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(Staff photo by Cheryl Berzanskis)

Children play a little hoop on Friday in Prairie Village Park as Pampa Police Department officer Mike Duval looks on. The boys are, from left, David Robinson, Chaz Niblett, Gary Alexander and Shannon Reed.

## Pampa policemen well received as they patrol the streets on foot

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS and RANDAL K. MCGAVOCK  
Staff Writers

Community-oriented policing put shoe leather to the pavement Friday night in what is planned to become a regular part of Pampa Police Department routine: foot patrols.

Or as Pampa Department patrol officer Mike Duval put it: "It's a return to the 1920s beat cop."

Duval was one of three officers and a lieutenant who did it the old-fashioned way — they walked the streets of "the drag" and visited Prairie Village Park in an attempt to get out of the car and listen to citizen concerns.

For the most part officers appeared to be well received by citizenry with whom they interacted. There were lots of waves and greetings — not initiated by officers only — but by people who seemed genuinely glad to see them.

As teens on the drag — a rectangular area of streets which run from Hobart to Cuyler and include Foster and Francis — noted that the officers were accompanied by *Pampa News* staffers, there were frequent requests: "Make our pictures with the cops!" A few were obligingly made. Another batch seemed dismayed at the prospect of being captured on film and climbed into their pickups for anonymity upon realizing they might be featured on the front page of the newspaper their parents read.

After about three hours on the asphalt, foot patrol officers, who said that their feet didn't hurt at all, were upbeat about the evening's events.

"The kids are accepting it real well," said rookie officer Trevor McGill.

"I don't think we've had any (hostility) at all," agreed his partner Donny Brown.

The two noted that teens were not "obviously drinking."

It was not Brown's first time on foot patrol but he agreed that it had

been awhile since the department used this method of policing.

As the pair traveled along the outline of the drag, they encountered loud music, rowdy voices and a fair amount of litter. As officers approached, the volume level seemed to magically decrease, and after a word or two from officers, litter, at least for a few moments, was retrieved from the ground. Certain parking lots are off limits to the teens because of "no trespassing" signs. Others are OK for hanging out. It was to those that officers tried to direct the just-wanna-have-fun kids.

In Prairie Village Park, children slam dunked to their hearts' content as officers sat at picnic table and later visited with a few of them dispensing police shield design stickers. Cruising through residential areas in the park area brought more signs of approval and only one overt act of hostility. A young man seemed to think that a police officer greeting him by name called for this response: "I'm gonna get you!"

At one time, while Chance was sitting at a picnic table in the park he was approached by a young girl carrying a toy pump-action shotgun. From its muzzle a plastic projectile protruded.

"I'm going to shoot you," she told Chance, who sat on the bench in his blue police uniform.

Unthreatened, Chance asked, "Why're you going to do that?" "Because," she said as she squeezed the trigger of the toy, hitting Chance in the chest.

"Why do you need to carry a gun and shoot people?" he asked his pint-sized assailant.

"For protection," she said taking the soft, plastic projectile back and reloading the toy.

Unfortunately, she found another victim, sitting at the same table and listening to the conversation. It was a *Pampa News* staffer holding two cameras loaded with film. Of course, the little girl saw them as toys to be played with.

Before it was all over, the staffer was shot in the head and a picture of his chin was taken. Not too bad a picture, the staffer thought looking at the negative the next day in the office. It was one of the few that actually turned out.

One young couple, Vanessa and Bill Hallman, visited with Chance about a citizen's patrol.

"It's a go," he responded.

He explained that while the patrol is in preliminary planning, training sessions are scheduled to make the patrols safe and effective.

Hallman expressed his appreciation to Chance for the appearance of officers in the park.

"It's refreshing to know that kids can come to the park and know they're safe," Hallman said.

"We're out to meet the public, we're out there to communicate with the public and to prevent any illegal activities from occurring," Chance said after he made street rounds.

Chance noted that when an officer gets to know a population of people, it becomes much easier for he or she to sense when trouble is afoot. Foot patrol is scheduled on an "as needed" basis, explained Chance. A special event, a large gathering or a citizen's request might initiate the assignment. It is expected that foot patrols will eventually cover all city parks as well as the drag.

The resumption of foot patrols after a two- or three-year hiatus is part of the concept of community-oriented policing, Chance said. Other aspects of the community orientation include the Adopt-a-Cop program, scheduled for fall in Pampa elementary schools; crime prevention and Neighborhood Watch programs, and Keep the Drag Clean.

Videotaping to aid in prosecution and identification of illegal activities is under way at the present time, Chance said. Currently, one officer is responsible for operation of a hand-held video camera.

## U.S. strikes Iraq

By SUSANNE M. SCHAFER  
AP Military Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. forces launched Tomahawk missiles against Iraqi intelligence headquarters in Baghdad based on "compelling evidence" of a plot to assassinate former President Bush, President Clinton said Saturday night.

Clinton, speaking to the nation in a hastily arranged address from the Oval Office, said the planned attack against Bush was "directed and pursued" by Iraqi intelligence.

"We thank God it was unsuccessful," he said.

"A firm and commensurate response was essential to protect our sovereignty," he said.

He called the plot against Bush "particularly loathsome and cowardly" because it was against the leader of the Gulf War coalition.

Clinton said a U.S. investigation convinced him "there is compelling evidence that there was in fact a plot to assassinate former President Bush and that this plot, which included the use of a powerful bomb made in Iraq, was directed and pursued by the Iraqi intelligence service."

Clinton said he gave the order Friday to attack "the Iraqi intelligence service's principal command control

facility in Baghdad."

He said the missiles were launched at 3:22 p.m. CDT. Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Colin Powell said 23 cruise missiles were launched from the USS Peterson and USS Chancellorsville in the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf, respectively. The missiles struck Baghdad early Sunday morning.

Powell said an early assessment indicated that "all 23 performed as they were supposed to" and that they "landed in the target area where they are supposed to be."

Striking the tough tone of a commander in chief, Clinton said the bombing was intended "to deter further violence against our people and to affirm the expectation of civilized behavior among nations."

"From the first days of our revolution, American security has depended on the clarity of this message: Don't tread on us," Clinton said.

Clinton said he had discussed the action with congressional leaders and U.S. allies and called for an emergency meeting of the U.N. Security Council "to expose Iraq's crime."

Clinton called Bush just minutes after the attack was launched, and Secretary of State Warren Christopher briefed Bush in Maine on the evidence earlier Saturday, a senior administration official said.

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(Staff photo by Darlene Holmes)

Summer school students Justin Long, Angelica Gutierrez and Marshall North study on Thursday as summer school coordinator Betty Beyer watches.

## Summer attendance low at PLC, but that doesn't stop the classes

By JOHN McMILLAN  
Staff Writer

Only four Pampa High School students are attending summer school at the Pampa Learning Center, and the coordinator of the program, Betty Beyer, said that the offering of that program in the center might discourage some PHS students from enrolling in it.

"I can see that it (the location) might be a deterrent, but if it is, no one has ever pointed it out to me," Beyer said in an interview.

The Pampa Learning Center (PLC) primarily serves PHS students who, because of difficulties in their schoolwork, are admitted into the alternative school as PLC students. About one-half of the PLC students who attend classes at the center are young parents who have children of their own, Beyer said. The PLC is located in the basement of Clarendon College, 212 W. Cook.

In response to a question, Beyer said the summer school at PLC could accommodate a total of 40 students in its summer program.

The PLC currently serves 20 students in its summer program, including 16 students normally enrolled in the PLC. The summer enrollment at PLC compares with the spring semester student enrollment at PLC averaging about 60,

PHS in the fall. Long is studying English and economics in the summer school program.

"It's kind of like doing homework in the library, except you know there's someone here to help you," Long said. "I think it's easier to learn in here, but you kind of miss out on (socializing with friends and PHS activities such as football games)."

Marshall North, 15, a PLC student in summer school who hopes to enroll in 10th grade at PHS in the fall, said "you can get a week's work done in one day, because it's not slow like at the high school. You can work as much as you want."

North, who was a student at PHS for a portion of last school year before being admitted into the PLC program, said he does not miss listening to classroom lectures from teachers at PHS. "... They're confusing," he said. "One minute they'll say something and then the next minute it's totally different."

One PLC student enrolled in summer school, Angelica Gutierrez, 19, said she dropped out of ninth grade at PHS because there were "too many students" at the school. Pampa High has an enrollment of roughly 1,000 students.

Gutierrez said she is studying economics and English during summer school and plans to continue at PLC because she has two young children who need day-care services.

Pampa Learning Center last month opened a new child-care facility that is located on Frost Street near Clarendon College. The facility serves children up to age 4 and is supervised by Miriam Lynch. There currently are about six children participating in the child-care program.

The current enrollment of four PHS students in the summer school program at PLC is the same as in 1992, the first year in which the program was offered to PHS students, Beyer said.

Justin Long, 17, one of the PHS students enrolled in the summer school program, said he needed one course credit to enroll as a senior at

## City, county still debate jail policy

By RANDAL K. MCGAVOCK  
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After more than a year of talking to each other about the issue, the city of Pampa and Gray County have not come to an agreement as to the housing of city prisoners in the county jail.

Currently, the city is looking for a way to shut down its holding facilities.

"We're somewhat distraught that there hasn't been any further activity in the way of a joint agreement between the city and the county for the county to house city prisoners," said outgoing City Manager Glen Hackler.

According to Hackler, the city and the county had agreed in principal last year, prior to the building of the new county jail.

The first delay in a formal agreement was due to construction problems with the new jail, Hackler said.

Now that the jail has been in operation for approximately six months, however, Hackler thinks the

delay could be due to the Gray County Sheriff's Office and has said so in two City Commission work sessions.

"We understood, obviously, that we couldn't come to any kind of agreement until the jail was opened," Hackler said describing the delays. "And then there was a feeling that there needed to be a study of what the costs of operating a jail were and then there was a change in the sheriff. All of that is understandable, but frankly, I feel like we're being stonewalled by the sheriff's department."

According to city figures, the total number of people the city arrests per day totals less than three people.

Sheriff Randy Stubblefield said, however, the jail is willing to accept the city's prisoners.

"We're willing to take the city's prisoners," Stubblefield said. "The problem we're facing now is the actual number of prisoners we're looking at (and) the cost of housing the prisoners. I can't house them over here for nothing."

To house prisoners, Stubblefield

said, it costs approximately \$12 per day and does not include the cost of utilities, labor or the wear and tear on the facilities.

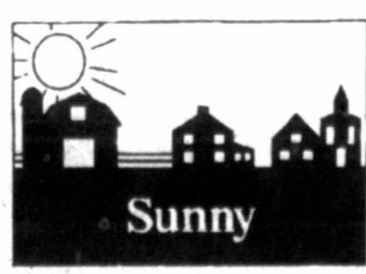
Some of the costs Stubblefield said his office is responsible for, including utilities and labor, includes laundry, meals, medical costs and incidentals, like toothpaste, toothbrushes and soap, necessary to run the jail.

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# Informant details alleged terrorist activity in bomb plots

By LARRY McSHANE  
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NEW YORK (AP) — Forget John Grisham. Forget Robert Ludlum. The week's most riveting tale of terrorism and espionage was written by FBI agent John Liguori, who detailed a plot that seemed more fiction than fact.

A car bomb at the United Nations. Another in the Lincoln Tunnel under the Hudson River. Gunmen blasting their way into the FBI's New York headquarters, then detonating a third bomb. The assassination of a U.S. senator, just one of several names on a terrorist hit list.

But it was all true, the FBI said. Most of it was in an eight-page criminal complaint in which Liguori told the story of an informant who infiltrated a group of Muslim fundamentalists and quickly became the ringleader's right-hand man.

The informant was identified in several news reports as Emad Salem, a 43-year-old former officer in the Egyptian army who occasionally acted as interpreter and bodyguard to Sheikh Omar Abdel-Rahman, a Muslim cleric linked to the bomb suspects.

The informant provided a blow by blow account of

the alleged terrorists' activities, from their initial meeting in May until a SWAT team burst into a Queens bomb factory Thursday and arrested five suspects mixing a witches' brew of explosives.

The story, as laid out in the complaint and by federal officials:

A May 7 meeting provided the first whiff of terrorism. The informant met with alleged mastermind Siddig Ibrahim Siddig Ali in Jersey City, N.J. They discussed driving a car bomb into a United Nations parking garage — the same technique used in the bombing of the World Trade Center on Feb. 26.

Eleven days passed before Siddig expanded the plan: The Jacob K. Javits Federal Office Building, the Manhattan home of the FBI, was now a target. Siddig gave the informant \$300 and told him to rent a garage in Queens to serve as a bomb factory. The same day, Siddig confided that his friend Clement Rodney Hampton-El was a good source for explosives.

Siddig and Hampton-El bragged to the informant about their roles in a test run of the bomb used on the Trade Center. Siddig also boasted of U.N. connections that would allow him access to plant a car bomb there.

The garage at the rear of a Queens storefront became a safe house and central meeting place for conspirators over the next month. They schemed and stirred up explosives there, unaware the building was bugged and under surveillance by the FBI.

A May 23 meeting indicated Siddig's commitment to his plan. The suspect proposed killing security guards to get inside the federal building and plant a bomb. He mentioned doing surveillance of the building, adding he had sketches of its outside entrances.

On May 27, Siddig, suspect Fares Khallafalla, a man using the alias Abdou Zaid and the informant tested a timing device for detonating a bomb at the safe house.

Here, the informant said, Siddig proposed his ultimate plan: "Three bombs should be detonated in three different locations at different times on the same day." The United Nations would be first, followed by the Lincoln Tunnel and then the federal building.

Two days later, Siddig and the informant drove from Jersey City to Manhattan through a Hudson River tunnel. Siddig, glancing around, offered opinions on the best place to plant explosives in the tunnel. In Manhattan, they drove past the United Nations and had a simi-

lar conversation.

On June 4, the informant first met Mohammed Saleh, a Yonkers gasoline station owner. Saleh agreed to provide the fuel needed to mix with fertilizer in creating the crude but powerful bombs necessary for the attacks.

More than two weeks later the bomb mixing began. On June 19, five suspects discussed blowing up the U.N., the federal building and the Holland and Lincoln tunnels under the Hudson as they created their first batch of deadly brew.

Last Sunday, Siddig and the informant drove to a remote area of Connecticut and detonated a test bomb. When they returned to New York, the informant and a suspect known only as Mohammad traveled to New Jersey. Their goal: getting the guns needed to blast their way into the buildings they planned to bomb.

The last shipment of fuel from Saleh's gas station arrived Wednesday night — just hours before federal authorities arrested five men in the middle of creating a new batch of explosive in a 55-gallon drum.

The informer, his work done, spoke with Hampton-El earlier — by phone. He was long gone from the oncesafe house when his FBI employers arrived.

## Picnic time



(Staff photo by Danny Cowan)

Summer has arrived, and with the warm afternoons comes the desire to get outside and enjoy the day. With that thought in mind, these residents of the Schneider Apartments gather for an outdoors picnic Thursday in McCarley Park, across the street from the apartments.

## Confessed serial killer poses as attorney

HOUSTON (AP) — A confessed serial killer used his prison legal training to lure and rape at least two women this month while posing as an attorney, police say.

Johnny Meadows, 56, was being held at the Harris County Jail without bond Saturday on charges of parole violation, attempted aggravated sexual abuse and aggravated sexual assault.

The attacks took place in Houston on June 7 and June 11, police told the Houston Chronicle.

The Houston Police Department's major offenders division declined to take questions from The Associated Press on Saturday regarding the case.

Investigators are looking for other, similar cases that might have occurred since 1990, when Meadows was paroled to Harris County after 18 years in prison.

In the June 7 case, police said Meadows approached a young woman at the Harris County Courthouse, told her he was an attorney and offered her a job in his office.

The office Meadows claimed as his own belonged to an attorney he had done some work for previously, investigators said. Meadows apparently obtained a key to the facility during his brief employment there.

When the woman met Meadows at the office for an after-hours "interview," investigators said she was told to do some work on the office computer, but then was raped at knife-point.

In the June 11 attack, investigators said there apparently was no office or car available, so the victim was persuaded to ride the bus with Meadows to a stop near some offices.

Meadows then forced his victim into a nearby wooded area by claiming to have a gun.

Sources familiar with the investigation said it is possible Meadows also posed as an attorney to get money for legal work he was not qualified to conduct. Investigators have found stationery printed with Meadows' name and the title "counselor at law" along with a fictitious address and a disconnected telephone number.

Meadows achieved notoriety in the early 1970s, when the bodies of several young women, all raped and strangled, began turning up in isolated areas around Odessa.

Ector County Sheriff's Department investigators discovered that each victim knew Johnny Meadows, then an oil field worker.

Described by one of those investigators as "charismatic and colorful," Meadows called a November 1972 news conference and confessed to four of the deaths.

Meadows went on to confess to

seven of the rape-murders. He remained the prime suspect in four more and eventually entered a guilty plea in one case, for which he received a life sentence.



Food For Thought  
By  
Danny Bainum

Polenta is Italy's answer to corn bread. Cook the mush until very thick, then spread about half-inch thick onto a greased cookie sheet. Cool. Cut into neat, toast-size squares and saute in oil in a non-stick pan until browned lightly. Super with vegetables or chicken.

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## Astronaut: Spacewalk tiring but exciting

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The Endeavour astronaut who pushed two loose satellite antennas into place Saturday the spacewalk was tiring at times but one of the most exciting experiences of his life.

"We got a little bit of extra work out there helping to fix the antennas," first-time spacewalker G. David Low said. "But the best thing of all was the spectacular view you get from out there."

Low said he had a sensation of falling at one point during Friday's nearly six-hour spacewalk.

"When you're inside the spaceship here and you look down at the Earth, you never feel as though you're falling," he said during a television interview from space with CNN.

"But once you get outside and you see really nothing below you ... there was a while there yesterday when I really felt as though I was hanging on to the handrail 250 miles above the Earth."

Besides securing the antennas of the captured Eureka satellite for the trip home, Low lifted and swung his spacewalking partner, Peter "Jeff" Wisoff, to show what it would be like to handle a large camera to be installed on the Hubble Space Telescope this winter.

Low said it was tiring to push against the 7-foot boom antennas, but "everything else was not that big of a deal."

"It was one of the most exciting things I've ever done in my life," he said.

Low and Endeavour's five other

astronauts spent Saturday quietly tending to science experiments. They even got to sleep in an extra hour.

Until Saturday — flight day six — the astronauts had been focusing almost all their energies on retrieving Eureka, a European science satellite, and conducting the spacewalk. Low snared Eureka with the shuttle robot arm Thursday. He said that job was easier than he expected.

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## Lefors considers fire department

LEFORS — Without taking a formal vote on the matter, Lefors City Council last week expressed support for including the Lefors Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance Service under the legal structure of the city of Lefors.

The Lefors fire department had been incorporated since 1991. Before 1991, it was under the legal structure of the city of Lefors.

Also at the meeting on Thursday, the Lefors City Council determined that the deeds are located at the fire station and that the fire department owns those deeds.

The Lefors City Council conferred with Lefors City Attorney

Rick Harris during the Thursday meeting.

The board of directors of the Lefors Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance Service is expected to vote on whether to dissolve the incorporation of the fire department, after which the Lefors City Council is expected to approve including the fire department under the legal structure of the municipality.

There are 17 firefighters in the Lefors fire department, with Eddie Joe Roberts serving as fire chief and Max Kellison serving as fire marshal. Max Kellison's wife, Ruby, is secretary and bookkeeper for the Lefors fire department.

**AN APPOINTED DAY**

"The times of ignorance therefore God overlooked; but now He commandeth men that they should all everywhere repent: inasmuch as He hath appointed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness by the man whom He hath ordained; whereof He hath given assurance unto all men, in that He hath raised Him from the dead." (Acts 17:30-31.) Paul has preached to the Athenians that there is only one true and living God. Although in the past God had not required the Gentiles to believe in Him, now, under the age of the gospel, He requires that all men repent of their sins. He commands repentance on the part of all men because of the day of judgment already appointed.

In the past, God has brought many days of judgment upon people. His judgment in the days of Noah was the flood which destroyed every living creature except those in the ark (Gen. 6-8.) He brought destruction down upon the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah because of their sins of immorality and homosexuality (Gen. 18-19.) His judgment upon Israel for their sin of idolatry was captivity which He had promised man years before (Deut. 8:19-20.) But in every instance, Jehovah was warned many of the coming judgment.

The judgment day of which Paul spoke is the last day of judgment to be brought upon all mankind. It will be a day in which we all shall stand before the judgment seat of Christ and give answer for the deeds of this life whether they be good or bad (2 Cor. 5:10.) The apostle wrote to the Romans: "So then each one of us shall give account of himself to God." (Rom. 14:12.) We understand from a study of God's word that this day of judgment will involve all men and each one will be held accountable for their individual deeds.

Though some may scoff at such a day coming, yet God, who cannot lie, assures us that it is coming. He has not told us the exact time but sometime out in the future there is a day of judgment appointed. We should, in light of this revelation from God, prepare ourselves in order that we not be condemned when that day comes.

—Billy T. Jones

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Louise Fletcher  
Publisher

## Opinion

### Jesse not worried by facts on issues

Demagogue that he is, the Rev. Jesse Jackson probably can be forgiven for craving the limelight as he stumps around the world for his offbeat agenda.

But one of these days soon he may wish to consider just what his global grandstanding is doing to his credibility.

Like his recent call, in the African nation of Gabon, for Western powers to pay reparations to African countries for the long-gone slave trade; or his likening of Western lending practices in those countries to lynch mobs.

Of course, he overlooked some rudimentary facts: for instance, had this civil-rights-activist-turned-gadfly bothered to check U.S. Department of Commerce statistics, he'd have learned that the United States alone already forks over a king's ransom in aid annually to these impoverished countries.

Just in sub-Saharan Africa (the continent's predominantly black nations), America doled out \$1.34 billion in direct grants of various kinds during 1991, the latest year for which figures are available.

That doesn't even include U.S. contributions of some \$1.11 billion that year to such development agencies as the International Development Association, the World Bank and the International Finance Corp. which issue easy-term loans to many African nations. The United States poured yet another \$78 million into the African Development Fund in 1991. Maybe this largess isn't labeled reparations, but it's sure generous.

OK, so Jackson is better at making speeches than doing research; the real point here is his far-flung itinerary has taken him a mighty long way from the fundamental concerns he purports to champion back home, particularly in America's black community.

Indeed, the Africa-America summit at which Jackson hurled his latest brickbats underscored how far astray Jackson has wandered.

Some American blacks who attended, for example, were reported to have wondered why Jackson wanted to compensate those who never left Africa — when it's the black populations of North and South America who suffered most from slavery.

For a man who even ran for president, Jackson sure devotes a lot of time to flirting with fringe issues. Perhaps he believes his place in history is so secure that he no longer needs to worry about being taken seriously.

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"I think I've identified our problem. We're not working with the wrong people."

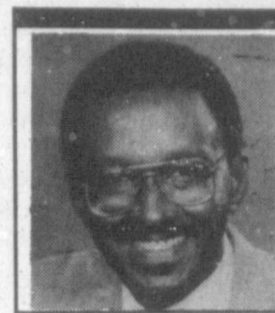
## There's welfare kings, too

Everybody knows about those welfare queens for whom we toil under the congressional threat of fines, imprisonment or, if we resist too vehemently, death. If you don't believe there's coercion, just deduct your per capita share of queen-support money from your 1040 tax form. You may be surprised to know that welfarism knows no sex and, for that matter, no income class. We have welfare kings who put welfare queens to shame.

The National Wool Act of 1954 updated an earlier World War II subsidy program for wool and mohair. Wool used to be considered a strategic material since soldiers needed woolen clothing. With the end of the war and the introduction of synthetic fibers, wool and mohair fell off the military's list of strategic materials.

But no big thing. Congress instructs the U.S. Department of Agriculture to continue making welfare payments, now at \$180 million a year, to sheep and angora ranchers. In 1992, the Agriculture Department's office in Rocksprings, Texas, issued \$5.2 million in checks to sheep and mohair ranchers. According to Sharon LaFraniere, staff writer for *The Washington Post National Weekly Edition* (April 12, 1993), Rocksprings' top 10 recipients collected between \$90,000 and \$340,000 apiece. Two percent of the program's "welfarees" receive 54 percent of the handouts.

Instead of eliminating this rich man's welfare, President Clinton's budget proposes only capping



Walter E. Williams

these payments at \$50,000 per rancher. But sheep and mohair ranchers, just like the welfare queens who use multiple names and addresses to get fatter checks, know the way around caps. The ranchers, as they've done in the past, simply divide their ranch among family members, making each eligible for the handout.

In this time of "concern" about budget deficits, why doesn't Clinton just propose eliminating this costly, useless program? It turns out that Rep. E. "Kika" de la Garza and Charles W. Stenholm are powerful Democrats from Texas, a state that receives 86 percent of mohair payments and 26 percent of wool payments. If Clinton alienates these men, he won't be able to count on their votes for tax increases, support for government-sponsored pornographic art or homosexuals in the military.

It'd be unfair to give the impression that only ranchers are fleecing us. Led by Archer-Daniel-Mid-

land's multimillionaire CEO Wayne Andreas, the ethanol industry has received \$7 billion in federal handouts since 1980. Sen. Robert Dole, a Republican from Kansas, is the chief procurer for this handout. You say, "Clinton can't count on Dole for support, how come he doesn't ice the ethanol industry welfare?" That question shows how little you understand the inner workings of Washington. Clinton, Democrats and other Washington insiders can count on Wayne Andreas for political contributions, junkets and, if you're friendly enough, cheap condos.

Then there's a bank you've never heard of that Congress created for other welfare kings — the Export-Import Bank. Former Office of Management and Budget Director David Stockman called it "food stamps for the rich." Congress created it to funnel our earnings into big businesses to the tune of \$4 billion a year. In the past decade, 70 percent of Export-Import loans have gone to fewer than 20 corporations, including Boeing, Westinghouse and General Motors. Just so you don't think college students are the only government-loan deadbeats, in 1990 the Export-Import Bank stood ready to lose \$5 billion. That's 40 percent of its outstanding loans and loan guarantees.

In this time of debt and deficit emergency, you ought to write or call the president and your congressman and ask why these wasteful programs exist. I guarantee that the letter coming back will be a lie or it won't be the truth.

### Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, June 27, the 178th day of 1993. There are 187 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 27, 1950, President Truman ordered the Air Force and Navy into the Korean conflict following a call from the United Nations Security Council for member nations to help South Korea repel an invasion from the North.

On this date:

In 1844, Mormon leader Joseph Smith was killed by a mob in Carthage, Ill.

In 1847, New York and Boston were linked by telegraph wires.

In 1957, more than 500 people were killed when Hurricane Audrey slammed through coastal Louisiana and Texas.

In 1969, patrons at the Stonewall Inn, a gay bar in New York City's Greenwich Village, clashed with police during a raid, an incident considered a landmark of the gay rights movement.



THE VOLUNTEERS DECIDE WHAT TO DO

## Pacifiers for the Speech Police

George Will, in a recent column for *Newsweek*, wrote the following:

"Being offended has become a political agenda, even a full-time vocation for some people."

Nothing I can think of needed saying more, with the possible exception of, "Does the fact the Democratic president has just asked a Republican strategist to come to the White House to figure out just what the hell is going on, strike anybody else as odd?"

Columnist Will's primary reference was to the rather silly incident at the University of Pennsylvania where a white male student trying to study called out to a group of black sorority women being loud beneath his window, "Will you water buffaloes get out of here?"

The black women said they were offended and the water buffalo crack was racist.

It wasn't reported, incidentally, whether or not they were wearing swimsuits.

Has a single day passed in recent times when some group hasn't been offended by the word or words of another and called for the head of the alleged offender?

I wish this would stop for a very good reason. It's getting on my nerves.

Will cites the "thought vigilantes" for this rampant rabbit-earedness. I called them the Speech Police, who are aligned with the Life Style Gestapo, who insist you avoid broccoli and meat,



Lewis Grizzard

especially if it's fried.

The only solution — besides developing more effective laxatives and thicker skin — is to find terms we all agree aren't racist, sexist or examples of gay bashing, so we'll have something to call each other without anybody's panties getting in a wad as a result.

I think I'm qualified to discuss this because a day hardly passes I don't get called something I would be offended by were I not a Southern, white heterosexual male and not allowed that particular pleasure.

I've been called an insult to good journalism, white trash, a red neck, a chicken proctologist from the University of Georgia, a worthless four-eyed idiot, a grease-eating, whiskey-swilling womanizer (by others besides my ex-wives, believe it or not), not to mention a pusillanimous, pig-valved, Peck-sniffian pissant.

That last one is highly creative, and I've got some other suggestions that shouldn't rile the Speech Police. We could call each other, for instance:

— Bugger Noses: All God's children get booger noses, even those who eat broccoli.

— Do Do Pots: George Bush suggested this one.

— Duckbill Platypuses: You could call somebody one of those on the *MacNeil-Lehrer News Hour* and get away with it. As a matter of fact, I think that's what Pat Buchanan called Michael Kinsley on *Crossfire* once, and deservedly so, I might add.

— Ornerly Galoot: What Gabby Hayes (no relation to Rutherford B. or Wayne) called anybody who tried to sexually harass Dale Evans.

— Hair Elitist: What you call Bubbas with egos.

— Sleaze-Sucking Bottom Fish: Notice how many lawyer commercials are on television these days?

— Smokers: What more piercing thing could you call anybody in the '90s? "Will you smokers get outta here!" If they get offended you can shoot them.

— Helpless Animal Massacres: What you call people who eat the Other White Meat. Or any meat. You can shoot them, too.

— Gnus: "Will you gnus get outta here!" By the time they figure out what a gnu is, you'll be finished studying.

## It was the only thing he could do

A number of people have told me they still don't know what to make of the Lani Guinier incident and thus have been unable to clear their minds of it.

Was Bill Clinton right in withdrawing his nomination of Guinier to head the Justice Department's civil-rights division? Should he have permitted her a public hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee? Should the file be labeled "Clinton Screw-ups"? Or does it go in "Clinton: Growing Pains"?

And how should they feel about it? Sad? Pleased? Angry? Disgusted, jaded, indifferent? How about just plain numb?

The disconcerted have come to the right place. The great Sorter Outer has this thing figured out, and the office is open.

Either of the files listed above would work, but the best would probably be "Growing Pains." A young president is learning that he cannot stuff his novel notions and zealous pals down everyone's throat without consultation and compromise. He is learning that the Congress is a moderate institution with little tolerance for the outlandish. He is learning that, when it comes to picking his people, he has to do his homework.

All the emotions and attitudes listed about are suitable as well, but the most appropriate is probably sadness. Sadness because such an intelligent person as Lani Guinier has such wacky ideas about the democratic process. Sadness because the president's staff is so confounded inept that it failed to



Joseph Spear

see that her radical views would be controversial. Sadness because the president had to give the boot to a personal friend. It was, he reportedly told aides, the worst day of his presidency.

As painful as it was, he did the right thing. I realize that's not what you are hearing from civil-rights activists and liberal pundits, many of whom have been downright cruel and spiteful in their denunciations. But once the president got around to reading what Guinier had written in her disputatious law review articles, he just could not continue to support her.

She advocates ideas that are the antithesis of democracy. Not satisfied with laws that protect every citizen's right to vote and run for office, she wants laws that guarantee results. "The term 'anti-discrimination' refers to more than the basic process of decision-making," she wrote in a 1989 article. "It incorporates a result-oriented inquiry, in which roughly equal outcomes, not merely an

apparently fair process, are the goal."

She would stack elections in favor of minority candidates. She would endow minority legislators with veto power. She distrusts black legislators "who must appeal to white voters in order to get elected" and wants to ensure that blacks who get elected are "politically, psychologically and culturally black."

Bill Clinton concluded, sorrowfully, that some of Guinier's views are "anti-democratic" and "very difficult to defend" and yanked the nomination. Personal friend or no, he did not want her in his Justice Department. And if he didn't bounce her, the Senate surely would have — with much turmoil and further polarization of the races.

You might also want to stick some of this information in a general file called "Democracy," because this incident does have broader meaning. It is that ideologues of all stripes don't like democracy. It frustrates their efforts to effect their fanatical agendas, and they will stay up nights thinking up ways to evade, thwart or destroy it.

Right-winger Patrick Buchanan, for example, doesn't like democracy. He says it may be the "Golden Calf of this generation." Left-wing proponents of political correctness don't like democracy. They believe speech should be censored.

And anyone, however learned, who writes that "we ought to question the inherent legitimacy of winner-take-all majority rule" does not appreciate the democratic process either.

Bill Clinton did the only thing he could do.

## Letters to the editor

### Need some house cleaning

To the editor:

I just read the letter from the commanding officers of the Salvation Army. They made the statement that Pampa had great potential for development. I was reminded of an article I read in the April 23 issue of *The Pampa News*. This article referred to the development of Pampa. How will there ever be any development or any industry when they can't even keep a city manager at city hall?

I have lived in Pampa 37 years. Cabot and Celanese were here when I came here. Now, Cabot is practically gone.

There was the explosion at Celanese. I suppose everyone knew if Celanese didn't rebuild, Pampa would become a ghost town. So, they have a big rally and Celanese decides to stay. For the last few years all you hear and read is that people are suing Celanese; or the city is trying to gouge Celanese for more taxes. I am not what you would call a well-traveled person, but I have been to a few places. I look at their factories and industry, and it makes me wonder, what do these people want? I have heard since the day I got here that there are a few people who "have" and they intend that no one else shall have.

We have a mall that is practically empty, and it seems that the businesses along with the population is going elsewhere. Evidently something is wrong. Why not start with taxes, then utilities, and last but not least, who would want to move a business here where the grass grows between the cracks in the pavement, not to mention a cable company which the city makes money from, and look at the cost to the customer and the programming we have.

One and a half years ago I voted on a bond closure with the assurance that the street I lived on would be fixed last July or August. To date the surveyors are the only strange people I have seen on this street.

I recently spent a month in a little town in Alabama with a population of 2,500 souls. Their streets are in much better shape than ours, and yes, a state highway runs through and they have a lot of traffic. Other than that they have a milling company whose trucks haul all over the U.S. Next, they have a plant that manufactures Dumpsters. Then they have a large plant that manufactures electronic components.

In a little town about 20 miles away there is a population of about 1,200. They have a factory that makes mobile homes and a huge 3M manufacturing company.

There is something drastically wrong here, and paying someone a huge amount of money to come here and do a study is not going to fix it. The money would be better spent on traveling to these places and finding out what these people are doing right. Somebody is falling down on the job. They haven't figured it out in 37 years, so they should do it differently.

The bottom line is that there are those here who don't want any industry here and until there is a lot of house cleaning and start from scratch, there will never be anything else in Pampa.

Murry G. Robertson  
Pampa

### We've been made fools

To the editor:

I read with amusement the comments of Jerry Moore (Hoechst Celanese plant manager in a letter to the editor). He is again making an attempt to fool the Pampa people. Yes, we have been fools. Fools forever believing their lies and trusting their judgment. Judgments made with their pocket-books for brains. Judgments made with sadistic memos to one another, one was entitled:

CHROMIUM: PAMPA'S DEATH WARRANT

They really have a sense of humor, don't they? All the while, they were doing things they thought we would never know about. Secret things. Things that were threats to our very lives, health and future. Who died and made them God anyway?

But their bubble burst in 1976 when Congress passed the "Right to Know" Act. Thank God for our Congress that day. They can no longer keep the truth from us.

Yes, some may continue to be fooled. I actually laughed out loud the day I read that our state representative accused the Kingsmill residents of polluting the aquifer with their well. Maybe next time we can vote for someone other than a bought-and-paid-for by Celanese: propped-up, dancing puppet-on-a-string: supposed-to-be-a-Christian representative.

Forgive me for saying this, but sometimes I would like to tap some of you on the head and say to you, as Biff did to George McFly in *Back to the Future*, "Hello,.....Is anybody in there?"

Karen Son  
Pampa

### Let's repair phone cables

To the editor:

Southwestern Bell - S. O. S. (Same Old Stuff)

Last Friday night, June 18, it rained all night and the wind blew pretty hard. To be expected, we had no phone service until late Saturday afternoon. Bell employees tell us that the problem lies with the ancient lead-sheathed cable that has not been installed in many years.

Several years ago, I made the same complaint to Glen Hackler (assistant city manager at that time). I pointed out that there were many seniors in our area who could have emergencies at any time. A dead phone is useless at such a time.

I think I would investigate all means of legal recourse, if a dead phone caused any sort of crisis where a phone call might prevent serious bodily harm or other damage.

Dock Stuart  
Pampa

### They appreciate Ricky

To the editor:

On behalf of the American Family Association, we want to let the people of this community know how much we appreciate the faithfulness of Ricky Pfeil.

Sounding the alarm as Ezekiel 33:7-11, Ricky has reminded us again that pornography is a deadly adversary of our young people. We need to realize that it will not be stopped in our community unless we determine to take a stand against it. Sex crimes and sexual perversion will continue to escalate as long as pornography is tolerated and ignored.

Asking our local businesses not to carry pornographic magazines and videos in their stores is not censorship. We only want them to be responsible citizens of our community and help us, as parents, to provide a safer environment for our children. Pornography is pollution of the mind and more dangerous than polluted air or water.

Please hear the warning and let the pornography business know that you are not interested. A.F.A. has a factual report on pornography that we will make available to anyone that may not be aware of the impact it has in our society.

A.F.A. Pampa Chapter  
Janey Hopson, President

### Romans and lions wanted

To the editor:

A thank you to Ricky Pfeil.

You have answered a question that has bothered me for many years. Now I know why, if you and your followers are Christians, now I know why the Romans threw the Christians to the lions.

We need more Romans and lions in the Texas Panhandle.

R.T. Jinks Jr.  
Pampa

### Revise grass clippings plan

To the editor:

At first glance the idea of creating compost sounds like a wonderful idea — In reality, it's proving to be less than wonderful. For those citizens of Pampa who don't hire their yard done, we are faced with removal of grass clippings in the new and proper way — either by mulching the grass, putting the clippings in a garbage bag or taking them to the landfill.

Sounds easy enough, but how many of you have the problem of the bag tearing before you reach the alley, thus having to re-rake the grass you have tediously put in the grass bag. Not everyone can handle the weight of a plastic bag filled with grass clippings.

Before reaching a decision of this magnitude, think of senior citizens or handicapped individuals who can't handle the weight of these bags from front to back yard to alley. So, you say, put the clippings in the back of a pickup and haul them off to the landfill. Does everyone in Pampa own or have access to a pickup? And let's not forget mulching. Can everyone afford a mulching mower, and if you own one, is it really all that great?

Several years ago our tax dollars paid for trucks and large Dumpsters to be used for trash and grass clippings. Now, with all the new rules and regulations, the Dumpsters are virtually empty as there is so little that can legally be put into them. My question is why can't we designate at least one Dumpster per alley per block as "grass clippings only." It would be much easier for individuals to put these clippings in a Dumpster rather than bagging or trying to carry them to the landfill.

We have been told that the clippings would be picked up two or three times per week by the city. Would it pose a problem to designate a Dumpster solely for grass clippings?

Mary Jo Fiveash  
Pampa

### Time to restore dignity

To the editor:

I disagree emphatically with the statement our mayor reportedly made that City Manager Glen Hackler "has cost the city nothing."

Where has he been during the "reign of lawlessness" that has been a trademark of the arrogant administration of Hackler? This arrogance seems to be catching. It seems to have plagued our mayor and commissioners Ray Hupp, Gary Sutherland and Robert Dixon. And who ultimately pays for all the lawyers' fees? Guess!

We have been ordained to death during Mr. Hackler's reign. The curfew of our parks and the new fireworks law are only two means by which the people have lost a little bit more of our freedom in this so-called "free society." Read the complete ordinances and beware! Isn't this how police states come into being?

Also, a giant step toward socialism was taken by our city when the PEDC came about. So far, two persons have good paying jobs and a generous pension has been set up for them.

And as for the directors of the PEDC being answerable thru our city commission, I'm wondering if our "supreme" directors asked the commission for permission to reappoint themselves. This is democracy? Perhaps more arrogance!

But the biggest loss to our city during Glen Hackler's reign has been — our dignity! Pampa's dignity has been clouded by the trampling of citizens' constitutional rights, and our city leaders have been too arrogant, too insensitive, too egotistical to apologize. That's all that those harmed were initially asking — Just apologize!

Then there are those "wild guns" on our police force that are still "protecting and serving" that carried out the cavity search. If you ever need assistance from some on our police force and you see them coming with guns "at the ready," wearing ski masks and rubber gloves dangling from their back pockets — RUN FOR HELP!

Also, there was our J.P. Bob Muns rushing to get in on the raid. I wonder if he went to possibly learn something or maybe he had hopes of seeing something? Arrogance seems to be catching. Si!

No, Mr. Mayor, you're wrong. Everyone in our city has suffered some loss during the stay of Glen Hackler.

A loss of dignity is a tremendous loss!

Let's work together — all of us — in hopes of restoring our city's dignity!

Ray Velasquez  
Pampa

## Base-closing ax largely misses Texas facilities

WASHINGTON (AP) — The cloud hanging over three South Texas military bases has dissipated now that the presidential base-closing commission has decided not to recommend shutting them down.

The only Texas defense installations that have yet to learn of their fates in this year's round of base closings are the Dallas Naval Air Station and Naval Hospital Corpus Christi.

The Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, which is expected to finalize its recommendations by Sunday night, was to debate the Dallas station's future late Saturday and the hospital's on Sunday.

Texas were elated by the commission's decisions Friday to spare Naval Station Ingleside near Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi Naval Air Station and Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio.

None of the facilities had been recommended for closure by the Pentagon, but there had been significant concern that Ingleside could be sacrificed to spare Naval Station Charleston.

A weary commission, clearly aware that its decisions Friday would wreak economic havoc on Charleston, explored every avenue to save a city already slated to lose its naval shipyard. Charleston would lose 14,600 military and 6,700 civilian jobs if the closings are approved.

Texas lawmakers said the commission's vote on Charleston effectively ends the feud between the South Carolina and Texas congressional delegations over the Navy's Mine Warfare Command.

The Navy announced plans well over a year ago to transfer its mine warfare operations from Charleston to Ingleside, where it wants to establish a Mine Warfare Center of Excellence. But South Carolina officials intent on saving as many military commands as possible dug

in their heels and sought to reverse the decision.

The commission's action Friday should strengthen Naval Station Ingleside's position in the next round of base closures in 1995, Texans said.

"The Center for Mine Warfare Excellence has now been christened by this action for Ingleside," said Rep. Kika de la Garza, D-Mission, whose district includes the homeport.

The newly-constructed base, which employs some 2,000, already has six mine countermeasure ships and three frigates. It's expected eventually to homeport 26 ships.

Commission analyst Greg Cruze reminded the panel of a letter by Gov. Ann Richards and the Texas congressional delegation suggesting that if Ingleside is closed they would seek the return of \$50 million in bonds and \$300 million in road improvements made by Texas taxpayers in return for the homeport's construction.

In other actions pertaining to Texas, the commission recommended:

— A realignment of the Red River Army Depot, which costs the Texarkana base its missile maintenance mission and 174 jobs that would move to Letterkenny Army Depot in Pennsylvania. But Red River would gain hundreds of new vehicle maintenance jobs from Tooele Army Depot in Utah.

— Shifting the 436th Training Squadron at Carswell AFB in Fort Worth to three other bases. The squadron's fabrication function would move to Luke AFB in Arizona; the maintenance training component to Hill AFB in Utah; and the remainder to Dyess AFB in Abilene.

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## Cowboys parade charges chiefly reduced, dropped

FORT WORTH (AP) — Many of the cases against those responsible for the looting and violence that marred the Dallas Cowboys victory parade have been dropped, a newspaper reported Saturday.

Of the more than 50 complaints of crimes related to the Super Bowl celebration — including robberies, attacks and thefts — an overwhelming number have been dropped, chiefly for lack of evidence or an unwillingness of victims to press charges, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram found.

"These things happen," Dallas police Sgt. Chuck Hudson said. "We need laws to see the ones who did it are dealt with harshly. But it doesn't always work out that way."

Additionally, police and court records showed that little action had been taken against six people who were accused of throwing bottles into a crowd and were arrested on suspicion of rioting.

The six had been released on bail but were not charged with crimes until Friday.

Police officials said the six suspects' cases got lost because of a computer coding mistake.

"I really don't know what happened," said Sgt. Linda Patterson of the Police Department's Explosive Ordinance Unit, which is responsible for filing such charges. "Normally those charges would be sent to us. We never got them. There was a breakdown."

The lack of action seems contrary to the promises of law enforcers,

including former police chief William Rathburn, who vowed that those who caused trouble Feb. 9 would be "in for a rude awakening."

Of the cases against 18 adults, three have been resolved through the courts. All three defendants entered plea bargains for lesser sentences or probation.

In one of those cases, Emanuel Moffett, a 23-year-old on probation from Smith County for assault and driving while intoxicated, was captured on videotape beating a 17-year-old girl, said George West, a Dallas County prosecutor.

Moffett was charged with felony aggravated assault, with a punishment range of two to 10 years in prison and a fine of up to \$10,000.

On May 3, he pleaded guilty to misdemeanor assault and was sentenced to one year in jail and fined \$150.

West said he allowed the plea bargain because Moffett's teenage victim and her mother were reluctant to go to court.

Kevin Gipson, an 18-year-old high school dropout from west Dallas, was arrested and charged with aggravated assault, accused of breaking a bottle across the face of a 22-year-old Garland man.

On March 26, after more than six weeks in jail, Gipson pleaded guilty in exchange for six years' probation and \$1,000 restitution to the victim.

Fourteen more charges against 11 adults and three youths have yet to be resolved.

## Goodbye, NBC!



(AP photo) David Letterman, right, closes out his 11 1/2-year tenure as host of NBC's *Late Night* by welcoming his surprise guest, rocker Bruce Springsteen, during his Friday night broadcast in New York. Letterman will be moving to CBS in August.

## State judge denies quick hearing on school finance

AUSTIN (AP) — A state judge Friday said the new education finance system, under fire from both poor and rich school districts, will be in effect for the upcoming school year.

State District Judge F. Scott McCown denied property-poor schools a quick hearing on the law known as Senate Bill 7, which was approved last month by the Legislature.

"Children, parents, school districts, and taxpayers should proceed on the assumption that Senate Bill 7 will be in force for the upcoming academic year," McCown said in his order.

If the system is later proved unconstitutional, then the Legislature will have to take action again, he said. Poor districts had suggested a court master could make changes in the system before school opens in the fall.

"The court cannot appropriate state dollars or redistribute state dollars that have been appropriated," McCown said.

Poor school districts had sought a June hearing in challenging the law. But McCown denied that request, noting that he had set July 15 as the deadline to file challenges.

After all challenges are filed, McCown said he can assess them and set a trial date, possibly for early fall.

"After taking everything into consideration, the court is convinced

that the school year should go forward pursuant to the present appropriation and distribution scheme," he said.

Property-rich districts also have criticized the new system, which gives the state's richest school districts several options for sharing some of their wealth with poorer ones.

On Thursday, Carrollton-Farmers Branch Independent School District's board in the Dallas area unanimously voted to contest the constitutionality of the law.

"The board of trustees seeks to assure its local taxpayers that it will not abandon the trust of its citizens that local tax dollars be spent on local school children, and the board of trustees strongly encourages other districts to protect the trust of their citizens as well," says the board resolution.

The new law is aimed at meeting a Texas Supreme Court order to even out funding available to school districts with differing property wealth. Schools rely on state aid, local property taxes and some federal funds.

Two previous efforts by lawmakers to meet the Supreme Court's order have been ruled unconstitutional.

Although Carrollton-Farmers Branch is challenging the law, it also is making plans to obey the measure's requirements by choosing a wealth-sharing option, said district Superintendent Monte Sriver.

## Slaughter celebrates Santeria's right to sacrifice

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — A Santeria high priest slit the throats of hogged beasts Saturday in a ritual sacrifice of 19 animals.

He poked a steak knife through the throat of larger animals — a black ram and two goats — then sawed through vocal cords and arteries until blood spurted.

The rare public ceremony gave thanks for a U.S. Supreme Court ruling that a city ordinance barring animal slaughter unconstitutionally interfered with the Afro-Caribbean religion.

"What before we had to hide, now we can do in the open," Rigoberto Zamora said after pouring ram's blood over an altar dedicated to his patron deity, Changó. "We feel different now — but we have always done this, legal or not."

The animals will be eaten Sunday at a celebration feast, he said.

One of Zamora's purposes was to show the world that the religion's ritual sacrifice was humane — that the animals were not tortured or abused.

For smaller birds, Zamora — a self-described "babalawo," or high priest — simply twisted off their heads after a short prayer.

The blood was poured into offering bowls for different saints, each

containing objects such as animal teeth, a tiny gun and imitation axes — the symbol of Changó, the god of virility and lightning. An assistant poured honey and sugar cane liquor over the blood.

Outside the small apartment complex where Zamora lives and conducted the sacrifices, 40 demonstrators from People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals protested.

"Stop the torture, stop the pain. Santeria is insane!" the group chanted.

A dozen police officers kept protesters away from the sacrifice and did nothing to interfere, even keeping Zamora's unhappy landlord from confronting the priest.

Other Santeria priests condemned the public slaughter. Many question Zamora's credentials as a santero, a Santeria priest, saying his ordination has never been confirmed.

Ernesto Pichardo of the Church of the Lukumi Babalu Aye filed a lawsuit challenging a ban on ritual animal sacrifices imposed by Hialeah, a Miami suburb. The lawsuit led to the Supreme Court decision on June 11. Pichardo said Santeria elders met in December and voted unanimously to keep sacrifices private.

"Public offering of animals is

offensive to our traditions and violates the privacy of the ritual," Pichardo said. "And it's our belief that it offends the sensibilities of the community at large."

The church, he said, is not looking for confrontations.

Other kinds of clashes, however, may be in the offing as the religion grows in popularity, with estimates as high as 70,000 followers in south Florida and 800,000 around the nation.

Santeria is rooted in the pantheistic belief system of the Yoruba tribe in West Africa, said Mercedes Sandoval, a Miami-Dade Community College anthropology professor who studies the religion.

Slaves carried it to the New World, where it combined with Christianity and spread to Brazil, Haiti, Cuba and other nations, taking on varying forms and names, including voodoo and macumba.

In Cuba, Santeria was initially practiced almost exclusively in black communities, Sandoval said.

But the mostly white migration to Miami after Fidel Castro's revolution brought along the religion, which strengthened in exile, she said.

"Cubans had a sense of uprootedness, of loss, of shock," she said.

"In situations like these, a lot of

people try magical systems."

Other Latin Americans reaching Miami also felt the same sense of dislocation, and were attracted to Santeria.

As U.S. society has gotten more complex, the same attraction has spread Santeria further, to Mexican-Americans, blacks, and — most recently — to middle-class whites.

Writing for the Supreme Court, Justice Anthony M. Kennedy said Hialeah improperly aimed the ban at Santeria believers.

"Although the practice of animal sacrifice may seem abhorrent to some, religious beliefs need not be acceptable, logical, consistent or comprehensible to others in order to merit First Amendment protection," he wrote.

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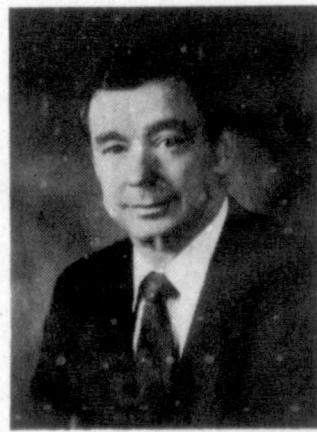
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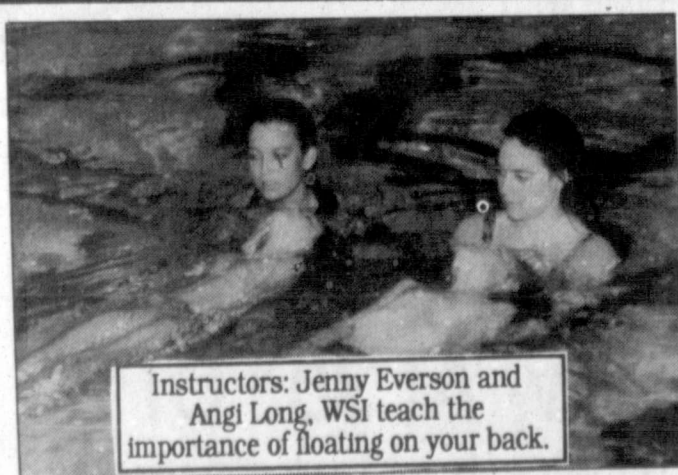
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# Americans' attitudes on gays: Complex mix of tolerance, intolerance

By JILL LAWRENCE  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the vast middle, between voices insisting on gay rights now and gay rights never, are millions of people who remind Paulette Goodman and Shirley Eichberg of how they once felt.

They didn't know anybody gay. Physical affection between two men or two women made them uncomfortable. They wondered what type of people were gay, what kinds of lives they led.

Then, each learned one of her children was gay, and everything changed.

As homosexuals fight harder and more visibly for legal rights and social acceptance, heterosexual Americans are being forced to confront their tangled feelings on the subject. Parents of lesbian and gay children are pioneers in the field.

"Let's not tell anybody yet," Eichberg advised her son Rob when he told her more than 20 years ago that he was gay. "What will it do to his future?" she worried. "How will people react?"

"Most of us are ignorant. All we

know is what we hear and most of it is negative," said Goodman, who discovered her child was gay in 1980. "We really wonder what kind of a subculture our children are getting into."

Both women — one in Los Angeles, one in Washington — went on to counsel families coping with a child's homosexuality. They long ago adjusted to their own situations and say even same-sex displays of affection seem unremarkable now.

"You do come to terms with it," said Goodman, a former president of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays. "It's a matter of becoming desensitized. The more you see and meet gay people, the less apprehensive you are and the more comfortable you are."

American attitudes are a complex mix of tolerance and intolerance.

Eight out of 10 people in two separate polls this year said they generally oppose job discrimination against gays. Roughly the same percentage say they wouldn't object to a gay airline pilot or accountant.

But people are evenly split on whether the ban on gays in the military should be lifted, as President

Clinton has proposed, and on whether they'd object to having a gay doctor.

And well over half in a CBS-New York Times poll this year said they would object to their child having a gay elementary school teacher and would not permit their child to watch a TV-show with gay characters in it, play at a home with a homosexual parent or read a story about a homosexual couple.

A poll released Saturday by U.S. News and World Report found 53 percent of respondents said they personally know someone who is gay. As recently as 1985, pollsters routinely found only 25 percent to 30 percent knew someone gay.

Public displays of affection also evoke strong feelings. At the extreme, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force reports that last year two lesbians were shot and killed in their suburban front yard by a neighbor upset about their open displays of affection.

A peck on the cheek figured in the unsuccessful bid by conservatives and religious-right activists to sink the nomination of assistant housing secretary Roberta Achtenberg. They gave each senator a tape of Achten-

berg bussing her longtime female partner during a gay pride parade, as their young son sat between them.

Religious people are among the least receptive toward gay aspirations, according to Gregory Herek, a psychologist at the University of California-Davis. Among the most receptive are people who personally know gay individuals.

That's why Rob Eichberg founded National Coming Out Day, observed annually on Oct. 11.

"Most people think they don't know anyone gay or lesbian, and in fact everybody does," said Eichberg, a Santa Fe psychologist and author. "It is imperative that we

come out and let people know who we are and disabuse them of their fears and stereotypes."

That's one reason gay people are disturbed by the "don't ask, don't tell" compromise emerging as the new military policy toward homosexuals. It perpetuates the stigma, they say, and forces gays to live dishonestly. Plus, it does nothing to dispel stereotypes and foster tolerance.

The military, and the larger society, eventually learned to accommodate and accept blacks and women. Gays say that if they're allowed to participate fully in society without hiding who they are, the same evolution will occur.

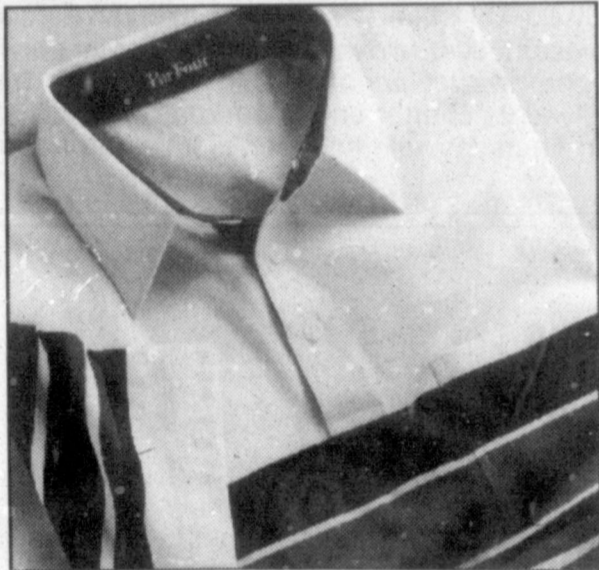
Herek, who has studied heterosexual attitudes toward homosexuals for 15 years, said he expects the changes to be slow and gradual.

Most lesbians and gay men grew up hearing that it was "bad, disgusting and evil to be gay," he said. "They usually go through a period in which they're learning to be comfortable about themselves and about two people of the same gender embracing and kissing and making love."

"It's not surprising that heterosexuals, who also have been raised with those messages and don't have a compelling reason to be comfortable with this, also take a while to get used to it."

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## Minding your own Business

By Don Taylor



### Home-based headaches

Starting a business in your home was the most popular start-up concept in the last decade. It is currently estimated that nearly 10 million Americans have a home-based business.

There are several advantages in starting in your home. These include lower capital requirements, convenience and lower risks. However, many entrepreneurs who start at home fail despite the advantages.

We have counseled with the owners of more than a hundred home-based businesses. We've seen firsthand the problems they encounter. Here are some of the most common errors.

#### Common Mistakes

**Mistake No. 1 - Leaping before you look.** The most common error we've seen owners make is jumping right into business without thinking about the consequences.

Some expect to make a lot of money in a very short time. Many believe that business will come to them as soon as they open shop. Most don't have any idea of how hard they will have to work to become successful. It does look so easy when you view someone else's success from the outside.

The solution for this problem is to create a plan before you decide to start the business. Writing a simple, but complete business plan will help you gather facts before starting and operating your business.

**Mistake No. 2 - Leaving a great job to start a good business.** Some folks don't know when they are well off. I've watched several hard-headed souls walk away from terrific jobs with outstanding benefits. Within months they begin to realize just how much they gave up for their independence.

A practical solution is to begin on a part-time basis. When the business grows enough to require all of your spare time and is generating a good income, then consider leaving your present job.

**Mistake No. 3 - Not having enough money.** This is probably the most frequent cause of early failures. To be certain you have enough money, put together a cash budget and income projections for the first three years of your business. Always include some extra money for unknowns. There is a Murphy's law regarding business starts. It says: "Whatever should cost a dollar, costs two."

The best solution for this mistake is also good planning. Don't spend your hard-earned savings until you've thoroughly investigated the start-up costs.

**Mistake No. 4 - Underestimating your ignorance.** No one knows everything about running a business before actually starting one. However, not knowing enough can be very costly.

You need not be an accountant, but you should know what records to keep to satisfy the IRS. You need not be an attorney, but you should know if you can legally operate your business from your home. Many communities have strict zoning ordinances prohibiting home-based businesses.

You don't need to be an advertising executive, but you should know how to promote your business. Even if you have a better mousetrap, don't expect your customers to beat a path to your door.

**Mistake No. 5 - Lacking the self-discipline to work at home.** Motivating yourself to work at home is not easy. I often find many distractions when I work at home. It is easy for me to get side-tracked by maintenance work around the house, laundry, family, the swimming pool and television. If you are going to be successful in a home-based business, you must treat it as any other work experience. When you go to the "office," you've gone to work.

You can avoid these common mistakes with good planning, a proper self-assessment and a lot of self-discipline. If you operate a home-based business we'd love to hear from you. You may write to us at "Minding Your Own Business," PO Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

## Chamber Communique

**CHAMBER COMMUNITY CALENDAR:** If you, your club or organization has an event planned, please call the Chamber, 669-3241, so we can add this to our Community Calendar. Or, in planning an event, you can call to see if there is a conflicting activity scheduled on that date.

Your Chamber offers the service of advertising community events on the cable station through the City of Pampa. The Chamber Community Calendar can be obtained by calling or coming by the Chamber office, 200 N. Ballard.

**Congratulations,** Hoechst Celanese Pampa Plant and employees, for receiving this year's Richard M. Clarke Award! This exceptional accomplishment is a result of the Pampa Team's concerted efforts in performing with outstanding safety,

health and environmental excellence during 1992.

Nanette Moore will represent the Pampa Chamber at the 1993 Governor's Community Achievement Awards Luncheon in Austin this Friday, when CLEAN PAMPA, INC. receives one of the six prestigious awards for its community beautification and environmental achievements presented by Keep Texas Beautiful, Inc.

**TOWN HALL MEETING: SEN. TEEL BIVINS** will hold a Town Hall Meeting, Tuesday, July 6, 8:30-9:30 a.m., in the M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard.

Welcome new members to the Chamber, Easy's Eastside, John Ferguson, Jr. and The Trade Group-West Texas, LaNell Thornton!!

### Hugoton announces promotion

WICHITA, Kan.—Hugoton Energy Corp., an independent oil and gas operating company, has promoted Dallas W. Dobbs to controller. Dobbs, 35, has served as Information Systems manager for Hugoton Energy since October 1991.

Dobbs will continue to oversee Hugoton's Excalibur MIS system, as well as the accounting and financial analysis areas of the company.

Dobbs has more than 13 years of experience in oil and gas accounting and information systems, and has worked for both public and privately held companies.

Prior to joining Hugoton Energy, he spent six years as assistant controller and systems administrator for Mustang Companies Inc., of Great Bend, Kan. He was promoted to controller of Gulf Resources Corp., when the San Antonio-based company acquired Mustang.

A graduate of Fort Hays State University, Dobbs holds both a bachelor's degree in business, with a major in accounting, and a master's degree in business administration.

Hugoton Energy Corp. is one of the single largest owners of mineral rights in Kansas Hugoton Field.

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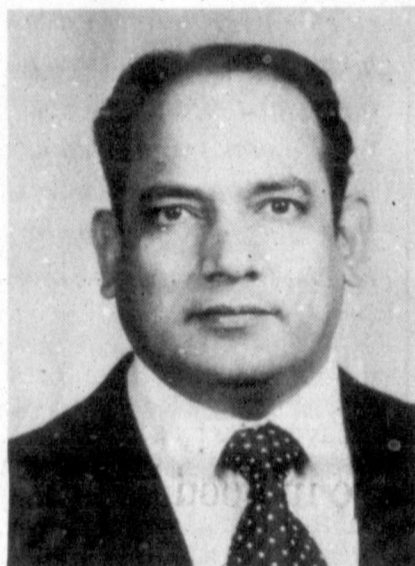
### Jones named office manager of Webb State

Linda Jones, a 17-year resident of the Pampa/Miami area, has recently been named as the office manager for The Webb State Farm Agency.

Jones joins Sheila and Sam Webb and Jean Hunt at their north-side Coronado Center agency.

She has 12 years experience in the insurance business and previously worked with two successful agencies in Pampa.

"The Webb State Farm Agency team is proud to have Linda join us as we strive to achieve the quality insurance planning and service our valued clients deserve," said Sam Webb.



Mike Murgai

### Mike Murgai joins Lonnie Johnson Financial Services

Lonnie Johnson has announced the association of Mike Murgai with his Financial Services firm.

"We are very excited to have Mike join us," said Johnson, owner. "Mike will have available and be able to offer a broad range of products (stocks, bonds, mutual funds) including IRA's and other retirement plans, through Reed Securities Co. Inc., members of NASD and SIPC."

Murgai and his wife, V.J., who operates VJ's Fashions & Imports located in the Pampa Mall, have two sons - John, who is working on his master's degree in hospital administration at Texas Tech, and Alvin, who is a securities broker with Fidelity Investments in Dallas, and a daughter, Nisha, who is a senior at Texas Tech, majoring in business marketing.

"We invite you to come by our office and get acquainted with Mike," Johnson said.

### NBC marks 10th anniversary



(Staff photo by Darlene Holmes)

National Bank of Commerce President Ben Shackelford, left, congratulates three bank officers - from left, Jerry Foote, Terry Gamblin and Debbie Minyard - for 10 years of service. The three were awarded service pins in observance of the bank's 10th anniversary in Pampa. Foote is serving as executive vice president; he was originally hired as vice president and cashier in 1983. Gamblin is currently as assistant cashier and executive secretary; she began in 1983 as new accounts representative. Minyard is also currently serving as assistant cashier and executive secretary; she began work at NBC in 1983 in the Teller Department. National Bank of Commerce received its charter and opened on July 1, 1983. The bank will celebrate its 10th anniversary on Thursday with an Open House and hot dog cookout for the general public.

### Cruise winners



(Staff photo by Darlene Holmes)

Kenneth Goolsby, left, manager of Food King Discount Foods, congratulates Mae Barnett, winner of a Caribbean cruise, as her husband, Walton Barnett, and Raymond Wells, far right, 7-Up representative of Pampa, watch. The cruise was given away by 7-Up through Food King. The Barnetts celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 10 and enjoyed winning the cruise as a belated anniversary "gift."

### State unveils business logo sign

Tiny Ozona, on Interstate 10 in West Texas, will be the site of the state's first business logo sign.

The blue signs advertising nearby gas stations, restaurants, lodging and campgrounds will be similar to those in 37 other states.

Texas' first such signs were unveiled at 9 a.m. June 17 at a site east of Ozona.

The Texas Transportation Commission in September approved the state's first logo signs for placement along Interstate highways in counties with fewer than 20,000 people. Interstates cross 35 such counties in Texas.

"Not only will the signs raise money for Texas transportation, they make travel on Interstates safer," said Arnold Oliver, executive director of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). "Too often, travelers can't see a business sign until it's too late to exit. The logo signs will guide motorists well in advance."

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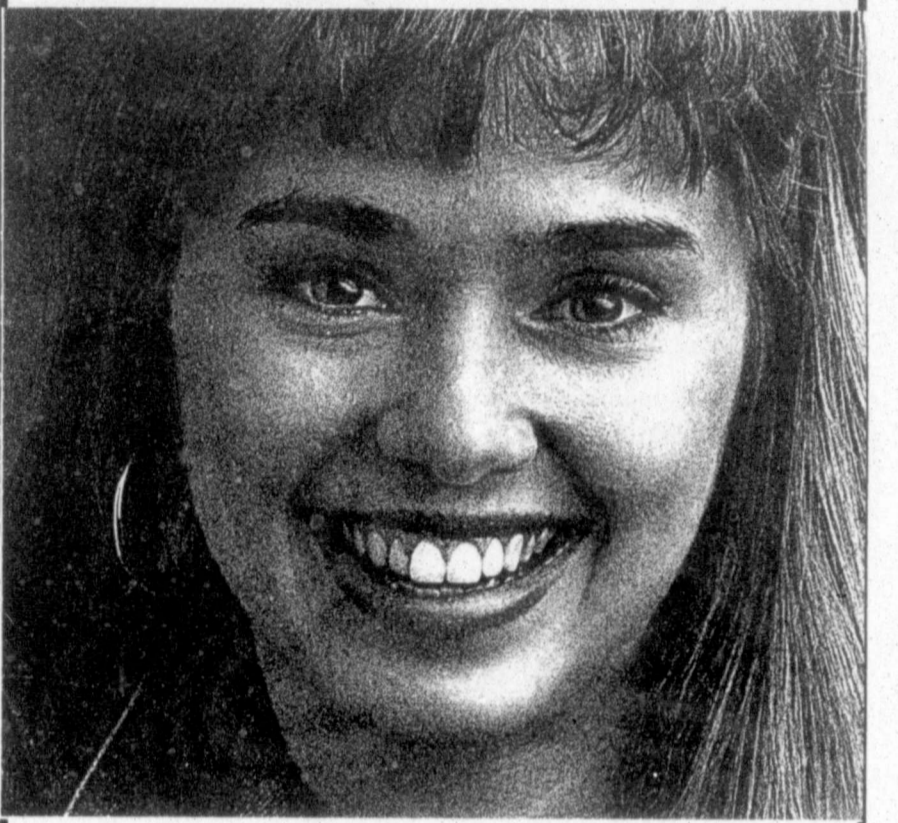
**Intentions to Drill**  
**HANSFORD (TEXAS HUGO-TON)** Brawley Petroleum Corp., #2 McCloy (640 ac) 1250' from North & 1350' from East line, Sec. 14,3,GH&H, 14 mi SW from Gruver, PD 3250' (1200 University Place, Borger, TX 79008)  
**HANSFORD (WILDCAT & STAMPER Upper Morrow)** Strat Land Exploration Co., #1 Elmo (640 ac) 1915' from South & 595' from West line, Sec. 200,2,GH&H, 9 mi NW from Gruver, PD 7200' (Nine East Fourth, Suite 800, Tulsa, OK 74103)  
**HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash)** Asher Resources, #7 Mamie Pearl Risley (640 ac) 2500' from South & West line, Sec. 6,1,I&GN, 10 mi SW from Canadian, PD 11100' (100 Sandau, Suite 300, San Antonio, TX 77801)  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Granite Wash)** Kaiser-Francis Oil Co., #9 Flowers (649 ac) 600' from North & 1775' from East line, Sec. 40,—,D.P. Fearis, 5 mi southerly from Canadian, PD 10700' (Box 21468, Tulsa, OK 74121)  
**HUTCHINSON (WILDCAT & WEST ARRINGTON Hunton)** Merex/Trans Terra ACQ '93LP, #1 Read (640 ac) 2150' from North & 1725' from West line, Sec. 3,H,H&GN, 9 mi east from Stinnett, PD 10500' (Box 50955, Amarillo, TX 79159)  
**LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & BRADFORD Cleveland)** Maxus Exploration Co., #2 C.C. Duke 'B' (646 ac) 660' from North & 1980' from West line, Sec. 767,43,H&TC, 12 mi NW from Lipscomb, PD 7600' (Box 400, Amarillo, TX 79188)  
**MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE)** Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America, #G-1R L.B. Powell (640 ac) 1660' from North & 2515' from West line, Sec. 227,44,H&TC, 1 mi SE from Dumas, PD 3650' (Box 120, Frich, TX 79036)  
**ROBERTS (WILDCAT & CHRISTIE TIPS Upper Douglas)** Tide West Oil Co., #2 Christie Tipps 'A' (640 ac) 1850' from South & 2173' from West line, Sec. 68,B-1,H&GN, 9 mi N-NW from Miami, PD 7300' (500 West 16th., Suite 102, Austin, TX 78701)  
**Applications to Plug-Back**  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & S.E. CANADIAN Douglas)** Chevron U.S.A., Inc., #2-208 Isaacs (656 ac) 1250' from North & East line, Sec. 208,C,G&MMB&A, 4 mi SW from Canadian, PD 11500' (Box 36366, Houston, TX 77236)  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & S.W. CANADIAN Granite Wash)** Chevron U.S.A. Inc., #1-209 Isaacs (671 ac) 1233' from South & 933' from West line, Sec. 209,C,G&MMB&A, 7 mi SW from Canadian, PD 13550'. Amended to change well location.  
**Amended Intentions to Drill**  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Granite Wash)** Maxus Exploration Co., #12 J.T. Brown, et al 'D' (710 ac) 950' from most Southerly/South line & 2025' from most Westerly/West line, Sec. 223,C,G&MMB&A, 3 mi SE from Canadian, PD 10750'. Amended to change well location.  
**LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & FOLLETT Morrow)** Unit Petroleum Co., #3 Hocking (646 ac) 2640' from South & 1319' from West line, Sec. 82,10,HT&B, 2 3/4 mi N-NE from Follett, PD 9125'. Amended to change well location.  
**ROBERTS (WILDCAT & S.E. PARSELL Douglas)** Alpar

Resources, Inc., #2 Chambers '119' (640 ac) 1065' from South & 1900' from East line, Sec. 119,C,G&M, 17 mi north from Miami, PD 7000' (Box 1046, Perryton, TX 79070) Amended to change well location.  
**Oil Well Completions**  
**HANSFORD (WILDCAT) W.C. Payne, #1 Sisters, Sec. 13,2,WCR, elev. 3069 kb, spud 3-17-93, drlg. compl 3-31-93, tested 6-3-93, pumped 31.40 bbl. of 37 grav oil + 10 bbls. water, GOR 2647, perforated 7076-7094, TD 8350', PBTD 7998'**  
**MOORE (PANHANDLE Red Cave) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., #5 Baker '39', Sec. 39,0-18,D&P, elev. 3675 gr, spud 2-9-93, drlg. compl 2-11-93, tested 5-11-93, pumped 7.5 bbl. of 37 grav. oil + 34 bbls. water, GOR 2800, perforated 2010-2148, TD 2350' — Form 1 filed in Caprock Energy, Inc.**  
**MOORE (PANHANDLE Red Cave) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., #10 Baker '39', Sec. 39,0-18,D&P, elev. 3667 gr, spud 2-17-93, drlg. compl 2-19-93, tested 5-11-93, pumped 10.5 bbl. of 37 grav. oil + 4 bbls. water, GOR 1714, perforated 1962-2126, TD 2350' — Form 1 filed in Caprock Energy, Inc.**  
**MOORE (PANHANDLE Red Cave) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., #11 Baker '39', Sec. 39,0-18,D&P, elev. 3642 gr, spud 2-21-93, drlg. compl 2-23-93, tested 5-11-93, pumped 15.8 bbl. of 37 grav. oil + 4 bbls. water, GOR 1392, perforated 1960-2116, TD 2350' — Form 1 filed in Caprock Energy, Inc.**  
**MOORE (PANHANDLE Red Cave) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., #12 Baker '39', Sec. 39,0-18,D&P, elev. 3581 gr, spud 2-23-93, drlg. compl 2-25-93, tested 5-11-93, pumped 17.5 bbl. of 37 grav. oil +**

20 bbls. water, GOR 1600, perforated 1914-2110, TD 2350' — Form 1 filed in Caprock Energy, Inc.  
**OCHILTREE (ALLEN-PARKER Basal Chester) Enron Oil & Gas Co., #1-211 Kamas, Sec. 121,10,SPRR, elev. 2845 gr, spud 3-1-92, drlg. compl 3-20-92, tested 6-8-93, pumped 28 bbl. of 41.5 grav. oil + no water GOR 36, perforated 9336-9354, TD 9438', PBTD 9397'**  
**Gas Well Completions**  
**OCHILTREE (EAST TURNER Upper Morrow) Bracken Energy Co., #1-390 Swink, Sec. 390,43,H&TC, elev. 2791 rkb, spud 3-17-93, drlg. compl 4-7-93, tested 5-14-93, potential 1510 MCF, rock pressure 1269, pay 8996-9014, TD 9300', PBTD 9199'**  
**WHEELER (SOUTH MOBEETIE Hunton) Dallas Production, Inc., #1 V. Murrell, Sec. 68,A-5,H&GN, elev. 2709 rkb, spud 4-12-93, drlg. compl 5-27-93, tested 5-31-93, potential 175 MCF, rock pressure 3308, pay 11657-11708, TD 12661', PBTD 11790' — Plug-Back**  
**Plugged Wells**  
**CARSON (PANHANDLE) Chance Energy, Inc., #10 Cooper, Sec. 3,9,I&GN, spud unknown, plugged 6-7-93, TD 3240' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Wyatt Lemons.**  
**HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #8 Logan, Sec. 135,5-T,T&NO, spud 10-28-48, plugged 5-25-93, TD 3238' (oil) — Form 1 filed in The Shamrock Oil & Gas.**  
**HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #10 Stewart, Sec. 19,M-16,AB&M, spud 6-8-43, plugged 5-20-93, TD 3070' (gas) — Form 1 filed in The Shamrock Oil & Gas.**  
**LIPSCOMB (LEAR Upper Morrow) K. Stewart Petroleum Corp., #1 Wetmore, Sec. 1116,43,H&TC, spud 5-17-93, plugged 6-5-93, TD 8669' (dry) —**  
**OCHILTREE (NORTH FARMS-WORTH Marmaton) Transpetco, #508W Farnsworth B-UN, Sec. 15,Z,J.J. Ware, spud 4-5-72, plugged 6-3-93, TD 6550' (injection) — Form 1 filed in OCCO.**  
**SHERMAN (WILDCAT) Crawley Petroleum Corp., #2-11 Craig, Sec. 11,3-T,T&NO, spud 4-6-93, plugged 5-1-93, TD 2220' (dry) —**  
**WHEELER (ALLISON-BRITT) Brent Baker Oil & Gas, Inc., #1-33 Williams, Sec. 33,RE,R&E, spud 1-**

19-81, plugged 5-7-93, TD 12710' (gas) — Form 1 filed in B&B Farm Industries.  
**WHEELER (B&B Granite Wash) Brent Baker Oil & Gas, Inc., Sec. 2,—,C&M (gas) — Form 1 filed in B&B Farm Industries, for the following wells:**  
 #102 Domer-Reed, spud 7-29-81, plugged 5-13-93, TD 12550' —  
 #202 Johnnie Reed, spud 9-11-81, plugged 5-20-93, TD 12609' —  
**WHEELER (MILLS RANCH Atoka) Axis Energy Corp., #1 Foster-Wheeler, Sec. 8,L,J.M. Lindsey, spud unknown, plugged 3-27-93, TD 16400' (gas) — Form 1 filed in Amarex, Inc.**

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**AUSTIN** — Greg Brown, cashier at First National Bank in Pampa, has been named 1993-94 chairman of the Operations Committee of the Texas Bankers' Association. The appointment was announced by TBA Chairman Fredrick M. Smith of Waco. A graduate of Texas A&M University, Brown has contin-

ued his banking education at West Texas A&M University, through graduate work in economics. Brown is actively involved in the Lions Club, Big Brothers/Sisters, First Baptist Church in Pampa and the Optimist Boys Club. Brown has a wife, Renee, and two sons, Tristan and Shea.

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As a result of total team effort of the employees, receiving the Clarke Award signifies and demonstrates Pampa Plant's commitment to continuous improvement in all of the EHSA initiatives. A recognition event is planned for June 29, 1993, during which the award will be presented to the plant by Dr. Ernest Drew, Chief Executive Officer, Hoechst Celanese Corporation.

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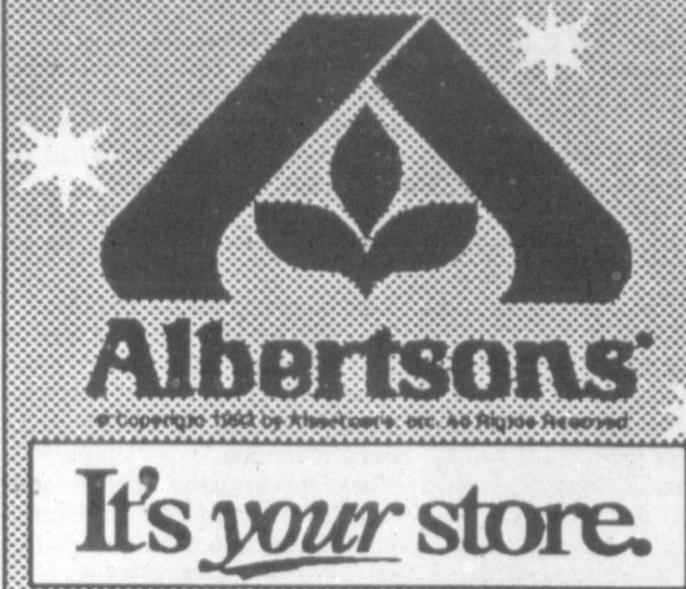
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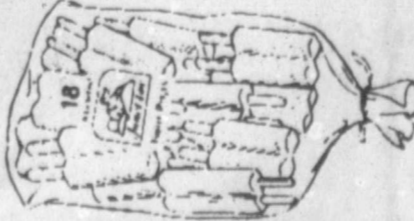
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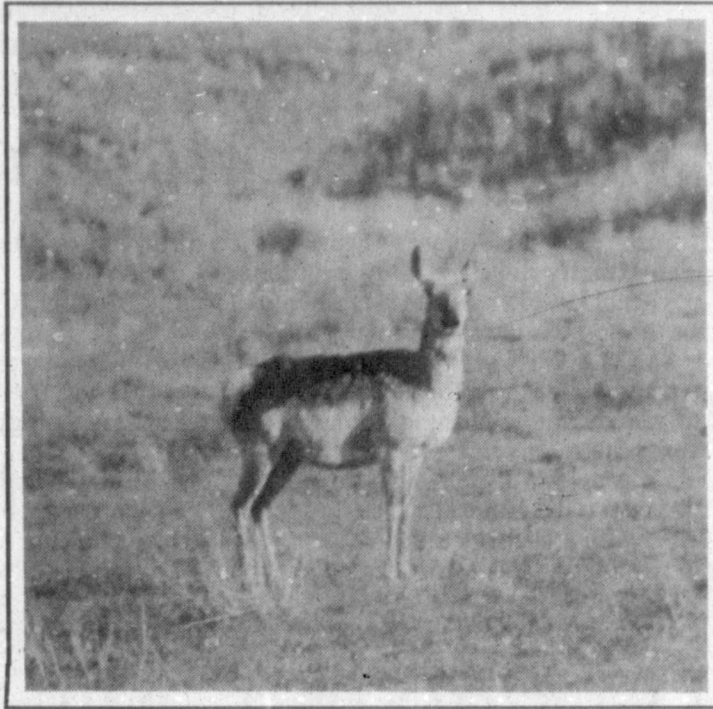
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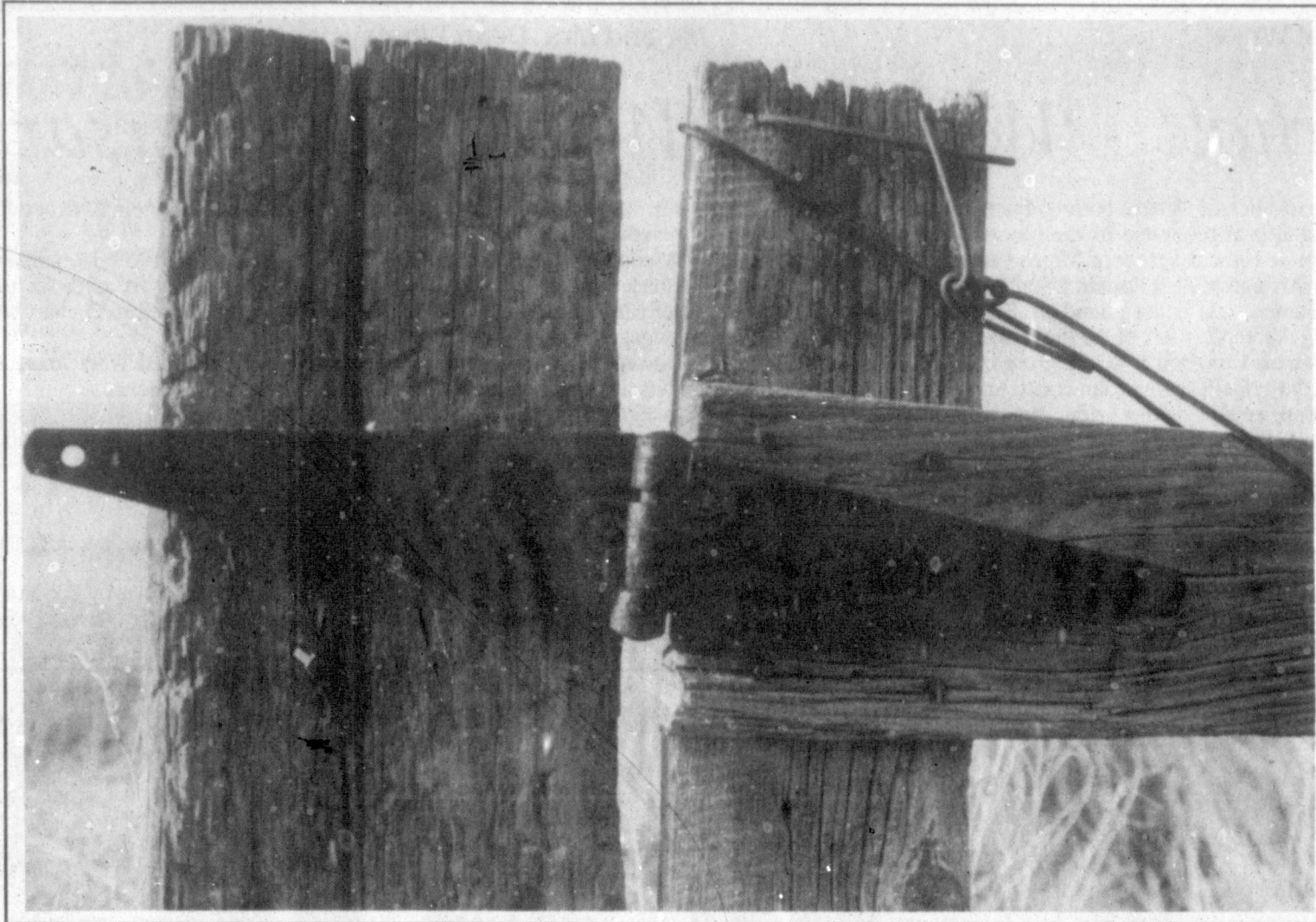
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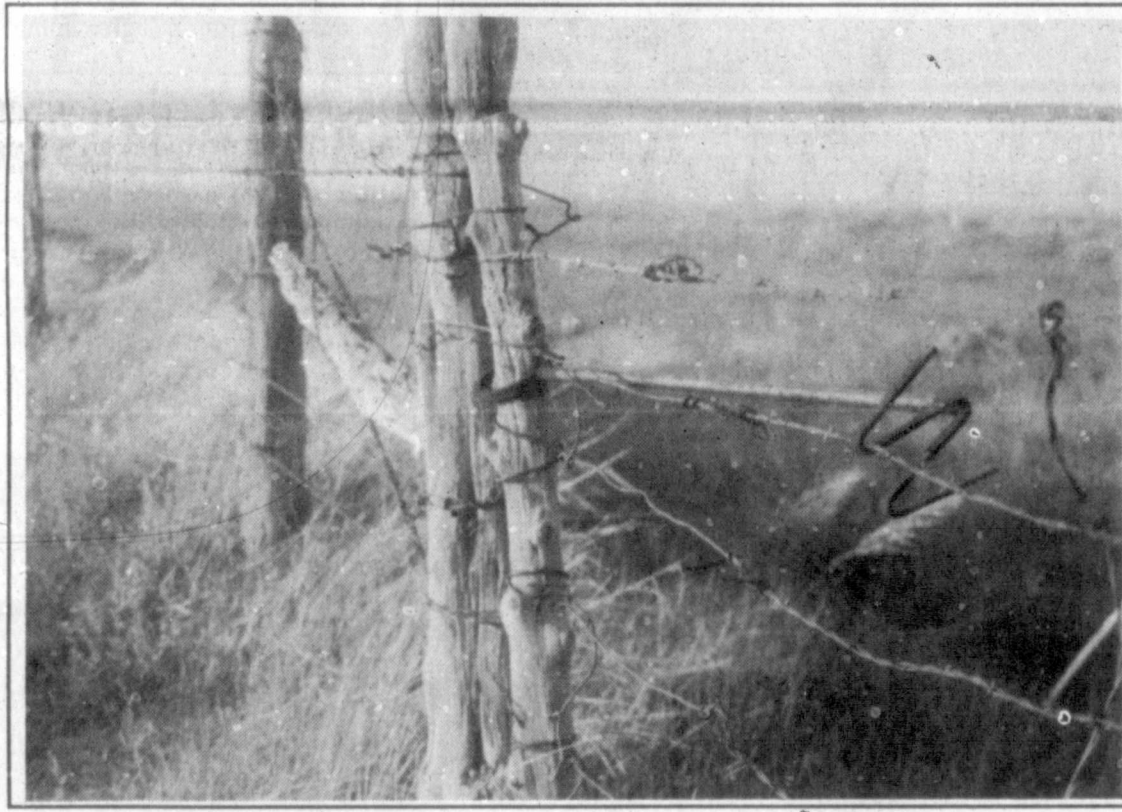
Antelope feel at home on the Bob Price Ranch northwest of Pampa.



A stout iron hinge holds together pieces of once substantial fencing. The left post is a weathered railroad tie. This fence is on Brent Carruth's land.



This cedar post is all that remains of a once operating windmill. It is located on Leon Daugherty's land.



Gates seem have their own unique handles for opening and closing. Leon Daugherty's are no exception.



Settlers once called this site home. Besides the remaining corral, a windmill, storage tank and ruins of a farm home are visible. It is on land farmed by Hunky Green.

**STAFF PHOTOS  
BY  
DARLENE HOLMES**

# LIFESTYLES



Mrs. Michael White  
Jill Aderholt

## Aderholt - White

Jill Aderholt and Michael White, both of Pampa, were married June 26 in a poolside wedding at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill White. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Aderholt, Pampa. The Rev. Jerry Arrington, First Baptist Church, Pampa, officiated. Alisha Earl, Pampa, was honor attendant. Sister of the groom, Tiffany White, and Becky Aderholt, sister of the bride, were flower girls. Standing as best man was father of the groom, Bill White. Ring bearers were cousins of the bride Beau and Ian Rice, Amarillo. Serving as ushers were Justin Jordan, cousin of the bride, Amarillo, and Mark Aderholt, brother of the bride, Pampa. Guests were registered by Nancy Rice, aunt of the bride. Following the ceremony, the couple was honored with a poolside reception at the groom's parents' home. She is a 1993 graduate of Pampa High School. He attended Pampa Schools. He is the owner of G.T. Market and is employed as an equipment operator for Jomax Construction of Great Bend, Kan. They plan to make their home in Ellsworth, Kan.



Mr. and Mrs. Dean Whaley Jr.

## Whaley anniversary

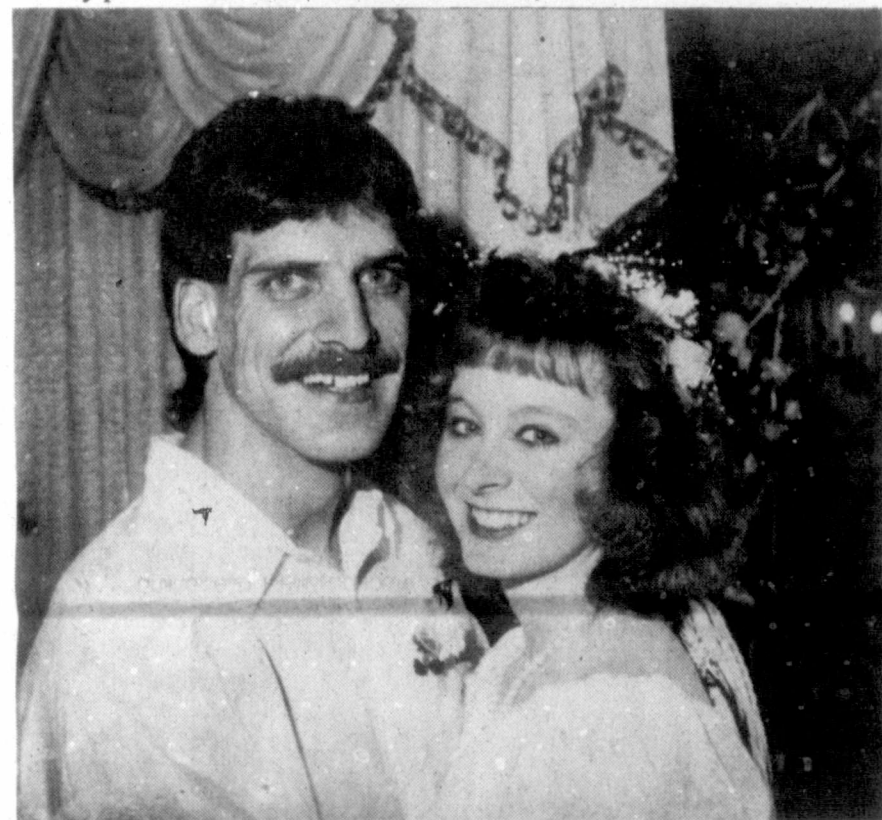
Mr. and Mrs. Dean Whaley Jr. are to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on June 28. Whaley married Deborah Arlene Balko in Vega in 1968. He performed military service with the U.S. Army Security Agency for over six years. After earning an honorable discharge, the couple moved to Dalhart where he engaged in real estate sales and farm management. During Whaley's military time, Mrs. Whaley attended West Texas State University and studied interior decorating by correspondence. In 1978, he entered the Sunset School of Preaching, Lubbock, and upon graduation in 1980, they moved to Staten Island, N.Y., where they worked with the Church of Christ until August 1981. They relocated to Wewoka, Okla., and served the Church of Christ there until May 1988 when they moved to Pampa. He has served as minister of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ for over five years. They are the parents of three: Dionne, who was born in Okinawa in 1972; Dustin, born in Junction City, Kan., in 1975; and Damon, born in Ada, Okla., in 1982.



Sarah Lanelle Skinner and David Robinson McGrath

## Skinner - McGrath

Sarah Lanelle Skinner, Austin, and David Robinson McGrath, Austin, plan to marry July 31 at University Baptist Church, Austin. The bride-elect is the daughter of Deanna Skinner, Corsicana. The groom-to-be is the son of Daniel and Grace McGrath, Pampa. She is a 1991 graduate of the University of Texas in psychology and Spanish. She is employed by the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired. She is pursuing a master's degree in psychology at Southwest Texas State University. He is a 1986 Pampa High School graduate. He was an all-state football player for the Harvesters. He graduated from the University of Texas in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in psychology and earned a master's degree in psychology there in 1992. He is employed as the director of counseling at Hyde Park Baptist School, Austin.



Mr. and Mrs. Terry Wayne Carpenter  
Rebecca Jane Daniels

## Daniels - Carpenter

Mr. and Mrs. Danny McDowell Sr. of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Trolinger of Borger announce the marriage of Rebecca Jane Daniels and Terry Wayne Carpenter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carpenter, Pampa. The couple was married June 4 at The Chapel of Bells in Las Vegas, Nev. A reception honoring the couple is set for July 10 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Adamson. The bride's cake is to be served by sisters of the bride, Kattie Trolinger and Regina Moffitt. The groom's cake is to be served by cousin of the bride, Marcie Cates. They plan to make their home in Pampa where he is manager of Sirlon Stockade.

### Wilson - Little

Jona Dell Wilson, Norman, Okla., and Joseph Todd Little, Oklahoma City, Okla., plan to marry August 14 in the First Baptist Church of Pampa. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilson, Pampa. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Little, Oklahoma City, Okla. She is a 1992 graduate of the University of Oklahoma and earned a bachelor's degree in interior design. She is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority and the American Society of Interior Designers. She works in Norman, Okla. as a kitchen designer. He is a 1990 graduate of the University of Oklahoma and earned a bachelor's degree in business administration. He is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. He attends the University of Oklahoma pursuing a master's degree in business administration.

### Diet and disease topic of program

"Diet and Chronic Disease" will be the topic of a special interest program on at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Southside Senior Center, 438 W. Crawford. Dr. Dymple Cooksey, Extension Food and nutrition Specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Texas A&M University, will present the program. The program will focus one role of diet in hypertension, cancer, and osteoporosis. Time will be available for questions and answers. The program is provided free of charge as service of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

### Lifestyles policies

- The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing weddings, engagements, or anniversaries. We reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope, or they may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.
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- Information that appears on engagement, wedding and anniversary forms will be used at the discretion of the editor. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or by sending a SASE to *The Pampa News*, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, Texas 79066-2198.

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The Rev. and Mrs. D.C. DuBose



Wendy Dawn Harris and Christopher Jay Poole



Mr. and Mrs. Wesley O. Adkins  
Addie Maye Richey

## DuBose anniversary Harris - Poole

The Rev. and Mrs. D.C. (Doug) DuBose, Pampa, will be honored with a 50th anniversary reception on July 10 at Central Baptist Church.

It is to be hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Roy DuBose, Jason, Jake and Adam of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Max DuBose, Russ and Tyler, Pampa; and Ted DuBose, Amarillo.

DuBose married Nina Sparks on July 14, 1943 at the East Avenue Baptist Church in Austin. They have lived in Pampa 19 years. He retired Aug. 1, 1986 from the position of Director of Missions of the Top O' Texas Area of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. He held this office for 12 years.

He serves as interim pastor of First Baptist Church of Howardwick. He is a member of the advisory board of Hidden Hills Golf Course.

They are the parents of Roy DuBose, Lubbock; Max DuBose, Pampa; and Ted DuBose, Amarillo. They have five grandchildren.

Wendy Dawn Harris and Christopher Jay Poole, both of Pampa, have announced they will wed August 7 in the Priest Park Church of God of Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. M.E. Harris. She is 1993 graduate of Pampa High School and employed by Citizens Bank and Trust.

The groom-to-be is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil M. Poole. He is a 1993 graduate of Pampa High School, and employed by Mundy.

Both plan to attend West Texas A&M in the fall of 1993 to study education.

## Richey - Adkins

Addie Maye Richey and Wesley O. Adkins, Pampa, were married June 23 by the Rev. John Denton of Shamrock Eleventh Street Baptist Church.

They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Autry, Pampa. She is employed by Meals on Wheels. He works for Green Thumb of the Soil Conservation Service.

They plan to honeymoon in Santa Fe and Albuquerque, N.M. and make their home in Pampa.

## Memorial giving rising, ACS says

The American Cancer Society's Memorial Program is growing in popularity says Essie Mae Walters, memorial chairman of Gray/Roberts Unit.

"Rapid growth of memorial giving is due to keener public appreciation and interest in the fight against cancer," said Walters. "Memorial contributions to the unit totaled \$900 since September 1."

Walters notes that research against the disease has progressed so rapidly that funds are unavailable to follow up on the many new leads recently discovered.

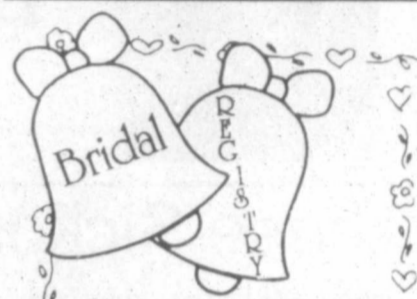
"Research against cancer has grown tremendously, so many scientists believe the disease will be conquered in the near future," said Walters.

Memorial contributions received by the Gray/Roberts of the American Cancer Society are made not only as remembrances of those who have died, but frequently in honor of happier events such as birthdays and anniversaries - the honor gift. "Some contributors make memorial gifts at regular intervals throughout the year," said Walters. "And now, making that contribution is even easier with a toll-free phone number and acceptance of MasterCard, Visa and American Express."

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Angela DeAnn Stroud and Jackie Lynn Martindale

## Stroud - Martindale Lisman anniversary

Angela DeAnn Stroud and Jackie Lynn Martindale, both of Pampa, plan to marry September 9 at the First Baptist Church of Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stroud, Pampa. The groom-to-be is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Martindale, Pampa.

She is a 1988 graduate of Pampa High School and attended West Texas State University. She is employed by Simmons Business Services.

He is a 1981 graduate of Pampa High School and is employed by Titan Specialties.



Jack and Oma Lee Lisman

Jack and Oma Lee Lisman, Pampa, are to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 29.

Lisman married Oma Lee Hardin in 1943 in Sayre, Okla. They have lived in Pampa for 13 years. He worked for Gulf Oil for 39 years retiring in 1985. She cooked for Meal on Wheels until retirement in 1986.

They are members of Calvary Baptist Church, Pampa.

They are the parents of Linda Kay, Houston, and Ross Allen, Frankfurt, Germany. They are the grandparents of five.

## Ailing greenery and pressure canners may be examined

The Gray County Extension Service will host a sick plant clinic and pressure canner gauge testing on July 1, from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Pampa Mall.

The sick plant clinic will assist area homeowners by diagnosing sick plants, soil, or insect problems. Anyone with problems relating to disease, insects, soil fertili-

ty, gardening, or general landscape plants or invited to bring sick or troubled specimens to this informal clinic. Dr. Carl Patrick, Extension Entomologist, and Danny Nusser, County Extension Agent, will be on hand to assist and counsel homeowners with plant problems.

Donna Brauchi, County Extension Agent, will be testing pressure canner dial gauges at the clinic. Residents needing this service should bring their pressure canner lid only. It is recommended that gauges be tested yearly. In addition, food preservation and food safety information will be available.

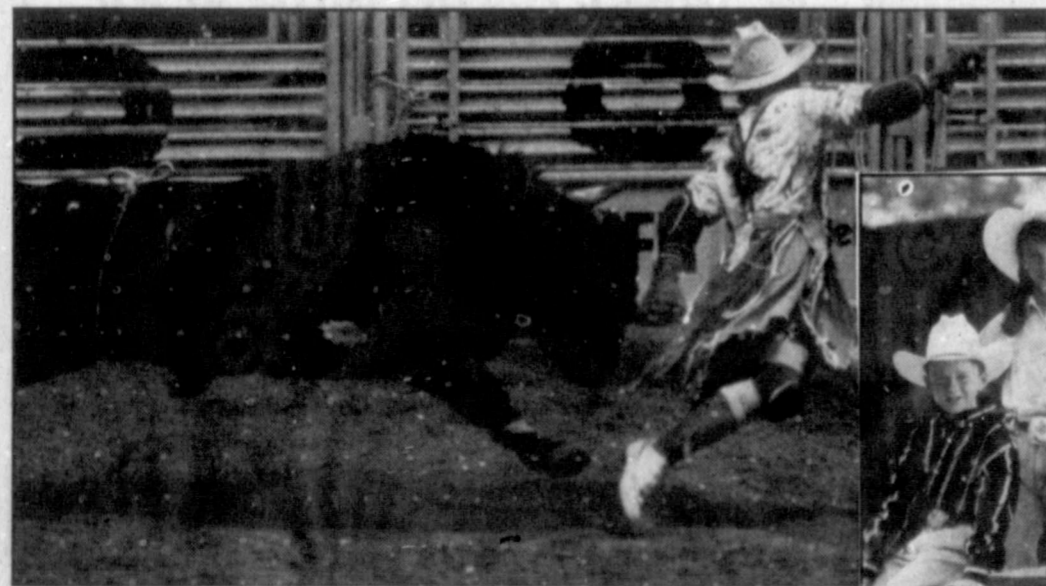
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# And it's onward for Pursley, DeWitt and Sangster

An anniversary celebration, trips, milestone birthday and more filled last week's calendar.

The big 10-year anniversary and annual banquet of ACT I members was held recently at the theatre in the Pampa Mall with 80 attending. As emcee Marquetta Wampler led a kind of roasting for Kayla Pursley, founder of the group and special honoree of the evening. Kayla gives credit for the idea to Jim Marcum, former Pampa. During the roasting a tape of snoring was played. The program was a hoot, given by the Beaded Bags, all ladies, and the Beaded Bubs, all males, with excerpts to parody recent productions. Monty Montgomery imitated Sandie Crosswhite, who was Mother Superior in "Nonsense." Ronnie Holmes parodied Carolyn Smith, Mrs. Savage of "The Curious Savage." Frank Miller portrayed the heroine from "The Drunkard." First of all, Rochelle Lacy opened the show with one of her famous character songs that always come across as authentic. Paul Carruth built an incredible six foot tall three tiered cake with lighted candles. On the serious side, Betty Hallerberg assisted by her husband, Bill, presented a slide show on the history of ACT I. P.S. Friends who know Bill and Betty think their

son Alex should be a perfect husband to his soon-to-be wife Necoe Stone, if home examples are an indication.

ACT I honored Kayla by establishing the Kayla Pursley Scholarship, given this year to David Miller. Kayla, who will be moving to Oklahoma City soon, will be missed by every group of which she is or has been a part from civic groups, church groups, Gold Coats to family and friends. Kayla believes in putting ideas in motion, a trait that will always be readily recognized and appreciated wherever she goes.

Friends shared mixed emotions over the promotion of Virginia DeWitt, branch manager of the Social Security office for the past four years to the Dallas office. Virginia is another gal who put on her work clothes immediately upon her arrival and became an important participant in the Chamber of Commerce and its board, Gold Coats, Rotary Club, American Business Women's Association and the Altrusa Club. Congratulations on her promotion surely outweigh the "Don't go!" feelings.

Employees of the Mundy Company are also looking at losing one of their popular employees, Kim Sangster, who will be moving soon to

Sand Springs, Okla., with her children Chelsea and Nickolaus to be near her family. Mundy employees are a closely knit group a la a family feeling, which makes a decision to move a difficult one. Good luck to all three of these fine ladies!

Belated 90th birthday wishes to Orban S. "Eppie" Epperson, who celebrated the occasion with a party given in his home. The party, hosted by W.C. and Betty Epperson, Gary and Vickie and family, featured colorful balloon bouquets, banners, a big chocolate cake decorated with dominos, hearts, diamonds, spades and hearts because of his favorite pass time at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. Family and friends came from all around Pampa, Amarillo and Woodward, Okla. It was a fun time and milestone birthday to remember long after the candles burned down.

Susan Tripplehorn attended the swearing in of Kay Bailey Hutchison earlier this month in a long day of solid activities. She left DFW airport in the early morning hours on one of

three chartered planes. From the airport she went to the Mayflower Hotel for a luncheon and swearing in ceremony. Special guests were Jack Kemp, Bob Dole and Phil Gramm. After the luncheon Susan, Janet Parrnell, Hemphill County Republican chairman and daughter Mary Alice went to the Vietnam War Memorial where Susan obtained two rubbings of names of high school friends of John, who were killed in Vietnam.

Later they attended a private reception and picture taking session at the Mayflower Hotel hosted by Kay, where they met Kay's mother and husband, an attorney in Dallas and a former Texas legislator and her two daughters. After all the activities, the group arrived back at DFW at 8:30 p.m. and Susan arrived in Amarillo around midnight. Susan was exhilarated and tired at the same time, yet made it back to work as usual on Tuesday. Do ask to see her pictures!

Dale Dennis, missionary stationed in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania in East Africa spoke to the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ last Sun-

day. He and his wife Eleanor will visit supporting churches while in the states on a month leave.

Members of Central Baptist Church are happy as can be to have their pastor, the Rev. Norman Rushing, back in the pulpit after a bout of pneumonia.

Middle school and high school age youth and sponsors, all 39 of them, from Central Baptist Church went by chartered bus to Orlando, Fla., to participate in the All-American Music Festival will bonuses of fun stops and a day in the Bahamas.

Joyce Field filled in as director for their musical "Extra Mile" performed at stops in Mesquite and Monticello, Fla. Sponsors were Bernice Cobb, Joyce Field, Bill and Carol Fulcher, Connie and Randy Mollitor, I.B. Rushing, Sherry Seabourn and Marilyn Shelton, Wayne and Carol Stribling.

Al and Prudy Albreack and grandson Nicky took a break from landscaping their yard for Al to participate in a Social Security golf tournament in Belton. Golf was rained out, but the fun still happened.

Molly Goodwin of Ennis spent a few days in Pampa visiting her mother Dona Comutt and other relatives and friends. Dona kept her on the move attending several community activities. Did you know that Bill Jones gave Molly, a school counselor her first job when he was in Ennis?

W. L. and Cleo Ferguson had a mini-family reunion that happened

with each succeeding day. First Eunice Reed arrived with a car full of food minutes before Priscilla Hayes and Ben and Mitzi Collins of Houston arrived. Later came Danette and Ray Lindsay, Eddie Ray and Teddy Lynn, Jack and Anita Davis, Drona, Mike Lindsay, Teba Pfeil and Thelma Whitely on Saturday.

Nancy Johnston of Missouri visited her mother Mary Crutcher. Pauline Verstrate of Kansas City was a guest of R.W. and Dortha Beck.

David, Jeannie, Marshal Riley and Madeliene of Houston were guests in the home of Billy and Pat McBee. The group plus Norma McBee saw "Texas" together. Guests in the home of Bill and Norma McBee were Bill's sister and brother-in-law Pat and Moel Smart of Liberty. The two families spent a day or so with Bill and Pat's brother David and his wife Bertie in Woodward, Okla.

Lester Michael, Herman and Lavorne Cates, Oli and Opel Presley attended the funeral of Spencer Presley, a long time resident of Lefors, in Mangum, Okla.

Mary Harlan, a retired postmistress of White Deer, Theresa Hinds, present postmistress and Jo Lane, Lefors postmistress attended the NAPAS (postal) convention in Fort Worth last week. While there Mary visited with Joyce Bowman, a Lefors School classmate.

The Victor Eubank family of Searcy, Ark. spent the weekend with his brother Blain Eubank. See you next week, Katie.



Peeking at Pampa  
By Katie



## Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

### These Sickos not psychos

DEAR ABBY: You are probably tired of letters about unusual last names, but ours gets a lot of attention because it's rather funny. It's "Sicko."

I know it's hard to believe, but it's true. When we tell people our name is "Sicko" and spell it — "S-I-C-K-O" — they laugh and say, "You've got to be kidding." Meanwhile, they look at us, wondering if we're serious.

Some people try to be kind, and instead of pronouncing it "Sicko" just like it's spelled, they'll pronounce it "Psycho," which is even worse, so we'll just stick with "Sicko," thank you.

My husband of 27 years is the kindest and dearest man in the world, and I wouldn't ask him to change our name for anything, although he's been asked many times why he hasn't.

This letter is no put-on, Abby, but if you use it in your column, please leave off the city; we get enough crank calls as it is.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN S. SICKO ON JONES ROAD  
DEAR MR. AND MRS. SICKO: Congratulations on being able to see the humor in your name. Are there any little Sickos at home?

If John investigates the origin of his name, the chances are it is an abbreviation or the anglicized version of Syckowitz, or Syckovski. If you find out, please let me know.

DEAR ABBY: To add to your "What's in a Name?" game:

In 1960, we few foreigners — mostly English — living on the Balearic Island of Ibiza (off the coast of Spain) received our mail at the general delivery window.

One day the clerk asked me, "Do you know this Senor Esq? He has many letters here from England."

AL HIX, HOLLYWOOD, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: Here's another one for your odd name collection: My name is Michael Shadawizki (pronounced "shot a whiskey"), and with a name like that, I usually need at least two shots to handle the comments from people who meet me for the first time.

MIKE IN HUNTINGTON, N.Y.

DEAR ABBY: I read with considerable interest your article about Diane Fuerst, whose last name is pronounced "first."

My name, of German ancestry, is Last. (We've often wondered if perhaps we had a shoemaker somewhere in our family tree.)

Like Mrs. Fuerst, when making an application or opening an account, I am asked, "May I have your last name?"

I reply: "Last."  
They will counter with: "Yes, your last name." (It is usually good for a fun volley or two.) Invariably, they ask for your last name first.

Of course, Last is a name of great privilege. The Bible says, "But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first" (New Testament: Matthew 19:30; Mark 10:31). (Sorry, Mrs. Fuerst.)

My wife and I have decided that when we retire, it would be great fun to own a small resort and name it "The Last Resort."

THE REV. MICHAEL LAST, AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH, SIOUX CITY, IOWA

DEAR REV. LAST: I suspect my readers are hoping that this

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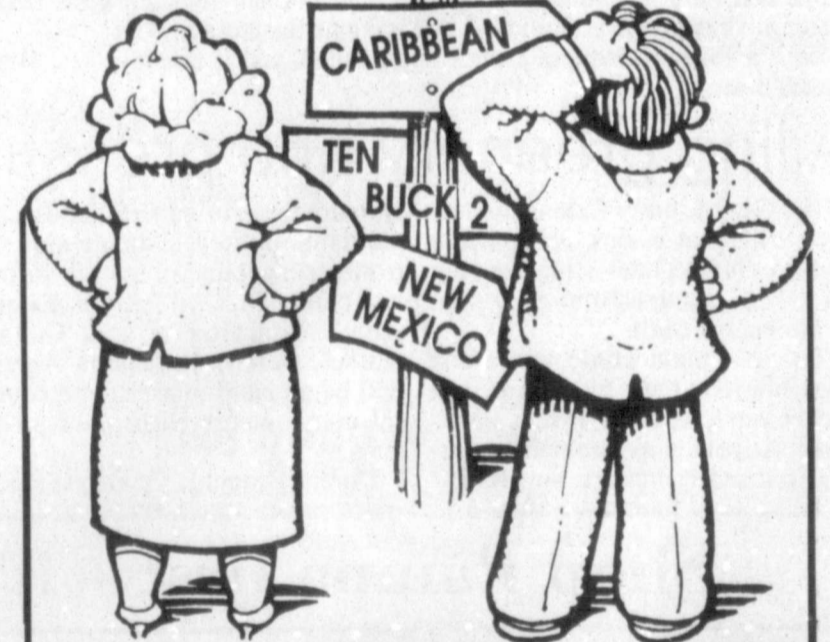
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# Mystery hum bothers many Taos residents

By DEBORAH BAKER  
Associated Press Writer

TAOS, N.M. (AP) — K.C. Grams hears it: a constant, irritating hum that deprives her of sleep and depletes her energy.

Steven Walters hears it: a low, throbbing sound that robs him of the precious quiet he sought when he left the city.

Robert Faurie hears it: an unnatural, generator-like noise just at the edge of what his car can pick up.

It's the Taos hum, a phenomenon fit for a supermarket tabloid, a sound — or is it? — that not everyone hears and no one has identified.

"You know how it is when you're about to go to sleep and one of those big black flies, or a mosquito, is in your room? Imagine having that every single night and not being able to swat it. It makes you crazy," Grams said.

When she first heard the sound two years ago, she assumed it was coming from something in her old, adobe house on the outskirts of town. But she couldn't find the source.

She was horrified to discover that when she went camping 30 miles away, she still could hear it.

About a year ago, at a potluck supper at her son's school, a stranger asked Grams whether she, too, heard a hum.

"I almost started crying," Grams recalled. "It's such a relief to know you're not crazy and not alone, and that it's real."

Experts don't doubt Grams and others are being bothered by something. A team of scientists and engineers spent a week in Taos recently at the behest of two congressmen, using sophisticated equipment to measure acoustic, electromagnetic and seismic signals. They found no ready answer.

"Right now we're not close to being able to say anything. It's disappointing to all of us," said Joe Mullins, chairman of the mechanical engineering department at the University of New Mexico and leader of the team from Sandia and Los Alamos national laboratories and the U.S. Air Force's Phillips Laboratory.

Based on initial observations, the team believes it's probably not an acoustical signal — that is, not a sound — that hearers are picking up.

"If it were, then one of the microphones would have sensed it," said team member Horace Poteet. The team used conventional laboratory microphones as well as a specially built microphone that detects low frequency sound.

Poteet, a physicist whose work involves nuclear test-ban treaty verification, heard the Taos hum while he was there.

In fact, he says, he's been hearing a noise for a while at his Albuquerque home, some 130 miles south of Taos. He hasn't found it particularly bothersome; he describes it as sounding like a diesel truck idling in the distance.

Seven hearers who simulated the sound for the investigators using a signal generator and a loudspeaker selected low-range frequencies, from 33 to 80 hertz. The range of human hearing is between 20 and 20,000 hertz.

The Taos hearers are confident the problem isn't with their ears because they can mask the sound with other noises. And if they get far enough away from Taos, they don't hear it.

At first, U.S. Rep. Bill Richardson, D-N.M., was inclined to write off the complaints as "some of my more colorful Taos constituents." The town of 4,000 in a spectacular setting in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains has long been known as a haven for artists, alternative-lifestyle seekers and the offbeat.

But now he is convinced the problem is real, and has asked a staff member from the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to investigate.

"It's not a figment of anyone's imagination," Richardson said. "I think there is a hum, a noise of some kind."

So does Steven Walters, a musician who moved to Taos from Portland, Ore., in search of quietude.

"Every time I become quiet, the sound is right there, throbbing," he said. "The best word I've come up with for it is insidious."

So do more than 100 people who Bob and Catanya Saltzman say have contacted them since the Saltzmans first announced they were hearing the sound.

Dozens of those people also responded to the Saltzmans' informal survey, complaining of headaches, anxiety, sleeplessness, shortness of breath, balance problems and other ailments, the couple said.

Catanya Saltzman first heard the sound in May 1991; her photographer husband first heard it two

weeks later. They have heard it almost continuously since — including on occasional visits to Santa Fe, 70 miles to the south.

They describe it as a low, grinding, pulsating noise, with a whine overlaying it. It disrupts their sleep, and Catanya Saltzman, a dancer, said it affects her balance and concentration. The couple spent two months in South Carolina recently to escape it.

The Saltzmans speculate the sound emanates from a secret, defense-related project. They fear it may not be noise at all, but electromagnetic waves.

The defense-project theory got a boost in February when Richardson

— a member of the intelligence committee — said he believed the Department of Defense probably was the culprit.

A Defense Department official has emphatically denied it to a U.S. Senate subcommittee; Richardson isn't convinced.

The more the Taos sound is publicized, the more reports surface from other places about similar, bothersome noises.

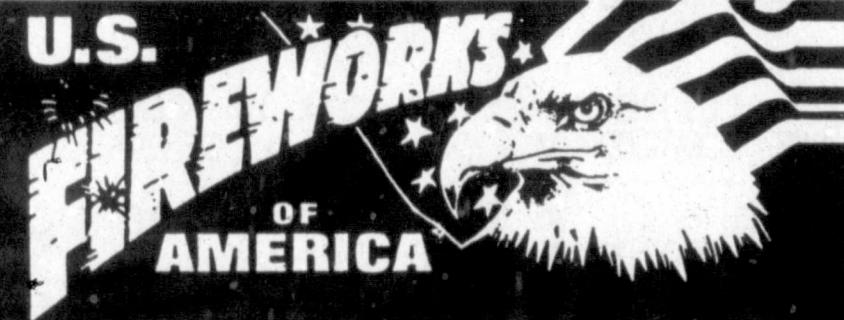
"I personally have gotten complaints from California, Washington, Utah, Vermont, Wisconsin — and I know of one in Texas," said UNM's Mullins. "Whether it's the same sound or noise, we have no way of knowing."



K.C. Grams listens to the strange, irritating hum near her home in Taos, N.M. (AP Photo)

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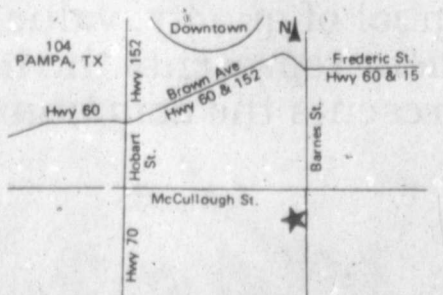
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# Entertainment

## Little big hits: Sometimes blockbusters are tiny

By JOHN HORN  
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Sylvester Stallone's "Cliffhanger" has sold 10 million tickets, enjoyed reams of free publicity and showcases one of the world's most popular performers.

But two small movies with none of those benefits — "Like Water for Chocolate" and "Much Ado About Nothing" — could actually prove more profitable.

"Like Water for Chocolate," a Mexican story of food and romance, is poised to become the top-grossing foreign language film in more than a decade, passing "Cinema Paradiso."

The makers of "Much Ado About Nothing" say their Shakespeare adaptation should exceed last year's art-house hit "Howards End."

Such hidden blockbusters pop up regularly, yet rarely do two films simultaneously prove to be perfect case studies in creative marketing and well-timed alter-

native programming.

Starring and directed by Kenneth Branagh, "Much Ado About Nothing" is running ahead of the 1992 box-office pace set by both "Howards End" and "The Crying Game." With ticket sales to date of \$6.5 million, the romantic comedy eventually could gross \$30 million, the Samuel Goldwyn Co. says.

"Our strategy has always been, when we scheduled the release of the film, to counterprogram," says Meyer Gottlieb, the president of Goldwyn, an independent producer and distributor. "We wanted to be out in the marketplace as an alternative to 'Jurassic Park,' to 'Last Action Hero,' to 'Cliffhanger.'"

Unlike those films, "Much Ado" was produced on a relatively inexpensive budget — \$15 million. "Cliffhanger" cost upwards of \$77 million, and TriStar Pictures pledged another \$20 million for its advertising. If it makes less than \$80 million at the box office, it may lose money.

"Much Ado," on the other hand, was profitable out of the gate: Its production cost was covered when Goldwyn sold off the film's international distribution rights. Thus, after advertising expenses of about \$2 million, everything "Much Ado" makes in the United States is gravy.

"It's performing in all markets — that's the really outstanding news," Gottlieb says, noting strong grosses in Dallas, Kansas City and Cleveland. Now playing in 135 theater locations, "Much Ado" will move to about 500 complexes in late July and early August.

The economics behind "Like Water for Chocolate" are equally lucrative. When the film, directed by Alfonso Arau, was shown at 1992's Cannes Film Festival, Miramax Films was one of the few buyers willing to bite — eventually grabbing North American rights for a measly \$250,000.

Another \$75,000 was spent cutting the film by 38 minutes, with some \$2.5 million spent on

advertising.

On an investment of less than \$3 million, then, Miramax has sold \$9.8 million in tickets, of which it gets almost half. Miramax recently was purchased by the Walt Disney Co. for exactly this kind of release — little risk, big reward.

"No question about it. The return is phenomenal," says Miramax co-chairman Harvey Weinstein. "Here's the pun — there's an audience that's obviously hungry for this kind of entertainment. And it especially starts to click when the summer movies come out."

"In other words, what I think is going on is the audience is finding an alternative. ... Our audience is saying, 'OK, great, there are these big summer movies out there. But where are the movies that speak to us?'"

Both "Like Water for Chocolate" and "Much Ado About Nothing" owe much of their success to innovative, grassroots marketing efforts. Although the two movies collected

rave reviews, limited ad budgets prevented extensive television commercials.

"This is one of the best-kept secrets — except from the audience," Weinstein says of "Like Water for Chocolate." "It's difficult to get the mainstream press on this movie because of the Hispanic nature of the film. What's happened is fantastic word of mouth."

For "Like Water for Chocolate," Miramax ran recipes in newspaper food pages and coordinated the film's release with the publication of the Laura Esquivel novel upon which the movie is based. The book now is a best-seller, and a follow-up cookbook is in the works.

Miramax also convinced a dozen Spanish-language theaters to run the movie, rather than the dubbed versions of American action films the theaters prefer.

Because it financed "Much Ado About Nothing," Goldwyn was able to give Branagh advice when he cast the movie, and Keanu Reeves was

high on Goldwyn's recommended list. Although the "Bill and Ted" star is hardly a top-flight actor, he has enormous appeal for young audiences — and young patrons have, in fact, boosted "Much Ado's" take.

Goldwyn furthermore positioned the film not as a dry, literate period piece.

"Our whole thrust has been 'Shakespeare is fun, Shakespeare is sexy,'" says Tom Rothman, Goldwyn's production president. "Rather than selling it as something that is good for you, this is fun for you."

Says Gottlieb: "The subject — the issue of romance, love and comedy — is the same today as it was 400 years ago. I think it's one of the things young kids found out. With the problems they have in dating, this is all very timely."

The response has been so good, Goldwyn is in discussions with Branagh about another Shakespeare film — perhaps "Hamlet" or "As You Like It."

### Turntable Tips

By The Associated Press

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5. "Have I Told You Lately," Rod Stewart (Warner Bros.)
6. "Show Me Love," Robin S (Big Beat) (Gold)
7. "Can't Help Falling In Love," UB40 (Virgin)
8. "Dre Day," Dr. Dre (Death Row)
9. "Come Undone," Duran Duran (Capitol)
10. "I'll Never Get Over You (Getting Over Me)," Expose (Arista)

#### TOP LP'S

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1. "Janet," Janet Jackson (Virgin)
2. "Unplugged ... And Seated," Rod Stewart (Warner Bros.)
3. "Core," Stone Temple Pilots (Atlantic) (Platinum)
4. "The Chronic," Dr. Dre (Death Row-Interscope) (Platinum)
5. "Breathless," Kenny G (Arista) (Platinum)
6. "Never Let Me Go," Luther Vandross (Epic)
7. "The Bodyguard" Soundtrack, (Arista) (Platinum)
8. "Pocket Full of Kryptonite," Spin Doctors (Epic Associated) (Platinum)
9. "Last Action Hero" Soundtrack, (Columbia)
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1. "That Summer," Garth Brooks (Liberty)
2. "Money in the Bank," John Anderson (BNA)
3. "Love on the Loose, Heart on the Run," McBride & The Ride (MCA)
4. "No Future in the Past," Vince Gill (MCA)
5. "Somebody Else's Moon," Collin Raye (Epic)
6. "Blame It On Your Heart," Patty Loveless (Epic)
7. "A Bad Goodbye," Clint Black with Wynonna (RCA)
8. "Tell Me About It," Tanya Tucker with Delbert McClinton (Liberty)
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4. "Hero," David Crosby & Phil Collins (Atlantic)
5. "Don't Take Away My Heaven," Aaron Neville (A&M)
6. "I'll Never Get Over You (Getting Over Me)," Expose (Arista)
7. "I Don't Wanna Fight," Tina Turner (Virgin)
8. "Moments of Love," Cathy Dennis (Polydor)
9. "Love Is," Vanessa Williams & Brian McKnight (Giant)
10. "Tell Me What You Dream," Restless Heart and W. Hill (RCA)

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5. "Lately," Jodeci (Uptown)
6. "ABC-123," Levert (Atlantic)
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### NEA Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

- 1 Buzz
- 4 Scheme
- 8 Frolic
- 12 Pag —
- 13 Heart
- 14 Martha —
- 15 Flower
- 17 Greek letter
- 19 Apiece
- 20 Marchers' word
- 21 Federal agcy.
- 22 — humbug!
- 23 Conspiracy
- 25 Tint
- 26 Prosecutor
- 27 The man's
- 28 Embrace
- 29 Exceed
- 32 All right
- 33 Stetson part
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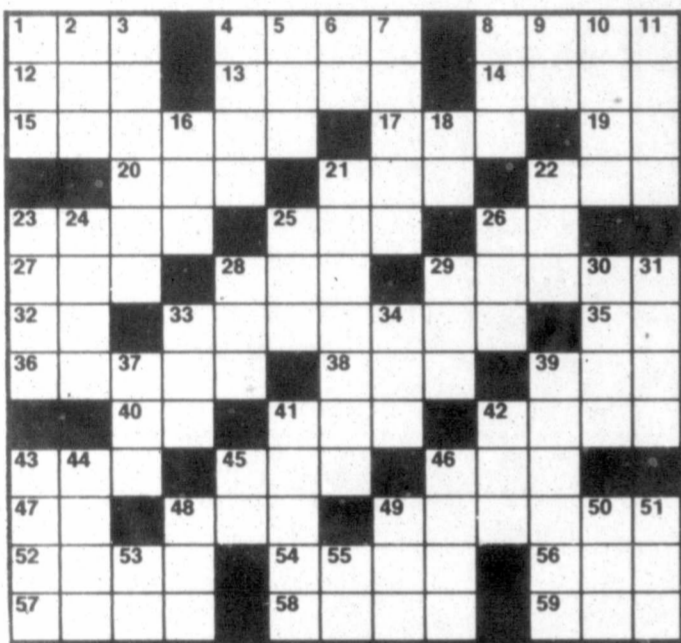
**DOWN**

- 1 Ad —
- 2 Baking pit
- 3 Set of beliefs
- 4 — school

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- 5 Household god
- 6 Affirmative reply
- 7 Daring
- 8 In favor of
- 9 Behold!
- 10 On the ocean
- 11 Slangy
- 16 King —
- 18 Laugh sound
- 21 Harbor craft
- 22 Sports implement
- 23 Unit of illumination
- 24 Enjoy
- 25 Shack
- 26 Failure
- 28 Possesses
- 29 — — Clear Day
- 30 1944 invasion date
- 31 Fumbler's exclamation
- 33 British Navy abbr.
- 34 Friend (Fr.)
- 37 Poetic contraction
- 39 30's actress
- 41 Hayseeds
- 42 Kind of dog
- 43 Inheritor
- 44 Center of shield
- 45 Initials on a pencil
- 46 Snake's sound
- 48 New Deal agcy.
- 49 Safety —
- 50 Compass pt.
- 51 Mao — tung
- 53 Similarly to
- 55 Artificial language



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**Astro-Graph**

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) An endeavor in which you're presently involved is in dire need of effective leadership. You're the person who can fulfill this lack, so make your move today. Major changes are ahead for Cancer in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1.25 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163 Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) You're probabilities for success are quite high today. Victories in various areas of your life are likely, not so much from what you do but from what others do for you.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Bored friends will welcome your companionship today, because there is an air of excitement and adventure in your persona. What you project is genuine, not a put on.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Be alert for profitable developments today, because something unexpected might pop up that would permit you to tie two loose ends together and gain substantially in the process.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A situation similar to one you handled successfully recently could repeat itself again today. Do exactly what you did previously that produced productive results.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Persons who like you are apt to bend over backwards today to assist you in any manner they can. If you're in need of a special favor, go to your pals first.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There are indications you might form two new partnerships arrangements at this time. Although they will be unrelated, both could be successful in their own way.

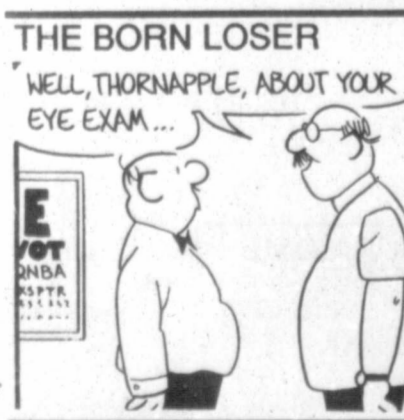
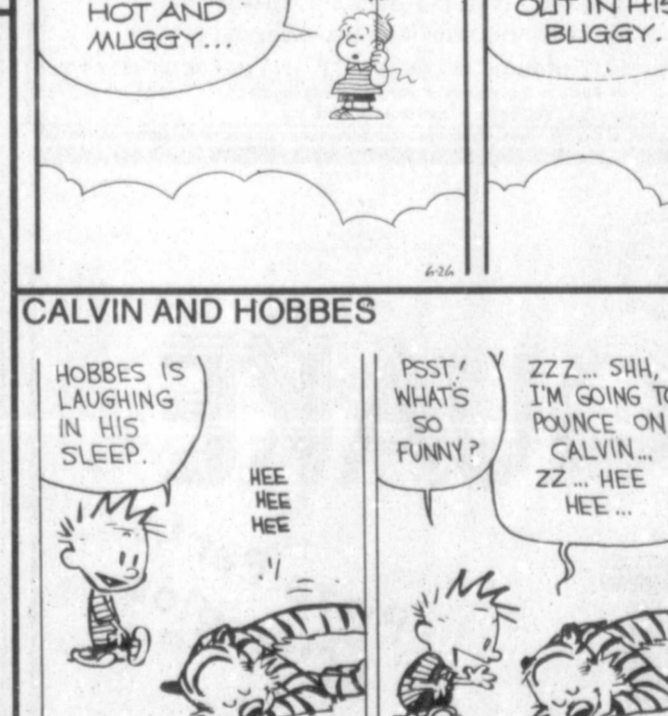
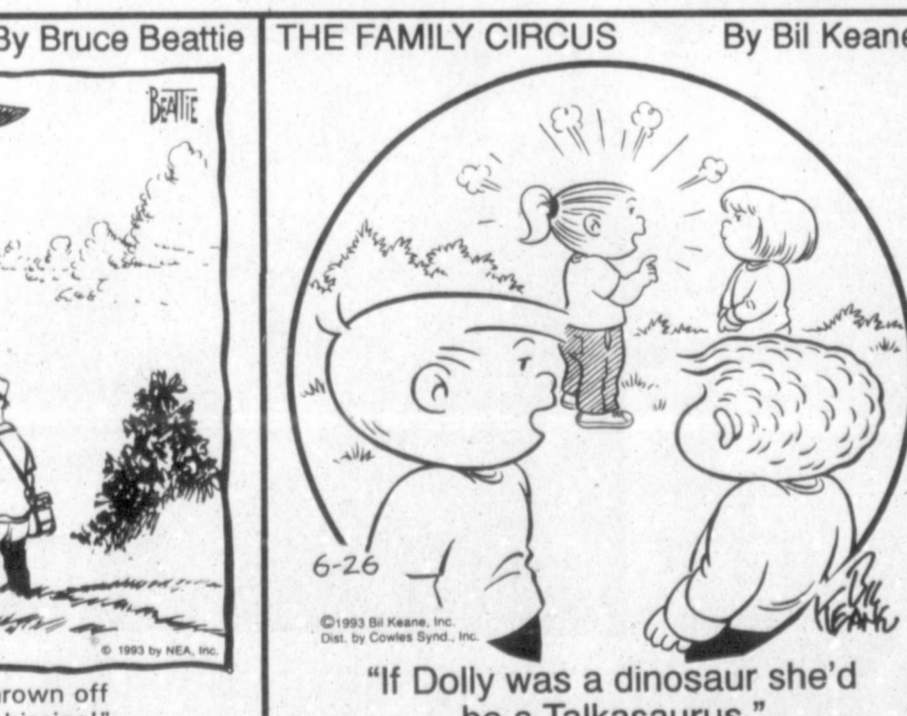
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Instead of evading challenges today, step boldly forward and meet them head-on. Opposition serves to awaken your stronger qualities and your resolve to win.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) You're up to handling a full schedule today, so block your time accordingly. Activities energize you, whereas a lack of things to do will be tiring.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) Take matters into your own hands today if those to whom you delegated them aren't performing to your satisfaction. These are situations you should be taking care of yourself.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) You're very perceptive today and your judgment could be quite keen. Don't be afraid to make difficult decisions because your ability to analyze is profound.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) Give priority today to situations that are meaningful to you in material ways and can be finalized now. Focus on immediate returns.



# Parent, adult-childhood pain: Negotiating the road to recovery

By LESLIE DREYFOUS  
AP National Writer

They gave their baby boom children shelter, clean clothes, food to eat, bikes to ride, family vacations. They went to Little League games and summer potlucks, bandaged skinned knees and attended school plays. They weren't perfect, but they tried.

So why, these parents now wonder, are we being broadsided? Why are so many grown children coming home these days primed for confrontation?

When physical, psychological or sexual abuse are involved, the reasons are obvious. But in recent years, a whole range of subtler, less easily defined family issues have worked their way into the mainstream psyche.

More and more, "adult children" have re-examined their pasts and found shadows: parents who were emotionally distant or overly critical; who disciplined a little too harshly, or spent more time at the office than at home; who, wittingly or not, discouraged big dreams or eroded self-esteem.

Aging parents have a common response to these reproaches: "I did the best I could." Most adult children agree.

But still, many want to push beyond, to discuss and understand their disappointments. Confronting the past is integral to a lot of today's therapeutic, self-help and recovery programs.

"These parents have to understand: Their kids are the most therapized generation in history," said Victoria Secunda, 52, author of "When You and Your Mother Can't Be Friends" and "Women and their Fathers."

"Young adults are doing what their parents couldn't — expressing emotions and dealing with losses. Raising these issues is incredibly important," she said. "But, like in any negotiation, it's important to approach it right."

If only it were simple. Though often eager to help, many older parents find the landscape foreign or outright rocky. Their child-rearing decisions were made long ago, influenced by the times and particular circumstances.

For generations raised during the Depression and World War II, making do was doing pretty well. Most reached adulthood without ever hearing the cry of their "wounded child within" or the siren song of self-help.

Bernice Bratter, director of Senior Health and Peer Counseling in Santa Monica, Calif., has watched parents in their 50s, 60s and even 70s struggle to understand the issues broached, sometimes angrily, by their grown children. Many feel guilty, at pains to right whatever is wrong.

But many others ask: What's the point here?

Bratter readily admits she is among those who subscribe to a "get over it" philosophy. "We're talking about different generations," she said, "different kinds of mind-sets."

"It's natural for young people to explore and healthy to look at what's gone on in the family," said Bratter, 55.

"Where it crosses into difficulty is when people use that to keep themselves from moving on with their lives, where they say 'I'm not successful because Mommy didn't tell me I was wonderful.'"

All the parenting manuals weren't out there 30 years ago, and self-esteem was barely in the lexicon. Even a decade ago, talk shows and 12-step programs, therapy and support groups weren't nearly so widespread.

But it's all available now. And given the new awareness, many young adults are committed to breaking what they regard as destructive family patterns, behavior they believe ultimately hurts both parent and child.

That's fine, said psychologist Renana Brooks. "But it's not enough just to air your grievances," she said. "Once you do that, you've got to figure out what you're going to do with those feelings."

While she recognizes the liberation many have found in re-examining their childhood hurts, Brooks has problems with some of the recovery rhetoric.

"The movement makes certain assumptions, some of which have to do with believing that damage is irreversible, that all character flaws relate to early childhood wounds, and that it all reflects parental misconduct," she said from Washington, D.C.

"It's polarizing," said Brooks, who conducts blame-busting workshops. "The more the children demand that their parents take blame, the more the parents say, 'Grow up and forget about the past.'"

These cross-purposes are painful, and often hurtful. But with good groundwork, therapists say, half the battle is won. It's helpful for adult children to go gently, with empathy, into tender areas.

When Marvin Allen's son spoke up, the circumstances weren't exactly ideal: The exchange took place on stage during "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

The 48-year-old therapist and author of "In the Company of Men" was discussing models of fatherly supportiveness and sensitivity when suddenly his grown son "absolutely confronted me."

"He didn't say I cussed him out or beat him, like my dad did me. But I neglected him terribly. My wife and I got divorced, I was chasing women and money," said Allen, who lives in New Braunfels, Texas. "My sins hurt my son. I had to accept that."

It was a painful dose of honesty. But, perhaps because of his background in therapy, Allen was able to digest his son's comments fairly quickly. This is something many bewildered parents find difficult to do.

"To say my mom has been torn apart would be an understatement. She's totally caught in the middle," said Jennifer Bestor of Menlo Park, Calif., whose sister has withdrawn from the family.

"At some point, she said she was going into therapy and before we knew it, we were getting phone calls with incredibly harsh and nasty allegations. She claims she's a victim, that either directly or indirectly we're responsible for everything that's wrong in her life," said Bestor, 37. "To try to have a rational conversation around this is impossible."

Susan Forward, author of "Toxic Parents" and other popular self-help books, said she has helped thousands of adult children through the recovery process — a process she believes is both essential and, ultimately, healing.

"Every adult child I've ever worked with has laid awake at night just fantasizing how it would sound to hear a parent say 'I'm sorry. I didn't realize I hurt you that much,'" she said from Bel Air, Calif.

"I see confrontation as a chance for several things: One, to break through the denial and half-truths and secrecy and two, to determine what kind of real relationship you can have with your toxic parents."

Agreeing with "wounded child" guru John Bradshaw's estimate that the vast majority of American families are dysfunctional, Forward sees an enormous pool of people in need of reconciliation.

Many, however, believe such pre-

sumptions are tenuous, if not outright dangerous. Stories of therapists coaxing their clients into false memories of childhood incest and other forms of abuse further undermine credibility.

Such doubts are especially hurtful to the legions of men and women coping with often long-repressed, very genuine histories of abuse. They also undermine those who want neither to overblow nor to diminish childhood pain.

The point is to promote understanding, and frank discussion about whatever is on a family member's mind. The trick is to do it constructively.

Unfortunately, Elizabeth Van Wormer, a clinical social worker in Portland, Ore., finds herself doing a lot of painful cleanup work.

"I have had experience with people who have gone to a one- or two-day workshop that provokes feelings, which can be very, very good," she said. "The downside is that getting in touch with your feelings is only the first step. You're left with simply an event, and who's out there to blame it on?"

"Sometimes I wish I could say, 'Get a life. Go someplace else and take your garbage with you,'" said Shirley Ernst Jefferson, 55. "You do feel defensive. ... But Amber gave me comfort and a tone of understanding."

Her daughter, Amber Rose Brown, did not come to that tone easily. She had to get past a lot of anger. "I blamed my dad: If he hadn't left, I wouldn't have been poor or a welfare child. I blamed my mother for not holding me," Brown, 30, said from Alexandria, Va.

Brown grew into womanhood feeling isolated by a depression she

could neither understand nor lift on her own. With the help of therapy, she has come to see the strains and constraints faced by her mother, who raised seven children alone. "She had a tough life and a tough love attitude," Brown said. "She didn't believe in warmth and tenderness and affection."

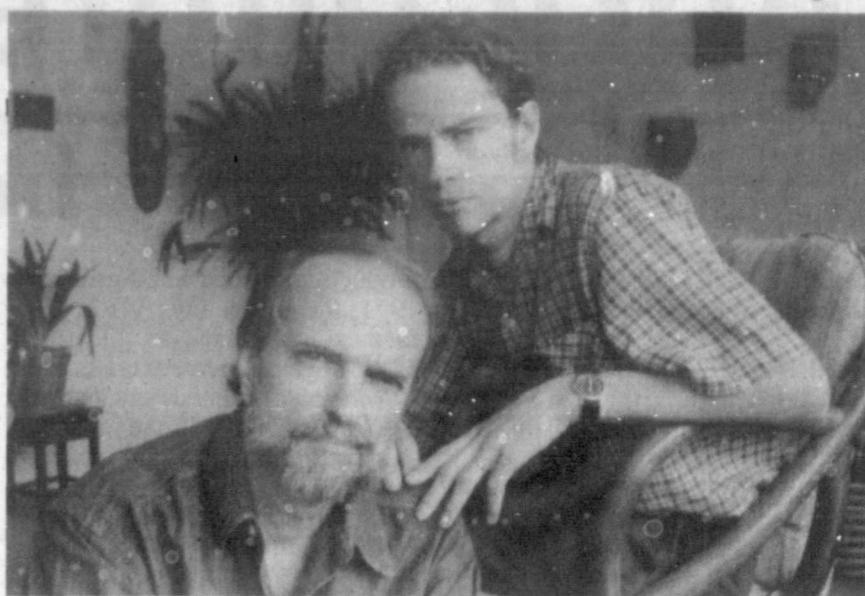
Says her mother, who lives in Cincinnati: "Amber had some valid points, which I could see. But the thing is: I dealt the best I could with what was going on at the time."

They are two women, raised in different times and offered different opportunities. Jefferson wasn't raised to ponder; she was raised to cope. Brown wasn't satisfied with coping; she wanted to understand.

But ultimately, through a willingness to give on each side, mother and daughter found each other. The ground isn't always smooth, but it's solid.

"She came and talked. She brought things out and gave me room for rebuttal," Jefferson said.

"The bottom line is love. The trick is love, and trying again. Always try again," Brown said. "It's painful and hard, but it's so worth it when you finally start to hear, and start to learn from each other."



Marvin Allen, 48, is shown with his son Chesley, 22. (AP Photo)

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# Agriculture

## Dairy industry booms in The Land of Enchantment

By TIM KORTE  
Associated Press Writer

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Streams trickling through verdant pastureland, dotted with barns and dairy cows. Oops. Wrong scene. Dusty arroyos cutting through desert brush, dotted with barns and dairy cows. Welcome, Bessie-Moo, to the Southwest. The Land of Enchantment is used to retirees and businesses coming to the state. But since the late 1980s, herd after herd of dairy cows has come to the desert and high plains of New Mexico, several relocating from the more traditional dairyland of the Midwest. And the labors of the hard-working heifers have been greatly appreciated, says state Agriculture Secretary Frank DuBois. A recent department report, done from a 1991 study, lists New Mexico as the fastest growing dairy producing state in the nation, aided by an outburst of new milk processing plants. "The growth has been phenomenal," DuBois said in a telephone interview from his office in Las Cruces. "The benefits extend not only to the direct employment in the dairy industry but also to the new processing facilities." Cash receipts from milk and milk

products exceeded \$220 million in 1991, the report says. Also, dairy farmers purchased an additional \$100 million in feedstocks from New Mexico grain farmers that year. By the end of 1991, the number of dairy cattle in New Mexico exceeded 94,000, the report says. That's up 13,000 from the year before and up 23,000 from 1989. Per-cow milk production averages 20,000 pounds annually, and New Mexico in 1991 leaped to 20th in the nation in overall production — up from 36th in 1981. Officials predict the state will climb as high as 14th in the coming years, the report says.

Dona Ana County traditionally has been New Mexico's dairy heartland, but DuBois says there has been major development on the eastern plains, particularly in Chaves County. Dairies are increasing in the Clovis and Portales area as well, and a cheese plant recently opened in Artesia. Craig Mapel, an analyst with the state Department of Agriculture, says New Mexico had 120 dairy farms 18 months ago; now it has at least 150. Chaves County has seen much of the growth. In March 1992, that county had 30 dairies. Mapel estimates it now has 40 or more. Dona Ana County has about 20 dairies and there are about 10 in the Portales and Clovis area, he says.

"That may not sound like much, but considering that figure averages about a thousand head at each farm, the numbers really mount up," Mapel says. Last month in Portales, executives from Mid-America Dairymen Inc. broke ground for New Mexico's 12th milk processing plant. A dairy marketing cooperative like many others doing business in New Mexico, the company last year reported \$1.8 billion in sales. The reasons for the state's dairy boom are multiple, but perhaps the most significant factor is climate. Cattle in New Mexico are loose-housed, meaning farmers don't have to stock barns during the cold months, cutting labor costs. "We just provide them with shade," says Jim Hoffman, owner of Baca Linda Dairy in Dexter. "We don't have to keep them in during the winter like a Midwestern dairyman would have to do." New Mexico's arid climate lends itself to the dairy industry because farmers worry less about diseases associated with wet climates, Hoffman says. Technology also has played a hand in the growth. The development of on-site refrigerated storage tanks has helped farmers increase herd size while allowing them to milk the cows more often. Also, bulk tanker trailers have



(AP Photo)

Dairy cattle at a Bernalillo, N.M., dairy amble into the milking barn recently. New Mexico is the fastest growing dairy state in the nation.

enabled producers to transport milk over greater distances than before. "New Mexico doesn't have the population to support our statewide amount of production," Hoffman says.

"We're definitely an export state." Of course, this isn't welcome news in traditional dairy states. Smaller operations outside New Mexico are suffering, said New Mexico Agriculture Department

spokeswoman Lana Dickson. "It's putting a lot of pressure on the smaller dairies of the Midwest, especially the mom and pop operations," she says. "It's really making it harder on them."

### Commission seeks opinions on horse health

The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock health agency, is seeking opinions from Texas horse owners before adopting new equine health regulations. The 12-member commission for TAHC is considering changes in testing requirements for Equine Infectious Anemia. Sometimes referred to as EIA, or "Coggins," this viral disease affects horses and other equine, such as donkeys, mules and zebras. The TAHC is providing a brochure and 13-question survey to horse enthusiasts, owners or others involved in the equine industry. The materials are available this summer from the TAHC's headquarters by calling 512-479-6697 or writing TAHC, Box 12966, Austin, Texas 78711-2966. Responses need to be returned to the TAHC by Sept.

15, 1993, to be included in the survey data. There is no vaccine or cure for EIA, which can cause infected equine to suffer weight loss, exhaustion and swelling in the chest, abdomen and legs. In about half the cases, the virus can lead to death. Some infected equine may have no outward symptoms at all, but may spread the disease. It is passed by blood-to-blood contact, either by biting flies, or when a person uses contaminated medical equipment on an animal. Diagnosis is made by testing equine blood samples drawn by veterinarians. Infected animals must be permanently identified by personnel from the TAHC or the Veterinary Services section of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. Owners may choose either to have the equine permanently

isolated from other horses or send the equine to a clinic for treatment and study. Another option is to have the animal put to sleep or sent to slaughter. The TAHC is seeking input on four areas of the EIA regulations: 1. Should equine be tested for EIA before they are sold or traded? Several horse owners have testified to the commission that they have purchased animals later discovered to be infected. 2. Should tested equine have one permanent identification, such as a lip tattoo, brand or microchip implant? Current state regulations require the EIA test document to include a drawing of the equine, with marks and a color description. Sometimes, the similarity between horses makes it difficult for TAHC or USDA personnel to positively identify a particular animal.

3. Should EIA tests be required on equine going to any functions, such as fairs and rodeos? Current regulations require equine to be tested within the past 12 months if they are going to an event where horses from out of state also are participating. Furthermore, the test is required only if any horses are to stay on the event grounds longer than 48 hours. The TAHC does not currently require EIA tests for events held for Texas-only equine. 4. Should equine exposed to EIA be required to be tested? Because the disease can be spread by biting flies, the TAHC is asking owners if equine from pastures or stables near an infected animal also should be tested. Results of the EIA survey will be available by writing or calling the TAHC after Sept. 15.

### Cattle, calves on feed largest June 1 inventory on record

AUSTIN — There were 2.34 million head of cattle and calves on feed in Texas feedlots for the slaughter market on June 1, up 14 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, the estimate increased 8 percent from the May 1 level. This is the largest June 1 inventory on record. Producers placed 685 thousand head in commercial feedlots during May, up 19 percent from a year ago. Placements increased 71 percent from the April 1993 total. Texas commercial feeders marketed 490 thousand head during May, up 15 percent from May 1992. Monthly marketing s decreased 5 percent from April 1993. On June 1, there were 1.88 million head of cattle and calves on

feed in the Northern High Plains, 80 percent of the state's total. The June 1 number on feed across the area was 122 percent above last year and 11 percent above last month. May placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 573 thousand head, up 89 percent from April 1993. Marketings decreased 7 percent from April to 380 thousand head. Feeders in the seven states making monthly estimates reported 8.35 million head on feed June 1, up 7 percent from last year, but down 3 percent from June 1991. May placements totaled 1.79 million head, up 4 percent from last year and 1 percent above 1992. Marketings during May, at 1.65 million head, were up 3 percent from the previous year, but down fractionally from May 1991.

### Conference goes



(Special photo) Pampa FFA members attending the Area I FFA Leadership Conference June 14-16 at Clarendon College are, from left, Melissa Carroll, Scotty Henderson and Matt Reeves. The three-day workshop titled 'Navigating News Waters' attracted more than 200 FFA members from 50 different chapters.

### In agriculture

by Danny Nusser

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# 91-year-old journalist: No change in news business

By BRIAN COFER  
Lubbock Avalanche-Journal

LUBBOCK (AP) — In 1920, while most women finishing high school were concerned with marriage and children, Blanche Bean was interested instead in launching a career.

Miss Bean, now Blanche Wilson, chose journalism, and wouldn't get married for more than a decade.

"There was just something about it that I liked," said the 91-year-old.

It didn't hurt that her mother, who came to the South Plains with her family in 1880, was the first woman involved in journalism in Lubbock. She edited copy and set type for the Lubbock Press-Leader. Having a father who believed that a woman should be educated and prepared to work also gave her a head start.

"He was ahead of his time," Mrs. Wilson said of her father, George R. Bean, an attorney for whom Bean Elementary School in Lubbock is named. "When some of the men he knew heard that I was going to college, they asked him 'Have you lost your mind? You ought to get that girl married.'"

Texas Technological College would not become a reality for another few years, so Mrs. Wilson made the journey to the College of Industrial Arts, now Texas Woman's University, in Denton. Although she had only traveled a little more than 300 miles, Mrs. Wilson recalled feeling as if she were in another world.

"I had always thought that everybody was a cowpuncher," she said, noting that practically everybody she knew in Lubbock, even professionals, owned cattle. "Being a doctor or lawyer, you never knew whether you'd make money or not. With cattle, you always knew you'd do OK."

Indeed, the Lubbock that she left was a small cattle town on the plains. The census taken that year counted 4,051 residents in the city. However, Mrs. Wilson said she thrived on the academic atmosphere that existed at the college. Because a journalism degree was not offered at the school, she majored in English and took as many hours in journalism as were available. During her senior year, Mrs. Wilson served as editor of the college newspaper, The Lasso.

Through her father, she was able to land a job at the recently created Lubbock Journal.

"Dad knew the editor, Charlie Guy," she said. "They were talking one day, and Dad, like most fathers, couldn't wait to tell him that his daughter was the editor of the college newspaper."

At the time, Guy had one reporter working for him and did not need a second. However, Lubbock was growing rapidly and so was the newspaper. When Guy decided that the paper had grown

sufficiently to warrant a second reporter, he hired Mrs. Wilson. She started in the spring of 1926.

For the first few years of her career until the Journal merged with its competitor to form The Avalanche-Journal, Mrs. Wilson found herself covering events and writing stories in a wide variety of areas.

"I would go around to all the offices and businesses with a pad and pencil in hand and ask if they knew of anything going on," she said. "Pretty soon, they knew what I wanted when I came around. It was my business to know what was going on."

In spite of attitudes toward

women in those days, Mrs. Wilson said she never had to worry about discrimination on the job or about not being taken seriously.

"I always felt like I was treated OK," he said, adding that she might even have been treated better than the other reporter, who was a man. "It always seemed like I got the better assignments."

Some of those assignments included interviewing celebrities of the day such as Will Rogers, whom she described as "a very nice man," and Amelia Earhart, whom she said was "very gracious."

After the merger between the

Avalanche and Journal, Mrs. Wilson worked primarily in the one-page woman's section, which featured fashion and society news. For years she wrote a daily column called "A Woman's Angle," which covered such issues. She said it must have been popular considering the amount of telephone calls she received.

"If I put something in the column that wasn't suitable, the phone would be ringing," she said. "That's how I knew I had readers."

One day a new face appeared in the newsroom, which caused Mrs. Wilson to take notice. Ed Wilson, a reporter himself, had come to

work for the *Avalanche-Journal* to sell advertising.

"I started chasing him during the first day of work," she said, noting that she had found the man of her dreams.

He fell victim to the Great Depression and was laid off about a year later, but eventually they married. She stayed at the *Avalanche-Journal* until 1934, when she left to give birth to her first child. After that, the couple raised a son and daughter and ran several Lubbock businesses. Ed Wilson died in May 1992.

Although Mrs. Wilson said she missed journalism immediately after leaving the *Avalanche-Jour-*

nal, she said she has good memories of that period in her life and had the pleasure of seeing her daughter, Elizabeth, go to work for the *Associated Press* in Helena, Mont., after college.

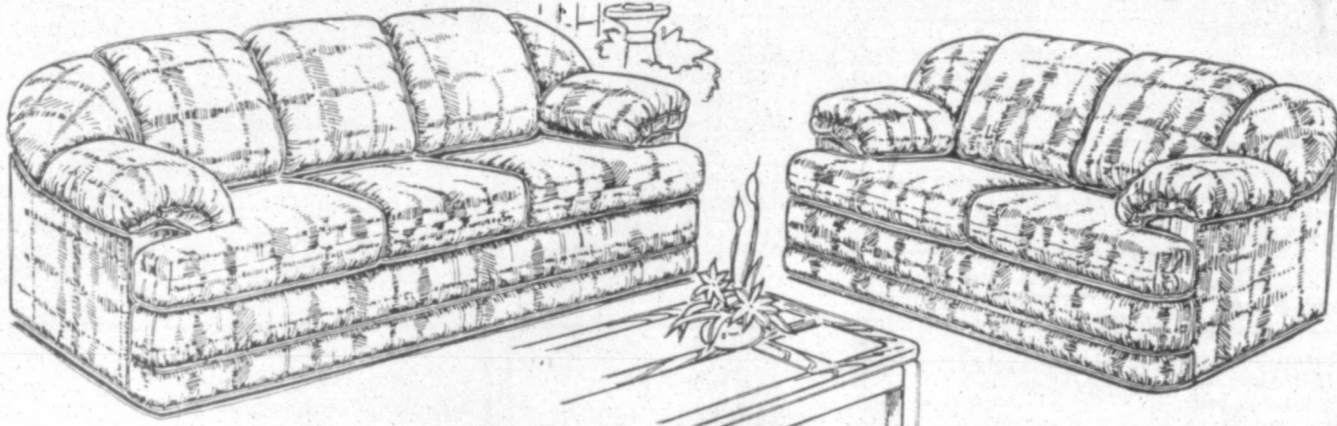
"I was so proud of her," Mrs. Wilson said.

Looking back on the six decades that have elapsed since she left the newspaper industry, Mrs. Wilson said that, in spite of technological changes, journalism remains a very similar craft to that which existed when she did it.

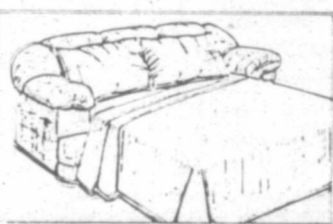
"You go out, talk to people, get a story and go back and write," she said. "That doesn't change."

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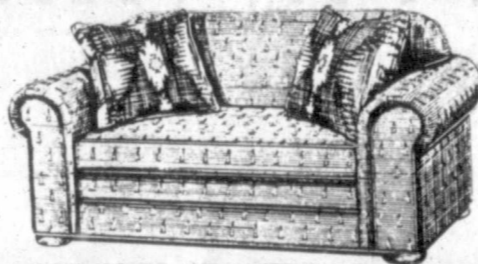
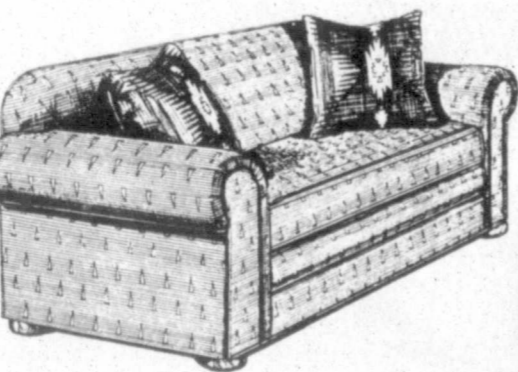
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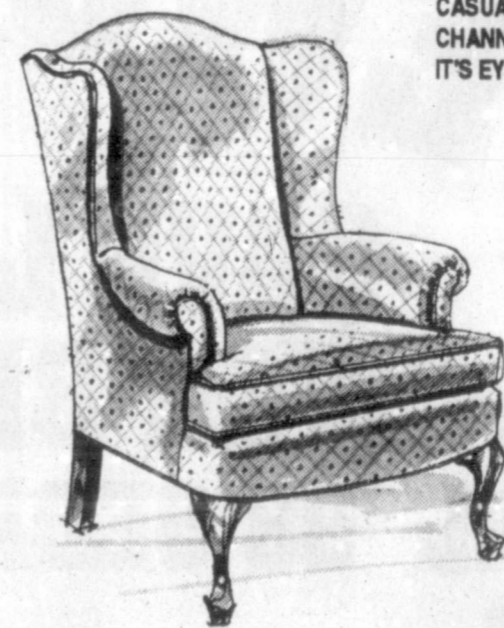
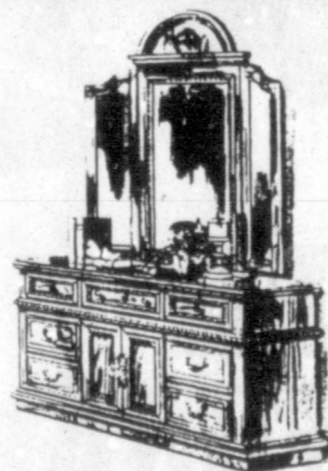
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