to test it. Either way the man wasn't part of the 70 "others" sent out in Luke 10:1. Why was Jesus so hard on him?

Without saying a word, the second man received a personal invitation from Jesus Himself. "Follow Me." Wow! What an honor. Who could say no to that? That man did. He replied, "Permit me first to go and bury my father." Now that doesn't sound unreasonable, does it?

Yes, it must have been because of how Jesus responded. "Allow the dead to bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim everywhere the kingdom of God." Doesn't that seem a little harsh? I'll

even go you one better, doesn't that seem down right mean? I've been in more trouble than I could count for saying things that were about one-tenth as blunt as Jesus' words here. Doesn't Jesus want to help people get saved? Why was Jesus so hard on him?

The third man said to Jesus, "I will follow You, Lord: but first permit me to say good-bye to those at home." How long could a "good-bye" take? Who in their right mind could argue with this simple, tiny request? Jesus would and did. "No one, after putting his hand to the plow and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." (I firmly believe that at more than a few churches, a preacher would get fired if he was this blunt with someone coming forward for salvation; especially if it was a relative or friend of a church leader.) Had Jesus slipped over the edge?

Didn't He realize how hurtful those words must have been to that man? Why was Jesus so hard on him?

Why was Jesus so hard on these three men? I'll tell you why; because He loved them enough to die for them and He wanted them saved and faithful. No one knew better than Jesus that salvation is not cheap! Sometimes we make salvation so "easy" that there is no counting of the cost or deep repentance or sorrow over sin.

We need to stop making salvation so easy and cheap. Salvation is costly! Repentance is hard! And sorrow for our sinful lives is painful! We should learn from all of the stories of Jesus, not just the soft, sweet, ooey-gooey ones that are our favorites.

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CHURCH BRIEFS

Trinity to offer Saturday night services

Beginning at 5:30 p.m., March 22, Trinity Fellowship Church, 1200 S. Sumner, will include a Saturday Night Service.

Both the 5:30 p.m. Saturday services and Sunday morning services will be exactly the same with all ministries including nursery and Children's Church, according to Pastor Lonny Robbins.

"We will continue to have Sunday School only on Sunday morningst at 9:30 a.m.," Robbins said. "Our Sunday morning service will continue at the regular time, 10:30 a.m."

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THE PUMPKIN NEWS COMICS

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Lonely Caregiver Seeks Comfort In Wrong Arms

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 56-year-old grandmother. The love of my life died last summer. As I cared for him throughout his illness, I grew deeply lonely and despondent. Around that time I began having coffee with an acquaintance of ours. To make a long story short — he gave me genital herpes.

Abby, please remind your readers to protect themselves. This disease is a life sentence. The physical and emotional pain can be overwhelming. A couple of hours in someone's arms isn't worth the isolation afterward. Now this affliction is with me for the rest of my life. It's a horrible disease. There's nothing romantic about it. I'm an intelligent person who should have known better.

PAYING THE PRICE

DEAR PAYING THE PRICE: You have learned a painful lesson, but an important one. Every sexually active person, regardless of age, should be tested before engaging in sex with a new partner. It is estimated that one out of four sexually active people have herpes — and 90 percent of them do not realize they have it. If everyone acted responsibly, it could save a lifetime of pain, embarrassment and regret.

More information on this important subject can be obtained by calling the Centers for Disease Control National STD Hotline toll-free number: (800) 227-8922. It is open 24/7.

DEAR ABBY: The letter you printed from "Rehabilitation Counselor," advising people with seizure disorders about state agencies that assist individuals with disabilities to become gainfully employed, was excellent. However, I would like to add more information:

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PETER ESHERICK, I am familiar with service dogs and the important role they can play in the lives of people with disabilities. While most of us are aware that Seeing Eye dogs perform an important function for sightless people, special dogs can also be trained to retrieve items, open and close doors, provide stability when walking, and alert their owners to oncoming seizures.

Canine Partners for Life can be contacted by writing to P.O. Box 170, Cochranville, PA 19330-0170. The phone number is (610) 869-4902 and the fax number is (610) 869-9785. The Web site is www.k94life.org.

DEAR ABBY: I have been with my girlfriend, "Adrian," for two years. She has always been obsessed with my past. Recently, Adrian went through all my old letters from ex-girlfriends, dating

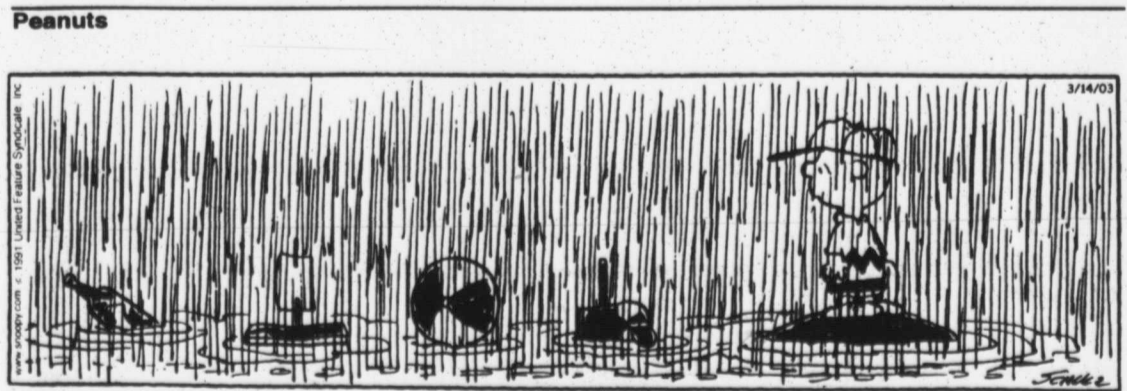
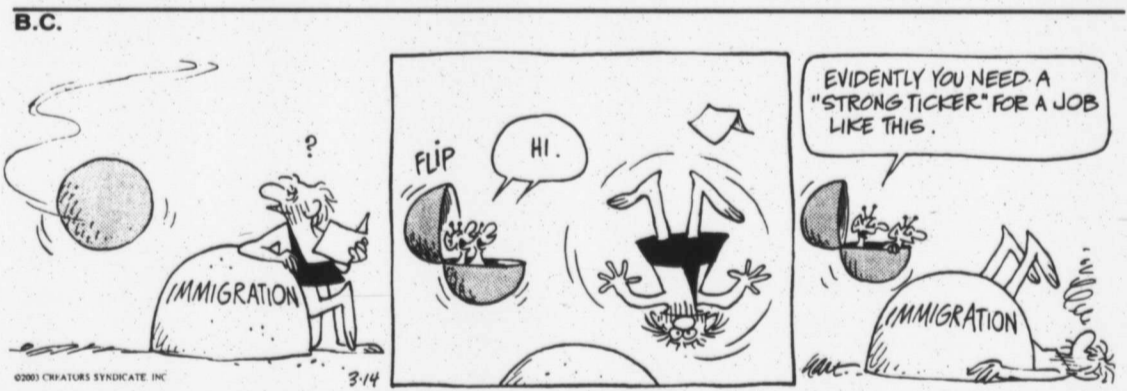
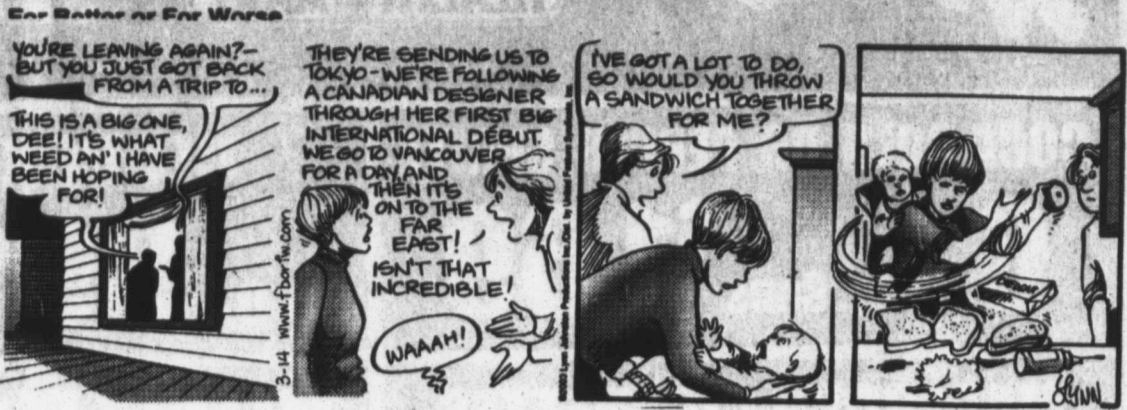
back to early grammar school. Now she is demanding that I burn them. I have refused because she read them without permission, disregarding my privacy.

Is it wrong to keep old letters? I've always assumed it's OK until I get married — or at least engaged. To me, the letters and notes are a "diary" of sorts. What's your opinion? **SENTIMENTAL GUY IN IDAHO**

DEAR SENTIMENTAL GUY: Your girlfriend is jealous, insecure, nosy and nifty. She has no right to "demand" anything from you. If I were you, I'd keep the letters and give Adrian a change-of-address form. In the long run, you'll be happier.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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President sets timetable to form Palestinian state

By BARRY SCHWEID
AP DIPLOMATIC WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — Poised to attack Iraq over the objections of most Arab countries, President Bush said Friday that he is ready to unveil recommendations for a path to creation by 2005 of a Palestinian state on land now held by Israel. Bush linked the step to political reform by the Palestinians.

Bush timed the unveiling of the road map to the confirmation of a Palestinian prime minister, a move that could occur by the end of next week. Bush, who once called for the removal of Yasser Arafat, hopes the new prime minister would have significant authority over negotiations and security.

Bush was responding to European as well as Arab complaints of U.S. inaction as he declared Israel cannot have peace without giving freedom to the Palestinians.

Arab and European governments have insisted that terror attacks against the United States are rooted in Palestinian frustration.

Shortly after Bush spoke, Palestinian minister of information Nabil Abu Rdeneh told the Associated Press in Jerusalem that British Prime Minister Tony Blair called Arafat.

"We appreciate the Bush speech and his commitment to the road map," Abu Rdeneh said. "But what is needed now is immediate implementation of the road map without any changes."

Arafat remains in charge of the Palestinian Authority, though, and will have final say in negotiations and over security. The new prime minister will run day-to-day Palestinian affairs.

In London, Blair linked the timing of the announcement to the steps toward war with Iraq. "I think it is precisely now when we do have all this focus on the issue of weapons of mass destruction and Saddam and all the things that he has done ... that we say to the Arab and Muslim world, we accept the obligation of evenhandedness," said the British prime minister.

Bush seized on the appointment of a Palestinian prime minister as a springboard for stepping up U.S. mediation, with the help of the United Nations, the European Union and Russia.

Speaking in the White

House Rose Garden, and taking no questions from reporters, Bush said he would soon unveil a "road map" for a settlement between Israel and the Palestinians that would establish a Palestinian state.

"There can be no peace for either side in the Middle East unless there is freedom for both," he said.

But he said "the time has come to move beyond entrenched positions, and to take concrete actions to achieve peace."

Only Thursday, Secretary of State Colin Powell said "continuing violence and terrorism from the Palestinian side directed against the state of Israel" was hampering both the United States and Israel in seeking an accord.

Powell agreed with Reps. Jesse L. Jackson Jr., D-Ill., and David Obey, D-Wis., that the administration would have more support for its Iraq policy "if we had been able to achieve greater progress in the Middle East."

Powell offered no criticism of Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, who has ruled out concessions to the Palestinians while terrorist acts continue.

But Bush on Friday called on Israel to stop building homes for Jews on the West Bank and in Gaza and to help in the emergence of a Palestinian state.

He also said the Arab states must oppose terrorism.

Ziad Abu Amr, a Palestinian legislator, said Bush appeared to be trying to reassure jittery allies as war with Iraq looms.

"He is trying to create linkage between the war on Iraq and the intention to work on the Israeli-Palestinian problem afterward," he told The Associated Press.

Bush spoke with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Jordan's King Abdullah II shortly before his remarks.

And Powell called U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan, European Union diplomat Javier Solana and Foreign Ministers Yoriko Kawaguchi of Japan, Ana Palacio of Spain, and George Papandreou of Greece, whose government currently heads the European Union.

Bush, referring to the Palestinian parliament's appointment of Mahmoud Abbas, known also as Abu Mazen, as prime minister, said "we have reached a hopeful moment for progress."

However, earlier in the week

the State Department said it was not clear whether Abbas would have control over security and negotiation, now held by Yasser Arafat.

Bush last June called for new Palestinian leadership and for democratic institutions, saying Arafat was entangled in terrorism against Israel.

On Friday, he said achieving a settlement would not be easy. And he said the "road map" would set forth a sequence of steps, "goals shared by all the parties."

"To be a credible and responsible partner, the new Palestinian prime minister must hold a position of real authority," Bush said. "We expect that such a ... prime minister will be confirmed soon. Immediately upon confirmation, the road map for peace will be given to the Palestinians and the Israelis."

The White House believes the Palestinian council will name a prime minister as early as next week. A senior administration official said that if the appointee was deemed credible by the U.S., Bush would move quickly to unveil his plan.

Bush made the announcement in the Rose Garden, standing alongside Powell.

Reacting to the announcement, Palestinian Cabinet minister Saeb Erekat said it was "high time for the American president to introduce the road map for implementation."

"As far as the appointment of the Palestinian prime minister is concerned, all the necessary political and legal steps have been taken," he told The Associated Press.

The senior administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the speech was meant as an incentive to Palestinians as its legislative conference meets to enact reforms. He said that if the Palestinians appoint a prime minister with control of security, negotiations and other critical matters, Bush would release his formula for peace.

The official said Bush's offer is not tied to the conflict with Saddam Hussein, though he acknowledged that it comes shortly after the president argued in a speech that removing Saddam would pave way for Middle East peace.

The administration also has demanded democratic changes within the Palestinian movement, free elections and the removal of Arafat, the Palestinians' longtime leader.



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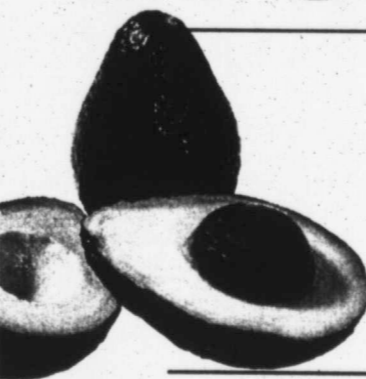
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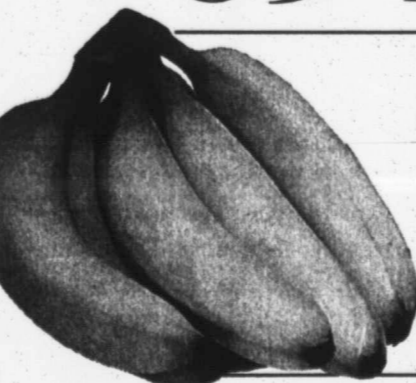
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Police roundup herd of escaped sheep

GALVESTON (AP) — An escaped herd of sheep that made its way onto a freeway turned a number of Galveston police officers into cowboys Thursday.

"You're not going to believe this," Sgt. Ross Perez of the Galveston Police Department told his colleagues. "There's a herd of goats coming down the freeway. ... One cleared my hood, just like a deer."

Within moments, the chase was on to roundup the livestock, which turned out to be a herd of Barbados sheep that slipped out of a fenced property near Interstate 45, which leads north from Galveston to Houston.

The sheep entered a freeway ramp about 11 a.m., witnesses told police officers. They stalled traffic and nearly caused a number of wrecks before police officers were able to respond, using their motorcycles to corral the animals. The Galveston County Daily News reported in Friday's editions.

Wrecker drivers, deputies from the Galveston County Sheriff's Department and troopers with the Texas Department of Public Safety also assisted in the roundup.

Bill Rogers, who works at the property from which the sheep made their getaway, helped capture a loose ram.

"I don't know what good it did," he said. "The little ones are supposed to follow the big one. I've been running up and

down the road like a maniac, chasing sheep."

Police said they were able to corral most of the sheep into a fenced city lot about 45 minutes after the chase began but lost one of the animals, which jumped into a bayou.

SPORTS

Knight, Tech advance; Colorado wins stunner

DALLAS (AP) — Bob Knight was able to give back his salary when he didn't meet his expectations. Texas Tech players don't have such an option.

The only way the Red Raiders can make up for their disappointing play through the regular-season Big 12 Conference race is by winning in the postseason. They took the first step Thursday with a big comeback in the opening round of the Big 12 tournament.

Andre Emmett scored 23 points, including eight straight in a game-ending 10-0 run as the Red Raiders rallied to beat Baylor 68-65 Thursday night.

"We're tired of saying our backs are against the wall and coming into the locker room with a loss," said Kasib Powell, who had 20 points. "We've underachieved all season. We wanted to pick it up."

Emmett rebounded his own miss and made the go-ahead basket with 12.4 seconds left. After Baylor missed a last shot, Powell fouled fighting for the rebound with under two seconds to play and hit both of his free throws.

"I don't feel like a hero, I just made the last shot," Emmett said.

The Red Raiders win wasn't as miraculous as Colorado's 77-76 triumph over Kansas State, when James Wright banked a 3-pointer at the buzzer after a bizarre series of events.

"I was just lucky it went in," Wright said. "It wasn't designed for me. I just set a screen, came off and I was wide open."

Kansas State should have had a victory after Pervic Pasco intercepted Colorado's desperation court-length inbound pass with 3 seconds left. Instead, Pasco raised an arm in celebration and took some steps with the ball, thinking his team had won the game. But the referees whistled him for a traveling violation with 1.8 seconds still left on the clock.

Colorado, which bolstered its NCAA

resume with its 20th win, plays sixth-ranked Oklahoma (21-6) in a quarterfinal game Friday.

Texas Tech (17-11) plays Friday against third-ranked Texas (22-5). The Red Raiders likely have to win two more Big 12 games and get into Sunday's final for an NCAA berth.

"Maybe we're just not good enough yet. I don't know," Knight said.

Regardless, the Red Raiders seem to have a lock for a spot in the NIT. Tickets for a nationally televised NIT game Monday night in Lubbock have already

"We're tired of saying our backs are against the wall and coming into the locker room with a loss. We've underachieved all season. We wanted to pick it up."

— Kasib Powell, Tech forward

gone on sale in Lubbock.

In the other opening-round games Thursday, it was: Iowa State 97, Texas A&M 70; and Missouri 70, Nebraska 61.

Fourth-ranked Kansas (24-6), the Big 12 regular season champ, plays Iowa State (16-12) in the first quarterfinal Friday. The other game matches No. 23 Oklahoma State (21-8) against Missouri (19-9).

Wright's shot was one of many incredible aspects of Colorado's win. But Pasco's premature celebration will certainly be the lasting memory.

"You can't really blame it on one thing that happened," said teammate Matt Siebrandt, whose free throws with 48 seconds left had put Kansas State up 74-72. "A lot of freak things took place."

After Frank Richards put the Wildcats up 76-74 with a driving layup through traffic with 3.3 seconds left, all the Wildcats had to do was defend the

inbound pass to become the first 11th seed to win a game in the tournament's seven-year history.

Wright threw it in and it was swatted out of bounds. The scoreboard initially read 1.8 seconds left, but officials changed it to 2.6.

So Wright tried again, this time heaving it about 60 feet down the right sideline. It went right into Pasco's hands, leading to his victory stroll.

In the confusion, officials watched a replay and bumped the clock from 0.9 seconds to 1.8. That gave the Buffs, who

were out of timeouts, a chance to draw up their third inbound play.

This time, Glean Eddy tossed it in as Wright worked his way open. The red light surrounding the backboard indicating time had expired came on just before the ball hit the glass and fell through the rim.

"I didn't call bank," Wright said. "It was all luck. I guess it was just meant for us to win."

Texas Tech ended a three-game losing streak, its longest under Knight, who said this week that he won't accept his \$250,000 base salary for this season.

"This was a big game for us," guard Will Chavis said. "We wanted to fight and stay alive."

Baylor made 13 3-pointers, but didn't score in the last 4:53. The Bears missed their last six shots, and their only two free throw attempts when top free-throw shooter Matt Sayman missed the front-end of two bonus situations.

"I don't have a revelation. We had

our opportunities, we just didn't make the plays when we had to," said Baylor coach Dave Bliss, a former Knight assistant.

Before Emmett's go-ahead basket, the Red Raiders hadn't led since Powell's free throw with 4:52 left in the first half made it 29-28.

Kenny Taylor led Baylor with 22 points, including six 3-pointers. R.T. Guinn had 17 points and 10 rebounds.

Iowa St. 97, Texas A&M 70

Iowa State avoided another early exit from the tournament. The Cyclones never trailed after scoring the game's first five points and building a 20-point lead midway through the first half.

Tim Barnes had six 3-pointers among his 21 points to lead six players in double figures for the Cyclones, who had lost in the first round of the Big 12 tournament in both years since winning the event in 2000. Marcus Jefferson added 19 points and Jake Sullivan had 17.

Big 12 career scoring leader Bernard King had 20 points to lead Texas A&M (14-14), which has never won a game in the Big 12 tournament. Andy Slocum had 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Missouri 70, Nebraska 61

Arthur Johnson powered his way to 18 points, 12 rebounds and five blocks and the Tigers overcame an early 22-4 deficit.

Rickey Paulding added 19 points and 11 rebounds as the Tigers.

Andrew Drevo had 21 points and 10 rebounds to lead Nebraska (11-19), which shot a season-low 27 percent from the field (17 of 62).

Missouri tied the game at 29, then trailed only 33-32 at halftime after Ricky Clemons hit a 3-pointer. The Tigers first led after Paulding made a layup less than two minutes into the second half, and trailed only once after that.

A-Rod returns for checkup

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Texas Rangers shortstop Alex Rodriguez left training camp Thursday to have his stiff left shoulder examined in Texas.

Rodriguez said the shoulder was stiff and fatigued after a game Tuesday, and it was still bothering him after playing Wednesday night. The team decided to take a closer look as a precaution after an initial examination by team physician Dr. Drew Dossett. Rodriguez throws and hits right-handed.

Dossett was to supervise the tests in Dallas. Rodriguez, who already was scheduled to be off Thursday, was expected to return to Arizona late Thursday or Friday.

Rodriguez, who led the majors with 57 homers, 142 RBIs and 389 total bases last season, is hitting .300 with one homer and nine RBIs through 10 spring games.

PHS teams entered in soccer playoffs

WICHITA FALLS — Both Pampa High soccer teams are in bi-district action this weekend at Midwestern State University.

In the girls' division, Pampa meets Wichita Falls Rider at 1 p.m. Saturday. Pampa and Gainesville follow at 3 p.m. in the boys' division.

Pampa boys claimed the No. 3 seed out of District 3-4A behind Randall and Borger.

"Gainesville has a pretty good team. They finished second in a tough district," said Pampa coach John True.

Chance Crain and Marc Garza, both seniors, have been Pampa's offensive leaders this season.

The Harvesters started district by winning their first three matches, but then lost three of their next four. Pampa, however, closed out

with a 5-2 win over Randall. Pampa had lost to Randall 3-1 in the first round of district.

The Lady Harvesters finished district with a 7-3 record, good for the No. 3 seed.

Coach Andy Cavalier's lineup will probably look like this: Goalkeeper - Leslie McWilliams; Sweeper - Keisha Childress; Defensive backs: Katlin Passini and Adeena Dallas; Defensive midfielders - Valerie Velez and Mary Beth Warner; Outside midfielders - Kori Dunn and Heather Balay; Offensive midfielders - Sarah Porter and Stefani Goldsmith; Forward: Tiffani Neef.

Goldsmith, a senior, led the team in goals scored during district play. Her goal in a 1-0 shootout against Palo Duro with two matches remaining clinched a playoff spot for the Lady Harvesters.



Senior Stefani Goldsmith led the Lady Harvesters in goals during district.

Stewart headed to Chicago, Davis agrees to join Panthers

By The Associated Press

Kordell Stewart insists he still should be an NFL starting quarterback. He'll get the chance to be one again in Chicago.

The Bears, who cut starter Jim Miller last month, signed Stewart to a two-year contract Thursday, one of the busier days in the 2-week-old free agency period. Stewart was 46-30 as a starter during his eight years in Pittsburgh, and twice led the Steelers to the AFC title game.

He lost his job to Tommy Maddox last season, and his only substantial playing time came in victories over the Bengals and Jaguars when Maddox was hurt.

Stewart, released by the Steelers in February, has

13,328 career yards passing, completing 1,190 of 2,107 attempts with 70 touchdown passes and 72 interceptions.

The Carolina Panthers also made a big score, filling a hole at running back with Stephen Davis.

The former workhorse running back for Washington agreed to a five-year deal that also puts Davis, 29, near his childhood home in Columbia, S.C. Davis, released for salary cap reasons last month, was the Redskins' No. 3 career rusher with 5,790 yards, and the only player in franchise history to run for 1,000 yards in three consecutive seasons. But his straight-ahead running style wasn't a good fit in coach Steve Spurrier's wide-open offense.

Davis' agent, David Canter,

NFL Roundup

said Davis got a five-year deal worth \$15.5 million, with a \$2.5 million signing bonus.

"This is coming home for him," Canter said. "He also feels part of a movement and he thinks he can be a catalyst. He wants to be the franchise back who carries them to the Super Bowl."

An even more prominent running back spent the day meeting with the Arizona Cardinals — Emmitt Smith, the NFL's career rushing leader. The talks were the first Smith has had with any team since being released Feb. 27 by Dallas, the only team he has played for in his 13-season career.

Smith ended the meeting

saying he believes the long-downtrodden Cardinals are committed to winning.

"Right now I can say one thing about the Cardinals is I felt at home," Smith said. "For some reason, coming out here to Arizona, I've always felt like being at home."

Jacksonville, meanwhile, signed former Indianapolis linebacker Mike Peterson, who has been plagued by injuries the past two seasons. Peterson is also going back home — he's from Gainesville and played at Florida.

The six-year, \$20.4 million contract, which includes \$5 million in guaranteed bonuses, is modest by most standards, especially those set by the Jaguars in their free-spending early years.

"This was a good move for us at this time," vice president of player personnel James Harris said. "We got one of the better linebackers in the league."

New Jaguars coach Jack Del Rio is a former NFL linebacker and a linebackers coach.

The New York Jets ensured they would get kick returner Chad Morton back by matching the \$8 million, five-year contract proffered to him by Washington. New York offered Morton, who was second in the AFC in kickoff return average (26.0), an opportunity for more plays from scrimmage.

"He can catch the ball well, is a guy who is a tough matchup for linebackers and safeties," Jets general manager Terry Bradway said.

NOTEBOOK

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Baseball commissioner Bud Selig all but ruled out the participation of major leaguers in the 2004 Games, saying the sport cannot interrupt its season.

In November, the International Olympic Committee put off until after the 2004 Games any vote on dropping baseball from the 2008 Olympic schedule.

International Baseball Federation president Aldo Notari said last year that the sport would be willing to shorten its Olympic schedule from 11 days to five, which could make the games more attractive to the major leagues. But Selig sounded as if any interruption to the regular season was close to impossible.

BASKETBALL

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Dante Swanson, Jason Parker and Seneca Collins each scored 12 points to lead Tulsa to an 81-47 victory over Texas-El Paso in the Western Athletic Conference quarterfinals in Thursday.

The Golden Hurricane (20-9) scored 21 consecutive points in the first half and led 37-13 at the break.

The Hurricane shot 46 percent from the field while limiting UTEP to 30.5 percent shooting. The Miners (6-24) had 16 turnovers and made just six of 26 shots in the first half.

Justino Victoriano had 18 points and 11 rebounds for UTEP.

Tulsa jumped out to a 13-6 lead, then scored 21 straight points before Thomas Gehrke hit a basket for UTEP with 2:39 left in the half.

UTEP freshman center John Tofi was injured with 16:02 left in the second half. He took an inadvertent blow to the head and was taken off the court on a stretcher.

UTEP coach Billy Gillispie said Tofi was not seriously injured.

Tulsa will face Hawaii in the semifinals on Friday.

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Tech guard Natalie Ritchie was carried off the court on a stretcher Thursday night after she hit her head on the floor as she scrambled for a loose ball near the end of Tech's Big 12 tournament game with Kansas State.

Ritchie, a junior from Amarillo, remained on the court for about 10 minutes while team doctors tended to her. She appeared responsive as she was taken from the court.

Dr. Rebecca Raedeke, Texas Tech's team physician, said Ritchie was taken to a Dallas hospital with what appeared to be a concussion.

"Natalie is awake, alert and responding appropriately to questions," Raedeke said. "If X-rays and the CT scan are negative, we will observe her in the hospital for three hours and then she will go home."

SCOREBOARD

BOWLING
Harvester Lanes
League Results
Church League
(Week 9)

Team	Won	Lost
Wards for Christ	28	8
Four Him	23	13
Ball Point Pins	23	13
Carpenter Creations	20	16
Team Eight	20	16
Hits & Misses	15	21
God's Angels	13	23

Week's Top Scores
Men
High scratch game: Charles Lowry 213; High scratch series: Ward Crouch 489; High handicap game: Charles Lowry 264; High handicap series: Roy Villareal 626.
Women
High scratch game: Kay Crouch 174; High scratch series: Kay Crouch 437; High handicap game: Kay Crouch 437; High handicap series: Lou Terry 591.

BASKETBALL
Conference Tournament Glances
All Times EST
America East Conference
At Chase Family Arena
West Hartford, Conn.
First Round
Thursday, March 13
Vermont 69, Binghamton 58
Boston University 55, Northeastern 53
Maine 71, Hartford 51
New Hampshire 70, Stony Brook 57
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
Vermont vs. Boston University, 6 p.m.
Maine vs. New Hampshire, 8:30 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 4 p.m.

Atlantic Coast Conference
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
First Round
Friday, March 7
Clemson 63, Maryland 61
Duke 64, Wake Forest 59
Second Round
Saturday, March 8
Georgia Tech 64, Florida State 59
North Carolina 80, Clemson 71
Virginia 66, North Carolina State 56
Semifinals
Sunday, March 9
Duke 76, Georgia Tech 52
North Carolina 88, Virginia 78
Championship
Monday, March 10
Duke 77, North Carolina 59

Atlantic Sun Conference
At UCF Arena
Orlando, Fla.
First Round
Thursday, March 13
Jacksonville State 65, Florida Atlantic 55
Georgia State 63, Mercer 50
Central Florida 87, Campbell 63
Belmont 53, Troy State 49
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
Jacksonville State vs. Georgia State, 6 p.m.
Central Florida vs. Belmont, 8:15 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 4 p.m.

Atlantic 10 Conference
At The Ryan Center
Kingston, R.I.
First Round
Thursday, March 6
Duquesne 60, Fordham 52
Richmond 58, St. Bonaventure 43
Rhode Island 62, Dayton 57
La Salle 67, Massachusetts 62
Quarterfinals
Friday, March 7
George Washington 76, Duquesne 58
Temple 58, Richmond 56
Rhode Island 62, Saint Joseph's 49
Xavier 74, La Salle 58
Semifinals
Saturday, March 8
George Washington 64, Temple 59
Rhode Island 52, Xavier 48

At The Charles E. Smith Center
Washington
Championship
Monday, March 10
George Washington 56, Rhode Island 49
Big East Conference
At The Louis Brown Athletic Center
Piscataway, N.J.
First Round
Saturday, March 8
Virginia Tech 66, West Virginia 60
Seton Hall 58, Georgetown 55
Miami 77, Syracuse 64
Notre Dame 73, Pittsburgh 65
Quarterfinals
Sunday, March 9
Virginia Tech 74, Boston College 70, OT
Connecticut 70, Seton Hall 47
Miami 77, Rutgers 74
Villanova 50, Notre Dame 39
Semifinals
Monday, March 10
Connecticut 71, Virginia Tech 54
Villanova 65, Miami 59
Championship
Tuesday, March 11
Villanova 52, Connecticut 48

Big Sky Conference
At Dee Events Center
Ogden, Utah
First Round
Thursday, March 13
Montana 65, Northern Arizona 58
Eastern Washington 71, Portland State 64
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
Montana State vs. Montana, 7 p.m.
Weber State vs. E. Washington, 9:30 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 9 p.m.
Big South Conference
First Round
Wednesday, March 5
Liberty 70, North Carolina-Asheville 39
Elon 73, Winthrop 61
High Point 59, Radford 45
Coastal Carolina 77, Charleston Southern 72

At The Vines Center
Lynchburg, Va.
Semifinals
Saturday, March 8

Liberty 78, Coastal Carolina 68
High Point 80, Elon 66
Championship
Sunday, March 9
Liberty 84, High Point 71

Big Ten Conference
At Conoco Fieldhouse
Indianapolis
First Round
Thursday, March 6
Indiana 52, Wisconsin 51
Iowa 70, Northwestern 58
Michigan 83, Illinois 59
Quarterfinals
Friday, March 7
Penn State 67, Indiana 64
Ohio State 71, Michigan State 55
Iowa 80, Minnesota 77
Purdue 72, Michigan 50
Semifinals
Sunday, March 9
Ohio State 72, Penn State 61
Purdue 84, Iowa 57
Championship
Monday, March 10
Purdue 67, Ohio State 65

Big 12 Conference
At Reunion Arena
Dallas
First Round
Tuesday, March 11
Kansas 63, Iowa State 60
Oklahoma 71, Nebraska 51
Baylor 80, Texas A&M 61
Oklahoma St. 56, Missouri 54
Quarterfinals
Wednesday, March 12
Texas 87, Kansas 56
Colorado 73, Oklahoma 68
Kansas State 77, Baylor 60
Texas Tech 75, Oklahoma State 52
Semifinals
Thursday, March 13
Texas 62, Colorado 47
Texas Tech 71, Kansas State 65
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Texas vs. Texas Tech, 7 p.m.

Big West Conference
At Anaheim Convention Center Arena
Anaheim, Calif.
First Round
Wednesday, March 12
Long Beach State 76, Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo 62
Pacific 63, UC Riverside 61
UC Santa Barbara 93, Cal State Fullerton 58
UC Irvine 65, Idaho 60
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
UC Santa Barbara vs. UC Irvine, 3 p.m.
Long Beach State vs. Pacific, 5:30 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 4 p.m.

Colonial Athletic Association
At ODU Fieldhouse
Norfolk, Va.
First Round
Wednesday, March 12
Drexel 52, Towson 46
Hofstra 69, William & Mary 66
Quarterfinals
Thursday, March 13
Delaware 68, Drexel 51
Virginia Commonwealth 76, North Carolina-Wilmington 66
James Madison 70, George Mason 50
Old Dominion 88, Hofstra 46
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
Delaware vs. Virginia Commonwealth, 5 p.m.
James Madison vs. Old Dominion, 7:30 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 4 p.m.

Conference USA
At The Pyramid
Memphis, Tenn.
First Round
Thursday, March 6
Southern Mississippi 71, Houston 69
Louisville 86, Saint Louis 59
Marquette 79, Memphis 64
Texas Christian 54, East Carolina 44
Quarterfinals
Friday, March 7
Cincinnati 61, Southern Mississippi 42
DePaul 66, Louisville 57
Charlotte 67, Marquette 65
Texas Christian 78, Tulane 65
Semifinals
Saturday, March 8
Cincinnati 81, DePaul 64.
Texas Christian 78, Charlotte 65
Championship
Sunday, March 9
Texas Christian 85, Cincinnati 76

Horizon League
At The Resch Center
Green Bay, Wis.
First Round
Wednesday, March 5
Butler 77, Youngstown State 71
Quarterfinals
Thursday, March 6
Detroit 63, Illinois-Chicago 43
Cleveland State 83, Wisconsin-Milwaukee 69
Wisconsin-Green Bay 86, Butler 51
Loyola of Chicago 81, Wright State 65
Semifinals
Friday, March 7
Detroit 75, Cleveland State 74
Wisconsin-Green Bay 70, Loyola of Chicago 52
Championship
Sunday, March 9
Wisconsin-Green Bay 83, Detroit 59

Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference
At Sovereign Bank Arena
Trenton, N.J.
First Round
Thursday, March 6
Canisius 76, Iona 58
Marist 72, Loyola, Md. 69
Fairfield 67, Rider 53
Second Round
Friday, March 7
Canisius 83, St. Peter's 71
Siena 79, Marist 62
Niagara 76, Fairfield 65
Saturday, March 8
Manhattan 71, Canisius 57
Siena 91, Niagara 56
Championship
Sunday, March 9
Manhattan 65, Siena 57
Mid-American Conference

First Round
Saturday, March 8
Western Michigan 101, Akron 60
Kent State 83, Ohio 60
Buffalo 72, Central Michigan 53
Eastern Michigan 66, Bowling Green 54
Marshall 70, Northern Illinois 58
At Gund Arena
Cleveland
Quarterfinals
Wednesday, March 12
Toledo 80, Marshall 66
Western Michigan 87, Kent State 72
Miami (Ohio) 80, Eastern Michigan 66
Ball State 81, Buffalo 63
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
Toledo vs. Western Michigan, Noon
Miami (Ohio) vs. Ball State, 2:30 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 1 p.m.

Mid-Continent Conference
At Kemper Arena
Kansas City, Mo.
First Round
Saturday, March 8
Western Illinois 65, Southern Utah 55
Valparaiso 94, Oral Roberts 56
Chicago State 58, Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis 53
Oakland, Mich. 81, Missouri-Kansas City 62
Semifinals
Monday, March 10
Valparaiso 49, Western Illinois 45
Oakland, Mich. 60, Chicago State 52
Championship
Tuesday, March 11
Valparaiso 48, Oakland, Mich. 46

Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference
At The Arthur Ashe Center
Richmond, Va.
First Round
Monday, March 10
Maryland-Eastern Shore 80, Morgan State 48
Coppin State 71, North Carolina A&T 65
Tuesday, March 11
South Carolina State 69, Norfolk State 44
At Richmond Coliseum
Richmond, Va.
Quarterfinals
Wednesday, March 12
Hampton 79, South Carolina State 69
Delaware State 68, Coppin State 45
Thursday, March 13
Howard 73, Maryland-Eastern Shore 63
Florida A&M 64, Bethune Cookman 62
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
Hampton vs. Florida A&M, Noon
Howard vs. Delaware State, 6 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 4 p.m.

Missouri Valley Conference
At Drake Knapp Center
Des Moines, Iowa
First Round
Thursday, March 13
Indiana State 81, Wichita State 60
Northern Iowa 72, Bradley 62
Creighton 70, Illinois State 54
Southwest Missouri State 61, Drake 59
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
Indiana State vs. Northern Iowa, 7 p.m.
Creighton vs. Southwest Missouri State, 9:30 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 4 p.m.
Mountain West Conference
At The Thomas & Mack Center
Las Vegas
First Round
Wednesday, March 12
Utah 83, Air Force 46
Brigham Young 66, UNLV 64, OT
New Mexico 54, San Diego State 49
Colorado State 59, Wyoming 56
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
Utah vs. Brigham Young, 3 p.m.
New Mexico vs. Colorado State, 5:30 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 6:30 p.m.

Northeast Conference
At The William H. Pitt Center
Fairfield, Conn.
First Round
Saturday, March 8
St. Francis, Pa. 80, Mount St. Mary's, Md. 63
Long Island U., 51, Sacred Heart 48
Maryland-Baltimore County 66, Quinnipiac 47
Monmouth, N.J. 51, Wagner 48
Semifinals
Sunday, March 9
St. Francis, Pa. 59, Long Island University 53
Maryland-Baltimore County 48, Monmouth, N.J. 40
At The Stokes Center
Loretto, Pa.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Maryland-Baltimore County at St. Francis, Pa., 4 p.m.

Ohio Valley Conference
First Round
Tuesday, March 4
Austin Peay 75, Murray State 54
Tennessee Tech 67, Eastern Kentucky 65
Southeast Missouri State 79, Eastern Illinois 76
Tennessee-Martin 80, Morehead State 75
At The Gaylord Entertainment Center
Nashville, Tenn.
Semifinals
Friday, March 7
Austin Peay 73, Tennessee-Martin 58
Southeast Missouri State 78, Tennessee Tech 65
Championship
Saturday, March 8
Austin Peay 85, Southeast Missouri State 61
Pacific-10 Conference
At HP Pavilion
San Jose, Calif.
First Round
Friday, March 7
Southern California 53, Washington State 46
California 46, Arizona State 38
Quarterfinals
Saturday, March 8
Washington 64, Southern California 63
Arizona 70, Oregon State 56
Stanford 60, California 35
UCLA 71, Oregon 58
Semifinals
Sunday, March 9
Arizona 74, Washington 51
Stanford 69, UCLA 64

Championship
Monday, March 10
Stanford 59, Arizona 49

Patriot League
At Show Place Arena
Upper Marlboro, Md.
First Round
Friday, March 7
Holy Cross 88, Lafayette 60
Bucknell 79, Navy 69, OT
American 71, Colgate 65
Army 78, Lehigh 70
Semifinals
Sunday, March 9
Holy Cross 66, Bucknell 63
Army 78, American 73
At The Hart Center
Worcester, Mass.
Championship
Wednesday, March 12
Holy Cross 78, Army 65

Southeastern Conference
At Alltel Arena
North Little Rock, Ark.
First Round
Thursday, March 6
Auburn 68, Kentucky 62
Arkansas 53, Alabama 48
South Carolina 79, Mississippi 64
Vanderbilt 74, Florida 58
Quarterfinals
Friday, March 7
Tennessee 66, Auburn 51
LSU 78, Arkansas 72
Mississippi State 79, South Carolina 75
Vanderbilt 74, Georgia 70
Semifinals
Saturday, March 8
Tennessee 76, Mississippi State 75
LSU 78, Vanderbilt 69
Championship
Sunday, March 9
LSU 78, Tennessee 62

Southern Conference
At McAlister Field House
Charleston, S.C.
First Round
Wednesday, March 5
College of Charleston 76, East Tennessee State 60
Davidson 72, Wofford 70
Quarterfinals
Thursday, March 6
Furman 65, North Carolina-Greensboro 51
Chattanooga 75, College of Charleston 49
Davidson 62, Western Carolina 58
Georgia Southern 82, Appalachian State 71, OT
At North Charleston Coliseum
North Charleston, S.C.
Semifinals
Friday, March 7
Chattanooga 65, Furman 53
Georgia Southern 62, Davidson 57
Championship
Saturday, March 8
Chattanooga 66, Georgia Southern 52

Southland Conference
First Round
Tuesday, March 11
Louisiana-Monroe 71, Northwestern State 62
Southwest Texas 79, Texas-Arlington 52
Semifinals
Thursday, March 13
Texas-San Antonio 60, Louisiana-Monroe 56
Southwest Texas 64, Stephen F. Austin 56
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Texas-San Antonio vs. Southwest Texas, 4:30 p.m.
Southwestern Athletic Conference
First Round
Tuesday, March 11
Alabama State 89, Mississippi Valley State 52
Alcorn State 62, Southern University 50
Grambling State 67, Prairie View 50
Jackson State 65, Alabama A&M 48
At Fair Park Arena
Birmingham, Ala.
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
Alabama State vs. Alcorn State, 1 p.m.
Grambling State vs. Jackson State, 3:30 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 4 p.m.
Sun Belt Conference
Bowling Green, Ky.
First Round
Thursday, March 6
Arkansas State 66, Denver 59
North Texas 70, Arkansas-Little Rock 59
Florida International 77, Louisiana-Lafayette 41

Quarterfinals
Saturday, March 8
Arkansas State 64, New Mexico State 60
Western Kentucky 65, North Texas 53
Sunday, March 9
Middle Tennessee State 69, New Orleans 55
South Alabama 74, Florida International 57
Semifinals
Monday, March 10
Middle Tennessee State 65, Arkansas State 52
Western Kentucky 62, South Alabama 53
Championship
Tuesday, March 11
Western Kentucky 86, Middle Tennessee State 83

West Coast Conference
First Round
Thursday, March 6
Loyola Marymount 61, Portland 47
San Diego 69, St. Mary's, Calif. 56
Second Round
Friday, March 7
Santa Clara 68, Loyola Marymount 54
San Diego 66, San Francisco 54
Semifinals
Saturday, March 8
Santa Clara 60, Gonzaga 59, OT
Pepperdine 62, San Diego 53
Championship
Sunday, March 9
Pepperdine 69, Santa Clara 57
Western Athletic Conference
First Round
Tuesday, March 11
Southern Methodist 60, Nevada 49
Boise State 75, Texas-El Paso 58
Quarterfinals
Wednesday, March 12
Southern Methodist 58, Rice 55
Fresno State 63, San Jose State 57
Louisiana Tech 80, Boise State 55
Hawaii 62, Tulsa 48
Semifinals
Friday, March 14
Southern Methodist vs. Fresno State, 1 p.m.
Louisiana Tech vs. Hawaii, 3:30 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 15
Semifinal winners, 2 p.m.

Lady Raiders rally for win

DALLAS (AP) — Plenette Pierson scored 22 points as No. 8 Texas Tech rallied late to defeat No. 7 Kansas State 71-65 on Thursday in the semifinals of the Big 12 tournament.

The Red Raiders move on to face top-seeded Texas in Saturday's final. Texas Tech hasn't advanced to the league final since 1999, when the Red Raiders beat Iowa State to win their second-straight Big 12 title.

Texas Tech (25-4) trailed for most of the game, but started to come back after Kansas State center Nicole Ohlde picked up her third and fourth fouls in a four-second span. She was taken out of the game with 10:11 left and didn't return until nearly seven minutes later.

When Ohlde left, the game was tied at 52. That's when Tech started the game-turning surge.

Pierson scored with 7:23 left to break a 55-55 tie, then fought for a rebound on defense and Jametra Clark scored on the next possession to put the Red Raiders off by four.

With 2:46 remaining, Pierson scored on a beautiful up-and-under move to give Texas Tech a 66-61 lead. Kansas State (28-3) never got any closer than three points down the stretch.

Pierson also finished with 11 rebounds.

It was Texas Tech's second win over Kansas State in the past seven days. Texas Tech won the regular season finale between the two 73-64 last week, snapping the Wildcats' nine-game win streak and preventing them from winning their first Big 12 title.

In the first half, Kansas State used its height advantage at nearly every position to keep the Red Raiders from penetrating into the lane. The Wildcasts also outrebounded the Red Raiders 21-9.

But Ohlde's fourth foul early in the second half seemingly deflated her teammates as they struggled to work the ball inside and couldn't keep Pierson from dominating in the post.

Ohlde fouled out with 20 seconds left.

Megan Mahoney led Kansas State with 24 points and 10 rebounds. Kendra Wecker added 20 points and nine rebounds, while Ohlde had 15 points and eight rebounds.

Mavs defeated by SuperSonics

SEATTLE (AP) — Dirk Nowitzki discounted fatigue as the main reason for the Dallas Mavericks' recent inability to finish strong.

Rashard Lewis had 30 points and 10 rebounds as the Seattle SuperSonics ended a three-game losing streak with a 107-100 victory over the Mavericks on Thursday night.

"The whole year we've been coming down the stretch with big plays, and lately we don't seem to be doing that," said Nowitzki, who scored 27 points.

Nowitzki's free throw with 58.2 seconds left cut the Sonics' lead to 100-97, but the Mavericks' defense broke down on the next possession, and Lewis beat Nowitzki and drove down the middle of the key for an uncontested dunk.

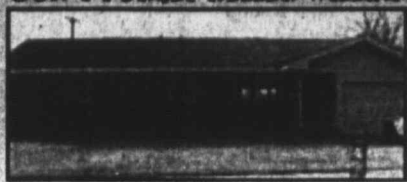
"They were making all their shots down the stretch," Nowitzki said. "I wasn't tired out there. We just didn't get the stops when we needed to."



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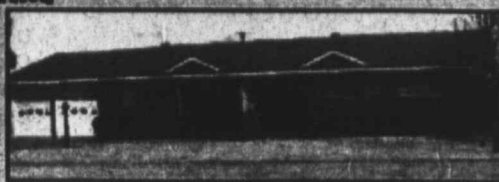
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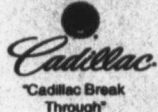
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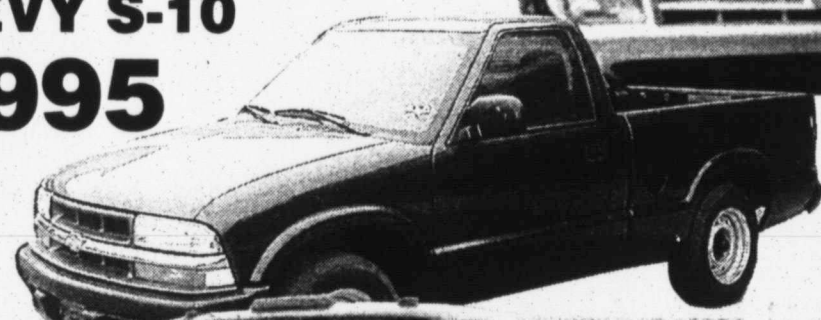
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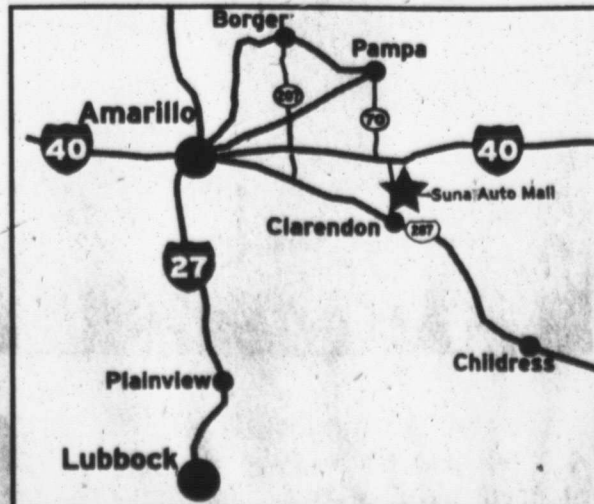
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Washington awaits North Korea's next move

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — If North Korean missile launches and a fighter jet fly-by weren't enough to rattle nerves in Washington, Pyongyang has other more daunting cards to play and could be waiting for bombs to fall on Baghdad.

As the world counts down to war in Iraq, focus here is turning to what the communist North might do next — and when. Many expect action to coincide with possible conflict in the Middle East, when Washington has its hands full.

"The provocations will continue. And it will get worse once the bombs start to drop on Iraq," said E. Han Kim, a North Korea expert at the University of Michigan's William Davidson Institute. "It will escalate."

A long-range missile test, cross-border confrontations or the reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel for atomic bombs

might be in store in coming weeks.

Over the past month alone, North Korea has gradually ratcheted up tension in an apparent attempt to force Washington to the negotiating table.

A North Korean fighter jet alarmed South Korea by darting into its airspace, the North fired short-range cruise missiles off its east coast, and four communist jets intercepted a U.S. spy plane over international waters.

The United States filed a protest with Pyongyang over the interception and sent long-range bombers to Guam. A U.S. aircraft carrier, the USS Carl Vinson, docked off the South's coast to take part in annual military exercises.

Secretary of State Colin Powell, however, called the first North Korean missile launch "innocuous."

"The United States still has a do-nothing policy and is preoccupied with Iraq," said Paik

Haksoon, of the Sejong Institute, a research center near Seoul. "North Korean leaders may think the time has come to play more aggressively."

Testifying before a U.S. Congressional committee on Wednesday, Gen. Leon J. Laporte, the commander of the 37,000 American forces in South Korea, said he also expected North Korea to "continue to politically escalate the situation."

Laporte said the North probably wouldn't attack South Korea, but forecast that additional actions like the plane interception were possible, as well as missile tests and additional steps toward producing nuclear weapons.

At issue is North Korea's insistence on direct negotiations with the United States to sign a nonaggression pact. The North also wants economic aid.

The United States has refused, saying North Korea

must first abandon its nuclear development programs.

Since the United States accused the North of having a secret nuclear weapons program in October, tensions have spiraled.

Washington and its allies suspended fuel shipments to the impoverished nation. The North retaliated by expelling U.N. monitors, withdrawing from the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty and restarting a nuclear reactor.

Recent events are seen as attempts to pressure the United States into negotiations.

If there is war in Iraq, Washington would likely be in a weaker bargaining position, more susceptible to hardball bluffs and more likely to compromise, said Kim Sung-han, a North Korea watcher with the Institute for Foreign Affairs and National Security, a government-backed policy group in Seoul.

The United States has

asked the U.N. Security Council to condemn North Korea for withdrawing from the nuclear treaty, but China and Russia have resisted the idea.

China's U.N. ambassador Wang Yingfan said Thursday that China is trying to bring the United States and North Korea together for talks and doesn't want the Security Council involved at this stage.

North Korea's pressure tactics could include staging exercises near the border with South Korea, or triggering a naval clash similar to a deadly shootout in June.

It could also test the long-range Taepodong-2 missile. The Pentagon believes that rocket could reach the U.S. mainland with a payload of several hundred pounds. Although the accuracy of the missile is in question, a test would pose a grave threat to the United States because of the specter of a nuclear-tipped warhead.

Malpractice legislation passes House

WASHINGTON (AP) — Efforts to limit jury awards in medical malpractice cases may face trouble in the Senate where Democrats and some Republicans favor caps higher than those in a House-passed bill.

The House on Thursday passed, 229-196, a bill that would cap noneconomic damages, such as compensation for loss of a limb or sight, at \$250,000. The bill would not limit compensation for medical bills, funeral expenses and other economic damages.

States still could pass legislation to exceed the bill's cap, but would have to have some sort of limit in place.

Already, some Republicans in the Senate, such as Arlen Specter and Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania, have expressed reservations about the House cap.

Thursday, House Republicans seemed to concede they would have to negotiate the limitations.

"There is no particular magic in \$250,000 as opposed to \$350,000," Rep. Roy Blunt of Missouri, the No. 3 Republican in the House, said after the vote. Blunt said the goal was simply to put patients first.

Even the measure's author, Rep. Jim Greenwood, R-Pa., admitted that House negotiators would need to be flexible with the Senate, which means "the bill will not be as good."

But Greenwood added, "They (the Senate) have a moral obligation to pass something."

President Bush, who long has pushed for such limits, lauded the House action.

German chancellor calls for reforms to overcome economic crisis

BERLIN (AP) — Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder called Friday for a national effort to overcome Germany's economic crisis, presenting long-awaited plans for painful reforms intended to bolster his political leadership.

In a major speech to parliament, Schroeder proposed cuts in jobless benefits and threatened legislative measures to limit labor unions' power to set wages as ways to lift Europe's biggest economy out of its gloom.

"We must find the courage to expect of ourselves and our country the changes that are needed to bring it back to the peak of economic and social development in Europe," Schroeder told lawmakers.

"We will have to cut what the state provides, promote people's own initiative and demand that individuals contribute more by themselves," Schroeder said.

Schroeder, whose popularity has crumbled amid zero growth and soaring unemployment, had loaded his

speech with expectations after weeks of buildup.

After 4 1/2 years in power, Schroeder was expected to signal he is finally ready to tackle cuts in Germany's costly social safety net and loosen labor market rules — an affront to the powerful labor unions allied with his government.

Schroeder also announced a \$16.5 billion government-sponsored loan program meant to spur the economy with housing and infrastructure projects.

Narrowly re-elected last year on a platform of keeping Germany out of an Iraq war, Schroeder faces intense pressure to carry out reforms that economists say Europe's largest economy has needed for years.

Growth was zero percent in the fourth quarter, and only 0.2 percent for the year, the worst since a 1993 drop of 1.3 percent.

Unemployment is at 11.3 percent, the highest since Schroeder took office in 1998 saying Germans should measure him by his success in lowering joblessness.

Desperate to show leadership, Schroeder has sidestepped the tradition credited for Germany's postwar economic success under which government, business lobbies

and unions seek a consensus on broad economic goals.

When Schroeder's effort to revive round-table talks failed earlier this month, he declared he would press ahead with reform on his own.

Unions are especially incensed about proposals, leaked before the speech, to allow small businesses to hire short-term workers without the safeguards that make it hard for German companies to fire employees in a downturn — and therefore make them reluctant to hire in the first place.

And left-wingers in Schroeder's own party are also resisting changes in the welfare-state economy.

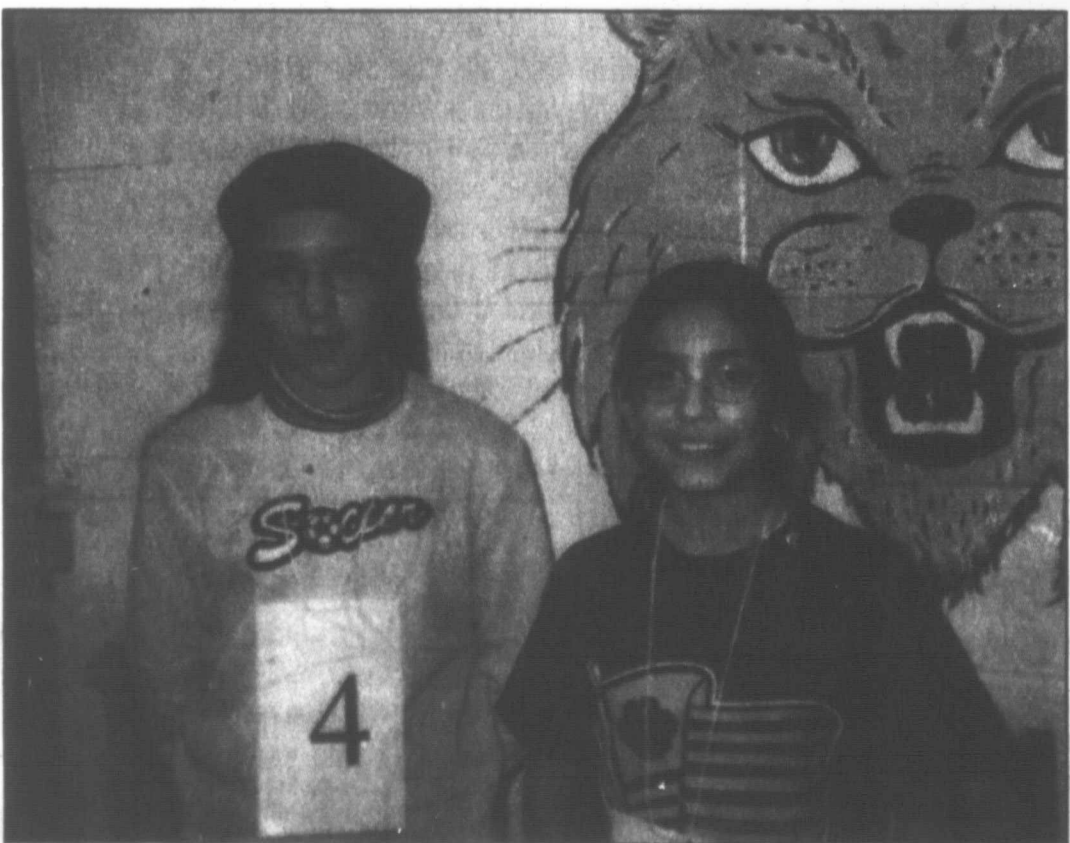
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