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LOCAL
Poker Run benefits Make-A-Wish kids

The second annual David Lueddecke Memorial Poker Run and Street Party to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation & of the Texas Plains, Inc., is set for Saturday, July 27, at the Finish Line, 408 S. Cuyler. Registration begins at 3 p.m. First bike leaves at 4 p.m. and last bike at 5 p.m. Entry fee is \$10 per person. Bo Sallings and The Brakes Are All Gone Band will perform for the street dance from 8 p.m. until 11 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

PHS Class of '93 planning reunion

Pampa High School Class of 1993 will have a 10-year reunion planning meeting at 7 p.m., Tuesday, July 23, at Central Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 513 E. Francis.

For more information, contact Angel Briggs, 665-4751.

DEATHS
Carl Frederick Anderson II, 58, mechanic.
Jackie Willis, 58, retired water plant operator.

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Sheriff unveils plan for merger

By KATE B. DICKSON
ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

**Copeland:
Four deputies
to patrol city
at all times**

If the city contracts with the county to provide law enforcement service for Pampa, Sheriff Don Copeland says he will have four deputies patrolling Pampa streets at all times — one more officer than is currently on a police department patrol shift.

In addition, there will be two deputies on patrol in the county on each of three shifts during a 24-hour period, Copeland said today. A patrol sergeant will also be

on duty.

Copeland said he gave Pampa Mayor Lonny Robbins and Commissioner Bob Dixon figures Friday as to what it will cost for the sheriff's department to provide law enforcement services for the city.

The sheriff wouldn't release the figures saying he's leaving that "up to the city."

This morning, Dixon said Robbins has the figures but Dixon said he had seen the total cost number. He would not reveal it, however, saying he wanted to "tell the

Commission first."

Robbins had not returned a call by press time.

About two weeks ago, the sheriff was asked by Mayor Lonny Robbins and City Commissioner Bob Dixon if he could provide the service. The city officials said they are looking into the feasibility of a merger in order to save money.

The structure outlined by Copeland calls for a chief deputy and a lieutenant to serve under him followed by three squads of deputies to be headed by a patrol (See PLAN, Page 3)

Annexation hearing set for tonight

By KATE B. DICKSON
ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

A 6 p.m. public hearing is on tap today at Pampa City Hall where the subject will be the proposed annexation of some property along both sides of Texas Highway 70, north of Pampa Regional Medical Center.

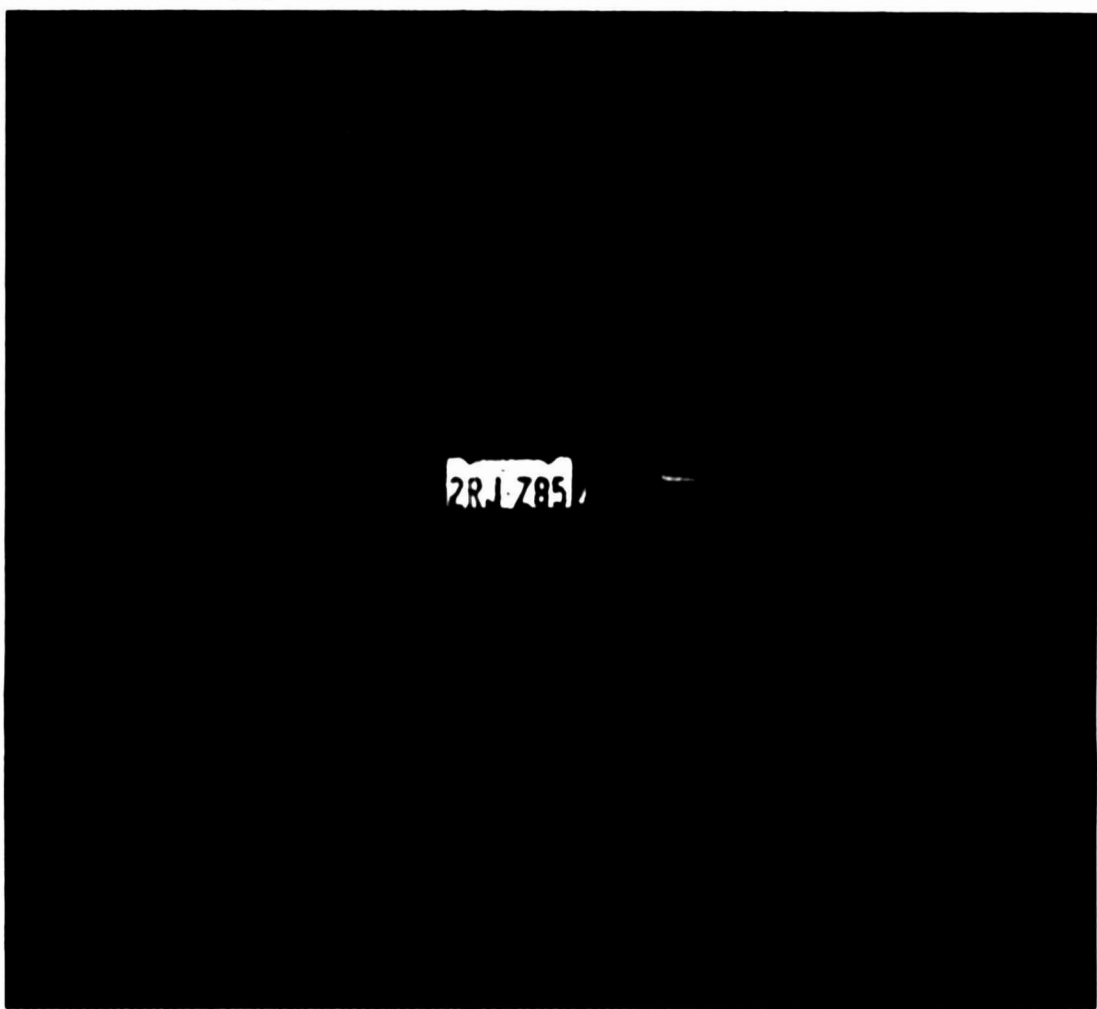
It's one of several meetings the City Commission has this week including its regular meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday. That session will be preceded by a work session at 5:30 p.m. in the second floor conference room.

The Tuesday meetings include discussion of a loan-a-truck request, the second and final reading of the proposed taxi cab ordinance and authorizing the location of the Pioneer Cottage in McCauley Park.

Also on the agenda is a closed session to discuss an appointment to the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority Board. Pampa is one of 11 member cities of CRMWA.

On Wednesday, there will be a special meeting of the commission at 3 p.m. to discuss (See MEETING, Page 3)

What happened here?



(Photo by Grover Black)

Pampa Firefighter Claude Scifres surveys the damage after a driver, who police say fell asleep at the wheel, cut quite a path about 9:30 p.m. Friday before coming to rest inside Kevin Hucks Insurance at 1318 N. Hobart Dr. Keith Allen Meredith, 44, of Longview, was driving a 1999 Toyota pickup in the 1300 block of North Hobart where he crossed three lanes of traffic before entering the parking lot at Domino's Pizza and hitting a parked car. That car, owned by Jim Free, 1332 Charles, was knocked aside as the pickup kept going until it hit the insurance building. The report indicates Meredith suffered a possible injury. No charges were listed and there was about \$20,000 in damages to the building, the report said.

U.S. passport price to go up on Aug. 19

By NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR

Any Pampa and area residents who plan to obtain a passport to travel out of the country might want to get it soon. Prices are going up effective Aug. 19, said District Clerk Gaye Honderich.

Adult passports (which include children age 16 and up) will increase from \$60 to \$85 while passports for those under 16 will increase from \$40 to \$70.

In addition, she said, the fee for expedited service will jump from \$30 to \$60.

Honderich said it takes approximately six weeks to receive a passport and said expedited service usually takes about two weeks.

Adult passports are good for 10 years from the date of issuance, according to Honderich. She said a child's passport is good for five years.

Any child 14 or over must go to the district clerk's office and sign for himself/herself, and must also be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

A child under 14 does not have to appear in

person, but both parents must appear and sign for the child to obtain the passport, she said.

Several items are needed to apply for a passport at the Gray County District Clerk's office.

To obtain a passport, one must bring the following:

- Current drivers license (cannot be expired. If applicant is not yet eligible for a drivers license, a parent's license may be used.)
- Social Security Card
- The original or a certified copy of birth certificate. (It cannot be a hospital or baptismal certificate, and must have a raised seal.)
- Two passport photographs. These photos must be identical and must be made to certain specifications.
- Checks or money orders will be accepted, and should be made payable to the U.S. Department of State. Cash cannot be accepted.
- Cash, check or money order in the amount of \$30 per passport to the Gray County District Clerk for the office's execution fee.

The District Clerk's office is currently located on the second floor of the Hughes Building at 408 W. Kingsmill.

City officials hope TML holds answer to high insurance

To maintain the current health insurance coverage for city employees during the 2002-03 fiscal year it will cost 15 percent — or \$102,000 — more than it currently does.

That was the word from City Secretary Personnel Director Phyllis Jeffers who said the numbers came in a bit lower than had been predicted.

Originally, a 20-percent hike was plugged into the working budget while awaiting the final figures from the Texas Municipal League, the city's insurance provider, said Jeffers.

She said she is awaiting a quote from TML on a different level of coverage which will give City Commissioners "an option" when they discuss the insurance.

The option is something new from TML and goes by the name Core Plan, Jeffers said.

But unlike the present coverage, the Core Plan does not offer prescription drug coverage — something Jeffers said is one of the most desired and most utilized part of the present coverage.

Currently, the city pays \$281 a month for coverage on each employee. The workers must pay for dependent coverage out of pocket and the monthly premiums are \$298 for spouse only, \$109 for children only and \$315 for spouse and child.

It has been noted by both Jeffers and City Manager Bob Eskridge that many city workers do not carry any coverage on their dependents or their spouse carries it because they can not afford to do so.

Did You Know...

**What Was The Territory Called That Pampa Is Now Located On?
And Who Did It Belong To?**

White Deer Land, Frederick De P. Foster and Cornelius C. Cuyler

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ON RECORD

POLICE

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, June 1

The theft of a 1981 Camaro was reported. The car was recovered.

A child endangerment report was taken. An information report was taken in the 3000 block of Perryton Parkway.

Saturday, July 6

A burglary was reported in the 800 block of West Kingsmill where a \$100 table was taken. No forced entry.

A fence was damaged in the 700 block of East Locust.

Thursday, July 18

A bicycle was found in the 1300 block of North Charles.

A 16-year-old female girl was reported to have run away from the 500 block of Doucette.

Coca-Cola crates valued at \$100 were taken from Allsups, 140 S. Starkweather.

Telephone harassment was reported in the 1800 block of South Beech.

Friday, July 19

Brothers, ages 15 and 16, were reported to have run away from the 800 block of North Gray.

Disorderly conduct/criminal mischief was reported in the 2200 block of North Perryton Parkway. A telephone was damaged.

Allsups, 140 S. Starkweather, reported the theft of beer valued at \$30.

A vehicle that was blocking the road in the 1200 block of North Coffee was towed and impounded.

An assault and theft of a \$300 class ring was reported in the 200 block of North Cuyler. Minor injuries.

Saturday, July 20

An attempted suicide by a 15-year-old girl was reported in the 100 block of East 27th.

A T-shirt was stolen at Dunlaps, 1229 N. Hobart.

A 16-year-old girl was reported to have run away from the 2200 block of North Dwight.

A domestic assault with minor injury was reported in the 700 block of North Dwight.

Criminal mischief was reported after foul language was written on a car in the 700 block of East Kentucky.

A 17-year-old girl was reported missing in the 1000 block of Jordan.

Sunday, July 21

A wood and metal bench was taken from a porch in the 1600 block of North Grape.

Allsups, 1025 W. Wilks, reported the theft of \$7.01 in gas.

A window was broken in the 100 block of South Lowry.

A 47-year-old woman in the 1000 block of East Francis was reported to have attempted suicide.

David Olney Turlington, 35, 1336 N. Coffee, arrested on warrants for failure to appear and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Monday, July 22

Marisa Ramirez, 22, 1321 N. Starkweather, arrested on warrants for failure to appear and consuming alcohol after hours.

Brent J. Williamson, 35, 2627 Navajo, possession/transportation of anhydrous ammonia.

Delton E. McCormick, 46, homeless, possession/transportation of anhydrous ammonia.

Kendra Lee Sutton, 17, 411 Starkweather, possession/transportation of anhydrous ammonia and possession of a controlled substance.

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, July 19

6:23 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Hobart and Crawford streets.

9:27 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision in the 1300 block of North Hobart.

Saturday, July 20

3:26 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a report of a gas odor in the 900 block of South Schneider.

5:55 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1300 block of West Kentucky.

1:27 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a grass fire in the 1200 block of North Russell. A compost pile is believed to have caused the fire that burned a 20- by 50-foot area of a back yard.

Sunday, July 21

7:42 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1000 block of East Francis.

8:54 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

SHERIFF

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests and incident in the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, July 20

Took a report of a domestic violence and aggravated assault that occurred the day before in the 100 block of North Wynne. The victim was taken by ambulance to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Ira Don Hicks, 31, 109 N. Wynne, charged with aggravated assault and domestic violence.

Dwaine Key Nolte, 47, 1919 Faulkner, arrested by the DPS for DWI/first offense.

Sunday, July 21

Daniel Ochoa, 21, Liberal, Kan., arrested by the DPS for possession of drug paraphernalia, open container and no driver's license.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance Service made the following runs during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, July 19

4:59 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Harlem and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

2:15 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital (NTH) in Amarillo.

3:29 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Baptist-St. Anthony West (BSAW) in Amarillo.

9:20 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of North Hobart; no transport.

Saturday, July 20

12:27 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of North Dwight and transported one to PRMC.

2:53 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of North Hobart and transported one to PRMC.

3:18 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of East 27th and transported one to PRMC.

5:48 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility; no transport.

7:21 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to NTH.

10:44 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to NTH.

5:21 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of North Dwight and transported one to PRMC.

Sunday, July 21

7:35 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of East Francis and transported one to PRMC.

8:44 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of North Zimmers and transported one to PRMC.

8:47 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of South Prairie Drive and transported one to PRMC.

12:59 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a transport to NTH.

2:11 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of North Faulkner; no transport.

3:38 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of South Russell and transported one to PRMC.

4:24 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a transport to NTH.

7:54 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home and transported one to PRMC.

9:48 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of Bradley and transported one to PRMC.

ACCIDENTS

The Pampa Police Department filed the following accident report.

Friday, July 19

Keith Allen Meredith, 44, Longview, Texas, apparently fell asleep while driving his 1999 Toyota pickup in the 1400 block of North Hobart. The pickup crossed three lanes of traffic and hit a 1988 Chevrolet Camaro, owned by Jim Free, 1332 Charles, that was parked in a private parking area at Dominos Pizza. The pickup knocked the car aside and continued until it hit a building at 1322 N. Hobart and came to rest inside the building. Meredith reported a possible injury.

STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Alerbury Grain of Pampa:		Halliburton	10.93	-0.62
		Trade Hospitals	38.02	-0.92
		NOI	17.08	-0.78
Wheat	3.31	KMI	37.13	-0.29
Milo	3.53	XCEL	13.75	+0.43
Corn	3.98	Kerr McGee	43.51	-0.55
Soybeans	4.88	Lamar	16.76	+0.36
		Williams	3.14	2.02
The following show prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:		McDonalds	24.15	-0.02
		Exxon Mobil	31.75	-0.65
		Amgen	19.75	-0.25
		Pioneer Nat	21.29	-0.47
		Pennys	16.45	+0.45
		Phillips	47.77	+1.23
		Schlumberger	40.77	1.53
		Tenneco	6.64	-0.06
		CVX	72.66	-1.84
		Wal Mart	46.28	-0.22
		OKI	16.40	+0.05
		NS Group	7.38	-0.19
The following 9:30 a.m. NY Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa:		BP	44.94	-0.66
		Celanese	19.55	-0.05
		Carbor Corp	24.22	-0.13
		Carbor Oil Gas	19.75	NC
		Coca Cola	45.99	+0.90
		VLO	34.05	-0.34
		New York Gold		NA
		Silver		NA
		West Texas Crude		NA

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast calls for mostly cloudy, a chance of thunderstorms, highs around 90, southwest winds 5 to 15 mph, and a 40 percent chance of precipitation. Tonight thunderstorms are likely with lows in the middle 60s, east winds 5 to 15 mph, and a 60 percent chance of precipitation. Tuesday should be partly cloudy, with a slight chance of thunderstorms, highs around 90, northeast winds 10 to 15 mph, and a 20 percent chance of precipitation. Tuesday night expect partly cloudy skies, a slight chance of thunderstorms, lows in the middle 60s, east

winds 5 to 10 mph, and a 20 percent chance of precipitation. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the middle 60s. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in the middle 90s. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows around 70. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the middle 90s. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

STATEWIDE

Hot and dry conditions will prevail across Texas Monday. Isolated afternoon and evening rain is possible in most areas, but no major weather changes are in the offing.

Temperature extremes in the last 24 hours ranged from 99 degrees at Harlingen, McAllen, and Wink to a low of 66 degrees overnight at Amarillo.

In West Texas, it will be partly cloudy with highs in the 90s today and a slight chance of scattered rain late in the day, a pattern that will continue through the week. Far West Texas will be slightly cooler than normal, with highs only

in the upper 80s today, but warming later this week. The northwest panhandle is likely to see thunderstorms today.

South Texas will be partly cloudy with highs in the low to mid-90s through the week. It will be slightly hotter in the far south and west. Most areas will see a chance of isolated rain late in the day. Areas of the Hill Country and south central Texas may see morning rain this week.

North Texas will be partly cloudy with highs in the mid and upper 90s this week. Beginning Tuesday, a slight chance of isolated thunderstorms is possible.

Seven killed in Gregg County crash

LONGVIEW (AP) — A head-on collision along a deadly interstate highway has killed seven people, including six family members from Louisiana. Two of the dead were toddlers.

A third toddler, critically injured in Sunday's crash, was flown by helicopter to Children's Medical Center in Dallas. She remained in critical condition early Monday.

The impact of the collision, after the driver of a sport utility vehicle crossed over an Interstate 20 median and struck a minivan carrying seven passengers, reduced both automobiles to crumpled heaps of metal, lying upside down near a jackknifed tractor-trailer rig which was swerving to avoid the wreck when it was struck.

"It was a tragic scene," said Justice of the Peace Arthur Fort of Longview. "I haven't seen this much damage and this many fatalities

in my 30 years." Wrecks along I-20 have killed at least 33 people this year. The latest occurred at 5:45 p.m. on a stretch of I-20 near Longview in Gregg County, about one mile west of Farm-to-Market Road 2087 between Longview and Kilgore.

Victims killed in the minivan were from Shreveport, about 60 miles east of Longview. They

were identified as Ira J. Salome, 62; Shanae Jackson, 10; Marisha Jackson, 14; Belinda L. Jackson, 48; Tevin Jackson, 3; and Tyler Jackson, 3.

Texas Department of Public Safety Sgt. Richard Brown said a third triplet, 3-year-old Tatyana Jackson, was flown by helicopter to Children's Medical Center with severe head and chest injuries.

City Briefs

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OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

WILLIS, Jackie — Memorial services, 11 a.m., Briarwood Full Gospel Church, Pampa.

CARL FREDERICK ANDERSON II
1943-2002

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Carl Frederick Anderson II, 58, died Thursday, July 18, 2002. Memorial services were Saturday in Roller-McNutt Funeral Home Chapel at Conway, Ark., with the Rev. Bob Branch officiating.

Mr. Anderson was born Nov. 5, 1943, at Richmond, Calif., to Carl F. and Etta Stanky Anderson and was a mechanic for Hugg at Hall Equipment Company.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Anderson of Little Rock; two sons, Carl F. "Cal" Anderson III of Nevada and Travis Anderson of Liberty, Texas; three stepsons, Bobby Hale of Mansfield, Ark., and Joey

Hale and Galen Sylvester, both of Little Rock; a stepdaughter, Michelle Harmon of Damascus; two sisters, Carol Maka of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Roetta Lucky of Indianapolis, Ind.; and nine grandchildren.

JACKIE WILLIS
1944-2002

Jackie Willis, 58, of Pampa, died Friday, July 19, 2002, at Amarillo. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m., Tuesday in Briarwood Full Gospel Church with the Rev. Steve Watson, associate pastor, and the Rev. Melvin Harris, pastor of Priest Park Church of God, officiating. A military burial is pending at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery in Pt. Loma, Calif. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Willis was born July 10, 1944, at Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School. He joined the Navy in 1962, served a total of 21 years, and retired as a master chief in 1983.

He married TrudyAnn Forgey on April 29, 1966, at La Puente, Calif.

In 1983, he went to work as a water plant operator at Marine Corps Air Station in Yuma and retired from there in 2001. He spent summers in Pampa where he attended Briarwood Full Gospel Church.

He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1766 in Yuma and of the American Legion.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Bobby Joe Willis, in 1971; and a sister, Jane



Hild, in 1989.

Survivors include his wife TrudyAnn of the home; three sons, Raymond and Edward Willis II, and Clayton Benson Willis, both of Medford, Ore., and Jackie Lynn Willis Jr., of Anchorage, Alaska; a daughter, Elizabeth A.F. Cazares of Yuma, Ariz.; seven brothers, Raymond Willis of Truro, Iowa, Earnest Willis and Owen Willis, both of Pampa, Clarence Willis and Donald Hild, both of Inman, S.C., David Hild of Weatherford, Texas, and Fred Hild of Houston; three sisters, Helen Movius of Olympia, Wash., and Julia Willis and Barbara Willis, both of Pampa; and seven grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice of Amarillo, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176.

For online guest register, visit www.carmichael-whitley.com

Dentist may be responsible for documenting new fish

REFUGIO, Texas (AP) — A dentist on a quest to identify the origins of what he believes is a yet-undiscovered fish has drawn attention from biologists who want to take a look at the evidence he's amassed.

Dr. Tim Rainey spends a lot of time peeking out of his living room window toward a small aquarium on his back porch, trying to catch a glimpse

of the small, silver fish that he thinks could be a sub-species or a new species.

"I've been watching these things for 15 years," he told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times in Monday's editions. "I haven't been able to identify them yet."

Rainey has looked through piles of books, talked to area fishermen and contacted a scientist at Texas A&M

University-Galveston. The researcher, Andre Landry, is sending a doctoral student to Refugio to take a look.

Tim Rainey II, the dentist's son, showed a sample of the fish to an ichthyologist at the University of Texas about five years ago. The scientist couldn't identify the fish and suggested it could be a hybrid, the dentist's son said.

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PLAN

sergeant who will oversee four in-city deputies and two county patrol deputies.

Lt. Randy Langwell said there will be an additional squad consisting of a patrol sergeant and six patrol deputies functioning as a relief shift to fill in on days off, vacations, holidays, etc., so that the number of officers on the street will be consistent.

Four deputies will be designated as criminal investigators but Langwell said those deputies will also be "utilized where ever they are needed ... including patrol."

In all, Copeland said he will need to hire about 26 new employees to make the plan work. City officers who want to join the sheriff's department will have to make application for the jobs, he said. None will be automatically hired.

In addition to the law enforcement positions mentioned above, Copeland said he will have two school resource officers, one at Pampa Middle School and one at Pampa High School; two resident patrol deputies at McLean; and one agent assigned to Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force.

The dispatch staff will consist of one dispatch supervisor and eight dispatchers so that two dispatchers will be on duty each shift.

There will be one office manager/ sheriff's secretary, two clerical workers and the appropriate number of school crossing guards during the school year.

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MEETING

cuss appointment of an interim city manager and to discuss filling the vacancy in the office of city manager.

City Manager Bob Eskridge announced last month he'll retire effective July 31.

Items for consideration Wednesday's agenda are:

- Consider a contract with Texas First Group relative to providing interim city manager services
- Consider a contract with Ralph Andersen & Associates for city manager search services
- Budget review.

With regard to interim city manager services, the commission recently interviewed, through Texas First Group, John J. Hatchell of Woodway, Texas. He is retired and his last job was assistant city manager in Waco.

If he's hired, the city will be charged \$39 an hour for his services plus all expenses, including housing, a company letter said.

On the budget front, even though City Manager Bob Eskridge gave commissioners a balanced budget last week, he expects the 2002-03 budget review to remain on the agenda.

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estimate of the dollar amount)

- Child's social security card
- Documentation of disability (if applicable)
- Proof of any or all public assistance the family receives (Medicaid, food stamps, SSI, CHIPS, HUD, TANF, WIC)
- Health insurance card (if applicable)
- CCMS documentation
- Drivers License of I.D. from adult enrolling the child

Applications for Community Day Care programs will also be taken at the registration.

U.S.: No clear evidence linking Iran to Argentina bombing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration has "no clear evidence" to link Iran with the bombing of a Jewish community center in Argentina's capital in 1994 that killed 85 people.

American terror experts are suspicious of Hezbollah, an Iranian-backed guerrilla group that has fought a guerrilla war against Israel for years, said one official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Evidence linking Hezbollah to the 1982 bombing of the Israeli Embassy in Buenos Aires is far stronger, the official said. Twenty-eight people died in the attack.

Hezbollah, known also as Islamic Jihad, was formed in 1982. It is a radical group based in Lebanon that takes its ideological inspiration from the Iranian Revolution of 1979 and the teachings of the Ayatollah Khomeini, the State

Department said in a report.

According to The New York Times, a secret deposition asserts that Iran organized and carried out the bombing of the Jewish community.

The sealed testimony of a high-level defector from Iran's intelligence agency also alleges that Iran paid Carlos Saul Menem, Argentina's president at the time of the bombing, \$10 million to deny Iran's involvement, the newspaper reported Monday.

There was no immediate comment from Menem on Monday concerning the report. Calls by The Associated Press to his aides, including his brother, Sen. Eduardo Menem, were not returned.

Menem's former chief of staff, now a key campaign adviser, denied the allegations in the report, calling them politically motivated.

"Every intelligence agency

in the world had free passage to Argentina to investigate this case," Alberto Kohan told the newspaper. "We would all like to know who did it."

The allegations against Menem come as he has emerged as a leading contender to return to the presidency in March elections. He has been vocal about his ambitions to retake the office he held from 1989 to 1999, and is likely to stand in the December primaries for his Peronist party.

Although officials considered a possible Iranian connection early in the investigation, Iran has repeatedly denied such charges and few leads have been reported in the years since.

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Menem, still an influential figure in the Peronist party system, is considered a leading presidential contender who has promoted his ambitions for a third term. He governed Argentina from 1989 to 1999.

Eighty-five people were killed and more than 200 injured in the July 18, 1994, car bomb attack on the Jewish Community Cultural Center, one of two such attacks in Buenos Aires in the early 1990s.



(Pampa News photo)

Fairview Cemetery Manager Lance DeFever, right, welcomes Blake Laramore, left, longtime Pampa businessman, to the new pre-need counselor for the non-profit organization.

Bush tries to reassure nervous investors

ARGONNE, Ill. (AP) — Amid a continuing stock market slide, President Bush insisted Monday that the economic fundamentals were sound and predicted action by Congress to make corporations more accountable should help take uncertainty out of the market and alleviate the plunge.

"I'm an optimist," Bush said. "I believe the future is going to be bright."

At the same time, Bush expressed skepticism about the markets.

"My attitude on Wall Street is they'll buy you or sell you, depending upon if it's in their interest," Bush said. "When I used to watch the stocks, I was in Midland, Texas, somewhat skeptical about what was taking place on the floors of these exchanges. But I know — I always knew — that you needed to buy on value; that the price relative to the earnings of the company needed to be in line with what they considered value."

"And I believe the values are improving," he said.

Bush, talking with reporters before a speech on homeland security, was asked whether investors should pull out of the market our buy stocks.

"I'm not a stockbroker or a stockpicker but I do believe the fundamentals for economic growth are for real," Bush said. "And I believe Congress is going to get a bill that will help to take some of the uncertainty out of the market and that bill is going to put some meaningful reforms in place."

It was a reference to legislation to curb corporate fraud. A House-Senate conference committee is working on reconciling different versions that have passed the two chambers.

Once corporate reforms are in place, the investor "is going to pick value — make decisions on value. And from what I hear corporate profits are improving, which means values will be available for those

who invest in the market," Bush said.

After plunging nearly 390 points on Friday, the Dow Jones Industrial Average was down roughly 175 points, just before noon EDT, as the president began speaking.

Bush, questioned by reporters as he headed into his speech, was asked if the country would feel the effect of the WorldCom bankruptcy.

"No. I think the market has probably already adjusted for that," Bush said, adding that he is more worried about the 17,000 WorldCom employees who are being laid off.

The president was touring the Argonne National Laboratory, near Chicago, to examine anti-terrorism technology and to give a speech promoting his version of homeland security.

Bush noted that those who held diversified portfolios that included bonds as well as stocks had not seen their investments as pulverized over the past two years as have

those invested only or primarily in stocks.

"But look, you're talking to the wrong guy about what stocks to buy," he added.

Bush also defended his treasury secretary, Paul O'Neill, against calls for his resignation as markets continue to tank.

"I say he's doing a fine job and when the market goes up, I hope they give him credit," the president said. "If they're going to hold him accountable for a market going down, they ought to give him credit when the market goes up."

"I have all the confidence in the world in the secretary of the Treasury. I understand one newspaper was calling for his scalp, but that's Washington D.C. That's what happens in that town," Bush said.

Asked what it would take for markets to go back up and confidence go up, Bush said, "Value. They're going to realize that there's values in the market."

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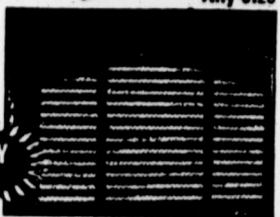
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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

Triplet Longs to Break Free From Her Sisters

DEAR ABBY: I am one of identical triplet girls. We're seniors in high school and experiencing some identity problems.

My sisters and I are good at many of the same things. We all play varsity field hockey, are on the cheerleading squad, take many of the same classes and share the same circle of friends.

My problem is I'm sick of being one of the "O'Sullivan triplets." I want to be just "Caitlin." Sometimes boys call our house and ask the sister who happens to answer the phone for a date, because going out with a triplet is a novelty.

Other boys who specifically want to go out with me become intimidated by my two sisters — so they get cold feet about asking me. Only one boy ever wanted to date me because I'm me — and he moved out of state.

Teachers keep asking which triplet I am. Coaches sometimes yell at me when their intention is to yell at one of my look-alike sisters. I'm so tired of people referring to us as a threesome.

My fear is that this won't end with high school graduation, because for financial reasons, we're all going to the same college.

Don't get me wrong, Abby, I love my sisters dearly — but I'm ready to be my own person. How can I accomplish this without quitting the sports I love, giving up the friends I share with my sisters, or switching schools? Sign me...

JUST WANNA BE "ME" IN MARYLAND

DEAR JUST WANNA BE "ME": Discuss your feelings with your sisters. You may be surprised to learn they feel the same way you do. Next, look for ways to "individualize" yourself — hair color, hair length, style of dress.

When you get to college, enroll in different classes at different times. You may discover you have separate interests. Make an effort to widen your circle of friends. Establishing yourself as an individual may take time, but a college campus is usually larger than a high school campus, so I'm betting your efforts will be successful. Good luck!

DEAR ABBY: My son is married to the most terrific woman in the world. The problem is he spends hours on the computer. The other day I visited a singles site and his name popped up. He had changed his last name, but he posted his picture on the site so I know it's him.

I'm extremely worried that he may be cheating on his wife, and it would kill her if it's true. Should I confront him?

CONCERNED MOM IN COLORADO

DEAR CONCERNED MOM: By all means confront him. It won't be pleasant, but it might save his marriage. Give him a deadline to tell his wife what has been going on. If he has been fooling around, they both

need to be examined for STDs. Her fertility, or even her life, could be at risk.

DEAR ABBY: I hope you can stand another story about the uses of pantyhose.

Three years ago I watched a bird building a nest in an evergreen tree outside our family room window. After a couple of windy days, I noticed the nest had tipped and the eggs had fallen out when a supporting branch broke.

I grabbed a pair of control-top pantyhose, tied the legs around the trunk of the tree and fastened the panty part to two small branches, forming a hammock for the nest to rest in.

I am happy to report that four dove families have used our pantyhose nest each year. And I have doves in my pantyhose as I write this.

SALLY IN CLOVIS, CALIF.

DEAR SALLY: It's better than bats in your belfry or mice in your rice (to quote an old jingle I haven't heard in years!).

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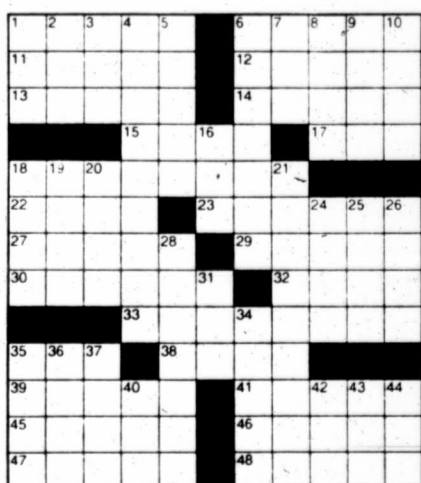
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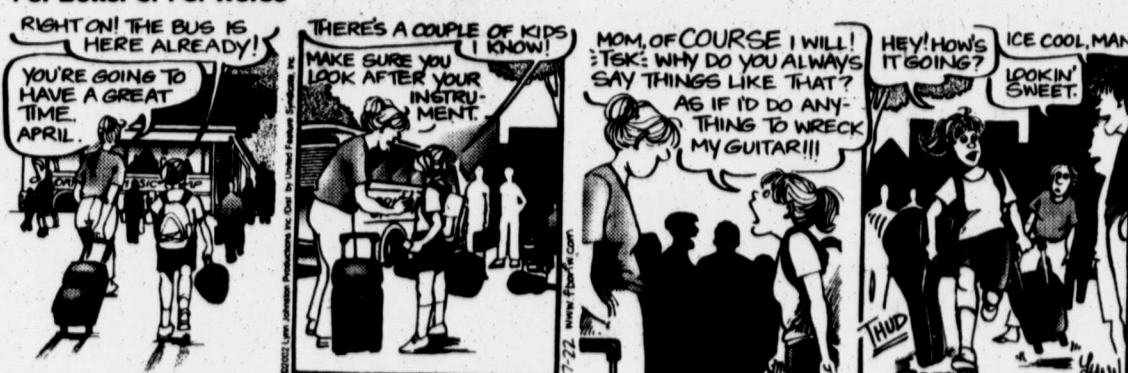
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"San Francisco had a big earthquake when Mrs. O'Leary kicked over a lantern at the Cow Palace."

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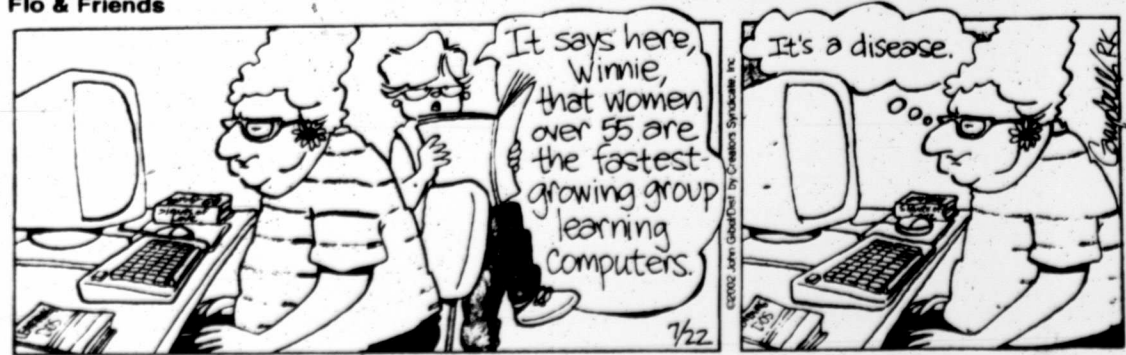
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SPORTS

Els holds on to win in sudden death

GULLANE, Scotland (AP) — The major championship Tiger Woods needed to win was the one Ernie Els wanted the most.

On the verge of blowing the tournament and with doubts again flooding his mind, Els regrouped on Sunday to win the British Open.

As the sun faded on a Scottish summer day, he held the claret jug that had his name engraved on it, fighting his way through a tangle of emotions to try and describe just how much it meant.

"People have lost here before and some people just never recover," Els said. "I wouldn't say I would have been one of them, but I would have really been a different person."

Woods already was jetting across the Atlantic when Els finished off Frenchman Thomas Levet, the last of four playoff contenders, with his third par of the day on the 18th hole.

He didn't face down Woods, whose chances of a third straight major championship ended with a fat 81 on Saturday.

But Els did finally confront the self-doubts that have haunted him and threatened to ruin his career. After years of questioning his ability and wondering out loud if he could ever beat Woods, that may have

British Open

been just as good.

"Now I'm back on track. I can now legitimately try and win the majors," he said.

Els' confidence had been beaten down almost every time he entered a major since winning the second of his U.S. Opens in 1997. Those titles came before Woods started to dominate, and Els had won no majors since.

The 32-year-old South African, known as the Big Easy for his laid-back demeanor and effortless swing, finished second to Woods six times, twice in majors. He was so discouraged about his chances this week he was utterly pessimistic after a practice round.

"When I've played well, Tiger still has beaten me," Els said on Tuesday. "What do you do? I work hard at everything in my game. When I've had it going, I still got beat. Maybe I'm not good enough, then. Who knows?"

Els, though, was good enough on Saturday when he played his way to a masterful 72 in the driving rain and wind that took Woods' game apart. And with Woods safely out of the way Sunday, Els had a two-stroke lead and all the expectations on

his shoulders.

Then a poor 7-iron to the left of the green on the 16th hole brought back the negative thoughts Els can seemingly never shake. He chipped over the green and back on, missing a putt and making double bogey.

With two holes to go, he was one down. Now he couldn't afford to get any more down on himself.

"Walking off 16, a lot of things went through my mind. I was like, 'Is this a way to lose another major. Is this the way you want to be remembered by, screwing up in an Open championship?'" Els said. "I'm pretty hard on myself as it is, and that wasn't one of my finer moments. Somehow I pulled myself together and made some good shots again."

Els hit a driver down the middle of the par-5 17th, carved a 3-iron onto the green and made birdie. On the final hole he had a 20-foot birdie putt to win outright, but missed it.

Els found himself in a four-man playoff over four holes. He was playing with Stuart Appleby, while up ahead Levet and Steve Elkington played as a twosome.

First, though, Els huddled with his psychologist, Jos Vanstiphout, as he tried to compose himself. Negative vibes were coming in again, this time about previous

failures in playoffs.

Els was about to play for the title of his career. And he was down in the dumps again.

"He just basically agreed that I had four more holes to play," Els said. "And those four holes were the most important holes of my career. I was going to give it 100 percent."

His mind fortified, Els drank an orange juice and grabbed a sandwich. He stood on the first tee chewing it down, then promptly blasted his drive down the middle of the fairway.

Els made four straight pars and, when Levet bogeyed the 18th after making a long birdie putt two holes earlier, he and Levet went head to head in the first sudden-death playoff in the 142-year history of the British Open.

It didn't last long. Levet hit his drive into a fairway bunker and laid up short of the green. Els had a 7-iron in his hand and the Open in his grasp, only to pull it into the greenside bunker left of the hole.

From there, he played an excellent bunker shot, bracing himself with his right leg outside the bunker and flopping the ball within five feet. When Levet missed his 30-footer for par, Els stepped up and made his putt.

NOTEBOOK

TENNIS

ARLINGTON — Myca Vinson of Pampa has advanced to the semi-finals of the Arlington NW ZAT tournament.

Vinson defeated Lauren Scholl of Wichita Falls 6-1, 6-3, Ueli Ball of Roanoke 6-0, 6-2, and Victoria Thacker of Southlake 6-2, 7-5.

By advancing to the semi-finals, Vinson earned enough points to move to the championship level of USTA Tennis.

Vinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Vinson, will be PHS freshman this year.

GOLF

PAMPA — The Pamel Celanese Scramble held on July 9 ended in a tie with the pot rolling over to the July 23 scramble.

For golfers who played in the first scramble, the entry fee will be seven dollars for non-members and five dollars for members.

If you missed the first scramble and want to play tomorrow, entry fee will be 12 dollars for non-members and \$10 for members.

Winner takes all and there will be a blind draw each time. If it ends up in a tie, the pot will roll over again.

Players must be signed up by 5:45 p.m. tomorrow and the starting time will be approximately 6:15 p.m.

After 5 p.m. Tuesday, call 663-4342 if more information is needed.

The next scramble will be August 6.

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

AUTO RACING

LOUDON, N.H. (AP) — The track was so slippery some drivers wanted the race stopped. A furious Jeff Gordon said it was like riding on ice.

Ward Burton, however, managed to stay out of trouble Sunday. He ended his season-long slump — just two top 10 finishes since winning the Daytona 500 — by capturing the New England 300 at New Hampshire International Speedway.

"It took me three-to-five laps to get any grip at all," Burton said. "The track has always been like that. I tried to stay on the inside groove on both ends because that's where the grip was at."

Long before the halfway point, drivers were complaining. Five of the 14 cautions were caused by accidents in turns 3 and 4, where some thought the surface was splitting.

"They should give everybody their money back for impersonating a race," Bobby Labonte said. "It was tearing up in 1990 and it's still doing the same thing."

Gordon, a three-time winner on this track, was so angry he uncharacteristically refused post-race interviews. But on his radio during the race he said NASCAR should stop the event because conditions were so dangerous.

Cubs slip by Astros

CHICAGO (AP) — Pitchers John Lieber and Roy Oswalt seemed to have it worse than anybody on a 94-degree day at Wrigley Field.

Mark Bellhorn and Fred McGriff homered, and Alex Gonzalez drove in the go-ahead run with a double as the Chicago Cubs beat the Houston Astros 3-2 Sunday.

Lieber and Oswalt pitched well, but neither got a decision after going just five innings. It was too hot to pitch any longer. Humidity made it feel as if it were 106 degrees.

"We were out there giving 100 percent on every throw. That's the difference between pitchers and fielders," said Oswalt, who threw 97 pitches. "You give 100 percent for 80 to 90 throws, it's like doing 80 to 90 sprints."

Oswalt said he tried to cool down between innings by staying in the dank tunnel that runs from the Astros dugout to the clubhouse. Lieber could take advantage of an air-conditioned room near the Cubs' dugout.

Once he got back on the field, Oswalt said he tried to finish as quickly as possible.

"With this type of weather, you have to try and have short innings," Oswalt said. "I felt good early, but I hit a wall by the fourth."

The Cubs trailed 2-0 after

Lance Berkman's NL-leading 30th homer in the first, but caught Oswalt by the fifth.

Bellhorn hit a leadoff homer to right and two outs later McGriff hit his 20th homer to center, tying it at 2. McGriff joined Barry Bonds as the only active major leaguers with 15 seasons of 20 or more homers.

"I pride myself on trying to be consistent," said McGriff, who missed 20 homers once, in 1998 with Tampa Bay.

After McGriff's homer, manager Jimmy Williams visited Oswalt to see if he was OK. "I felt like throwing up," the right-hander said. "It was really hot."

Oswalt allowed two runs and five hits. He struck out eight and walked three.

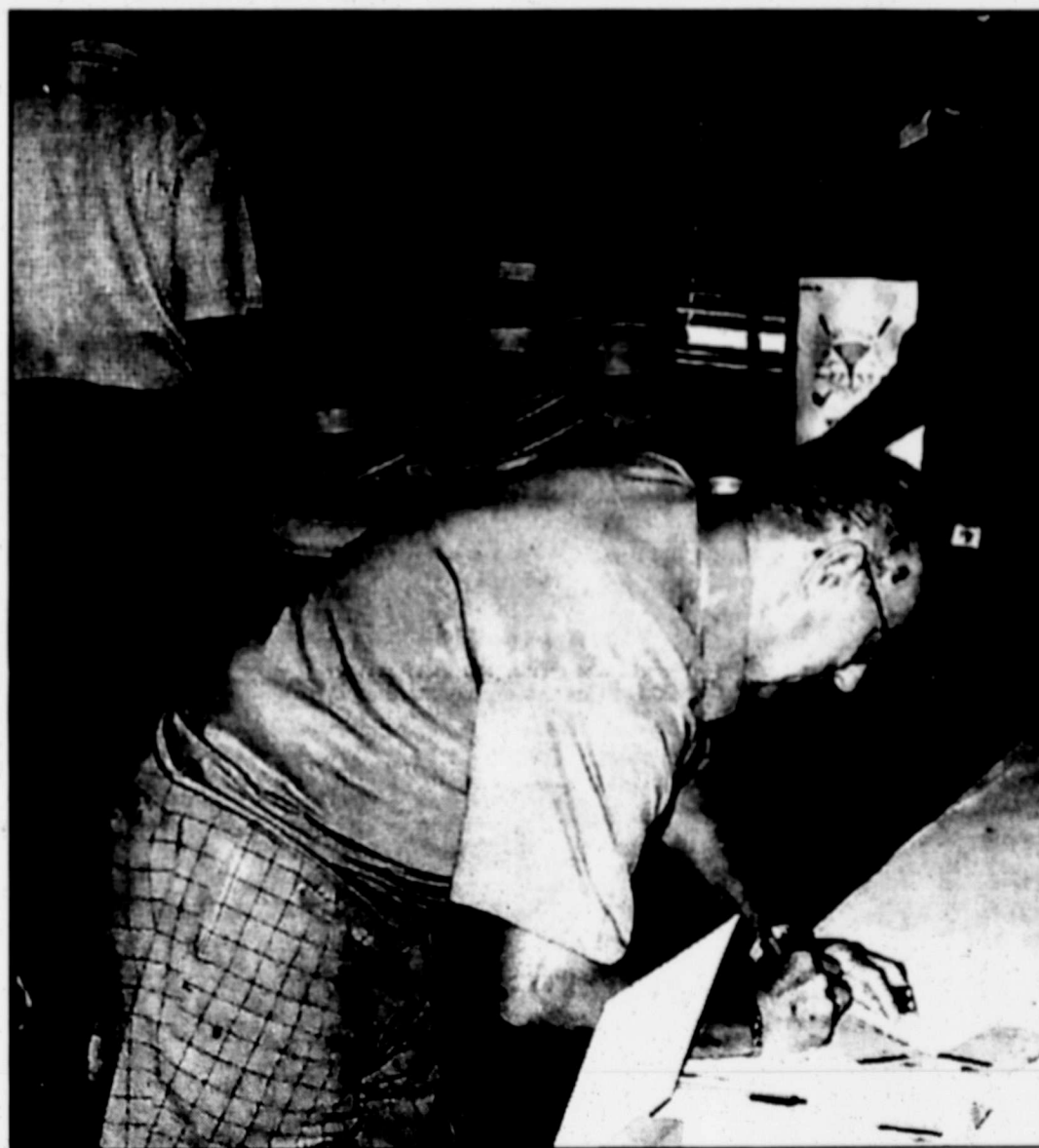
"We did a great job at making Oswalt work as hard as possible," interim Cubs manager Bruce Kimm said.

The Cubs took the lead for good in the sixth when Gonzalez hit an RBI double to left off Tim Lincecum (3-6).

Jeff Fassero (4-6) pitched one inning of relief for the victory, and Antonio Alfonseca got his 13th save for the Cubs, who are 8-4 since Kimm took over July 5.

"It was hot in the dugouts," Kimm said. "There wasn't any breeze. But it always makes it cooler when you win."

Tri-State registration



(Pampa News photo)

W.D. (Bill) Downing of Runaway Bay, Tex. registers for the Tri-State Senior Golf Tournament Sunday at the Pampa Country Club. The 54-hole tournament gets under way Tuesday at the PCC course.

Fenway Park opens for fans to honor Williams

BOSTON (AP) — Fans filed into Fenway Park early Monday for the start of a day-long tribute to Hall of Famer Ted Williams.

The stadium gates were opened for four hours to allow fans to walk on the field and remember Williams, who died July 5. A memorial service opened to ticketholders only was scheduled for Monday night.

Billboards hung in the netting above the Green Monster in left field:

"There goes the greatest player who ever lived," read one. "Ted Williams: An American Hero, 1918-2002," read another.

Only a handful of fans were waiting when the gates opened. John Zellmann, 38, and his 17-year-old son,

Derrick, took the day off to pay tribute to the Splendid Splinter.

"For me, it's just the way he played the game. He's a symbol of the Red Sox," John Zellmann said.

Inside the ballpark, each base marked a milestone of Williams' career. At first, a "521" — the number of home runs he hit. At second, "USMC," marking his service in two wars as a Marine Corps pilot.

And at third, a ".406" — his batting average. He was the last player to hit over .400.

Near the scoreboard, large black and white photographs highlighted three aspects of Williams' life: baseball, military service and his work for the cancer research charity, the Jimmy Fund.

Those themes were to be featured prominently at the evening service. "Ted Williams: A Celebration of an American Hero."

Only 18,000 of the 33,000 tickets for the service had been sold. And Williams' three children were not expected to attend.

Since Williams' death, his children have been fighting over what to do with his remains.

His son, John Henry Williams, wants his father's body to stay frozen in a cryonics lab in Arizona; his oldest daughter, Bobby-Jo Williams Ferrell, said her father wanted to be cremated.

The dispute is pending in probate court in Florida.

Former Ohio Senator

John Glenn, who flew combat missions in Korea with Williams, eight-time batting champion Tony Gwynn, Red Sox shortstop Nomar Garciaparra and former Boston players Dom DiMaggio, Carl Yastrzemski and Johnny Pesky are expected to speak at the memorial.

"Ted meant an awful lot to us," Pesky said. "There's a

lot of people who had a lot of admiration for Ted, the greatest Red Sox player since Babe Ruth."

Pesky said he knows it will be tough to get through the service without breaking down.

"I hope I don't get emotional," he said. "Ted wouldn't like it if I got that way."

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Pittsburgh 15, St. Louis 6
N.Y. Mets 8, Cincinnati 7
Colorado 6, Milwaukee 5
Arizona 7, San Diego 1

Sunday's Games
Cincinnati 9, N.Y. Mets 1
St. Louis 2, Philadelphia 1
Atlanta 8, Pittsburgh 4
Chicago Cubs 3, Houston 2
Colorado 6, Milwaukee 4
Florida 4, Montreal 0
San Diego 11, Arizona 9
San Francisco 6, Los Angeles 4

Monday's Games
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Milwaukee (Rusch 5-9) at Houston (Miller 6-3), 8:05 p.m.
Colorado (Hampton 5-11) at Arizona (Schilling 16-3), 10:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Od Perez 10-6) at San Diego (Lawrence 8-5), 10:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Simontacchi 7-1) at San Francisco (L. Hernandez 7-10), 10:15 p.m.

Tuesday's Games
Philadelphia (Padilla 10-6) at Chicago Cubs (Clement 8-6), 2:20 p.m.
Atlanta (Glasvine 12-5) at Florida (Tavarez 7-6), 7:05 p.m.
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Los Angeles (Ashby 7-8) at San Diego (Torres 5-6), 10:05 p.m.
Colorado (Thomson 7-8) at Arizona (B. Anderson 5-7), 10:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Morris 11-6) at San Francisco (Schmidt 5-4), 10:15 p.m.

American League At A Glance				
By The Associated Press All Times EDT East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	62	36	.633	—
Boston	57	39	.594	4
Baltimore	47	49	.490	14
Toronto	42	55	.433	19 1/2
Tampa Bay	30	66	.313	31
Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Minnesota	59	41	.590	—
Chicago	46	54	.460	13
Cleveland	43	55	.439	15
Kansas City	43	55	.439	15
Detroit	35	62	.361	22 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Seattle	60	39	.606	—
Anaheim	58	39	.598	1
Oakland	58	41	.586	2
Texas	41	57	.418	18 1/2

Saturday's Games
N.Y. Yankees 9, Boston 8, 11 innings
Toronto 12, Tampa Bay 10
Kansas City 7, Cleveland 5, 1st game
Cleveland 5, Kansas City 3, 10 innings, 2nd game
Minnesota 14, Detroit 4
Baltimore 4, Chicago White Sox 3, 14 innings
Oakland 6, Texas 5
Anaheim 7, Seattle 6

Sunday's Games
Tampa Bay 7, Toronto 5
N.Y. Yankees 9, Boston 8
Chicago White Sox 8, Baltimore 7
Minnesota 4, Detroit 2
Kansas City 13, Cleveland 12, 10 innings
Texas 7, Oakland 3, 12 innings
Anaheim 7, Seattle 5

Monday's Games
Toronto (Halladay 11-4) at Baltimore (Johnson 3-7), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Reed 7-5) at Chicago White Sox (Ritchie 5-13), 8:05 p.m.

Tuesday's Games
Tampa Bay (Sturtz 1-9) at Boston (Wakefield 3-3), 1:05 p.m., 1st game
Tampa Bay (P. Wilson 2-7) at Boston (Lowe 13-5), 7:05 p.m., 2nd game
Toronto (Carpenter 3-1) at Baltimore (Diskin 6-3), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Suppan 8-7) at Detroit (Redman 5-9), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Petite 4-3) at Cleveland (Baer 7-7), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Santana 4-1) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 12-7), 8:05 p.m.
Texas (Valdes 5-7) at Seattle (Moyer 10-4), 10:05 p.m.
Oakland (Zito 13-3) at Anaheim (Appler 8-7), 10:05 p.m.

GOLF

British Open Scores
Sunday
At Muirfield
Gullane, Scotland
Purse: \$5.3 million
Yardage: 7,034; Par: 71

Final
x-won on first sudden-death hole after four-hole playoff
x-Ernie Els, South Africa 70-66-72-70—278
Thomas Levet, France, 72-66-74-66—278

By The Associated Press All Times EDT East Division				
Stuart Appleby, Australia	73-70-70-65—278			
Steve Elkington, Australia	71-73-68-66—278			
Gary Evans, England	72-68-74-65—279			
Padraig Harrington, Ireland	69-67-76-67—279			
Shigeki Maruyama, Japan	68-68-75-68—279			
Peter O'Malley, Australia	72-68-75-65—280			
Scott Hoch, United States	74-69-71-66—280			
Retief Goosen, South Africa	71-68-74-67—280			
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Justin Leonard, United States	71-72-68-70—281			
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Greg Norman, Australia	71-71-71-68—282			
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BASKETBALL

Women's National Basketball Association
At A Glance
By The Associated Press
All Times EDT

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Washington	15	7	.682	—
Charlotte	13	8	.619	1 1/2
New York	13	9	.591	2
Orlando	10	11	.476	4 1/2
Miami	10	12	.455	5
Cleveland	8	13	.381	6 1/2
Indiana	8	13	.381	6 1/2
Detroit	4	17	.190	10 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Los Angeles	17	4	.810	—
Houston	17	6	.739	1
Utah	15	7	.682	2 1/2
Portland	14	9	.609	4
Seattle	10	12	.455	7 1/2
Phoenix	8	14	.364	9 1/2
Minnesota	6	15	.286	11
Sacramento	5	16	.238	12

Saturday's Games
Los Angeles 63, Cleveland 50
Utah 83, Washington 73
Detroit 69, Miami 48
Houston 56, Seattle 54

Sunday's Games
Portland 87, Phoenix 75
Sacramento 62, Orlando 60

Monday's Games
Cleveland at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Indiana, 8 p.m.

Armstrong bolsters lead, assails fans at Tour de France

MONT VENTOUX, France (AP) — Lance Armstrong drew closer to a fourth straight title at the Tour de France, then lashed out at fans along the route who branded him a drug user.

"Don't come to the bike race if you want to stand around and yell at cyclists," Armstrong said. "Stay at home."

The Texan finished third Sunday in a stage won by Frenchman Richard Virenque, who was cheered by compatriots in his first victory since returning to the Tour from a drug ban.

In the climb to the top of the formidable Mont Ventoux, Armstrong extended his lead in the overall standings. He is ahead of Joseba Beloki of Spain by 4 minutes, 21 seconds.

Armstrong looked tense after the 14th stage, upset at the response of some spectators.

"If I had a dollar for every time somebody yelled 'Dope! Dope!' I'd be a rich man," he said at a news conference. "The people are not very sportsmanlike, some of them."

Armstrong has never failed a drug test and has repeatedly denied taking banned substances. A 20-month French investigation into his U.S. Postal Service team has revealed no evidence of wrongdoing.

Armstrong has many supporters among the thousands

lining the stage route every day, but they are few compared to the fans of European riders. Armstrong thinks the fans demean themselves with their taunts.

"I think it's an indication of their intelligence," he said. "It's an issue of class: Do you have class, or do you not have class? That's not the way a classy person acts."

Virenque is one of the most popular French cyclists despite his scandalous history.

Now a rider for the Domo Farm Frites team, he was a member of the Festina squad when it was thrown out of the 1998 Tour after banned drugs were found in a team car.

In a trial that grew out of the affair, Virenque admitted he was involved in widespread drug use within the team. He was cleared of charges he helped supply drugs to teammates, but was handed a nine-month ban from cycling.

The Frenchman won Sunday's stage in 5 hours, 43 minutes, 26 seconds. He led for the last 125 miles of the 137-mile leg.

Armstrong had an excellent run up Mont Ventoux, but started accelerating too late to beat Virenque and was 2:20 off the pace. Still, he finished far in front of his biggest rival — Beloki.

Monday is a rest day, with racing to resume Tuesday — a 140-mile leg from Vaison-la-Romaine to Les Deux-Alpes in the Alps.

Yankees have breaks fall their way in defeating Red Sox, 9-8

By The Associated Press

An excuse-me single. An outfield misplay. A bases-loaded walk.

The New York Yankees got plenty of breaks in the bottom of the ninth inning Sunday when they rallied for two runs to beat the Boston Red Sox 9-8.

Now, the Yankees hope their good fortune carries over to Monday. That's when closer Mariano Rivera will have an MRI test to see what's wrong with his stiff right shoulder.

Another sellout crowd at Yankee Stadium saw New York do what it's done best for 80 years — frustrate Boston. The Red Sox lost despite Nomar Garciaparra and Manny Ramirez each

hitting two home runs.

"I don't know if it's us being snakebit or them having some Irish luck," manager Grady Little said.

Jason Giambi led off the ninth with a check-swing grounder that skipped into left field for the single. With the Red Sox infield shifted, third baseman Shea Hillenbrand was about 50 feet off the line.

Bernie Williams followed with a single that rolled through right fielder Trot Nixon. Pinch-runner Enrique Wilson scored and Williams reached third.

After two intentional walks, and with the Red Sox playing a five-man infield, Jorge Posada walked on a 3-2 pitch from Ugueth Urbina to

force home the winning run.

"It's unbelievable the magic that happens around here," Giambi said.

In other AL games, Anaheim beat the Mariners 7-5, Kansas City outlasted Cleveland 13-12 in 10 innings, Tampa Bay topped Toronto 7-5, Minnesota defeated Detroit 4-2, Texas downed Oakland 7-3 in 12 innings and Chicago beat Baltimore 8-7.

After losing to Pedro Martinez on Friday night, New York rallied to win a pair of 9-8 decisions and take a season-high four-game lead in the AL East over Boston.

The Yankees won despite Jeff Weaver tying a team record by giving up five home runs. Making his third start since being acquired in a

three-team trade, he matched the dubious mark set by John Cumberland on May 24, 1970, at Cleveland.

"Five home runs is quite embarrassing to say the least," Weaver said. "At the same time, guys around here have been good about letting me know that there's an adjustment period, no matter who it is."

The Yankees are more concerned right now about Rivera. He walked off the mound Saturday after only six pitches.

"It's just soreness, that's what it feels like," he said. "It's not pain, that's what I keep saying. It just doesn't loosen up right away."

The Yankees are off Monday and start a series in Cleveland on Tuesday night.

Kim wins Giant Eagle with late birdie

VIENNA, Ohio (AP) — After winning the Giant Eagle LPGA Classic, Mi Hyun Kim was asked to test the microphones at the award ceremony by saying a couple of words.

"I'm happy," she said. With good reason. She won a day-long duel with Kelly Robbins for a one-stroke victory Sunday, her first of the year.

Her big moment came on the 17th hole when she made a birdie after her fairway shot landed 4 feet from the cup.

Kim finished with a 3-under-par 69 for a 14-under 202. Robbins closed with a 71 and hasn't won in her last 83 LPGA starts.

"Any time you can finish second, you've hit a lot of shots well," Robbins said. "But I was liking my chops hoping for something better."

Kim, a 5-foot-1 South Korean, was at a two-club disadvantage on almost every approach shot as she matched Robbins stroke for stroke in the same pairing.

Robbins started the day with a one-shot lead over Kim. She was up by two strokes as both players sized up their second shots from the middle of the 11th fairway.

But Robbins hit a sand wedge into the greenside bunker at the par-4 hole, while Kim's second shot landed 2 feet from the pin. Robbins was unable to get up and down from the sand and picked up a bogey. Kim made her birdie putt to pull even at 13 under.

"A two-shot swing is a lot, but I wasn't concerned," Robbins said. "We were still even. I was like, 'OK, game on. No more goofing off. Let's see what we can do.'"

They traded pars on the next five holes until Kim's 7-wood from 170 yards put her in easy range for a birdie at the 17th.

"Neither of us were doing too much out there — until Kimmy hit one close," Robbins said.

Kim said she benefited from having hit the same shot from the same spot in the fairway all three days. She parred the hole the first two times.

"Before that second shot I had a lot

of confidence," Kim said. "I knew how I had to hit the ball. Every time my shot had hooked back a little because I was on a little hill. I aimed a little to the right side of the pin."

Both players drove down the heart of the 18th fairway, with Kim hitting her 5-wood second shot pin high and 15 feet away. Robbins hooked a 7-iron into the gallery left of the green and then bumped a shot that stopped less than a foot from the hole.

Kim ran her birdie putt 3 feet past the hole but nailed the comebacker.

"I hit a very strong first putt," Kim said. "I didn't know I was that strong. I was a little nervous."

The victory, worth \$150,000, was the fourth for Kim in four years. Kim, who opened with rounds of 65 and 68, came into the Giant Eagle fifth on the LPGA money list.

Robbins, in her 11th year on tour, carried a lead into the final round for the 12th time in an LPGA event. She has won four of those tournaments, but dropped to 0-6 when she was ahead by a shot with 18 holes to play.

"I'm obviously a little disappointed because any time you go into the final round of a tournament with a one-shot lead you like to play well enough to win," Robbins said.

Robbins, who matched the competitive course record with her first-round 64, has not won since the first tournament of the 1999 season.

Two-time defending champion Dorothy Delasin and Grace Park closed with 67s to tie for third at 205.

"I ran out of holes," Delasin said. Park said she could have gone much lower.

"It was one of those days when a 67 felt horrible," she said. "I struck the ball so badly and had so many birdie chances but I just couldn't get it in the hole."

Former Giant Eagle winner Tammie Green had the day's low round, a 65. She was at 206 along with rookie Natalie Gulbis, who shot a closing 68, and first-round co-leader Beth Bader.

Bader, who had earned just more than \$9,000 this year on tour, tripled that sum in one tournament.

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Peres: Israeli army prepared to withdraw from Bethlehem

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said Monday that the army was prepared to withdraw from two West Bank towns occupied for more than a month as long as Palestinian security forces were ready to take over and prevent attacks against Israel.

In violence Monday, two Palestinian militants were shot and killed by Israeli soldiers when they tried to attack a Jewish settlement in the south-

ern Gaza Strip, the army said. Two soldiers were lightly injured in a clash, the army said. Mosque loudspeakers in the nearby Palestinian town of Khan Yunis announced that the militant Islamic Jihad group carried out the attack.

Also, Israeli authorities agreed Monday to allow the reopening of the office of the leading Palestinian official in east Jerusalem, Sari Nusseibeh. Police closed his office two weeks ago, alleging that

Nusseibeh, the president of Al-Quds University, had violated peace accords by engaging in Palestinian political activity in Jerusalem.

Nusseibeh, who is also the chief representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization in Jerusalem, said he signed a document Monday agreeing not take part in politics. The Palestinians want east Jerusalem for the capital of a future state, while Israel claims sovereignty over the entire city.

Meanwhile, Peres confirmed Palestinian reports that Israel has offered to withdraw from the West Bank towns of Hebron and Bethlehem if Palestinian security takes control.

"We really want to get out of there as soon as (Palestinian) security is deployed," Peres told Israel Radio.

Asked if he was confirming reports that the army would withdraw from towns, Peres said "Yes, there are towns that are more quiet than oth-

ers; Hebron, Bethlehem and Jericho." He did not say when a withdrawal might take place.

Israel has troops in seven of the eight major Palestinian cities and towns in the West Bank, including Hebron and Bethlehem. The soldiers moved in after two suicide bomb attacks in Jerusalem more than a month ago. But Jericho, which has been quiet through most of the Palestinian uprising, is the

one West Bank town that has not been occupied.

The Israeli army was prepared to allow residents in Hebron and Bethlehem to go back to travel more freely, Peres said, though he did not elaborate.

The army-imposed curfew was lifted for the day Monday in several Palestinian towns, including Hebron. But it remained in effect in Bethlehem.

The curfew has confined some 700,000 Palestinians to their homes for much of the past month, keeping them from jobs and largely shutting down the economy, which has been decimated by 22 months of fighting.

In another development, Israel backed away Sunday from a proposal to deport to the Gaza Strip 21 relatives of suspected Palestinian militants. The 21 were arrested Friday in the West Bank and are relations of two suspected attackers.

The turnaround came after Israeli legal officials said the relatives couldn't be deported unless they were directly linked to attacks.

Turkish prime minister caught in about-face

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit's nationalist coalition partners told the ailing premier Monday that there is no turning back from a decision to hold early elections.

Despite having agreed to early elections, Ecevit backed off from that decision this weekend and even warned that early balloting could bring a pro-Islamic party to power in this key U.S. ally.

The nationalist party warned that the government will not be able to hold on to power for much longer and said elections would help the country by ending political uncertainty. The warning came as one more legislator left Ecevit's party Monday, reducing the government's seats in the 550-member parliament to 270.

"We need a new administration so that we can see ahead more clearly," said Mehmet Sandir, a nationalist lawmaker.

Parliament tried to convene in an emergency session Monday, called by two opposition parties to set early elections for Nov. 3 and begin debating reforms that Turkey must adopt if it wants to join the European Union.

The session was forced to quickly close because it could not reach quorum due to a boycott by parties in the ruling coalition. Most of those parties back early elections, but want parliament to meet Sept. 1 to allow time to prepare for the EU-oriented legislation.

Scientists excited about giant squid

HOBART, Australia (AP) — A giant squid that washed up on an Australian beach could be a previously unknown species, scientists said Monday.

The 550-pound creature was found dead Saturday on a beach in Hobart in Tasmania state and was transported Monday to the Tasmanian Museum. Experts were studying its unusual characteristics, which include long, thin flaps of muscle attached to each of its eight arms.

"What we've seen on this animal we haven't seen on other squid, and it's a significant feature," said zoologist David Pemberton. "It's basically like having a pile of muscles on your own body that nobody else has ... and I think it will rewrite the taxonomy."

The squid had lost its two tentacles, which Pemberton said would have been about 50 feet long.

Giant squid usually live on the edge of continental shelves, about 1,600 feet below the ocean's surface, he said.

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