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No-smoking ordinance goes up in smoke

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

Pampa mayor Richard Peet said a lack of public response to a recent smoking poll means there will be no city-wide anti-smoking ordinance.

His comments came during a City Commission work session and meeting Tuesday night at City Hall.

Less than 800 residents responded to a recent city-sponsored poll asking how they felt about a no-smoking ordinance.

Peet said if Pampans were that unconcerned about the hazards of secondary smoke, he could not vote for a no-smoking ordinance in the city.

"I, for one, feel like something needs to be done," Peet said. "You're not going to please everyone, but we need to address this. But where were the other 9,300 registered voters and why didn't they respond?"

The mayor said he refused to be part of a city government that mandated ordinances that ran against the will of the people.

"They are going to have to tell us what they want," Peet insisted. "Apparently people took no interest in this. I'm distressed with the public response."

Those that did respond indicated by a 2-1 margin that they favored a tough, city-wide anti-smoking ordinance.

However, City Manager Glen Hackler said, "You don't change the status quo based on less than 800 responses. That is far from a public mandate."

Commissioner Jerry Wilson said he would probably not vote for a no-smoking bill, no matter what the public cry was.

"Smoking is an evil," Wilson said. "But the intrusion of government is also an evil. I suppose smoking is the lesser of the two evils."

Four residents were joined by former state representative Foster Whaley in asking the city for a no-smoking ordinance during the Commission meeting.

Whaley told the city, "Tobacco smoke contains 200 known poisons. Not only is the smoker inhaling them, but so is everybody else."

He said that while he opposed laws that only affected the person involved, such as those mandating the wearing of seatbelts, smoking is a different matter.

"This affects more people than the smoker," Whaley said. "People have every right to do whatever they want as long as it doesn't affect anyone else. Smoking does

affect other people."

"This is not moving against smokers, it is protecting people who don't smoke," said W.A. Morgan.

Richard Gattis told commissioners, "I would like to see you support this because it's the right thing to do."

He said it was hypocritical of the city to tell children they should not rely on chemicals such as drugs and alcohol while the municipal government refused to take a stand against the most used chemical in the world, nicotine.

"We have a responsibility to say that smoking is wrong," Gattis said. "If you don't pass this, ask yourself what you are telling the children of Pampa."

However, Jim Douglas said he was against the ordinance.

"We didn't even know smoking was bad until we went out and appointed a hippie as the surgeon general," Douglas commented. "If a man wants to smoke, that's his business."

Peet said if Pampans are really concerned about having a no-smoking ordinance in the city, they must make that sentiment known in significant numbers.

As it stands, commissioners directed city attorney Don Lane to draft a no-smoking ordinance that will

encompass city-owned buildings such as the M.K. Brown Civic Center and City Hall.

Wilson said he might vote in favor of such an ordinance because it reflected a need to "get our own house in order" where smoking is concerned.

The proposed ordinance is likely to designate smoking areas in City Hall and other buildings, but forbid all other smoking in those facilities.

Hackler said he expects the ordinance to be ready for discussion by early March.

"What people need to understand about this issue is that the city is having to decide between personal rights and public health," Hackler said. "That is a big decision."

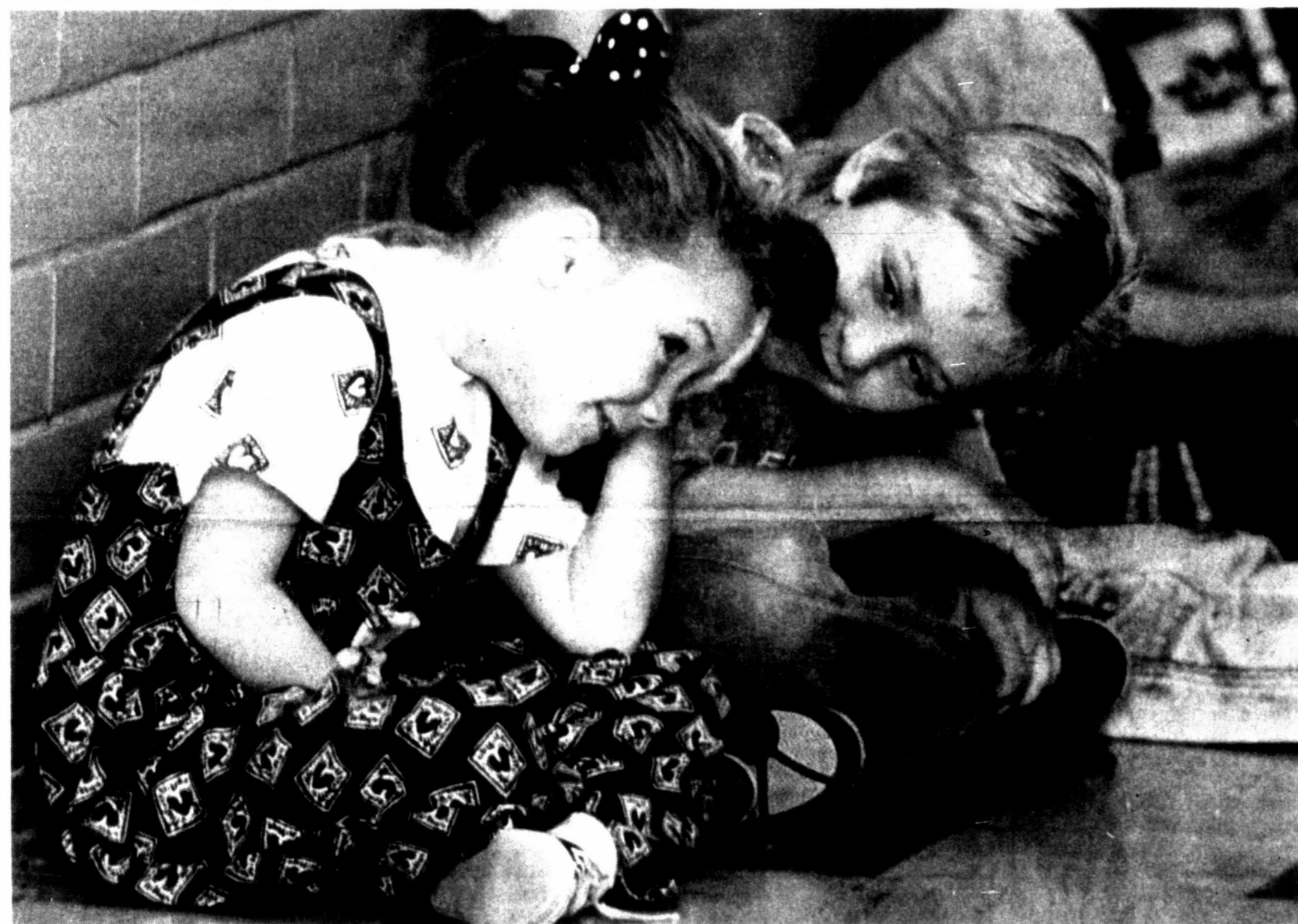
Asked about the rights of non-smokers to be protected from secondary smoke in public places such as grocery stores, Commissioner Wilson said, "You can always go somewhere else."

In other business, commissioners approved the sale of tax property at 112 E. Tuke for \$800.

They also named Mike Ruff and Ben Woodington to represent the city on the Joint Airport Zoning Board.

Also approved was the establishment of a Cable Television Advisory Board.

Best of friends



Chaundra Haggart and her best friend Chris Dallas, both first graders at Horace Mann Elementary, visit in the hallway Tuesday afternoon following their physical education class. They were waiting to go back to their regular classroom.

(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Authorities arrest two teens, detain a third in thefts

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

Two teenagers were arrested and a third is scheduled for processing by juvenile authorities in connection with the theft of 19 American and Texas flags last weekend in Pampa.

Charles Wayne Jones, 17, of 1100 E. Kingsmill, and Justin Warren Cross, 18, of 1821 N. Dwight, were charged Tuesday with felony theft after being arrested at the Pampa Police Department.

Det. Katie Morse said a third suspect, age 16, will be "processed through the juvenile system. He was taken into custody and subsequently released to a parent. This will be turned over to Ed Barker (Gray County Juvenile Officer)."

Under Texas law, males 17 and older and females 16 and older cannot claim "juvenile" status in criminal matters and are to be treated as adults.

Det. Donny Brown said felony warrants were issued for Cross and Jones, both students at Pampa High School, at 4:30 p.m. by Justice of the Peace Bob Muns.

Bond was set on the pair at \$2,500 each by Muns and they were transferred to Gray County Jail. They were later released after posting bond.

District Attorney Harold Comer said Tuesday he approved the handling of the thefts of the 19 flags as being one crime, which took the amount of loss above \$750, a felony offense.

Comer said he was dismayed anyone would steal flags being dis-

played to support troops risking their lives in the war with Iraq.

"To do something like this at this time, it doesn't coincide with the attitudes of the times," Comer said. "I don't know how they could have missed that. It wasn't a national holiday. The flags were out to support our troops. They had to know that. This shows such disrespect for the men and women overseas and the fact that they are over there defending these people's freedom."

The three teenagers became prime suspects in the flag-stealing spree when outraged citizens called Crime Stoppers on Sunday naming three persons as being connected with the case.

Chief of Police Jim Laramore said local residents read of the crimes in *The Pampa News* and responded overwhelmingly with information about the thefts.

Brown said the case has been turned over to Comer for prosecution.

The flags were stolen Friday and Saturday, Feb. 8 and 9, from businesses and homes around the city.

Police are still investigating the thefts of other flags around the city prior to Friday.

Deputy Chief of Police Ken Hall said according to Texas law, punishment for the thefts for which Cross and Jones have been charged would be under the perimeters of third degree felony law.

A third-degree felony conviction could include up to a year in a community correction facility or two to 10 years in the state prison system and a fine of up to \$10,000.

Future of school district clouds meeting

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

LEFORS - Lefors Independent School District Board of Trustees held a regular meeting Tuesday evening, but the normal business was clouded with questions of what the future holds for the school district.

Lefors is classified as a "wealthy" school district and because of court-ordered equity plans for the school systems in the state, Lefors may be forced to consolidate or eventually shut its doors to the students. The state Legislature is currently looking at a number of plans which are aimed at abiding by the Supreme Court's ruling.

However, Superintendent Ed Gilliland said the Lefors school district is not going down without a lot of "kicking and screaming."

Gilliland has planned a town meeting for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the High School Auditorium. He said during that meeting he will let Lefors residents know what the latest word is from Austin on legislative attempts to abide by the court-ordered equity plan.

Gilliland said he will also have available lists of the state legislators and others that could have pressure exerted upon them by the public.

"We've got to fight for our lives and make telephone calls and write letters," Gilliland said.

Gilliland said if a plan cannot be agreed upon in the state, he said the state needs to pass a constitutional amendment "taking the Supreme Court out of the school business and taking the word 'equity' out."

In regular business Tuesday, the

school board unanimously adopted a resolution authorizing a settlement with Educators Group Health Trust (EGHT). The trust provided insurance for about 200 school districts in the state in 1987-88 and went bankrupt, leaving Lefors school personnel with bills. Under the settlement, Lefors ISD will pay for about \$13,000 of its employees' bills.

The board also called for the May 4 election of two, three-year positions, now held by Garrel Roberson and Charlie Sullivan, and for a one-year unexpired term, formerly held by Larry Daniels. Those interested in filing for the election can do so at the school beginning next Monday and continuing through 5 p.m. on March 20.

Pat Seely and Jimmy Butler were approved as absentee judges for the May 4 school trustee election and election judges for the day of the election were also approved.

The board, in unrelated business, voted 4-1, with Mike Steele voting against, to raise the driver's education fee from \$75 to \$100. Steele said he believed \$100 was too much to charge for the course. Students taking the course this year will have to pay \$25 down before the 32 hours of classroom work and the remainder of the fee before the seven hours of driving.

Principal Joe Roper will teach the course this year and 16 students are expected to sign up, school officials said.

In other business, the board:

- approved the following long-range goals for the Lefors ISD - put central air in the high school building, remodel the girl's restroom, complete computerization of both

libraries, put new lockers in the high school and build a new high school/junior high facility.

• discussed a district-wide pay plan and began preliminary discussions on the 1991-92 budget.

• amended the 1990-91 Lefors ISD budget and voted to amend the budget line items each quarter.

• approved Wanda Lamb and Lequeta Berry as substitute teachers.

• approved an update to the Lefors ISD policy manual and approved a local district update policies on special programs.

• approved minutes of a prior meeting and the payment of bills.

• heard the superintendent's report which included a report on

the district spring meet, a report on the superintendents' mid-winter conference in Austin, the new district basketball alignment for 1991-92, and a report on the third six-weeks grading period.

Following an executive session, the board voted to extend the contracts of Business Manager Jimmy Butler and Principal Joe Roper for one year, giving them each two-year contracts.

Regarding an item to consider the contractual status of Athletic Director/Head Football Coach Dale Means, the board agreed to first hire teachers back as teachers and then make assignments, Gilliland said today.

Officials call 'bomb' a prank

TOKYO (AP) - A U.S.-bound United Airlines flight returned safely to Tokyo early Thursday after a passenger brandished an object that he said was a bomb, officials said. Authorities described the incident as a prank, and said there were no injuries.

United spokesman Sarah Dornacker in Chicago said it was "unequivocally not a hijack" but "a security-related matter" that forced the return of 296 passengers and a crew of 20 on board Flight 58. She said about two hours after departure, the captain advised Tokyo he was returning to Narita Airport.

Dornacker said the San Francisco-bound plane was a Boeing 747-100, and that the landing occurred without incident. She

said nobody was injured. It was not immediately known where authorities had taken the passenger alleged to have staged the prank.

Transport and Foreign Ministry officials said the passenger, reportedly in the economy section of the plane, had begun shouting and exhibiting the object after the flight was over the Pacific and hours east of Japan.

Security officers at Tokyo's international airport said, however, no hijack signal was ever set off by the plane's flight crew.

The flight left Tokyo at 7:45 p.m. (5:45 a.m. EST today), and landed at Narita at 12:47 a.m. Thursday (10:47 a.m. EST today).

Military defends attack of Iraqi bomb shelter

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AP) - Allied missiles slammed into a Baghdad shelter early today, killing 500 civilians, Iraq said. The United States said the site was a bunker used as a military command center.

The number of deaths would be the single biggest loss of civilian life reported in the Persian Gulf War.

The U.S. military command said the bunker had been recently painted in camouflage colors and was used by the Iraqi military command.

"We don't feel we attacked the wrong bunker or we made a mistake," Marine Brig. Gen. Richard I. Neal told reporters in Riyadh.

The deaths occurred during a 12-hour bombardment of Baghdad. One of the buildings hit - the Palace of Conferences - is across the street from the al-Rashid Hotel, where a Soviet envoy on a peace mission was staying. The diplomat met Tuesday with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

As the war turned 4 weeks old, Soviet diplomatic efforts to end it picked up with the announcement of plans for Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to meet in Moscow with President Mikhail S. Gorbachev. Sunday's trip would be a followup to envoy Yevgeny Primakov's visit, the Kremlin said.

After meeting with Primakov, Saddam announced Iraq might be willing to talk. However, the White House noted he said nothing about the central issue in the conflict - ending Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

The air campaign continued at a relentless pace, with 2,800 sorties in the previous 24 hours, Neal said today.

During one mission over Iraq, a Saudi F-5 Tiger 2 was lost and the pilot was missing, Saudi Col. Ahmed al-Robayan said. It was the second Saudi plane lost.

Kuwait's air force used Gazelle helicopters today for the first time in the war, damaging two tanks, exiled Defense Minister Sheik Nawaf al-Ahmed said.

Despite the bombings, U.S. military officials said Iraq has managed to rig makeshift military communications and supply links. They said Iraq was drawing on battlefield experience from the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

The reinforced structure hit in Baghdad today also was a legacy of that war: It was one of five big air raid shelters built in the capital during that conflict. Neal said it had been upgraded to a hardened command and control bunker used for communications.

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Services tomorrow

NEWMAN, Lester G. Sr. - 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitely Colonial Chapel.
YOUNG, Elmer D. - 4 p.m., Carmichael-Whitely Colonial Chapel.
HARRISON, Marvin P. - 11 a.m., graveside, Mobeetie Cemetery, Mobeetie.

Obituaries

LESTER G. NEWMAN SR.

Lester G. Newman Sr., 79, died Monday, Feb. 11, 1991. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Carmichael-Whitely Colonial Chapel with the Dr. John T. Tate, pastor of First Christian Church, and the Rev. Kevin Hollowell, pastor of First Christian Church of Miami, officiating. Burial will be in Miami Cemetery with Masonic graveside rites courtesy of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM.

Mr. Newman was born Feb. 2, 1912, in Stroud, Okla. He moved to Pampa in 1944 from Great Bend, Kan. He married Dorothy Reed on July 16, 1934, at Stroud, Okla. He worked for Shell Oil Co. for 16 years and Skelly Oil Co. for 24 years, retiring in 1974. He was a member of First Christian Church and the Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM. He received his 50-year pin from the Masonic Lodge in July 1990.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy, of the home; two sons, Lester Glenn Newman Jr. of Amarillo and Harold Newman of Mesquite; three daughters, Joyce Brazier of Dallas, Jeannette Fitch of Hereford and Melba "Suzy" Sirmans of Miami; three sisters, Naomi Brown and Vesta Davis, both of Stroud, Okla., and Marguerite Hollon of Lovington, N.M.; one brother, Donald Newman of Silsbee; 13 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Phillis Ann, in 1973.

The family requests that memorials be made to a favorite charity.

ELMER D. YOUNG

Elmer D. Young, 67, died Tuesday, Feb. 12, 1991. Services will be at 4 p.m. Thursday in Carmichael-Whitely Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Nathan Hopson, pastor of Hilland Pentecostal Holiness Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.



Mr. Young was born on Dec. 9, 1923, in Lubbock and moved to Pampa in 1931. He married Pat Gurley on Nov. 16, 1947, at Pampa. He was city health officer for Pampa for 28 years, retiring in 1988. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran of World War II serving in the South Pacific. He also was a member of the Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars and the National Rifle Association.

Survivors include his wife, Pat, of the home; a son, Larry D. Young of Pampa; a daughter, Lana Myers of Booker; his mother, Jo Young of Pampa; a sister, Eddie Largent of Spearman; and six grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society.

MARVIN P. HARRISON

DENTON - Marvin P. "Rooster" Harrison, 81, died Monday, Feb. 11, 1991. Services will be at 11 a.m. today in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. William C. Crouch, pastor, officiating. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in Mobeetie Cemetery at Mobeetie. Arrangements are by Jack Schmitz and Son Funeral Home Inc.

Mr. Harrison was born in Sentinel, Okla., and attended schools in Denton. He married Evelyn Leake in 1939 at Denton. He served during World War II, in the Texas 99th Division of the Seabees. He was a member of the American Legion, Knights of the Pythias, First United Methodist Church and the Bungalow Sunday school class. He had worked for the Dr Pepper Bottling Co. for 35 years as a warehouse manager.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Kathy Harrison of Amarillo; a son, Dan H. Harrison of Denton; and a brother, Dorris Harrison of Burleson.

Fires

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

TUESDAY, Feb. 12

2:11 p.m. - A grass fire was reported four miles northwest of Lefors. Three men and two units responded.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.32	dn 3/8
Milo	3.80	dn 3/8
Com.	4.13	up 1/8

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

Ky. Cent. Life	9	dn 1/4
Serfco	5	NC
Occidental	19 1/2	up 1/4

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

Magellan	62.06	NC
Puritan	13.27	NC

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

Ammo	51 7/8	up 3/8
Arco	132 7/8	dn 5/8
Cabot	32 7/8	dn 1/4

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL	Pampa
Admissions	Barbra Helton, Pampa
Mary Conner, Pampa	Guy James, Pampa
Harold Justice, Pampa	John David Locke,
Eva Kelly, Pampa	Pampa
Wilburn Morris, Pampa	Randon Payne,
	Pampa
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL	
Admissions	
Mina Towery, Pampa	Ogden Ayers,
Polly Ann West, Pampa	McLean
Dismissals	
Clarence Benton, Pampa	None
Ladislao Chavez, Pampa	

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

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Travis Jennings, 1438 N. Christy, reported a theft at the residence.
 John Morgan, Dallas, reported a burglary at 418 Harlem.
 Jeff Boyd, 2425 Christine, reported criminal mischief at the residence.
 Anthony's, Coronado Center, reported a forgery at the business.
 Olgie Hardin, 1025 N. Wells, reported criminal mischief at the residence.
 Sherman Phillips, 728 S. Somerville, reported burglary of a motor vehicle in the 700 block of South Gray.
 Jo-Ann Jackson, 1117 Huff, reported burglary of a motor vehicle at an unknown location.
 Mary Martindale, 1919 Charles, reported a theft at the residence.
 Police reported a domestic assault in the 600 block of North Gray.
 Michelle Wardlow, 420 Pitts, reported an assault by threat at the residence.
 A juvenile reported an assault at a Pampa public school bus stop.
 The city of Pampa reported criminal mischief at Maple and Barrett.
 Police reported domestic violence and carrying a prohibited weapon in the 900 block of South Love.
 Juan Venegas, 922 S. Love, reported injury to a prisoner in the city jail. (Police said Venegas reportedly hit a wall with his hand prior to being arrested and it was later determined that the hand was broken.)

Arrests

TUESDAY, Feb. 12

Petra Kristine Michelle Galavez, 19, 621 W. Kingsmill, was arrested in the 200 block of West 18th on charges of failure to identify, no driver's license, no proof of liability insurance and no seat belt. She was released on bond.
 Justin Warren Cross, 18, 1821 N. Dwight, was arrested at the police department on felony charges of theft. He was transferred to county jail and later released on bond. (See related story)
 Charles Wayne Jones, 17, 1100 E. Kingsmill, was arrested at the police department on felony charges of theft. He was transferred to county jail and later released on bond. (See related story)
 Michael Jimmy Martinez, 26, 1032 Neel Rd., was arrested at Maple and Barrett on charges of DWI and criminal mischief.

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Juan Antonio Venegas, 28, 922 Love, was arrested in the 900 block of South Love on charges of public intoxication and carrying a prohibited weapon (gravity knife).
 Jack Victor Glick Jr., 59, Amarillo, was arrested at 543 W. Brown on a charge of public intoxication.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Feb. 12

10:30 a.m. - A 1978 Dodge driven by Evelyn McPeak, 505 N. Zimmers, collided with a 1979 Dodge driven by Steven Osborn, 1610 Alcock, in the 500 block of West Francis. No citations were issued.

Calendar of events

PAMPA BRIDGE CLUB

Pampa Bridge Club meets on Thursday at 10 a.m. in Room 11 at Clarendon College, Pampa Center. To arrange for a partner, call Marguerite Ward at 669-7543.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

Texas Dept. of Health Immunization Clinic will be offering vaccines that give protection against polio, diphtheria, tetanus (lock jaw), pertussis (whooping cough), measles, rubella and mumps. The clinic is located in the Hughes Building, 408 W. Kingsmill, Suite 100, and will be open Thursday, Feb. 14, from 9 - 11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Fee is based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

DESERT SHIELD SUPPORT GROUP

The Pampa Desert Shield Support Group meets each Thursday at 7 p.m. at Briarwood Church, 1800 W. Harvester.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	665-8481



(AP Laserphoto)

Pictured is a scene from Kevin Costner's epic western "Dances with Wolves" which has garnered 12 nominations for the 63rd annual Academy Awards announced in Beverly Hills earlier today.

Academy announces Oscar nominations

By JOHN HORN
 AP Entertainment Writer

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) - Kevin Costner's epic western "Dances with Wolves" collected a leading 12 nominations for the 63rd annual Academy Awards announced today, including best actor and director for Costner and best picture.

Director Warren Beatty's "Dick Tracy" was tied for second with seven nominations, including best supporting actor for Al Pacino. "The Godfather Part III" also collected seven nominations, including best picture and best supporting actor for Andy Garcia.

Competing against "Dances with Wolves" and "The Godfather Part III" for best picture were "Awakenings," "GoodFellas" and, in one of the biggest surprises of the year, "Ghost."

Joining Costner for best actor were Robert De Niro for "Awakenings," Gerard Depardieu in "Cyrano de Bergerac," Richard Harris in "The Field" and Jeremy Irons in "Reversal of Fortune."

In another unusual selection, Julia Roberts was named in the best actress category for her depiction of a prostitute in the box office success, "Pretty Woman." Also nominated in this category were Kathy Bates for "Misery," Angelica Huston for "The Grifters," Meryl Streep in "Postcards from the Edge" and Joanne Woodward for "Mr. & Mrs. Bridge."

Costner, who made his directorial debut in "Dances With Wolves," faced four veterans in the best directing race. They were Francis Ford Coppola for "The Godfather Part III," Martin Scorsese for "GoodFellas," Stephen Frears for "The Grifters" and Barbet Schroeder for "Reversal of Fortune."

Penny Marshall, whose "Awakenings" collected three nominations, failed to become the first woman nominated for best director.

In addition to Garcia and Pacino, the nominees for best supporting actor were Bruce Davison in "Longtime Companion," Graham Greene in "Dances With Wolves" and Joe Pesci in "GoodFellas."

Comedian Whoopi Goldberg, who played a low-rent psychic in "Ghost," earned a nomination for best supporting actress. Joining her were Annette Bening from "The Grifters," Lorraine Bracco in "GoodFellas," Dianne Ladd in "Wild at Heart" and Mary McDonnell in "Dances With Wolves."

Depardieu's "Cyrano de Bergerac" from France was among the best foreign-language films of the year. Also nominated were Switzerland's "Journey of Hope," China's "Ju Dou," Germany's "The Nasty Girl" and Italy's "Open Doors."

In the original screenplay category, nominees included Woody Allen for "Alice"; Barry Levinson, "Avalon"; Bruce Joel Rubin, "Ghost"; Peter Weir, "Green Card," and first-time filmmaker

Whit Stillman for "Metropolitan." For screenplay adaption (from another medium), the Academy nominated Steven Zaillian for "Awakenings"; Michael Blake, "Dances With Wolves"; Nicholas Pileggi and Scorsese, "GoodFellas"; Donald E. Westlake, "The Grifters," and Nicholas Kazan, "Reversal of Fortune."

No movie in 25 years has received more nominations than the 12 for "Dances With Wolves." It matched the 1981 "Reds" but trailed the 13 nominations for 1966's "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"

Many of the nominations for the second-leading film, "Dick Tracy," were in technical categories.

Reading today's nominations were Academy President Karl Malden and actor Denzel Washington, who last year won the best supporting actor award for "Glory."

Comedian Billy Crystal will be host of the March 25 Academy Awards ceremony at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles.

The studios will be quick to exploit the nominations in newspaper, radio and television advertisements. Analysts estimate that a nomination in a top category can mean an extra \$10 million at the box office, while a prominent Oscar win can be worth \$20 million or more in additional theatrical income.

Last year, Warner Bros. used a leading nine Oscar nominations to revitalize "Driving Miss Daisy" at the box office.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR: Harley Knutson 665-4237. Adv.

BALLOONS ARE US: 669-2013, 669-6548. Valentine Bouquets \$8 and up, Air walkers \$10 and up. Adv.

COUSINS HANDMADE Crafts open Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 9:30-5:00, 112 W. Kingsmill, 665-4963. Adv.

BLOOMING PLANTS for Valentines choose from miniature roses, Azaleas, tulips and daffodil gardens. Cactus gardens in Southwest planters. Lots of others. We deliver. Watson's Feed & Garden, 665-4189. Adv.

CLARENDON COLLEGE Pampa Center will be offering Defensive Driving Class on Saturday, February 16, 8 a.m. Please call 665-8801 for reservations. Adv.

WALL COVERING, borders and fabrics. Let Bartlett Lumber help you with your decorating ideas. 500 W. Brown. 665-1814. Adv.

JOY'S UNLIMITED. All Valentine gifts 25% off. Aromatic bags-peach, apple, and tree scent, 30% off. Lots of merchandise arriving daily. 2218 N. Hobart. Adv.

REMEMBER YOUR Valentine with a gift from Pets Unique! Puppies, parakeets to exotic birds, aquariums, Sandi Cast dogs and cats. 910 W. Kentucky, 665-5102. Adv.

REGISTRATION STILL open for Women's Health Forum, Saturday at the Pampa/Country Club. Call Linda Haynes, Coronado Hospital, 665-3721 extension 229 to register. Adv.

CLARENDON COLLEGE Pampa Center will offer a beginner Computer workshop, Tuesday, February 19th, 6 p.m. Class will run 4 weeks, 2 nights per week. Class size limited to 15. Enroll now. Adv.

EASY'S CLUB Dance to Kick Back Friday and Saturday. \$3 singles, \$5 couple. Adv.

GET YOUR Sweetheart a special treat from Crunchville on Valentine Day. Gourmet popcorn or pink cotton candy. Pampa Mall. Adv.

WALLPAPER SALE, 20% off marked books and paints in February. Cabinets, tops, refacing. Gray's Decorating. Adv.

FREE BLOOD Pressure and Blood Sugar Screening by Agape Health Services at Keyes Pharmacy, 928 N. Hobart, Thursday, February 14, from 1 to 5 p.m. Adv.

MEALS ON WHEELS 669-1007, P.O. Box 939. Adv.

TAX SERVICE & Bookkeeping, Glenda Brownlee, 665-0310 or 274-2142. Adv.

ROWDY ACE Band tonight, City Limits Club. Adv.

NEW SHIPMENT of Buster Brown, boys sizes 2-7, girls 2-14, also lots of frilly Easter dresses at the Clothes Line! Adv.

GAVEL CLUB, Thursday, 6 p.m. Sirloin Stuck. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, fair with a low in the upper 20s and northerly winds 10-20 mph. Thursday, mostly sunny with a high in the upper 50s and northerly winds 10-15 mph.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - A little cooler Thursday. Lows tonight from near 30 Panhandle to the mid 40s south. Highs Thursday mid 50s northern Panhandle to near 70 Big Bend.

North Texas - Partly cloudy and cooler tonight. Sunny and not as warm Thursday. Lows tonight 41 to 48. Highs Thursday 62 to 67.

South Texas - Partly cloudy, breezy and cooler tonight. Increasing clouds and not as warm Thursday. Lows tonight from near 50 north to near 60 south. Highs Thursday near 70 north to near 80 south.

EXTENDED FORECAST

Friday through Sunday
 West Texas - Most sections, fair Friday and partly cloudy Saturday

and Sunday. Highs Panhandle mid 50s to around 60. Lows upper 20s to lower 30s. Highs South Plains mid 60s. Lows lower 30s. Highs Permian Basin, Concho and Pecos valleys mid to upper 60s. Lows mid to upper 30s except lower 40s Sunday. Highs far west lower to mid 60s. Lows from the upper 30s to lower 40s. Fair each day Big Bend. Highs from the upper 50s to mid 60s mountains and mid 60s to lower 70s lowlands. Lows from the lower 30s to lower 40s mountains and lower 40s to around 50.

North Texas - Dry and mild. Lows in the 30s Friday, in the 40s Saturday and Sunday. Highs in the 60s Friday, in the 70s Saturday and Sunday.

South Texas - Fair skies Hill Country and south central Friday. Partly cloudy Saturday and Sunday. Mild days and cool nights. Lows in the 30s Friday, 30s Hill Country to 40s south central Saturday, 40s to near 50 Sunday. Highs near 70.

Mostly fair Friday in Texas Coastal Bend. Partly cloudy Saturday and

Sunday. Mild days and cool nights. Lows in the 40s Friday, near 50 Saturday and 50s Sunday. Highs in the 70s. Mostly fair Friday lower Rio Grande valley and plains. Partly cloudy Saturday with increasing clouds Sunday. Lows in the upper 40s to near 50 Friday, 50s Saturday and Sunday. Highs in the 70s. Fair skies Friday southeast and upper Gulf coast. Partly cloudy Saturday and Sunday. Mild days and cool nights. Lows in the upper 30s to near 40 Friday, 40s Saturday and 40s inland to near 50 coast Sunday. Highs from the 60s to near 70.

BORDER STATES

Oklahoma - Clear to partly cloudy and cooler tonight and Thursday. Lows tonight upper 20s panhandle to near 40 southeast. Highs Thursday mostly in the 50s.

New Mexico - Mostly fair skies tonight and sunny Thursday. Lows tonight will range from the mid-teens in the mountains and north to the mid-30s in the south. Highs Thursday will be in the 50s north to the 60s south.

Phillips: Fundamental reforms needed in state judiciary

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Judges and lawyers can make some improvements in the judicial system, but major reforms are needed that only can be initiated by the Legislature, Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Thomas Phillips said.

In his State of the Judiciary address Tuesday to lawmakers, Phillips advocated changing the way judges are selected, full state funding for Texas courts, and ethics reform legislation setting high standards for judges.

"We need fundamental reform on many fronts before our state can realize its full potential of providing available, affordable and timely justice for all," Phillips said.

He said the courts and State Bar

of Texas would do their part, including providing services to the poor. But the "most fundamental reforms," including changing the way judges are selected, are the Legislature's responsibility, Phillips said.

"Only you can initiate the procedure to replace an electoral system that is too partisan, too expensive, and possibly unlawful with a modern system of judicial selection that enhances accountability, independence and competence," Phillips said.

That echoed his first State of the Judiciary speech to the Legislature in 1989, when he advocated a system of appointing judges who would then periodically stand unopposed for election. The plan would require a constitutional amendment to be approved by voters.

Phillips, the first Republican elected chief justice, also said that ethics legislation should apply to the judiciary, calling that branch of government "most dependent on public confidence."

Some current proposals to limit campaign contributions do not include the judicial branch, according to Phillips.

The chief justice also said the state should provide full funding for its courts, rather than requiring reliance on local government money.

In this legislative session, Phillips urged lawmakers to increase funding over the next two years for such priority items as:

- Adding professional staff, or increasing staff compensation, to keep pace with growing caseloads

in appellate courts.

For example, Phillips said, the Court of Criminal Appeals has 199 pending death penalty cases, and the average time from filing to disposition of the cases is more than 30 months.

- Increasing the salary for retired appellate and trial judges assigned to sit in cases. Such judges now receive only the difference between their retirement pay and the daily salary of the judge for whom they sit, Phillips said.
- "This can lead to absurd results, as when one distinguished retired district judge received \$17.28 salary for two days' service in a county court at law," he said.
- Creating a support fund for trial judges who lack sufficient equipment or personnel.



(AP Laserphoto)
Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Tom Phillips, left, and Gov. Ann Richards stand at the podium in the House chamber Tuesday, prior to Phillip's State of the Judiciary address.

Dallas woman mounts front-yard salute to troops



By MARLYN SCHWARTZ
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS (AP) — Christy Moroch likes to think of her yard as greeting card to the world.

At Thanksgiving, she placed 2,000 pounds of pumpkins on her front lawn. At Easter, she displays an array of 2-foot-tall Easter eggs. But this month, Mrs. Moroch has outdone even herself.

The Dallas homemaker has created her own version of a Patriot missile as a yard sculpture.

The rocketlike object is red, white, and blue, and has "Patriot, Too," painted across the side. At 4 feet tall, it is positioned at the top of her front-yard fountain.

The rest of the yard features giant trees decorated with red, white and blue lights. Two trees are strung with red lights, two with white and two with blue. Two other trees twinkle in red, white and blue. They are also decorated with yellow ribbons. Red, white and blue bunting covers one length of the yard.

This patriotic tableau stops traffic at the corner of DeLoach and Inwood in North Dallas, particularly at night when the display is lit up.

The question on everyone's lips is, "Where does a Dallas mother of two get a Patriot missile?"

"It's not really a missile," Mrs. Moroch says. "It's a bomb I bought at the Army-Navy store a few years ago. I mean, it's not a real working bomb. I think it was once like a target bomb. I always put it up on the Fourth of July. Otherwise, I keep it in the garage."

Admirers do more than just drive by. Some stop to thank Mrs. Moroch.

One note last week particularly touched her.

"My son is in Saudi Arabia with the 1st Cavalry Ground Force," it

read. "He's a tank commander. If you have someone there or if you don't, you must realize the importance of supporting our troops and our president. Thank you."

Another woman stopped, parked and looked for a few minutes. Then she went home and brought back her kids. "Every time I hear the war news on the radio, I drive by here and I feel better," she said. "God bless these people."

Mrs. Moroch has a nephew in Saudi Arabia, but she says her display is for all of the troops. She started planning the display when she got caught up in the emotion of the beginning of the war. "My husband, Tom, has some show-business clients, so we screen a lot of movies," she says. "The night the war started we were screening 'Flight of the Intruder.'

"It was very much like what was going on in real life. When the film was over I was moved with feeling and emotion. I jumped up and yelled, 'Yes!' I knew it was time to get out my bomb and put it in the front yard."

Mrs. Moroch says creating such a display was not a problem. She and her husband have always liked unusual decorations. In fact, their home is fashioned in what she describes as an "English hunting lodge style."

Sir Lancelot would probably feel at home in their living room. And stepping into their bedroom is like walking into a medieval castle. The stained glass windows portray castles and knights going off to battle. The Morochs also have an armor collection.

Mrs. Moroch says she will continue showing off the "missile," but she also plans to display those 2-foot-tall Easter eggs. Only this year they may be red, white and blue.

(AP Laserphoto)
Christy Moroch poses with her patriotic display in her front yard in Dallas recently. Moroch often has seasonal displays in her yard, but the war in the Gulf inspired her to go all out with a patriotic theme.

Dallas police warn prostitutes of mutilation slayer with 'surgical skill'

DALLAS (AP) — Prostitutes are being warned by Dallas police about the slayings of two women who were mutilated with "surgical skill."

Police said Tuesday that two women have been slain and officers are searching for a third prostitute who knew and worked with the two victims. They say the woman, known only as Vickie, has not been seen since early January, leading them to fear she was also slain.

Dallas police planned to meet today with Dallas County Sheriff's Department detectives and FBI experts to compare notes and plot their investigation.

The victims were identified as Mary Lou Pratt, 33, whose body was found Dec. 13, and Susan

Peterson, 27, whose body was discovered Sunday. Dallas police are investigating Ms. Pratt's death. The Dallas County Sheriff's Department is investigating Ms. Peterson's slaying.

The bodies of both women, whose faces had been similarly mutilated, were found in the same area. Ms. Pratt's body was inside the city limits while the body of Ms. Peterson was found outside the city limits.

Police said Tuesday they were providing details of the slayings to alert prostitutes and the public, although they acknowledged that the publicity may hinder solving the case.

"I think our actions are an indication of our concern for the prosti-

tutes in Dallas and our hopes that we can prevent another murder," Detective John Westphalen said.

Police officials said that cities investigating serial killings of prostitutes, such as the Green River Killings in King County, Wash., had failed to move quickly enough to alert the public.

In the unsolved Green River Killings, 49 women — many of them prostitutes — were abducted and killed between 1982 and 1984.

"I've studied what they did in the

Green River case, and we weren't going to make that same mistake," said Lt. Ron Waldrop.

Ms. Peterson's body was found Sunday morning, although it was Tuesday before detectives in the police and sheriff's departments were notified of the similarities between the cases.

A medical examiner's agent spotted similarities in the way the bodies had been mutilated, sheriff's department Detective Larry Oliver said Tuesday.

Sarpalius announces appointments to four Agriculture subcommittees

WASHINGTON — U.S. Rep. Bill Sarpalius was recently appointed to four prime subcommittees of the House Committee on Agriculture.

During the next two years, Sarpalius will serve on the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit and Rural Development; the Subcommittee on Wheat, Soybeans and Feed Grains; the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy and Poultry; and the Subcommittee on Departmental Operations, Research and Foreign Agriculture (DORFA).

The congressman said he is pleased with the appointments.

"I could not think of four subcommittees that will have more of an impact on the economy in the 13th Congressional District than these four," said Sarpalius, D-Amarillo. "It would have been helpful enough for the district to be represented on two or three. To be appointed to all four is just a tremendous honor."

Sarpalius served on the Conservation, Credit and Rural Development subcommittee during the last Congress as well as the Wheat, Soybeans and Feed Grains panel. He said his top priority this year had been to win reappointment to the two subcommittees.

"The Conservation, Credit subcommittee oversees all ASCS

(Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service) operations, all farm credit activities and the crop insurance programs. I don't need to tell anyone how important those are to our district.

"And, of course, the importance of wheat, corn and grain sorghum to the economy of our district made it imperative that I continue serving on the Wheat, Soybeans and Feed Grains subcommittee. That subcommittee will play a big role in any adjustments that might be made to the 1990 Farm Bill."

Sarpalius said he made a bid for the other two subcommittees because of the roles they will play in the future of the 13th Congressional District.

"I asked to get on the DORFA subcommittee because tight oversight of the Agriculture Department will be critical in the coming years," he said. "Money will be hard to come by, and we must make sure the department administrators programs in a manner that maximizes the benefit to our district."

"My appointment to the Livestock subcommittee is important for the same reason. Raising and feedlot operations are so vital to our economy. I wanted to be in a position to do everything I could to help that industry in the years ahead."

Texan among dead in Colorado plane crash

TOPONAS, Colo. (AP) — Four people, including a Texan, were killed in a single-engine airplane that was flying at too high an altitude in mountains south of here when it crashed, authorities said.

Norm Wiemeyer of the National Transportation Safety Board said Tuesday the plane was flying around 12,300-foot mountains. He said that altitude was too high for a Cessna V-206 carrying four adult passengers.

"It appears they were flying up a draw and the ground pulled up faster than they did. They came down hard," said Routt County Sheriff Ed Burch.

The plane went down in deep snow and heavy timber.

The plane was reported missing Monday afternoon after it failed to return to Eagle County Airport after a trip to scout a ranch by air south of here.

The victims were identified as the pilot, David L. Stewart, 41, of Abilene, Texas; Hubert W. Duncan, 35, of Fruita; Dennis F. Hanson, 38, of Pagosa Springs, and John T. Benton, 63, of Burns.

Eagle County sheriff's deputies said the plane did not burn and the victims were all found inside the wreckage Tuesday morning by searchers on snowmobiles.

The plane had failed to return to the Eagle County Airport on Monday, officials said.

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Louise Fletcher
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Opinion

Battle is necessary to defeat true evil

Good thing the people who train U.S. military pilots don't subscribe to the relativism so popular in academic, literary, and ecclesiastical circles. Are there evil empires? Don't make us laugh, sniff the up-to-date ethicists, for whom right and wrong is situational if not merely the stuff of nursery tales. U.S. pilots, in contrast, can't afford the luxury of such sophistication. They have to operate in the real world where evil is a tangible phenomenon, permeating the law and habits of despotic regimes. That's why the training of our pilots includes a program to help prepare them if they're captured by a savage foe.

Let us hope such preparations help steel the servicemen who've fallen into the hands of Saddam Hussein. On television, we see some of those men, scarred from apparent beatings, mouthing denunciations of their country, undoubtedly under physical and psychological pressure. Saddam also promises that they're being used as human shields at sites likely to come under attack.

It goes without saying that all this flouts the Geneva Convention, not to mention simple human decency. But who's surprised? Isn't this just another reminder that there are rulers who sneer at civilized norms?

And let's get this straight: Between such thugs and the United States of America, there is no moral equivalence. The idea that use of force by America somehow places it on the same ethical plane as any and all potential foes, no matter how ruthless, may sound alluringly provocative in a political-science classroom or the nave of an "enlightened" church, but this nonsense withers under reality's harsh light. Saddam's treatment of our POWs is only the latest refutation of the moral equivalency crowd, the folks who would "blame America first" in any international confrontation, as Jeanne Kirkpatrick famously put it.

There was room for debate over whether it was America's role to answer Saddam's brutal invasion of Kuwait, but now that the conflict is under way, you don't need a color TV to see who's in the right. Saddam is the black hat; his foes do battle for justice.

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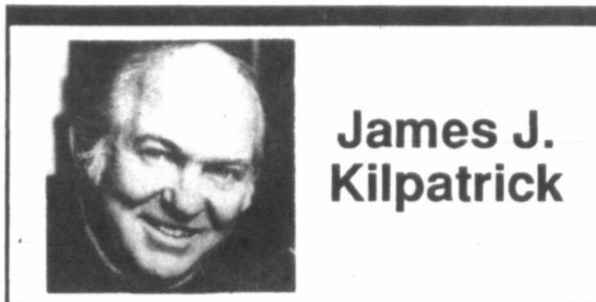
A naked constitutional issue

WASHINGTON - Sally Rand, the famous fan dancer, provides a nice metaphor. Behind her ostrich feathers fans, Sally reportedly was as naked as a hen's egg. Maybe she was, but in the dim light in which she danced, it was a matter of now you see her, now you don't.

So it is with the constitutional distinction between expression and conduct. It is like seeing Sally. The line is a blur. The Constitution protects free "speech," but manifestly some forms of speech are not spoken - silent picketing, for example, or silent praying, or the wearing of symbolic armbands. Is a striptease speech? What about nude dancing in the Kitty Kat Lounge in South Bend, Ind.?

The Supreme Court heard argument the other day on this seriously trivial issue. Indiana law makes public nudity a Class A misdemeanor. In the case at hand, it was stipulated that Darlene, Gayle and Carla, the go-go dancers, were nude; that their dancing was not obscene; and that the establishments were places of public accommodation for adults only. This was the question put to the high court: Is Indiana's law, as it applies to dancing, an unconstitutional abridgement of freedom of speech?

On this issue, the 7th U.S. Circuit Court last May split all over the landscape. A majority of the court upheld the dancers: The distinction between conduct and expression "is an elusive one," but dance as entertainment is a form of expression that is inherently expressive. The majority cited the dance of Salome in the Richard Strauss opera - an erotic, sensual expression. "It is immaterial that Salome tells a compelling story and the nude dancing at the Kitty Kat Lounge may not."



James J. Kilpatrick

Judge Frank Easterbrook led the dissenters. Speaking for three members of the appellate court, he argued that public nudity is the kind of conduct a state may prohibit. He saw no problem in distinguishing between ballet dancing and barroom dancing. Judge Daniel Manion and Judge John Coffey filed separate dissents: Indiana lawfully may act to uphold public morality and to combat the degradation of women.

Judge Richard Cudahy concurred with the majority, though he felt that the constitutionality of go-go dancing creates a trivial issue. Clearly, he said, "the message of the striptease is not a subject that the Founding Fathers had in mind in drafting the First Amendment."

Judge Richard Posner concurred more emphatically. To say that a striptease is mere conduct "is indefensible and a threat to artistic freedom." The go-go dancing may not have been "classy," but nothing in the Constitution restricts protected expression to classy expression.

Now it's up to the Supreme Court. The justices had a great time of it at oral argument last month. The occasion pitted Wayne Uhl, deputy attorney general of Indiana, in a battle of wit and insight

with members of the court. Uhl held his own pretty well, but the precedents are against him. My guess is that the high court probably will affirm the 7th Circuit.

Justice Antonin Scalia went straight to the distinction between nudity in opera and nudity in a "lounge." May such a distinction lawfully be made? Uhl said, yes, sir. "Is that the Good Taste Clause of the Constitution?" Scalia asked. "How does one draw a line between Salome and the Kitty Kat Lounge?"

"The line is drawn," Uhl replied, getting himself in trouble, "the same way the line is drawn any time conduct is involved, and that is whether or not the conduct communicates. If the conduct communicates, then the conduct is speech. If the conduct does not communicate, then the conduct is not speech."

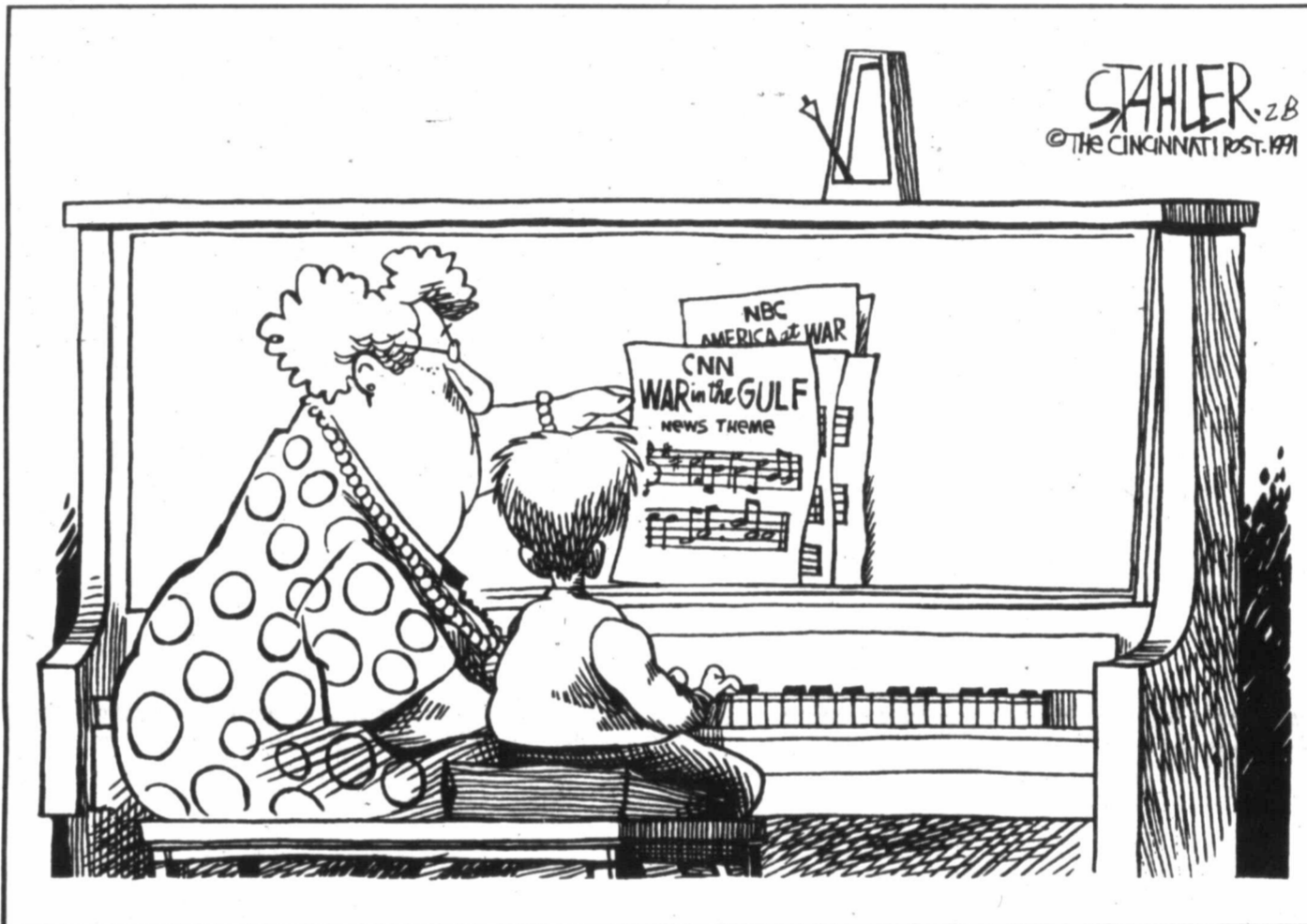
Scalia: "Communicates what? An idea?"
Uhl: "Communicates a particularized message or an idea."

Scalia: "What about a particularized message and an idea of sensuality?"

Uhl: "That could be communicated..."

But even if the go-go dancing in this case is communication, said Uhl, it is not the kind of communication protected by the Constitution. The dancers could communicate as effectively, and stay within the Indiana law, "with pasties and G-strings covering the vital parts of the body."

The Indiana case itself is not of towering importance, but the underlying question is critical. What forms of "expression" are "speech"? We will have the high court's answer before the term ends in June.



Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Wednesday, Feb. 13, the 44th day of 1991. There are 321 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 13, 1935, a jury in Flemington, N.J., found Bruno Richard Hauptmann guilty of first-degree murder in the kidnap-death of the infant son of aviator Charles Lindbergh. The verdict carried an automatic death sentence.

On this date:

In 1542, the fifth wife of England's King Henry VIII, Catherine Howard, was executed after being accused of adultery.

In 1633, the Italian astronomer Galileo arrived in Rome for trial before the Inquisition.

In 1635, the oldest public school in the United States, the Boston Public Latin School, was founded.

In 1741, Andrew Bradford of Pennsylvania published the first magazine in the U.S. It was called *The American Magazine*, or *A Monthly View of the Political State of the British Colonies* and lasted three issues.

We are grounding our best

We are grounding our best pilots. Safety statistics are irrefutable. The safest pilots combine skill and experience.

Yet, arbitrarily, airline pilots are being retired at age 60.

Ironically, there is no such age limit for NASA test pilots nor for astronauts.

It's all right for a 60-year-old pilot to fly to the moon - but not from Pittsburgh to Cleveland.

James Danaher is chief of the Division of Human Performance at the National Transportation Safety Board. He says, "We're concerned about the inadequate seasoning we're seeding in the cockpit nowadays."

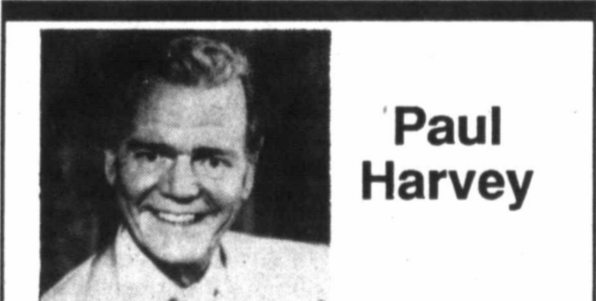
Former FAA administrator Donald Engen says, "Training is important, but when everything turns to worms experience is what counts."

And yet our most experienced pilots are being retired at age 60.

Why? Two reasons:

The ALPA, the airline pilot's union, wants to make room in its membership for more younger pilots and those younger ones want their seniors to move out of the way.

Airlines prefer to retire a senior captain who is



Paul Harvey

making \$160,000 and replace him with a younger captain making \$125,000.

Some commuter airlines are having second thoughts. Their accident rate is four-and-a-half times worse than major airlines; more seniority and less pilot turnover would make sense for them in terms of both economics and safety.

How old is too old? I've seen pilots who were "too old" at 26. I know pilots who are proficient through their 80s.

The testing of airline pilots is more than adequate to weed out any incompetents. It is frequent and rigorous. Each year, each airplane pilot takes two medical exams. In addition he or she is given

two proficiency tests in simulators and a third test in actual flight.

There is no age-60 rule in our armed forces. Our military has always operated under the policy that as long as a pilot can pass the physical and proficiency tests, that's good enough.

"Right Stuff" test pilot Chuck Yeager is 67.

Adding to the irony of an automatic mandatory retirement date is that the FAA has granted hundreds of waivers to pilots with heart problems, neurological and psychological disorders - even to pilots with a history of alcohol or drug problems - but any pilot with 60 birthdays is out!

Also the FAA is in its own fleet of planes does not limit its own pilots to age 60. It explains that "as a government agency we are not allowed to discriminate based on age..."

The FAA has promised to review the age-60 rule this year, but such promises have been made before with no results.

In the meantime, more and more airliner tragedies are being traced to "inexperience" and "poor judgment" and more and more near-miraculous landings by crippled aircraft credited to experience in the cockpit.

In sunny Grenada, war is far away

By CHUCK STONE

GRENADA - In this voluptuously beautiful tropical paradise, two wars compete for attention - Bush's war of 1991 and Reagan's war of 1983.

"Thank you, America, for liberating Grenada," proclaimed a popular T-shirt, emblazoned with the American and Grenadian flags.

"We were happy that your Mr. Reagan sent troops to save our country," said Irwin, a young taxi driver.

But "Concerned Citizen," a letter writer to one of the country's four rambunctious weekly newspapers, speculated that the economic downturn might spawn another attempted coup. This time, no American troops will come, he wrote, because "America is too involved with its war in Iraq."

For the 250 St. George's Medical School students from the Americas, Asia and Africa, the pressure to graduate is far greater than any pressures from the war.

During the evenings, though,

almost all of the many-nationed tourists (Americans, Canadians, Germans, Swiss and French) were glued to CNN. "I'm absolutely fascinated with your country's foreign policy," Bob Gately, a prominent Canadian businessman, told me.

But wars are for soldiers, and vacations are for tourists. Lazing in Grenada's gentle sun, you can serenely lose your sense of national urgency. Especially while taking a walk. The floral majesty that bedecks this small island at the southern tip of the lower Antilles is starting.

Red, pink and orange hibiscus, fuchsia bougainvillea, large poinsettia trees and yellow black-eyed susans, guarded by sentinel-like palm trees, blossom everywhere - along the winding roadside, in front yards, on manicured hotel grounds. Every morning, I picked a bouquet for our room.

Somehow, an underlying sense of synergism prevails. While the mini-van buses careen between town and country with Indianapolis speedway

precision, meandering goats munch grass perilously close to the roadside. Bandanaed roadside tradeswomen will sell you fruit, roast you corn or open up a coconut.

Grenadians are not as adacious as their Antilles counterparts in Jamaica, but their steel bands will play the Trinidadians into bad health. And it's almost worth a trip to hear greyhaired Calypso singer Scaramouche liltily rhyme about your life.

The quiet pride of Grenadians resonates in many ways. "Disability is only skin-deep. See our capabilities," proclaimed one woman's T-shirt. "Look at you!" an African-dressed proprietor grinned as she reared back and pointed to my red, yellow and green belt, the colors of both the Rastafarians and the Grenada flag.

If you can bestir yourself from Grenada's stunning white sand beaches in the Grand Anse and go to town, you'll enjoy another eye-dazzling treat. The trip is a quick 10-minute ride by bus for only \$1.25 E.C. (East-

em Caribbean), or about 40 cents.

Along the town's waterfront, the gaily painted storefronts and mouth-watering restaurants remind you of San Francisco. So does the center-of-town's Market Hill, which slopes down at a breathtaking 60-degree angle.

"Tourist are always surprised when they approach it and then look down," laughingly said effervescent Patricia V. Walcott, a hotel guest relations manager.

This trip was unique for two reasons. I came up with a new theory about travel, and I rediscovered one of Canada's most popular singers, Gordon Lightfoot, through my new-found Canadian friends.

My travel theory includes a measure of the attractiveness of a vacation spot: Stone's Indigenous Charm Index. On a scale of one to 10, Grenada has an ICI of eight.

Forget the war of a couple of days; go work on your suntan. Visit Grenada. You'll have a ball.

Deserters, reduced fire, point to cracks in Iraqi military

By FRED BAYLES
Associated Press Writer

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Each morning, Iraqi deserters show up at allied border posts in increasing numbers. Each night, the anti-aircraft fire from Iraqi forces is less coordinated.

After four weeks of intense, day-and-night bombing, there are subtle signs of cracks in the Iraqi military's resolve.

"They have stopped operating as a national army (pursuing) theater objectives," said Capt. Jessie Morimoto, an Air Force intelligence officer. "What they're doing now is trying to defend themselves as people."

Sporadic artillery duels along the border hint at that. While Marines and other units have peppered enemy positions with artillery and rocket fire, the Iraqis' response has been light and poorly aimed, despite the fearsome reputation of their South African-made

155mm howitzers.

It is estimated the Iraqis have deployed 3,100 artillery pieces in the Kuwait area. Yet few have fired at allied positions.

"Enemy artillery has not endangered friendly artillery yet," said Col. Ron Richard, operations officer for the 2nd Marine Division.

Morimoto said the nature of Iraqi anti-aircraft fire has changed.

"Right at the beginning we saw the Iraqis responding as any scared Army would do," firing large numbers of missiles at attacking planes, Morimoto said. Now, she said, the Iraqis operate in small pockets, working independently of each other.

"The pilots can't believe they're doing this and nobody's fighting back," she said.

There are signs that many more Iraqis are willing to give up as the slow leak of deserters grows to a stream. Along Saudi Arabia's northern border, clusters of up to

10 Iraqi soldiers show up at desert outposts each day, waving leaflets dropped by allied aircraft that tell them how to surrender.

Officers say the official figure of 1,000 Iraqi prisoners is low.

Marines report an increasing number of tired and hungry soldiers walking toward the border, hands in the air, eager for the food and cigarettes the Marines hand out.

Once taken into custody, the prisoners are moved to growing tent cities at Saudi public buildings. At one location, about 60 miles from the Kuwait border, scores of prisoners in garish uniforms of printed pajamas walk exercise paths inside a soccer stadium.

On Tuesday, 10 Iraqi front-line soldiers showed up at an Egyptian outpost after walking through the desert all night.

"It is very bad. Fighting, fighting, fighting, and for what? Nothing," said one, a tank soldier named Saad

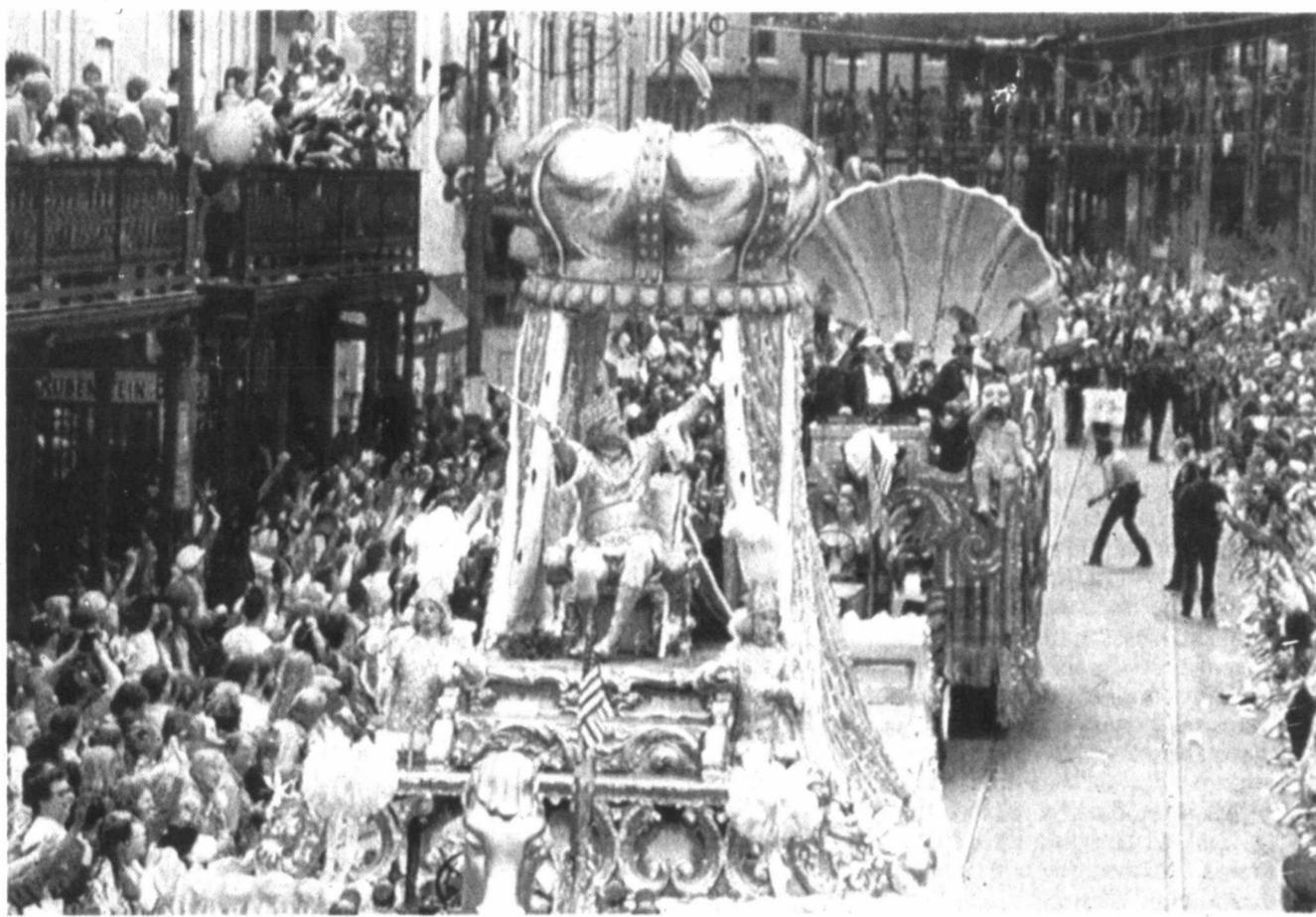
Shab who served through the entire eight-year Iran-Iraq war.

Shab and his comrades painted a bleak picture of Iraqi forces. Rations have been cut to one sandwich a day. Replacement parts and fuel are scarce. There are rumors that 20,000 Iraqi troops have died in allied bombing raids.

The deserters say as many as half the front-line troops have walked away from their posts, heading north, to their homes.

Farther along the border, an Iraqi soldier surrendered to a U.S. helicopter crew after three of his comrades fled a forward observation post.

"He had gone home to Iraq and found out his whole family had been put in prison when his name appeared on a deserters' list," said Capt. Michael Brills, 33, of West Springfield, Va. "He said a lot of his friends, he couldn't say how many, had been killed in bombing raids."



Rex, King of Carnival, waves to his loyal subjects as he leads his Mardi Gras parade through the streets of New Orleans Tuesday. As many as a million people took part in the celebration which ends at midnight tonight.

(AP Laserphoto)

Traditional irreverence, flamboyant patriotism mark 1991 Mardi Gras

By JANET McCONAUGHEY
Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — It was party time with a vengeance — against Saddam Hussein — and red, white and blue vied with traditional purple, yellow and green as the predominant colors at this year's Mardi Gras.

An estimated 1 million people jammed New Orleans streets Tuesday for the annual blowout that precedes Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten season, a time of penitence for many Christians.

War in the Persian Gulf turned much of this year's Mardi Gras celebration into a patriotic affair.

Dozens of Statues of Liberty, Betsy Rosses and make-believe soldiers marched in a dozen parades.

Hussein's effigy hung from New Orleans' huge oak trees and from lamp posts, ladders and balconies along the parade route. A small effigy of the Iraqi leader also hung from the back of Mary West's Arab-style robes, where "Operation Desert Storm" was written.

"See, I've got Hussein hung out to dry," she said. "At first people think I'm Hussein and they yell things at me. But when they see the back of my robes they get a lot friendlier."

But patriotism couldn't crowd out the celebration's traditional bawdiness.

At one point a woman clad in a black lace teddy and stockings sidled up to a Bourbon Street policeman on horseback and cooed for a kiss.

"I just lo-o-o-o-o-ve a cop," she told Officer J. Catalanotto.

He stared straight ahead at other revelers.

"Gimme a kiss," the woman insisted.

Straight-faced, Catalanotto bent down and complied.

Some people had worried that the war might prompt terrorists to strike during the big party, but the

only "attack" was a water-gun assault by a bunch of slap-happy Rambos on another police officer.

The officer drew a water pistol of his own. "Where dey at? Where dey at?" he shouted, firing streams of water from a regulation two-handed crouch. His blue shirt was drenched. He just shrugged and grinned.

The day began with the parade of the Zulu Social Aid & Pleasure Club, founded 75 years ago as a black spoof of pompous all-white parade groups.

Parades continued with the high-toned procession of Rex, King of Carnival, and finished with Comus, one of the oldest parade "krewes," as the marching clubs are known.

Mardi Gras — French for Fat Tuesday — is the bawdy climax to

Carnival, the celebration that begins Jan. 6, the day Christian tradition says three wise men brought their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the infant Jesus.

There was talk of canceling Carnival this year after the Persian Gulf War started, but officials decided that would be economic suicide in a city that expects to reap \$480 million from the annual event.

It was anticipated that the war and the recession might cut the number of Mardi Gras visitors by as much as 10 percent this year, however. Police in the French Quarter said crowds appeared smaller and calmer than usual, but 12-deep throngs along various parts of the parade route appeared as thick as ever.

Bakker's wife predicts his vindication

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Jim Bakker eventually will be acquitted of his mail, fraud and conspiracy convictions, his wife predicted after a federal appeals court overturned the former televangelist's 45-year prison term.

The 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Tuesday upheld Bakker's 1989 convictions but said the trial judge was influenced by his religious beliefs when he sentenced Bakker to 45 years and fined him \$500,000 in October 1989. The three-judge panel ordered that Bakker be resented by a different judge.

"Everyone is excited and we're deeply grateful," Bakker's wife, Tammy Faye, said at her New Covenant Ministry Church near Orlando, Fla. "And I believe that before this is over, Jim is going to be totally exonerated of all wrongdoing."

Bakker, who founded the PTL network, was convicted by a jury of defrauding followers who bought partnerships in PTL's Heritage USA vacation park and retreat in Fort Mill, S.C.

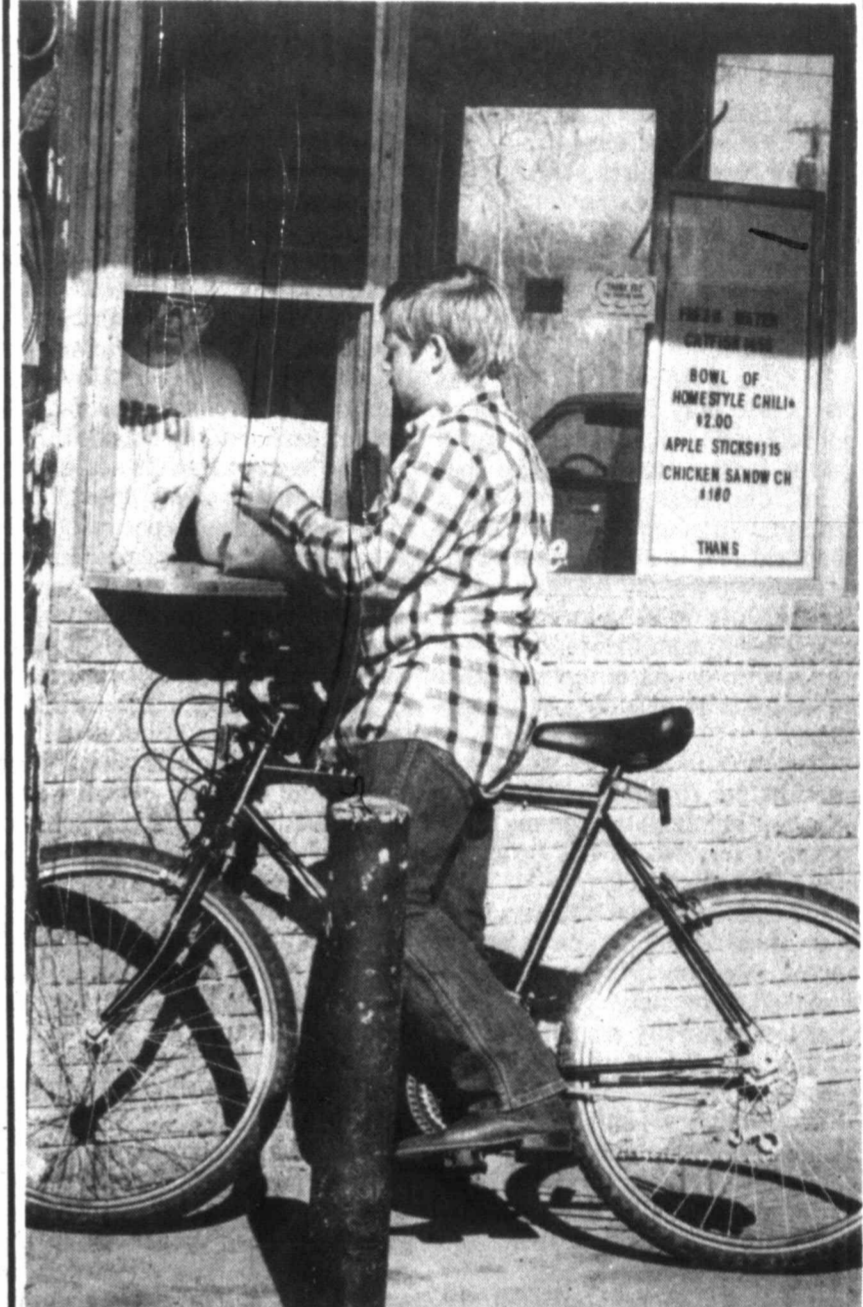
During sentencing in Charlotte, N.C., U.S. District Judge Robert D. Potter said Bakker "had no thought whatever about his victims and those of us who do have a religion are ridiculed as being saps (for) money-grubbing preachers or priests."

Potter declined to comment on Tuesday's appeals court ruling. The panel found that judges cannot punish defendants for offending judges' personal religious beliefs.

"The imposition of a lengthy prison term here may have reflected the fact that the court's own sense of religious propriety had somehow been betrayed," said the opinion written by Judge J. Harvie Wilkinson III and joined by Judges J. Dickson Phillips Jr. and John D. Butzner Jr.

Tom Ashcraft, U.S. attorney for the Western District of North Carolina, said prosecutors were gratified that the 24-count conviction was upheld.

Ride through



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Billy Van Sickle, an eighth grader at Pampa Middle School, rides his bicycle to the window to pick up a cheeseburger and ice cream from Jay's Drive Inn, which may give new meaning to the business' name. The employee helping him at the window is Richie Trusty.

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Lifestyles

Beta Sigma Phi sweetheart



Judy Eatmon is sweetheart of Alpha Mu Xi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi in Groom. She has been a member for four years, and currently serves as treasurer. She and her husband, Greg Eatmon, children Allison and Terry, have been Groom residents for six years. Her hobbies are reading, sewing, painting, and cake decorating. She is active with PTO, home extension, Meals on Wheels, and Cub Scouts. She is a lab technician at Northcrest Medical Plaza.



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Simple gift of yourself is the best of all valentines

DEAR READERS: Don't tell me that tomorrow is St. Valentine's Day already — we just finished with Christmas. Well, it is, so be a sweetheart and call someone and say, "Hi, I love you." Make two or three calls — who said you can't love more than one person? In different ways, of course.

Be a sweetheart and go through your closets and part with all those clothes you've been saving until you lose 10 pounds. Your favorite charity can turn those good-as-new garments into cash.

Be a sweetheart and call someone who's lonely and say, "I'm thinking about you." Or better yet, say, "I'll be over tomorrow and take you to lunch, run some errands or give you a ride."

Arrange a date for some nice person who doesn't get many. Be a sweetheart and forgive an enemy, quit smoking, count your calories, return that book (and everything else) you've borrowed. Update your will, donate your eyes, your kidneys and all usable organs to someone who can use them after you're gone. Spay your dog, neuter your cat, toss some bread crumbs out for the birds, pay your doctor and your dentist. If you can't pay all your bill — pay part of it to show good faith. Hug your teen-ager, listen to a bore, vow to separate your trash, and recycle your paper if you're not already doing it.

Promise yourself to drive carefully, and if you're walking, thank God you're able to, and watch where you're going. Pray for the safety of all our men and women who are serving their country in all four corners of the world, and pray for their families at home who are doing without them. And don't wait until next St. Valentine's Day to be a sweetheart again.

LOVE, ABBY

DEAR ABBY: I am very much in love with a wonderful man, and we are talking about getting married. We are both mature people and have been on several trips together, so we are not exactly strangers — ahem. I think you get my drift. There is one problem:

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Newsmakers



Sheri Rogers Cross

Sheri Rogers Cross graduated in December from West Texas State University with a degree in social work. She plans to continue her education at a later date to pursue a masters degree in social work. She is employed at present with the Department of Human Services in Amarillo as a social worker. Cross works with drug and alcohol abuse among young people. She is the daughter of Bob and Nelda Rogers of Pampa.

Lyndsi Nychole Monthey, three year old daughter of Petty Officer John and Barbie Monthey, won the crown in the first annual "Little Miss Andrews" pageant. Monthey is stationed at Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, D. C.



Lyndsi Nychole Monthey

Lyndsi is the granddaughter of Juquin and Vickie Robles of Liberal, Kans., formerly of Pampa, and Bob and Donna Monthey of Dubuque, Iowa, formerly of Pampa.

Midwestern State University has named Amy Denise Goldsmith to the fall 1990 University Honor Roll. To qualify, the student must complete a semester schedule of at least 12 hours, with a minimum grade point average of 3.5 and no grade lower than C. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Goldsmith and granddaughter of Mrs. Hoyt Goldsmith. She is a Lefors High School graduate.

Patrick J. Daniels, son of Mas-

ter Sgt. (ret) Ted E. Daniels of Waukegan, Ill., and Ann Hamilton of Pampa, joined the U. S. Army in a five year enlistment to become a Signal Intercept Specialist.

Pvt. Daniels is scheduled to attend basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. on May 26. After basic training, he will attend the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, Calif.

He is a 1986 graduate of Pampa High School where he was a member of the football and track teams. He was also named in Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Pvt. Paul R. Lewis has completed training at the U. S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. During the course, students received training which qualified them as light-weapon infantrymen and indirect-fire crewmen in a rifle or mortar squad. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Lewis of Skellytown. Pvt. Lewis is a 1990 graduate of Borger High School.

Two resident of Pampa were among students named to the Dean's Honors List at Texas Christian University for the 1990 fall semester. In order to be eligible, a student must have been enrolled for twelve or more semester hours of study and have achieved an exceptional grade point average. From Pampa were Sarah Frances Depee, a freshman

arts and sciences pre-major, and Jeffery Dayne Carruth, a sophomore majoring in history. Carruth was recognized as a TCU Scholar for Achieving a 4.0 grade point average during the fall semester.

Jerry Dooley retired after 24 years of service at the Hoechst Celanese plant under several different maintenance contractors. At the time of retirement, he was a welder foreman with Mundy Construction Company. He has been married for 44 years to Jane Dooley. They are the parents of one daughter, Linda, and have two grandchildren.

On Feb. 1, friends and co-workers gave Jerry a retirement party at the National Guard Armory. About 100 people attended.

Computer workshop set

A beginning computer workshop is set for Feb. 19 through March 14, from 6-9 p.m. The class will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays for four weeks (24 clock hours). The instructor is Steven Weatherly.

Class will be held at Pampa Middle School computer lab. Enroll at Clarendon College-Pampa Center during office hours 8:30-5:00, Monday through Friday.

Class size is limited to 15 students.

Concert set for Thursday

Isadore and Ann Saslav will be in concert Feb. 14, at 8 p.m. in the sanctuary of First United Methodist Church. The violin-piano twosome will present a variety of music. The concert is free and open to the public.

Forum has openings

Women can still register for the Coronado Hospital Women's Forum Feb. 16 at the Pampa Country Club, according to Bruce W. Reinhardt, administrator of the hospital. The forum will feature presentations by four Pampa physicians, a style show, and a luncheon, he said. Registration begins at 9:30 with a continental breakfast. Reinhardt said that participants are asked to pre-register for the event. A fee is charged.

Speaking are Ann Harral, M.D., Moss Hampton, M.D., Vijay Mohan, M.D., and Rene Grabato, M.D. Each physician will speak about subjects of particular interest to women.

Dr. Harral, an obstetrician-gynecologist will discuss the benefits of estrogen replacement therapy. Dr. Hampton, also an obstetrician-gynecologist, will discuss women and cancer. Dr. Mohan, a general surgeon will describe some of the new techniques in the surgical treatment of breast cancer. Dr. Grabato, a urologist, will describe the symptoms and treatment of urinary incontinence in women.

A question and answer session will follow the presentations.

During the buffet luncheon, Hi-Land Fashions of Pampa will present a style show organized by Jane McDaniel, owner of the store.

To register, contact Linda Haynes at Coronado Hospital.

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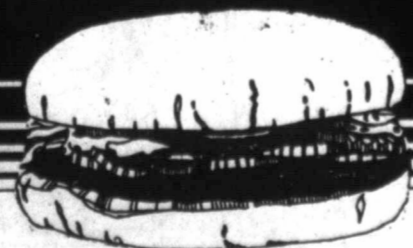
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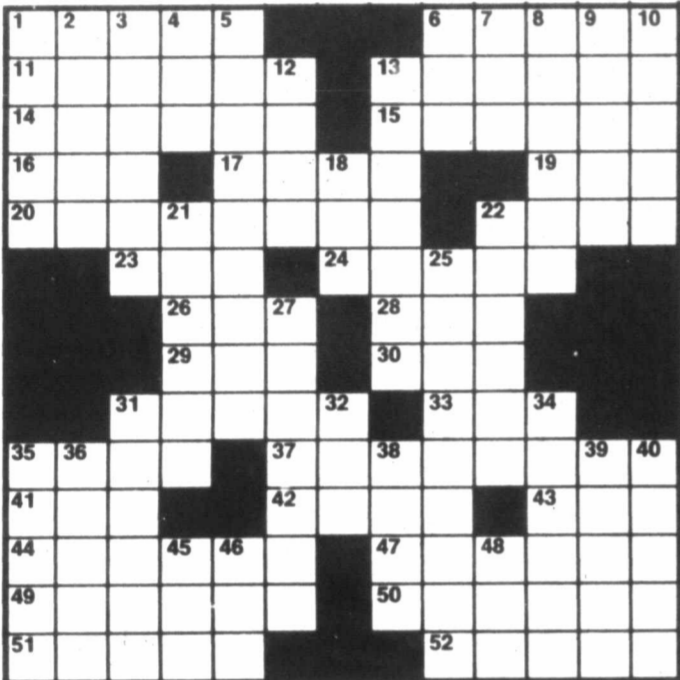
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- 1 Singer Frank
 - 6 African nation
 - 11 By mouth
 - 13 Main arteries
 - 14 Imitation gold
 - 15 Disintegrates
 - 16 Clean (a floor)
 - 17 Assam worm
 - 19 Voodoo cult deity
 - 20 Cursing
 - 22 Of some evergreens
 - 23 Carpet
 - 24 Of a city
 - 26 Indistinct
 - 28 Boat implement
 - 29 Dakota Indian
 - 30 Mrs. in Madrid
 - 31 Beau — Marie
- DOWN**
- 1 Whizzes
 - 2 Pointed weapon
 - 3 Humor to excess
 - 4 Middle East org.
 - 5 Hay fever and rashes

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- 6 Actress — Caldwell
- 7 Part of a circle
- 8 Style of type
- 9 Dress material
- 10 School composition
- 12 Cosmonaut — Gagarin
- 13 Slow musical movements
- 18 Business abbreviation
- 21 Actress — Hepburn
- 22 Raider
- 25 Senior teams
- 27 Marsh gas
- 31 Malfunction
- 32 Take a meal
- 34 Whole
- 35 Shadow
- 36 Sticks together
- 38 Actor James
- 39 Ancient money
- 40 Fish
- 45 Golf peg
- 46 Identifications (sl.)
- 48 Wheel track



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GEECH



By Jerry Bittle

Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Several situations which personally affect you that have been handled poorly by others in the past will revert to your control. Try to profit from these individuals' mistakes. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your possibilities for fulfilling a secret ambition are starting to look better and better. Don't lose faith or switch objectives, because victory may be closer than you think.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) As of today, you will be entering a new cycle that will have some hopeful ramifications you have not yet explored. Be sure to take ample time to investigate each one.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) This is a good period to elevate your sights a bit and upgrade the quality of your objectives. You can do better than you think if you just push yourself a little harder.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) New knowledge you acquire during this time can eventually be put to very constructive uses. Don't be overly concerned about finding immediate applications.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Pay particular heed at this time to investment suggestions offered by two people whom you completely trust. Each one has an established and successful track record.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Legal agreements or partnership arrangements into which you enter now should have good chances for success, provided they benefit all acting parties equally.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) There could be some interesting career developments this week which may lead to a raise, bonus or promotion. Be alert so you'll recognize new opportunities.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Listen to urges instructing you to reorganize your affairs both socially and commercially along more productive lines. It will help you benefit in both areas.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Certain conditions which have caused you frustrations may end today, signalling the beginning of some new influences which could be meaningful to you in financial or material ways.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You will now have access to information you've previously lacked, which inhibited your progress over the past few weeks. Your new awareness will enhance your potential for success.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You have entered a cycle that could greatly improve your financial circumstances, if you handle developments effectively. Three advantageous trends are stirring.

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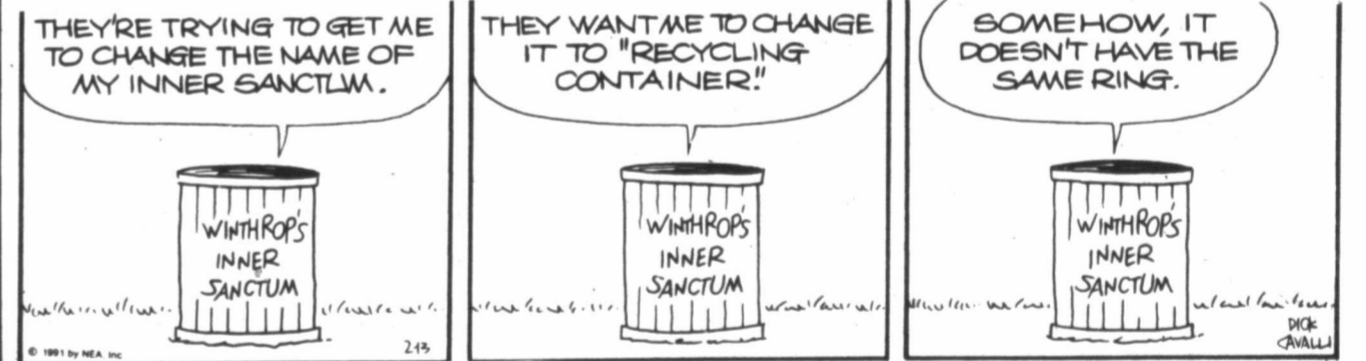
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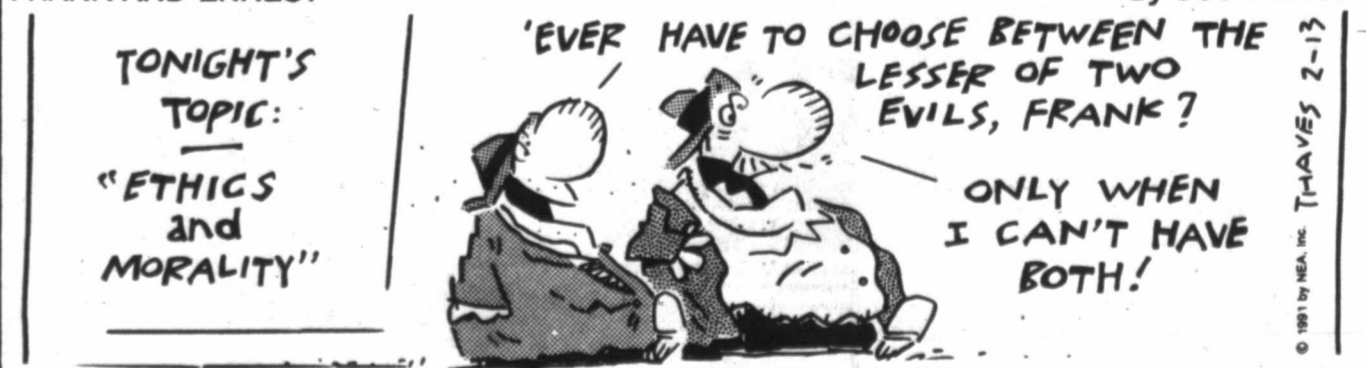
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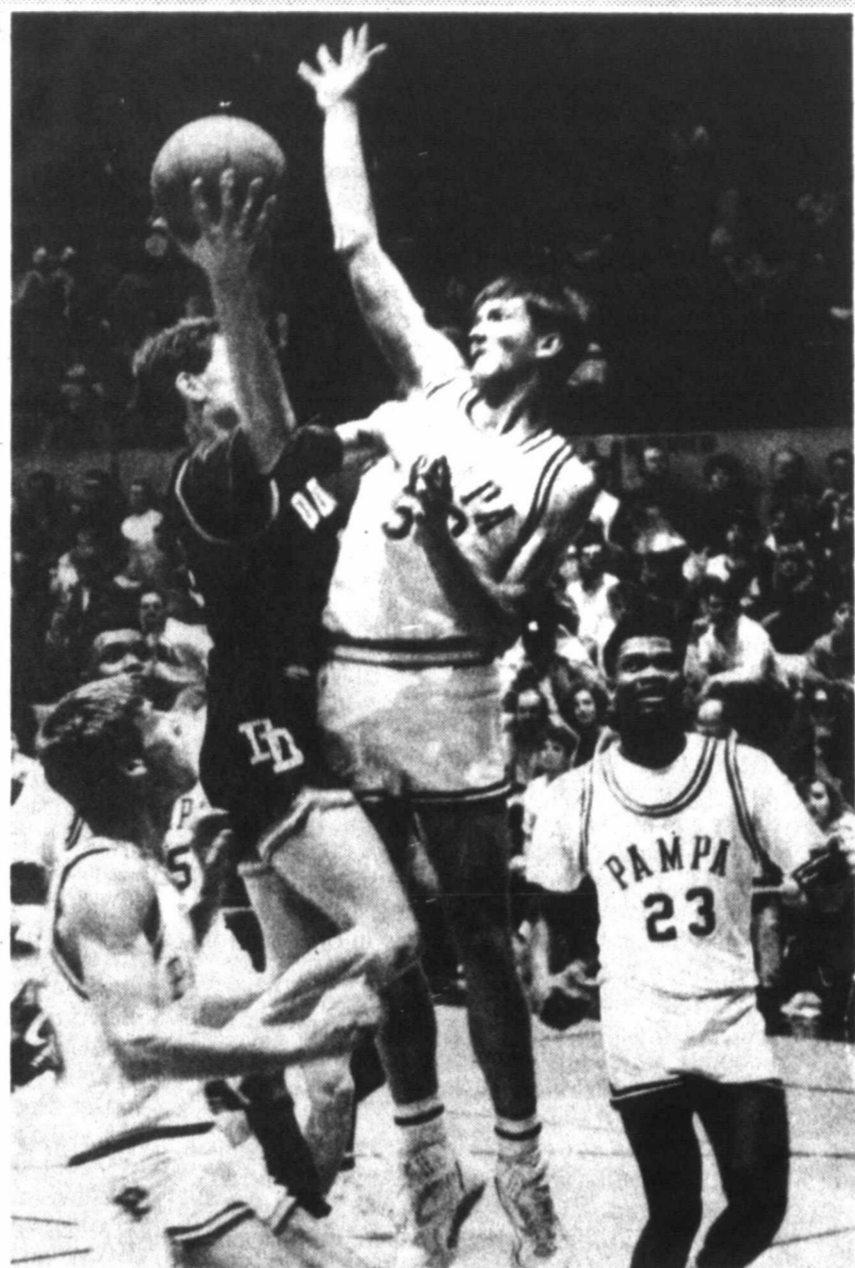


GARFIELD

By Jim Davis



Sports



Pampa's Quincy Williams tries for a rebound.

Pampa's Brent Skaggs goes for a block.

Harvesters race past Dumas in final regular-season game

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

Playoff-bound Pampa pieced together its finest 32 minutes of basketball this season Tuesday night.

With six players scoring in double figures, Pampa dominated Dumas in every category in a 126-66 District 1-4A win in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The 126 points scored by the Harvesters, who were making their last regular-season appearance, is believed to be a school scoring record.

Pampa, ranked seventh among Class 4A schools, boosted its record to 29-3 overall and a perfect 10-0 in district. Dumas closes at 8-20 overall and 1-9 in district.

Jeff Young, who hit 12 of 13 field goal attempts, led Pampa's scoring spree with 26 points. Ced-

erick Wilbon followed with 23 points and Jason Williams had 21.

Craig Dunham provided most of Dumas' firepower with 28 points, hitting 11 of 14 field goal tries. Reed Callahan and Kevin Scroggins had 11 each for the Demons.

Others scoring for Pampa were Dwight Nickelberry with 15 points, Quincy Williams 13, Randy Nichols, 10; David Johnson 7, Paul Brown 4, Brent Skaggs 3, Daniel Trejo and Troy Black, 2 each.

Black, the team manager, even got into the scoring act. Inserted into the game in the fourth quarter, Black missed his first two shots before scoring the final two points of the game.

The Harvesters, hitting from everywhere on the floor, downed 57.6% (53-92) of their field goal efforts. The Harvesters went wild from long distance, connecting on

13 3-point goals. Jayson Williams hit four 3-pointers while Nickelberry had three, Wilbon and Young, two each; Johnson and Quincy Williams, one each.

The Demons displayed some accurate shooting when they could the ball past midcourt against Pampa's relentless press. The Demons were 53.8% (28-52) from the floor, but the Harvesters forced them into 35 turnovers.

Pampa was 7 of 11 from the free throw line while Dumas hit 7 of 12 attempts.

Pampa came out running and the outcome was never in doubt. The Harvesters hit their first 10 shots from the floor and led at halftime, 54-31.

Pampa owned a 36-21 rebounding advantage over Dumas with Quincy Williams leading the Harvesters individually with 6 rebounds. Dunham led Dumas on the boards with 8 rebounds.

"I'm really proud of these kids," said PHS head coach Robert Hale. "They played very hard even though they had already won the championship. They played awfully well and I'm proud to be a part of it all."

Pampa, which captured its third consecutive district crown this season, meets Levelland at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in bi-district at the West Texas State fieldhouse in Canyon.

Pampa defeated Dumas, 100-48, in the junior varsity game last night.

In other district games Tuesday night, Caprock defeated Randall, 78-64, and Borger won over Hereford, 65-49.

Caprock and Borger finished tied for second place in the 1-4A standings and will meet in a one-game playoff to decide the district's No. 2 seed.

Syracuse switches strategy to wallop Friars, 101-83

College basketball

By The Associated Press

As soon as Syracuse's beleaguered basketball team got back inside the Carrier Dome, the Orangemen took it right back outside.

Seventh-ranked Syracuse, this time showing no ill effects from its recent off-the-court turmoil, switched strategy Tuesday night and beat Providence 101-83.

In their first home game since seven players were briefly suspended, the Orangemen disdained their usual power game. Rather than relying on the front line of Billy Owens, LeRon Ellis and Dave Johnson, Syracuse matched its best-ever 3-point effort by making 10 shots from long range.

"We just came out to play and we started hitting 3s. Then it was just one after another," Syracuse guard Michael Edwards said.

In other games, No. 11 Kansas beat Missouri 74-70, Seton Hall stung No. 22 Pittsburgh 83-73 and No. 24 Texas held off Rice 65-64.

Last Saturday, a day after Owens and six others were suspended and then reinstated, Syracuse struggled for a one-point victory over an over-matched Notre Dame.

Against Providence, Syracuse appeared to have blocked out the problems that resulted in a university investigation into the men's basketball program. The Orangemen scored more than 100 points in a Big East game for the first time this season and looked like league leaders, which they are.

The Orangemen made 7 of 9 3-pointers in building a 13-point first-half lead. They finished 10 of 16, tying their all-time high of 10 set against U.S. International in 1988.

"It hurt us a lot," Providence's Eric Murdock said. "We came into the game worried about their three big men — LeRon, DJ and Billy Owens."

"We wanted to concentrate on stopping those guys," he said. "Then when we'd double down,

they'd kick it out and hit some big shots."

For the second time this season, the Orangemen held Murdock below his league-leading average of 28.7, limiting the senior to just 16 points.

Owens finished with 25 points and Johnson and Edwards each added 19.

Marques Bragg led the Friars with 20 points.

No. 11 Kansas 74, Missouri 70

After both teams spent most of the game missing foul shots, Terry Brown made three free throws in the final 45 seconds to lift Kansas to its ninth straight victory.

Kansas shot just 27 of 44 from the foul line. Missouri made only 21 of 36.

Doug Smith's layup with 45 seconds left pulled Missouri within 69-67. Brown, who led the Jayhawks with 18 points, followed with one foul shot and added two more with 28 seconds to go.

Smith scored 23 points for the Tigers.

Seton Hall 83, No. 22 Pittsburgh 73

Terry Dehere scored 25 points, Anthony Avent had 21 and Seton Hall shut down Pitt's Brian Shorter.

Shorter, averaging 14 points per game, was held to two points on 1-for-5 shooting.

Seton Hall led by one point at halftime and broke away with a 9-0 burst midway through the second half.

No. 24 Texas 65, Rice 64

Texas, back in the national rankings this week for the first time since December, survived a last-second scramble to win its 10th straight game.

Benford Williams' basket with 1:15 left accounted for Texas' final points. The Longhorns and Rice each committed two turnovers after that, with Texas' Dexter Campbell missing a layup with seven seconds to go and Rice's Sam Campbell missing a short shot at the buzzer.

Joey Wright led the Longhorns with 19 points. Brent Scott scored 24 for Rice.

Longhorns slip by Owls, 65-64

AUSTIN (AP) — Hometown boy Sam Campbell of Rice had the basket in his sights but misfired as No. 24-ranked Texas escaped with a 65-64 Southwest Conference victory over the Owls.

Texas (17-5, 11-1) won its 10th straight game for the Longhorns' longest basketball winning streak since the 1982 team started the season 14-0. Rice fell to 10-12 and 4-7.

Benford Williams, who hit only one of three second half field goal attempts, scored Texas' winning points with a 10-footer with 1:15 to play.

Texas and Rice each had two turnovers in the final 32 seconds,

and Dexter Cambridge of Texas missed a layup with about seven seconds left.

Rice rebounded and Campbell, a freshman who played high school in Austin, missed an eight-footer just before the buzzer. He threw himself face first on the floor as the ball bounced away, and his teammates rushed to console him.

"It wasn't a Picasso, as Tom Penders said. "Not since I was in junior high school have I seen a game played so poorly in the final seconds."

The 65 points represented the lowest total in Penders' three years at Texas.

Tuesday Briefs

By The Associated Press
BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Glenn Davis and Kelly Gruber joined the \$3 million club as nine players in salary arbitration agreed to new contracts.

Davis and Baltimore settled at \$3,275,000, the midpoint between the first baseman's request and the Orioles' offer. Gruber became the top-paid third baseman in baseball when the Toronto Blue Jays agreed to an \$11 million, three-year deal.

That makes it 36 players at or above the \$3 million mark, a level first breached in November 1989 by Minnesota outfielder Kirby Puckett.

Gruber, 28, batted .274 last season with 31 home runs and 118 RBIs and made \$1.25 million. He will get a \$1 million signing bonus, \$2.7 million this season, \$3.3 million in 1992 and \$4 million in 1993. The average annual value of \$3,667,667 is the ninth-highest in baseball.

Davis, 30, was acquired from Houston in January for pitchers Pete Harnisch, Curt Schilling and center fielder Steve Finley. Davis made \$1,985,000 last season, when he batted .251 with 22 homers and 64 RBIs.

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros committed the Astrodome for the 1992 Republican Convention without approval of the National League and intend to leave the stadium for one month, baseball officials said.

Astros chairman John McMullen said the Astros are considering playing part of their 1992 home schedule at the Superdome in New Orleans.

Shields hits shot at buzzer as Briscoe nips Miami for 4-1A crown

Groom downs Shamrock in 3-1A championship playoff game

By J. ALAN BRZYS
Sports Writer

CANADIAN - Briscoe's Kevin Shields hit a running 15-footer at the buzzer in overtime to give his team the District 4-1A regular season championship Tuesday night and extinguish the latest barn burner with arch-rival Miami.

The Broncos' 71-69 finish over the Warriors came after an equally exciting finish to regulation play in which Briscoe's Dallas Fillingim knotted the score at 63-63 with the clock showing three seconds. Miami's Andrew Neighbors had given the Warriors a two-point lead nine seconds earlier with a five-foot jumper.

In Tuesday night's District 3-1A championship playoff, Groom took advantage of a 23-8 scoring run in the second quarter to grab a 15-point halftime lead and eventually defeat Shamrock 78-66.

Miami coach Dwight Rice, after the final buzzer, said, "It came down to whoever got the ball last was going to win ... and that's what happened."

Briscoe coach Jerry Brown said, "It was a tough game. At the half I told the kids even though we were up by 11, we knew they'd come back."

Fillingim, who tallied 24 points for the game, started the game red hot. The Briscoe shoot-

ing guard started with a three-pointer, grabbed a defensive rebound and drove coast-to-coast for a score, then added another trey for an 8-5 Bronco edge. Fillingim hit four three-pointers in the first half.

Near the end of the first quarter, Briscoe held its biggest margin of the night leading 23-11.

Miami's Don Howard (14 points) took the reins in the second period, turning up the defensive effort by stealing the ball at midcourt and taking it all the way for the bunny.

Almost two minutes elapsed in the second half before either team scored as both teams intensified their defensive efforts. Miami cut into Briscoe's lead and the third quarter ended 51-44.

Back-to-back baskets by Andrew and Matthew Neighbors (19 points each) whittled the margin to 51-48 and the heat started to build.

Matthew Neighbors, with little more than three minutes left in regulation, tied the game with two successful free throws and the see-saw battle continued to the wire.

The teams swapped leads and with 24 seconds left in overtime, Shields (15 points) stepped to the charity stripe, hit the second of two shots on a technical foul and handed his team a 69-68 lead.

Andrew Neighbors tied the score at 69-69, canning a free throw with five seconds remain-

ing. Coach Brown called a time out before Neighbors stepped to the line.

"I told them ... if he (Neighbors) makes one or both to get it to Kevin (Shields) and go."

Shields' 15-footer at the buzzer gave the Broncos the hard-fought victory avenging a Friday night two-point loss to the Warriors.

In the Groom-Shamrock game at Clarendon College in Pampa, a big second quarter by the Groom Tigers put the game out of reach for the Shamrock Irish.

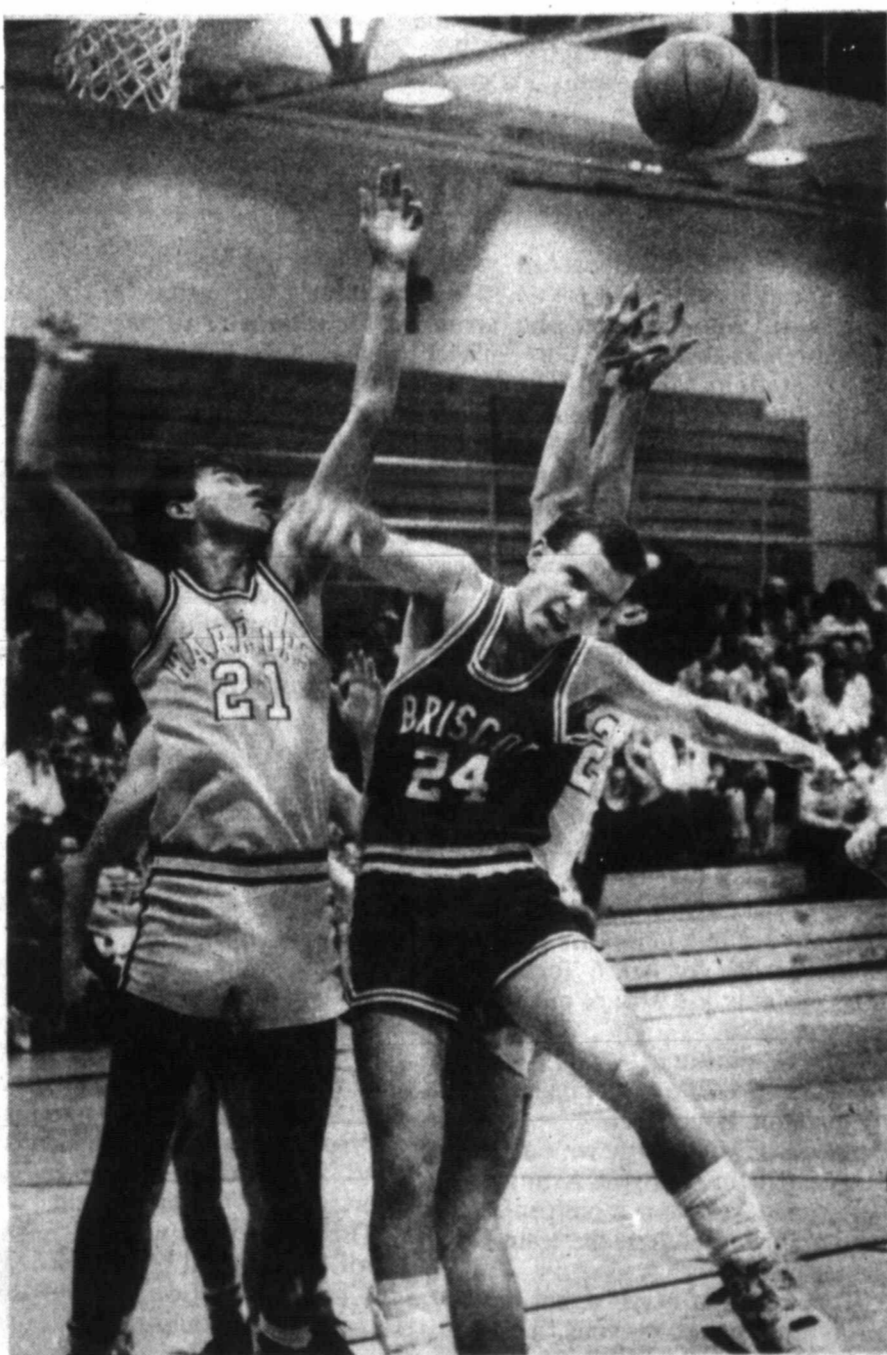
Groom coach Jay Lamb, in a telephone interview this morning said, "I think the second quarter really affected them (Shamrock)."

Lamb credited victory to his team's 23-8 second-quarter run, which included a three-pointer at the end of the first half. He also attributed the Groom Tigers' advantage over Shamrock in playoff experience as a deciding factor.

Briscoe is expected to meet Shamrock and Miami will take on Groom in bi-district action next week.

OT
Briscoe 23 37 51 63 71
Miami 13 26 44 63 69
G - Dallas Fillingim 24, Danny Nelson 18, Kevin Shields 15, M - Andrew Neighbors 19, Matthew Neighbors 19, Aaron McReynolds 11.

Groom 17 40 53 78
Shamrock 17 25 35 66
G - Mike Conrad 35, Jeffrey Fields 27, S - Brunton 18, David Wright 16.



Briscoe's David Gilmer (24) battles for a rebound with Miami's Andrew Neighbors (21) in physical third-quarter action.

(Staff photo by J. Alan Brzys)

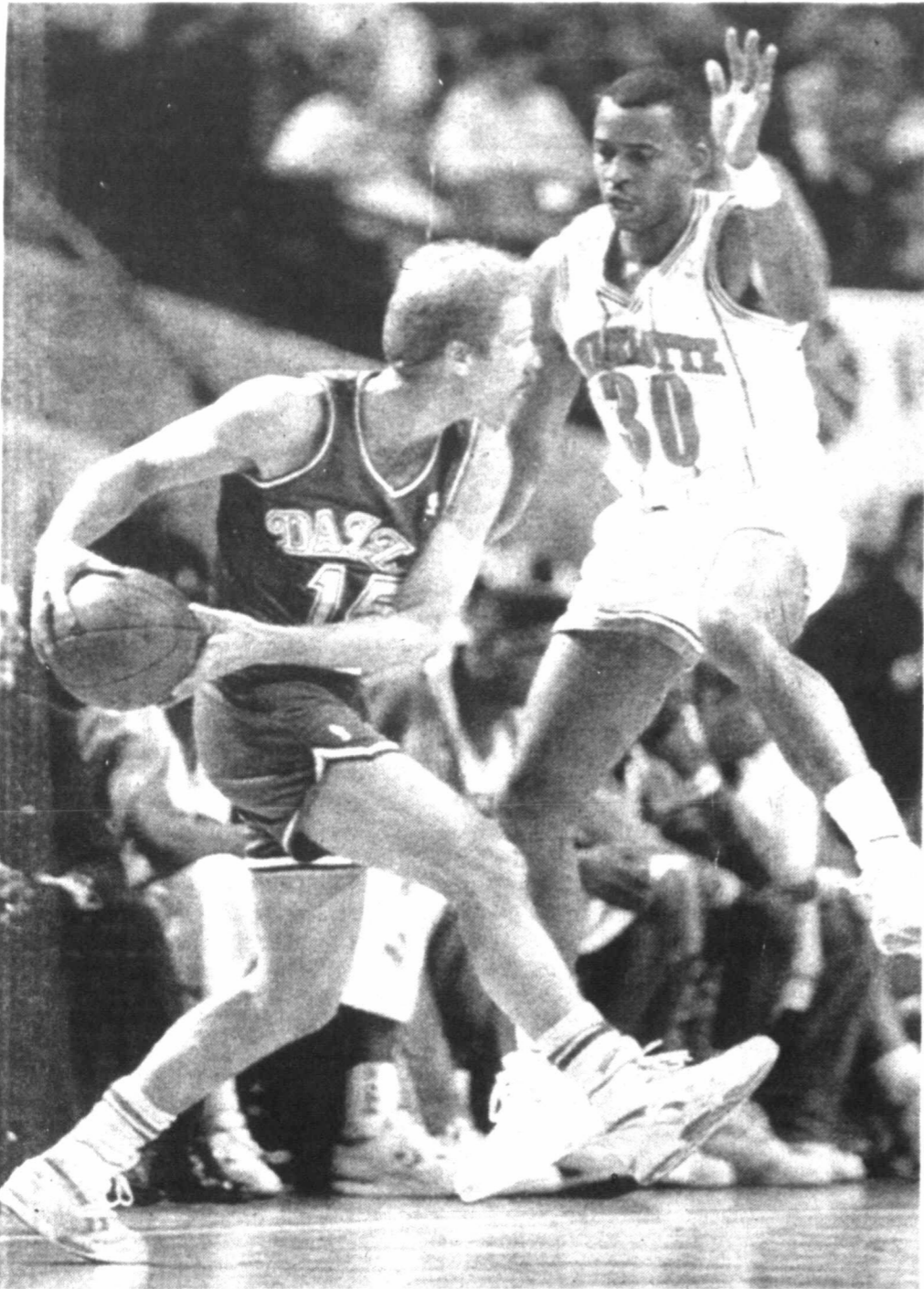
Hornets defeat Mavs, end 4-game losing streak

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Charlotte coach Gene Littles says his team's offensive effort against Dallas isn't anything to brag about, but it was good enough to snap a four-game losing streak.

"I don't think either team shot very well, but down the stretch we hit

ours," Hornets coach Gene Littles said. "It was a good win for us. We needed it."

The Hornets shot just 67 percent from the foul line for the game, but they made their last eight free throws to clinch the 100-92 victory



Mavericks Brad Davis (15) tries to keep the ball away from the Hornets Dell Curry.

over the Mavericks on Tuesday night. Johnny Newman scored 21 points and Charlotte used an 11-2 run at the start of the second half to defeat the Mavericks for only the second time in eight games.

Dallas had a two-game winning streak broken despite 22 points from Rolando Blackman and 21 from backcourt mate Derek Harper.

Trailing 50-46 at halftime after Blackman sank a 35-foot shot at the buzzer, Charlotte got 4 points from Mike Gminski to tie the game.

Gminski had 18 points and 14 rebounds.

Charlotte took its biggest lead of the third quarter with 1:14 to go when center Eric Leckner sank a short hook shot for a 69-63 lead.

Dallas fought back in the final period, taking an 82-81 lead with 4:37 left on Harper's two foul shots. But Kenny Gattison's layup gave the Hornets the lead for good on their next possession.

Charlotte trailed 47-46 after Gminski's tip-in with 3.7 seconds left in the half. But Blackman took a long inbounds pass, dribbled twice and tossed in a 35-foot shot at the buzzer.

Hornets rookie Kendall Gill, in his second NBA start, finished with 14 points, nine rebounds, six assists and no turnovers in 31 minutes. He started in place of Muggsy Bogues.

Although Charlotte's 15-33 record is its best in franchise history after 48 games, Littles decided Monday that a lineup change was in order and that led to Gill's appearance.

"Kendall stepped in and played good," Littles said. "He's made us bigger now. He got nine rebounds, which is also a new dimension for us."

"Muggsy can come in now, giving us needed experience off the bench."

Gill said he was satisfied with his performance, but more satisfied with Charlotte's play at the end.

"We played hard the whole way, that was the key," said Gill, the Hornets' first-round pick out of Illinois. "I was real happy we pulled it out against a veteran team."

Dallas coach Rich Adubato said the loss could be attributed to one statistic.

"There is an old saying that you have to put the ball in the basket to win," Adubato said. "We shot 38 percent. When you shoot 38 percent, you lose."

"We played well enough on defense to win. We tried everything. Inside, outside, and driving to the basket but the ball never went in," he said.

Jazz topples Rockets

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah's John Stockton stole the ball from Houston and also stole away the Rockets four-game win streak.

Stockton had 19 points, 11 assists and a career-high nine steals as the Jazz beat Houston 113-92 on Tuesday night.

"After five days off, he was able to come back and really concentrate," Utah coach Jerry Sloan said. "The ability to concentrate is one of the most important things you can have in this league."

Karl Malone scored 26 points and Thurl Bailey had 18 for the Jazz, including 9 in the fourth quarter when Utah broke the game open by outscoring the Rockets 31-19.

Seven of Bailey's fourth-quarter points came during a 21-6 spurt at the start of the period, giving the Jazz their biggest lead of the game, 103-79, and the Rockets didn't threaten again.

Vernon Maxwell led Houston with 32 points, including six 3-pointers. Otis Thorpe scored 16 for the Rockets.

Maxwell scored 16 points in the first quarter, nine of them during an 11-0 run that helped give Houston a 22-17 lead.

The Jazz made just five of 20 field-goal attempts in the first period, but made 13 of 18 in the second quarter when Stockton scored 10 points and Blue Edwards 9. Utah led 53-44 at halftime.

The Jazz built a 75-58 lead in the third quarter before Maxwell scored 11 points during a 15-7 run that finished the period, cutting the margin to 82-73 going into the fourth quarter.

"John played great defense," Maxwell said of Stockton's steals. "It seemed like he was everywhere."

"A lot of times when you get steals and have nights like that, it's because of the other guys' efforts," Stockton said.

"Everyone played good, solid defense. I just picked up on the efforts of the others."

Both teams blamed the All-Star break for sluggish performances at the start.

"That was a perfect example of what happens when you have several days off," said Houston coach Don Chaney said. "We just didn't play well. We weren't very sharp at all. We were a step late and a step slow."

"Our time was off and we were a bit flat," Thorpe said. "I think the Jazz played a balanced game. It wasn't just Malone and Stockton. Bailey and Darrell Griffith came off the bench and kept their momentum going."

"I wish we could have played Utah before the break instead of after," Maxwell said. "Everybody came in a little sluggish and then the altitude (4,200 feet) didn't help."

Sloan, noting Utah hit only three of its first 13 shots, said, "It looked like we didn't want to go inside. When you've been laying around on a soft pillow for five days, you let yourself get comfortable."

"When you come off the break, one of two things can happen. You can play great or be sluggish," Griffith said. "You could tell we'd been off. But we got it going."

NBA standings

By The Associated Press

All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Boston	36	12	.750	—
Philadelphia	25	22	.532	10 1/2
New York	21	27	.438	15
Washington	21	28	.429	15 1/2
New Jersey	14	34	.292	22
Miami	13	35	.271	23

Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Chicago	33	14	.702	—
Detroit	34	15	.694	—
Milwaukee	30	19	.612	4
Atlanta	26	22	.542	7 1/2
Indiana	19	28	.404	14
Cleveland	16	32	.333	17 1/2
Charlotte	15	33	.313	18 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
San Antonio	33	13	.717	—
Utah	32	16	.667	2
Houston	27	22	.551	7 1/2
Dallas	17	28	.378	15 1/2
Minnesota	16	30	.348	17
Orlando	15	33	.313	19
Denver	14	32	.304	19

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Portland	40	9	.816	—
LA Lakers	35	12	.745	4
Phoenix	31	16	.660	8
Golden State	27	20	.574	12
Seattle	22	24	.478	16 1/2
LA Clippers	15	33	.313	24 1/2
Sacramento	14	32	.304	24 1/2

Tuesday's Games

Charlotte 100, Dallas 92

New York 114, Indiana 110

Cleveland 94, Miami 78

Orlando 129, Denver 122

Doubles champs



Heather Gikas (left) and Holly Hinton of the Pampa High tennis team won girls' doubles at the Wichita Falls Invitational last weekend. The pair will compete in the Abilene Invitational Friday and Saturday.

NASCAR racing unfinished business for Penske

By MIKE HARRIS
AP Motorsports Writer

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — For Roger Penske, NASCAR Winston Cup racing is unfinished business.

Penske, the winningest car owner in the Indianapolis 500 and in Indy-car racing, left the premier stock car series in 1980 after a relatively brief fling that saw his team come up with five victories in 103 races.

Now he is back, with driver Rusty Wallace and longtime friend and business colleague Don Miller as partners.

"The right combination is there," Penske said while Wallace practiced for Sunday's Daytona 500 on the 2.5-mile, high-banked Daytona International Speedway oval in the team's Pontiac Grand Prix. "You have to have a quarterback and Rusty is one of a handful of drivers in the garage area that if you have them on a long-term basis, you can really form something."

Penske's diversified business empire, keyed by the privately owned Penske Corporation, which has truck leasing and diesel motor companies and auto dealerships as its mainstays, was the reason he left stock car racing as well as the reason he has come back.

"We were just starting our business (in 1980)," Penske explained. "We were running at one point IROC, Formula One, NASCAR and Indy. When you think about all that, it was quite an undertaking. It was a business decision (to leave NASCAR), other than the fact that I had high regard for Rusty and Don, there was a business reason that I decided to come back."

"One of our strongest markets for our truck leasing business is the Southeast. We probably have 15,000 trucks running in the NASCAR market area."

Penske, whose Indy-car team has won eight national championships, 64 races — including seven Indy 500s — and 89 poles, said the experience Penske Racing brings from that arena should help the new team considerably.

"I think technically we're going to be able to take some of the things we've learned from the Indy-car side, and that will help. The aerodynamic things we learn from our Indy program may also help."

"I don't understand the stock cars as well. When you can put two cents worth of tape across the grill and go 2 miles an hour (in qualifying), that's something. We may work for months in a wind tunnel on an Indy car to go 2 miles an hour quicker. There must be something else you can do to the (stock) car to gain 2 miles an hour. We need to find out how."

Wallace has won 18 races and the 1989 Winston Cup title but is coming off a disappointing season in which he won only two races and finished sixth in the standings.

Add to that the fact that new teams generally take at least half a season to get it together and it could be a somewhat frustrating season for Penske, who is used to success.

However, the silver-haired entrepreneur is talking patience.

"What I really want to do is just try and make a good showing," Penske said. "I want to be as professional as we can and try to be a good addition to the sport. We need to gain the respect of our peers. ... But we're not in this for just one season. We're in it for a long period of time."

Wallace, whose best efforts in eight Daytona 500 starts have been a pair of seventh-place finishes, was 17th overall during the three days of time trials that ended Tuesday.

2 Museums

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NCAA investigating UTEP basketball program for 13 alleged violations

By SUZANNE GAMBOA
Associated Press Writer

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Texas-El Paso basketball coaches tutored a recruit, provided free lodging and transportation to players and made illegal recruiting visits, the NCAA alleges.

UTEP officials pledged in a Tuesday news conference that they would investigate the accusations themselves before responding to the allegations.

"We do want to find out if these are indeed true and that takes an investigation on our part," said Athletic Director Brad Hovious.

The school appointed attorney Ricardo Adauto III to look into the allegations. UTEP Presi-

dent Diana Natalicio said Adauto, her assistant, was present at many of the interviews conducted by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

"The real point here is that there has been 14 months of speculation about various incidents, some of which may have occurred, some of which may not have occurred or may have been exaggerated. I think our job now is to sort out all of these facts," Ms. Natalicio said.

UTEP has until May 7 to respond to the list of 13 allegations.

Don Haskins, Miners coach for 30 years, was not at the news conference. He also was not at his office just prior to a 2 p.m. basketball prac-

tice. His secretary said he and other coaches were referring media questions to Adauto.

"We didn't invite him," Ms. Natalicio said when asked why Haskins was absent.

Hovious and Ms. Natalicio said they take very seriously all of the infractions, which would have occurred from 1986-1989. Some of the more serious allegations are:

— An assistant coach is accused of tutoring recruit John Staggers to prepare him for three separate General Equivalency Diploma exams.

The coach also is accused of arranging for the athlete to retake the test when Staggers was unqualified and enrolling him in a federally-funded GED preparation class for migrant

workers and their families.

— The men's basketball staff allegedly arranged for a booster to pay a prospective player for work done at the booster's home. The booster, identified by a former player as restaurateur Mike Daeuble, is accused of paying \$300 in cash for 10 hours work. The NCAA said the scholarship athlete received 10 more payments totaling between \$900 and \$1,300 during 1988. Daeuble was not at his restaurant when called Tuesday for comment.

— A coach twice lied to the NCAA enforcement staff about providing transportation numerous times to prospective and enrolled players and a prospective player's mother.

Ryan's son makes collegiate baseball debut

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Was there any doubt?

Reid Ryan, son of baseball's all-time strikeout leader, made his collegiate debut Tuesday for No. 6 Texas. Naturally, Nolan's kid struck out the first batter he faced.

"It was exciting," the 19-year-old freshman said. "I've been itching, waiting to get in. It was neat."

Ryan's first victim was a friend, Shayne Currin of Texas-Arlington. In the summer, Currin is a bullpen catcher for the Texas Rangers, the team Nolan pitches for.

"I was kind of nervous, but it wasn't the kind of scared nervous, it was just being excited," Reid said. "It had been a while since I had pitched to a batter. Getting that first strike over was the most important thing."

Ryan, using a fastball clocked at 85 mph and a good, overhand curveball,

pitched two innings in relief as Texas won the second game of a doubleheader 10-3. He gave up one run and two singles and struck out two. Texas-Arlington won the opener 5-3.

Ryan's father, who has attended a couple of the Longhorns' games, did not make the 150-mile drive from the family home in Alvin to Austin for the debut, even though Texas coach Cliff Gustafson told him his son might pitch.

"He just has so many demands on his time, it's hard for him to get here on short notice," Gustafson said.

The two Ryans will see each other April 2. They will be the starting pitchers when the Longhorns play the Rangers in an exhibition game.

Ryan and Gustafson each have been careful not to put too much pressure on the young right-hander, who has a motion similar to his dad. Besides, there's enough already.

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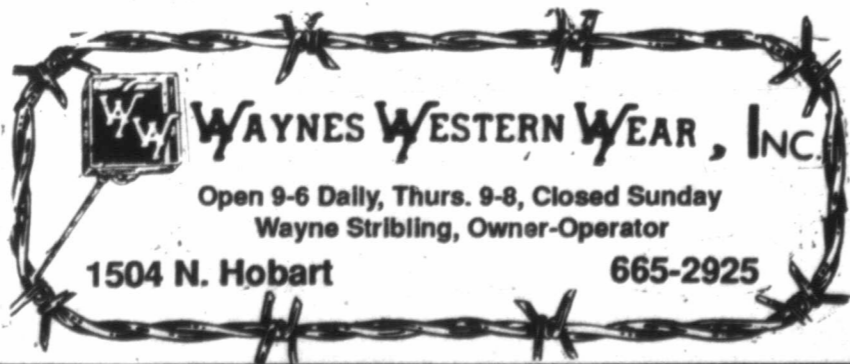
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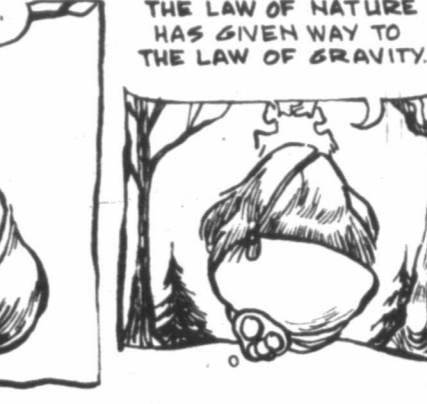
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There's gold in them thar suburbs!

By ROBERT M. ANDREWS
Associated Press Writer



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Just a few miles up the Potomac River from Washington, in a wooded ravine below lavish suburban mansions, John D'Agostino wades through an icy creek panning gold Monday. Standing in rubber boots in the middle of Bull Neck Run, D'Agostino searches for gold.

McLEAN, Va. (AP) — Just a few miles from downtown Washington, in a wooded ravine below lavish suburban mansions, John D'Agostino wades through an icy creek panning for gold.

Yes, he says, there's gold in the hills above Washington. "We're sitting on one of the world's greatest gold belts," says D'Agostino, a government geologist and longtime gold prospector.

"Most people don't believe the East Coast has any gold," he says. "They think it's all out West, but it's just as rich here. Gold could be all over the place. It's wide open."

Standing in rubber boots in the middle of Bull Neck Run, which rushes through exclusive McLean into the Potomac River, D'Agostino bends down and sloshes sparkling water through a metal pan full of sand and pebbles shoveled from the muddy banks.

He squints at the silt through a magnifying glass, searching for tiny flakes of gold. "You can hear a nugget before you see it — clunk, clunk, clunk," he whispers.

Nearby are the ruins of an abandoned gold mine, a few hundred yards from the Potomac, where prospector William Kirk extracted high-grade ore in the 1890s. The mine's 70-foot shaft was closed permanently after the last owners went bust in the late 1930s.

The old mine is one of several that once flourished in the Washington area. It lies at the foot of a 70-acre private estate not far from Great Falls, Va., where Union soldiers panned the gold-flecked streams during the Civil War.

D'Agostino has a word of warning for business executives who are tempted to grab pans, shovels and wading boots for a quick solution to their cash-flow problems.

"I don't know of anyone who's making good money out of prospecting," he says.

The gold flakes panned in local streams aren't worth more than a few pennies, he says. But a one-ounce gold nugget, discovered occasionally by chance, will fetch \$2,000 to \$4,000 on the collectors' market, much more than the current world gold price of \$350 to \$400 an ounce.

D'Agostino says the Eastern gold belt ranges from 50 to 100 miles wide and extends about 800 miles from Maryland into northern Alabama. It generally lies in the gently rolling Piedmont east of the Appalachian Mountains.

A gold rush isn't likely to happen on the East Coast because most of the deposits run through private lands. Serious gold mining requires five years of exploratory drilling and a minimum initial investment of \$5 million, D'Agostino says.

Nevertheless, an anonymous fraternity of hundreds of prospectors — most of them elderly people — continues to roam the East Coast with picks, shovels and pans, hoping to strike it rich.

D'Agostino, 64, an expert on mineral resources at the U.S. Geological Survey, is the unofficial leader of several dozen prospectors in Washington's Maryland and Virginia suburbs. Under a "gentleman's agreement," he says, their identities and favorite stakeouts are shrouded in secrecy.

Love potions: Fruit or fiction?

NEW YORK (AP) — When I kissed a cop down on 34th and Vine, he broke my little bottle of... Saffron? Ginger? Even potato juice could have been the secret elixir in Love Potion No. 9.

An expert says nutrients that cured scurvy gave New World dwellers a high they confused with love. And the lore lives on.

"Some of the 'spring tonics' and early herbs promoted a euphoria that increased the ability to do everything, including sex," says Jeannie Fernsworth, an instructor at the New York Botanical Garden.

Explorers who came to the New World centuries ago were often suffering from malnutrition, Fernsworth said. When they started eating avocados, limes, oranges and other healthy foods, they may have mistaken the subsequent energy boost for lust.

Consequently, even the most unlikely plants became known as aphrodisiacs. While researching an article on New World plants, Fernsworth ran across an observation from the 1500s that credited potatoes with promoting lust.

But love potions long existed outside the New World.

In "A Midsummer-Night's Dream," Shakespeare mentions a white and purple flower whose juice, placed on "sleeping eyelids," will make a "man or woman madly dote upon the next live creature that it sees."

Lothian Lynas, head reference librarian at the Botanical Garden, says Shakespeare was referring to a wild pansy known in this country as the Johnny-jump-up.

In Woody Allen's new movie "Alice," a venerable Chinatown herbalist offers a New York City matron an unidentified potion with similar properties.

Allen's spokeswoman, Lisa Hintelmann, said that particular potion was purely imaginary.

"I wish it existed," she said.

Mary Forsell, author of "Heirloom Herbs" (Villard Books, \$29.95.), speculated on what it

might have been were it real.

"Chinese herbs are not only composed of plants but often contain mysterious powdered ingredients they don't like to divulge," she said. "It could have been a musk ox for all we know."

In her research, Forsell has uncovered numerous herbal concoctions that purportedly induce romance.

"A lot of these herbs have such sweet scents that they're supposed to be soothing to the nerves, putting you in some kind of receptive state," she said. "There's no question that beautifully scented things inspire romance, which is why we have perfumes with names like 'Seduction.'"

The author has also discovered a number of plant rituals that believers swear will make a person more irresistible. Among them:

•Hide a rose, "the herb of Venus," in your pocket and think about your beloved.

•Mix black tea with rosemary, thyme, mint, rose petals and lemon leaves. Drink it under a waxing moon.

•Ginseng, an Oriental tonic, simultaneously sedative and stimulating, supposedly offers improved concentration and endurance.

•Lemon verbena is an herb used in wine, stuffings, preserves and desserts. In addition to making people feel sexy, it's supposed to cure nausea, flatulence and indigestion.

•Saffron, which comes from a crocus, stimulates the appetite — or appetites.

•Ginger, warming and stimulating, is common in Far Eastern cuisines and in soft drinks, sweets and tea. It also is supposed to cure a possible consequence of sexiness: morning sickness.

Forsell isn't sure whether these methods actually work.

But she and Fernsworth caution novices to do research or consult an expert before ingesting anything. And in all manner of activity, they urge moderation.

California copes with drought

By KATHRYN DETTMAN
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The regional authority that delivers more than half of Southern California's water has tightened rations for the third time in as many months as it tries to cope with the state's five-year drought.

The order approved Tuesday forces homes and industries to cut water use by 20 percent and farms by 50 percent. The Metropolitan Water District previously had imposed cuts of 10 percent for homes and industries and 30 percent for farmers.

"Our concern is that even in a normal rainfall we would be right where we are today a few years from now. There's nowhere to move," said Carl Boronkay, the district's general manager. He cautioned that still more stringent conservation measures may be needed if the drought persists.

The board approved the plan by a 46-1 vote with four members absent.

The district provides more than half the water supply for Southern California's 15 million people. It gets its water from the State Water Project, the Colorado River and other sources and supplies it to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power and 26 other utilities.

The new cuts go into effect March 1, and includes penalties to be implemented April 1 for member utilities that exceed their rations. Agencies will have to pay triple the cost of water used in excess of the limits. But they also would get a 50 percent rebate on the amount of water saved.

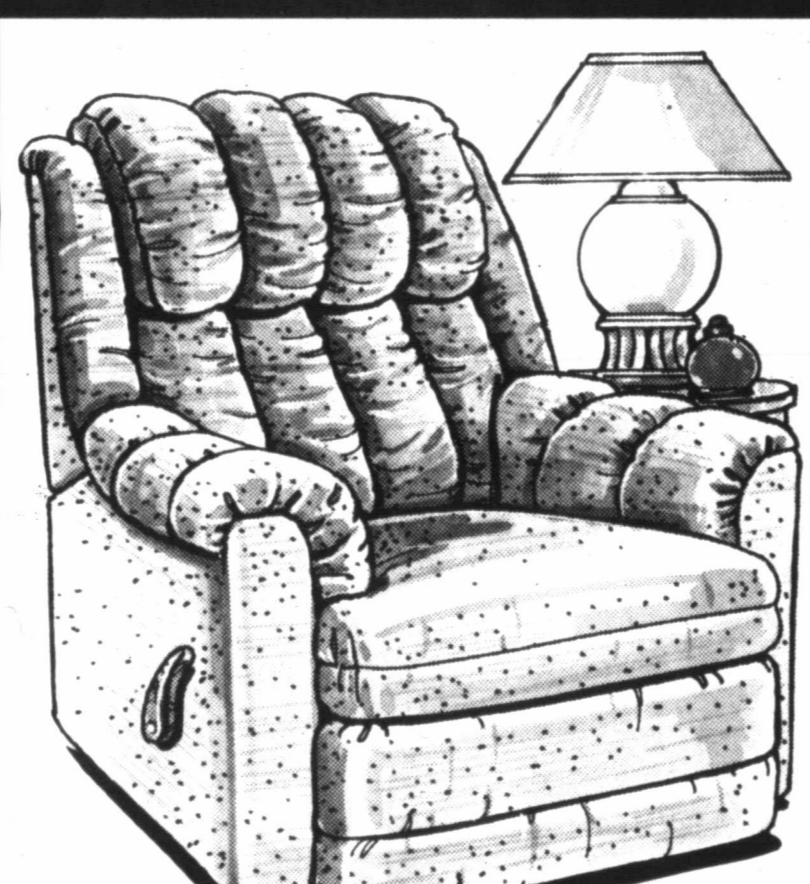
"The message is conservation," said board member S. Dell Scott of Los Angeles, who voted for the plan. "I have always believed that the guy who turns on the tap has to pay the bill."

The lone dissenting vote Tuesday came from Michael A. Nolan of Burbank, who believes that some water agencies stand to make a lot of money from the rationing.

The board also approved \$30 million to acquire emergency water supplies from the state's federally operated Central Valley project.

The district's actions came as state officials scramble to deal with the deepening drought.

Gov. Pete Wilson declined on Feb. 1 to declare a state of emergency, giving him broad authority over water supplies, but a task force he appointed has until Friday to present him with a drought management plan.



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