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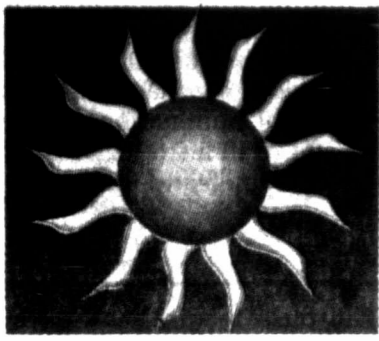
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PAMPA — The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce will have its monthly luncheon at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday in the M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building.

Sponsoring the luncheon will be Columbia Medical Center, with Phil Young, administrator, as the speaker. Sirloin Stockade will begin serving at 11:45 a.m.

Reservations are available until 9 a.m. Tuesday by calling the Chamber at 669-3241.

BOSTON (AP) — Former Sen. Paul E. Tsongas, who rebounded from cancer to briefly become the Democratic front-runner for president in 1992, died Saturday of pneumonia. He was 55.

Tsongas, who was hospitalized Jan. 3 with a liver problem related to his cancer treatments and later developed pneumonia, died at 7 p.m. at Brigham and Women's Hospital, the hospital said.

The soft-spoken Tsongas was one of the first nationally known Democrats to try to give the party a pro-business direction, which became the central theme of his bid for the presidency.

Running after having battled cancer, Tsongas also drew attention to the issue of a candidate's health disclosure.

LAHORE, Pakistan (AP) — A powerful bomb exploded Saturday outside a courthouse where leaders of a militant Sunni Muslim group were on trial. Police and journalists were among the 25 people killed and dozens wounded.

No one claimed responsibility for the bombing in this eastern Pakistani city. Police and supporters of the Sunni group Guardians of the Friends of the Prophet blamed rival Shiite Muslims.

Fearing retaliatory attacks against Pakistan's minority Shiites, police stepped up security at Shiite mosques around the country.

Sunni leaders Zia-ur Rehman and Azim Tariq, arriving at the Lahore Sessions Court for their trial on murder charges, had stepped out of a police van and were being showered with rose petals by supporters when the bomb went off, witnesses said.

The device, made from at least 11 pounds of explosives, was planted in a motorcycle and set off by remote control, bomb experts said.

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State wrestles with how to track sex offenders

By DIANNA F. DANDRIDGE
Staff Writer

High profile murder and sexual assault cases involving children have led to a number of changes in the state and federal laws pertaining to prosecution, parole and supervision of the offenders.

One of the most prominent cases today revolves around Jesse Timmendequas, the man accused of sexually assaulting and then murdering 7-year-old Megan Kanka of Flemington, N.J., in 1994.

Maureen Kanka, the mother of the slain child, says that because the public was not made aware of Timmendequas' history of sexual assault, all children in the area were at risk.

Timmendequas' attorney says that an offender's history should not be made public as it hinders the selection of possible jurors if the individual should be accused again.

Since the death of Megan, Maureen Kanka has led the fight to change the laws which will better inform the public of the released or convicted sex offenders histories and locations.

The state of Texas is one of the states that has changed the way sex offenders are tracked and prosecuted.

According to Paul Jordan, the DPS officer who handles all the information regarding sex offenders, the laws have changed

in the state, but the changes are so small and slow most of the public is not aware of the handling of convicted sex offenders.

Jordan said that persons convicted prior to 1990 are still released under the laws and guidelines in effect at the time of conviction.

This means that offenders who were convicted in 1989 can be released on parole and do not have to register with any agency except the local parole officer.

"We're working to get the laws changed," said Jordan. "But right now the only ones who have to register are the ones convicted after Sept. 1, 1990."

Due to law changes and overcrowded prison conditions, there have been a number of changes in terms served by individuals convicted of sexual assault.

Indecency with a child first offense carries a sentence of 5-20 years for the first offense. Aggravated sexual assault of a child under 14 can carry a maximum sentence of life.

"Aggravated sexual assault is hard to prove and too often prosecutors agree to a lesser plea bargain," Jordan said.

Aggravated sexual assault means the act was committed with either a weapon or a threat or coercion. According to Jordan, the threats and coercion are extremely hard to prove.

In Texas, sex offenders who are required to register must contact the local law offices, which in

turn notifies the local newspaper and the superintendent of the school system. The paper is given a brief description of the offense, the offender's age and gender, and the name of the street on which the offender will reside.

The schools are given basically the same information, plus the name of the offender, and it is the superintendent's decision what further action will be taken.

A person who receives deferred adjudication, juvenile offenders or those convicted of prohibited sexual conduct (incest) are not named, and even though they are required to register, if they meet the guidelines, information is not released to the public.

According to Jordan, it is up to the courts and the parole panels to determine the restrictions placed on released offenders. The courts and the parole panels set rules such as no contact with children and the distance a sex offender has to maintain between his residence and public facilities where children gather, such as parks and schools.

Jordan said at last count 88 percent of offenders who are required to register have done so.

A spokesman for the Amarillo region parole office said that there have been no offenders released to the Pampa area since the date of registration took effect.

(See related Associated Press story on Page 17 in today's edition.)

Tanker loses steering, collides with barge

WALLACE, La. (AP) — A chemical tanker traveling the Mississippi River lost steering early Saturday and collided with a grain barge, forcing the evacuation of more than 200 people in a nearby town.

No one was injured, but the motor vessel Stolt Spray spilled about 5,800 gallons of pyrolysis gasoline into the river, the U.S. Coast Guard said. The chemical is a byproduct of ethylene and has a high concentration of benzene, the Coast Guard said in a news release.

"I knew it was smelling oily in the house and also my sister's house, they told me it was smelling in there," said Larry Favorite, one of the Edgard residents forced to relocate to the St.

John the Baptist Parish courthouse as authorities handled the incident.

The 541-foot Liberian-registered tanker was en route to Baton Rouge from New Orleans when it reported a loss of steering before hitting a barge loaded with corn at about 1 a.m., the Coast Guard said. The tanker then ran aground, causing a four-foot crease above the waterline of the port bow and damaged the tanker's No. 1 cargo tank.

Crews transferred the remaining cargo from the damaged tank and plugged the leak at 2:40 a.m.

The entire incident was under control in a couple of hours and residents were allowed to return

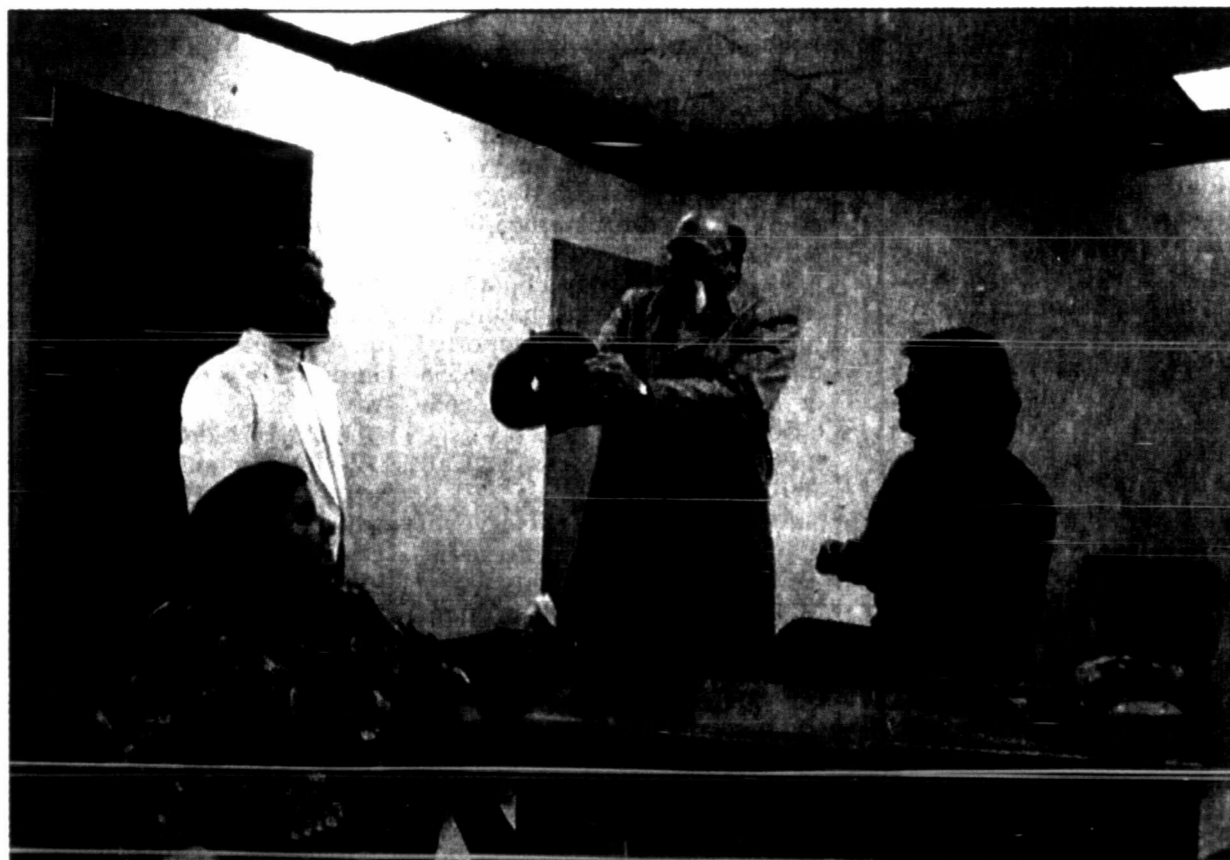
to their homes, officials said.

"The chief of the Westside Fire Department and the civil defense director took air samples with their meters every hour or half hour until it got down to zero. They made sure the level stayed at zero for a certain amount of time before they let 'em back in," said Sgt. Ed Nowell of the sheriff's office.

"The product appears to have dispersed without any harm, although as a precautionary measure, air and water conditions continue to be closely monitored," said Houston-based Stolt Parcel Tankers, Inc., the tanker's owners.

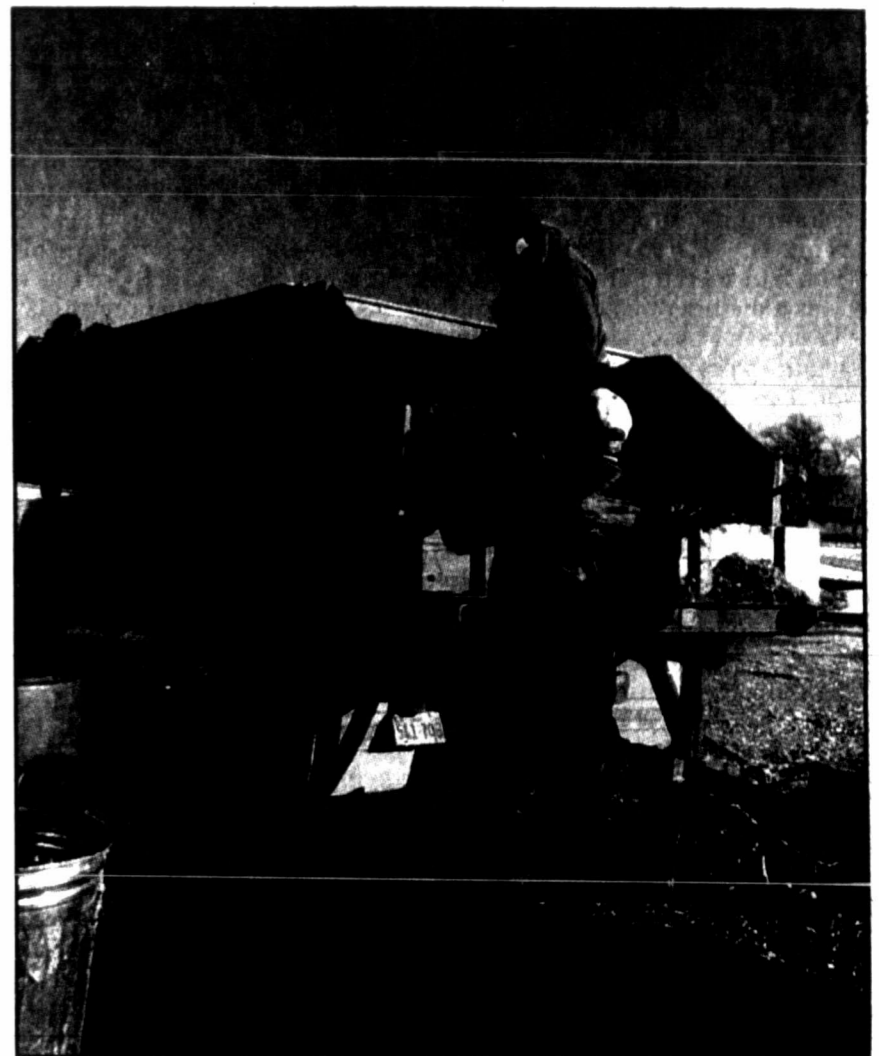
The tanker was refloated and is en route to Anchorage, Alaska, officials said.

Harvey's hat



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Surprised at finding a hat belonging to a supposedly giant imaginary rabbit in the ACT I presentation of *Harvey* are Andrea Perez as Betty Chumbly, James Kane as Dr. Sanderson, Monty Montgomery as Dr. Chumbly and Debra Hartman as Nurse Kelly. The ACT I production of the popular comedy about a man, Elwood P. Dowd (portrayed by Ace Acevedo), who claims to have an invisible rabbit as a friend will be performed Jan. 24-26, Jan. 31 and Feb. 1-2 at the ACT I Theatre in the Pampa Mall. For ticket information and reservations, call 665-3701.



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Steve Kuhn gets some mulch from Jim Oblak, in truck, Clean Pampa Inc. board member, at the Chipping of the Greens Saturday morning. Kuhn was picking up some mulch for a friend of his that was out of town.

Chipping of the Greens turns trees into mulch

The piles of Christmas trees at the Warner-Horton Supply parking lot on Duncan Street disappeared Saturday during the 10th Annual Chipping of the Greens.

"There were over 400 trees chipped into mulch, saving valuable space in the landfill," said Roberta Pollard-Cavalli, project chairperson.

The project, sponsored by Clean Pampa Inc., was underwritten by Hoechst Celanese of Pampa this year, Pollard-Cavalli said.

Pollard-Cavalli and other Clean Pampa volunteers were

on hand Saturday morning for the chipping of the Christmas trees, dropped off at the Warner-Horton lot by residents or picked up from alleys by volunteers. Providing the chipper was Quail Creek Landscape of Amarillo.

The chipping machine turned the trees into mulch, which was available free for pick-up by the public.

The remainder will be taken to the mulch site at the city landfill for mixing with grass clippings. This mulch also is free for the public to pick up.

Boll weevil may cost businesses millions

LUBBOCK (AP) — The boll weevil is about to cost West Texas big bucks if a study on the cotton pest is on the money.

High Plains regional business sales could drop by \$500 million a year if impending boll weevil populations are left unchecked, according to a study by the Texas A&M-Texas Tech Boll Weevil Assessment Task Force.

The insects will ravage cotton in the area, resulting in a 30 percent loss of production, the report says. That translates into a decline of more than \$190 million a year in gross farm income and 9,000 fewer jobs in the region.

"Evidence indicates that the boll weevil has firmly established on the Texas High Plains and can survive harsh winters with existing habitat," said Dr. Ron Lacewell, agricultural economist and assistant vice chancellor of agriculture at Texas A&M.

Though weevils have plagued growers across the southern U.S. growing region for more than 100 years, the Texas High Plains has been relatively untouched due mainly to the dry climate and harsh winters.

But in recent years, researchers, county extension agents and crop consultants have reported seeing boll weevils in alarming numbers.

"Compelling data and experiences have accumulated that indicate the boll weevil has adapted to the High Plains," Lacewell said.

John R. Hunter, Texas Tech professor, consultant and task force member, said he began using boll weevil traps as part of his field scouting technique about three years ago near Lubbock. Since then, he has seen a steady increase in the weevil population.

"It is obvious that the boll weevil cost at least \$100 per acre to some of my clients in 1996," he said.

The analysis used information from agricultural economists, entomologists and consultants to determine the possible weevil infestations up to 10 years in the future.

The 30 High Plains counties annually produce about 3 million bales of cotton, some 20 percent of the U.S. crop.

"Serious economic damages are expected as far north as Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Briscoe and Bailey counties," Lacewell said.

Meanwhile, farmers in the area are continuing to battle the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, calling the way it assesses farmers unconstitutional.

One anti-foundation group is preparing to submit a petition calling for an election to recall the program, which hasn't begun yet, on the High Plains. Another group won a district court case last year in which a judge declared the foundation unconstitutional.

The Texas Supreme Court has heard arguments in the foundation's appeal and is expected to rule soon.

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Services tomorrow

MASTIN, Theo A. "Ted" Sr. - 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Pampa.
WALRAVEN, Katherine Inez (Wade) - 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Shamrock.

Obituaries

VELMA BATTEAS

Velma Batteas, 88, of Pampa, died Friday, Jan. 17, 1997. Graveside services were at 4 p.m. Saturday in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. Memorial services were at 4:30 p.m. in Central Baptist Church. Burial was under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Batteas was born July 15, 1908, in Montague County. She married Sam Batteas on Sept. 11, 1927 at Wheeler; he died May 29, 1971. She had been a Pampa resident for 50 years. She was a member of Central Baptist Church and the Women's Missionary Union.

Survivors include a niece, Mary Sommerfield of Des Moines, Iowa; four nephews, Max Willingham of Pampa, Kenneth Willingham of San Luis Obispo, Calif., Leon Willingham of Odessa and Mike Willingham of Fort Worth; and 12 great-nieces and great-nephews.

BARNEY L. BROWN

Barney L. Brown, 72, of Pampa, died Friday, Jan. 17, 1997. The body was cremated. A memorial service will be arranged at a later time.

Mr. Brown was born April 1, 1924, at El Dorado, Ark. He graduated from New London High School and Texas A&M University, with a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering. He married Fauniel Scott on Nov. 8, 1958, at Titusville, Fla. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving in World War II and in Korea. He retired in 1987 from McDonnell Douglas Corporation after 34 years. He moved to Pampa in 1987. He was a member of the Unitarian Church.

He was preceded in death by a son, Mark Arlington Brown, on Aug. 9, 1984, and by his parents.

Survivors include his wife, Scottie Brown, of the home; a daughter, Toni Brown of Pampa; two sisters, Authurine Davis of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Wanna Mae Wallace of Kilgore; three grandsons, Brand Scott, Bradley Scott and Tucker Brown, all of Pampa; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065.

THEO A. 'TED' MASTIN SR.

Theo A. "Ted" Mastin Sr., 92, of Pampa, died Friday, Jan. 17, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in First United Methodist Church with Dr. R.L. Kirk, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa with graveside rites courtesy of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM.

Mr. Mastin was born Sept. 26, 1904, at Clinton, Okla. He attended Texas A&M University for 3 1/2 years. He married Babe Myers on June 11, 1939, at Morganfield, Ky. He had been a Pampa resident since 1942 and had worked as an electrical engineer for Phillips Petroleum for 40 years before retiring. He was a 50-year member of the Odd Fellows and a 70-year member of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM. He was also a Shriner and a member of the Khiva Temple. In addition, he was a member of Pampa Chapter #65 Order of the Eastern Star, First United Methodist Church and WinSome Sunday School Class. He was a member of Evening Lions Club and had served as secretary for 11 years. He was a scoutmaster of the Boys Scouts in Bowers City.



Survivors include his wife, Babe, of the home; a son and daughter-in-law, Theo A. Mastin Jr. and Dee of Colleyville; a brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Mastin of Peru, Kan.; four granddaughters and three grandsons-in-law, Lisa and Roger Stone, Sheri and Mark Miller and Christine and Tim Moore, all of Albuquerque, N.M.; and Dian Mastin of Aztec, N.M.; a grand-son, George Mastin of Albuquerque; two step-grandchildren, Bruce Brown of Colleyville and Chris Brown of the Air Force base in Little Rock, Ark.; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to WinSome Sunday School Class, Chapel Fund, c/o First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, TX 79065-1981.

KATHERINE INEZ (WADE) WALRAVEN

SHAMROCK - Katherine Inez (Wade) Walraven, 89, of Shamrock, died Saturday, Jan. 18, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Floyd Haddock, retired minister of Lubbock, and the Rev. Don Conner, retired minister of Shamrock, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Walraven was born Jan. 18, 1908, in Rio Vista, Texas. She was the salutatorian of her class in Friendship. She married Ivan Walraven on Dec. 16, 1928, in Johnson County. She had lived in Shamrock since 1930. She worked for J.C. Penney, Drapers Jewelry and Pickett's Grocery. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Bluebonnet Home Demonstration Club and the Lydia Sunday School Class.

She was preceded in death by a brother, I.V. Wade Jr., in May 1980, and by a sister, Pauline Wade, in 1911.

Survivors include her husband, Ivan, of Shamrock; three daughters, Doris Haynes of Possum Kingdom, Patricia Johnson of Amarillo and Helen Zook of Garland; a sister, Della Mae Easdon of Cleburne; two grandchildren, Kelly George of Aztec, N.M., and Carre Hanner of Grapevine; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the First Baptist Church of Shamrock or the Shamrock Cemetery Association.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following calls and arrests for the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday

FRIDAY, Jan. 17

An unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, a 1987 Mercury Cougar, was reported from the 1600 block of West Somerville.

A theft was reported in the 700 block of South Gray. Taken were \$150 cash and a wallet.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1800 block of North Banks.

A theft was reported in the 1000 block of Wilks. Taken were a \$30 cigarette case and various ID.

A 33-year-old male reported an aggravated assault in the 900 block of Terry. No injuries were reported.

A 14-year-old male reported an assault in the 1100 block of Sandelewood. He reported soreness around head and neck.

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A 52-year-old female reported an assault by threat in the 600 block East Frost. No injuries were reported.

A criminal trespass of a habitation was reported in the 600 block of East Foster.

A Pampa resident reported a missing person from an Amarillo hospital.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Jan. 17

8 a.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to the 1700 block of Coffee on a motor vehicle accident.

10:55 a.m. - Three units and six personnel responded to Kentucky and Hobart on a motor vehicle accident.

1:24 p.m. - Three units and five personnel responded to 112 West on a small structure fire.

6:19 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to 1806 N. Banks on a gas odor.

6:38 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to the 400 block of Naida on a false call.

10 p.m. - Three units and six personnel responded to Sunset and Duncan on a motor vehicle accident.

10:39 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to Columbia Medical Center for a Medivac standby.

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7:15 a.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to 420 N. Ward on an alarm malfunction.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents for the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Jan. 17

A 1992 Mazda driven by Charlotte Treat Willett, 29, Pampa, and a 1987 Chevy Beretta driven by Bryan Keith McCormick, 18, 1129 Sandelewood, collided in the intersection of 17th and Coffee. Willette was cited for failure to yield right-of-way at a left turn.

A 1990 Ford driven by Rusty Lee Freeze, 21, Memphis, a 1981 Mercury driven by James Bradley Elliot, 36, 1428 Hamilton, and a 1988 Chevy Sprint driven by Misti Gale Ledbetter, 21, 113 S. Sumner, collided at the intersection of Kentucky and Hobart. Freeze was cited for disregarding a red light.

Calendar of events

T.O.P.S. #149

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #149 meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 for more information.

T.O.P.S. #41

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #41 meets at noon Monday at 511 N. Hobart. For more information, call 665-3024.

AL-ANON

Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. For more information, call 669-0407.

TRALEE CRISIS GROUP COUNSELING

Tralee Crisis Center, 119 N. Frost, is to offer group counseling for battered and abused women 11 a.m. to noon Mondays. Facilitator is Priscilla Klempeter, LMFT. For more information, call Ann Hamilton at 669-1131. Space is limited. Call ahead.

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

Preschool story hour will be held at Lovett Memorial Library 10 to 11 a.m. each Tuesday. Children ages three to five are welcome.

VFW CHARITY BINGO

The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. The public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Pampa Chapter #65 Order of the Eastern Star will hold an initiation at its stated meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, at the Masonic Lodge Hall, 420 W. Kingsmill. Members are encouraged to attend. Officers, please wear Chapter Dresses.

PAMPA RETIRED TEACHERS

Pampa Retired Teachers will meet Monday, Jan. 20, at 2 p.m. in the Lovett Library auditorium. Freida Lewis is hostess chairman, and the program topic is on school safety. Members are requested to turn in their service hours at the beginning of the meeting.

BAND SPAGHETTI SUPPER

The Pampa High School Band Spaghetti Supper will be held in the PHS cafeteria from 5-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 28. Cost is \$4.50 for adults and \$2.25 for children under 10. Come eat before the PHS-Randall basketball games.

PAMPA AREA SINGLES

The Pampa Area Singles will be having a pot luck supper and dance, featuring Indian Summer, on Saturday, Jan. 25, at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium, 1000 N. Sumner in Pampa. Cost is \$5 a person. Supper starts at 7 p.m., the dance at 8 p.m. Bring a food dish or a dessert if you can. No smoking or alcohol permitted. For more information, call 669-7370 or 665-2829.

New GOP chairman sets cautious course

WASHINGTON (AP) - The new national Republican chairman promised Saturday to target women and minority voters aggressively in his mission to "grow the party with the aim of winning the White House in the year 2000."

Colorado developer Jim Nicholson told reporters he hoped to grow into the influential role enjoyed by his predecessor, Haley Barbour, a major force in shaping GOP legislative and campaign strategy.

But Barbour's unprecedented role stemmed from being a key architect of the 1994 midterm rout that brought Republicans to power in Congress. Nicholson said as "the new kid on the block," he would not immediately be able to wield such influence. "I am a good mediator," said

Nicholson, 58, an attorney with a home-building business in Colorado. On the morning after his victory in a contentious race for chairman, Nicholson said he will meet soon with House Speaker Newt Gingrich, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott and other GOP congressional leaders and hopes to quickly earn their trust.

Virtually unknown in national political circles, the soft-spoken conservative was setting a cautious course for his early weeks in office.

"This is a humbling experience," Nicholson told the committee Saturday as it wrapped up a three-day meeting.

In his first detailed comments since winning the chairmanship on Friday night's sixth ballot, Nicholson took care to make no major policy pronouncements except to say it is imperative for

Congress to cut taxes for working Americans. "They certainly could use more take-home pay," he said.

An anti-abortion conservative, Nicholson said he supports the party's national platform, which calls for outlawing abortion. But he said it is premature to discuss whether changes should be made when the platform won't be open for revisions until the 2000 nominating convention.

Nicholson said he would form several task forces to develop party policy positions on campaign finance reform, the legislative and congressional redistricting that follows the 2000 census and the structure of the national party organization. Other panels will consider the changing role of presidential nominating conventions and draft a strategy for outreach to women and minorities.

Ambulance

Rural Metro reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Jan. 17

8:03 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to 17th and Coffee on a motor vehicle accident. No one was transported.

10:18 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of Malone on a medical emergency. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center emergency room.

10:53 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of Hobart on a motor vehicle accident. Three patients were transported to Columbia Medical Center emergency room.

12:50 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home on a medical emergency. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

5:36 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the

800 block of West 25th on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

9:48 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 400 block of North Nelson on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

10:02 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Duncan and Sunset on a motor vehicle accident. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

10:18 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Duncan and Sunset on a motor vehicle accident. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

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4:27 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center on a patient transfer to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff Office reported the following arrests for the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Jan. 17

Arthur Lee Williams, 34, Amarillo, was arrested on a charge of violation of probation. He remains in custody.

Tina Michelle Bellow, 29, Amarillo, was arrested on a charge of issuance of worthless checks. She remains in custody.

Richard Eugene Brookshire, 26, 945 Scott, was arrested on a charge of a criminal mischief. He remains in custody.

SATURDAY, Jan. 18

Lorea Ann McGrew, 34, 1149 Varnon Dr., was arrested on charges of theft by check in Gray County, criminal mischief in Gray County, a DPS warrant for expired driver's license, a Randall County warrant for failure to appear and theft and issuance of bad checks in Potter County.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Today, sunny and warmer with a high in the mid 60s and southwesterly winds 5-15 mph. Tonight, clear with a low in the low 30s. Monday, increasing clouds with a high near 70 and southwesterly winds 10-20 mph. Saturday's high was 50.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Today, generally sunny with highs in mid 50s to mid 60s. Tonight, partly cloudy with lows in upper 20s to low 30s. Monday, increasing cloudiness with highs in mid 60s to near 70. South Plains: Today, mostly sunny. Highs in low to mid 60s. Tonight, fair. Lows in low to mid 30s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in mid 60s.

North Texas - Today, mostly sunny north, partly cloudy south. Highs 58 northeast to 63 south central. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 35 northwest to 43 southeast.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Today, cloudy and a little warmer with highs in the 60s. Tonight, cloudy with a chance of showers. Lows from 40s Hill Country to 50s south central. Upper Coast: Today, cloudy and a little warmer. Highs from 60s inland to near 60 coast. Tonight, cloudy. Lows from 40s inland to 50s coast. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Today, cloudy with occasional light rain or drizzle. Rio Grande plains. Highs from 60s coast to near 70 inland. Tonight, cloudy with occasional light rain or

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Today, partly cloudy south with a slight chance of lowland showers and higher mountain snow showers near the south central and southwest border. Mostly fair skies north. Highs mid 20s to near 40 northern mountains and northwest, upper 40s to near 60 east and south. Tonight, variable cloudiness south and mostly fair skies north. A slight chance of showers and high mountain snow showers south central and southeast border. Lows 5 below zero to 20 mountains with upper teens to low 30s lower elevations.

Oklahoma - Today, mostly sunny and warmer. Highs mid 50s to mid 60s. Tonight, fair skies. Lows in the 30s.

City briefs

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POOL TABLE for sale. Call 669-3527. Adv.

ACT I presents "Harvey", January 24, 25, 31 and February 1, 7:30 p.m. at Theatre in Pampa Mall. Also January 26th at 2 p.m. For reservations call 665-3710. Adv.

FASHION NAILS - Coronado Center, 665-7855. Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Full set \$23, Refills \$14. Adv.

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Clinton sweats out speech for his second inauguration

By MIKE FEINSILBER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton worked with pen, pad and tape recorder Saturday, searching for an inaugural address theme that will catch in the nation's memory. Supporters swarmed into a frigid capital to celebrate the advent of term two with lots of fireworks and even some leftover macarena.

The three-day observation of the 53rd inauguration in U.S. history began with Washington and its visitors in a festive but tempered mood.

Democrats had reason to celebrate the first reelection of a Democratic president since Franklin D. Roosevelt and polls putting Clinton's popularity at its highest level since his first inauguration.

But the newness and unchecked promise of four years ago were absent, and between Clinton and his goals stood a Republican Congress with ideas of its own.

Still, for the moment, partisanship was set aside. The capital looked glorious. Banners and bunting flicked in the breezes. Monday's swearing-in of Clinton and Vice President Al Gore promised to occur in weather that's crisp, clear and free of snow — better than usual.

"It's freezing cold," shivered an inaugural visitor from San Francisco, Jeanne Bierhart, a school teacher. That didn't keep her from trooping to Pennsylvania Avenue to take photos of the White

House. "I'm just happy to be here," she exulted.

As workers hoisted the presidential seal over the inaugural parade reviewing stand in front of the White House, two dozen anti-abortion activists marched past carrying giant color posters of aborted fetuses and a banner calling them "the children of Hillary's village." Next Wednesday marks the 24th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court decision that ruled American women have a right to abortion.

Four years ago, Clinton led a bus motorcade from Thomas Jefferson's Monticello in Virginia and walked across a bridge over the Potomac into Washington. His fellow Arkansans galloped through the corridors of the Mayflower Hotel crying out, "woo, pig, sooie!"

This time, Arkansans were back at the Mayflower — but more restrained. They named their big social event "the Blue Jeans Ball."

Clinton was described as upbeat and happy to have visiting time with old friends. He and Mrs. Clinton fed 500 friends, family and former college and law school classmates at brunch and lunch in the White House.

But the first order of business was Monday's speech. Clinton worked on it late Friday night, then was up again early Saturday to write a new beginning. He worked sometimes with speech writers, sometimes alone. Spokesman Mike McCurry said he wants it to be memorable.

For ideas, Clinton dipped into an anthology of

great oratory and, for cadence, read some poetry.

Most inaugural addresses are forgotten upon delivery. Clinton's speech four years ago fell into that category.

A handful are recalled for lines that resonate — Lincoln's "with malice towards none," Roosevelt's "the only thing we have to fear is fear itself," Kennedy's "Ask not what your country can do for you" — and that's what Clinton was said to be striving for.

The president used his weekly radio address to give a seven-months progress report against a rash of church arson — 48 convictions in 43 fires, a higher than normal rate.

He saluted Americans of all faiths who helped rebuild scorched houses of worship. He quoted scripture: "You meant evil against me, but God meant it for good."

Republicans designated a freshman, Rep. Kay Granger of Texas, to deliver their weekly radio reply. She plugged for a balanced budget, but for the moment, she said, Americans are united, celebrating their democracy as a "model of freedom and self-government for people the world over."

The inaugural calendar brimmed. Festivities got under way at nightfall with a fireworks display said to rival that of the 1976 bicentennial. Clinton planned to step outside and watch from the White House lawn.

A record 14 inaugural balls were laid out, and the macarena, the dance that enlivened dull moments

during last summer's Democratic convention in Chicago, was heard once again.

On Sunday night, big name celebrities will entertain at an extravaganza from the USAir Arena in a Maryland suburb. The first family planned to drop by all the inaugural balls and as many other events as they could work in.

On the National Mall were the free events — music, oratory and entertainment. Big tents housing the shows were supposed to be heated, but no one could tell.

Better Than Ezra, an alternative rock band, was booked into "Harmony Hall" tent. Television's historian, Ken Burns, was to speak at the "American Journey" tent. Eighteen companies were displaying new gadgetry in the "Technology Playground" tent, where visitors could send e-mail to Clinton and Gore. The "Millennium Schoolhouse" offered entertainment for children, including the Science Guy.

Inevitably on the Mall was "The Bridge to the 21st Century," a structure composed of painted panels depicting different visions of "an American Journey."

Among other parties were the Black Tie & Boots Gala, the Black Entertainment Jam, the Women's Ball and the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund dance.

For those unable to be on hand, a computer site, promised the next best thing: the first ever Internet inaugural broadcast. The site is <http://www.inaugural97.org>.

PHS teachers nominated to Who's Who



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Eleven Pampa High School teachers were nominated by former honor students, who are now listed in Who's Who Among College Students, for the honor of being in the Who's Who Among High School Teachers. From left are Susie Wilson, choir; Sandy Osborne, business; Beth Shannon, chemistry; Susan Bromlow, business; Kay Kibbe, English; Mary Nava, math; Tammy Wilbon, English; and Daniel Barker, English. Also nominated for the honor but not pictured are Frank McCullough, math; Steve Porter, social studies; and Sherrill Wheeler, business.

PRPC to host business incentives workshop

AMARILLO — The Business Services Office of the Texas Department of Commerce invites city, county, chamber of commerce and economic development leaders to a business incentives workshop on Wednesday, Jan. 29, at 10 a.m. at the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, located at 415 W. 8th Avenue in Amarillo, Texas.

Hosted by the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, the five-hour workshop is divided into two sessions to inform local community leaders of Commerce's Business

Services programs. These programs include the Texas Manufacturing Assistance Center, Smart Jobs Fund, Texas Capital Fund, Enterprise Zone Program, Texas Leverage Fund and Capital Certified Development Corporation.

Session one covers program descriptions and eligibility requirements, while session two, which will begin at 2 p.m., is reserved for one-on-one appointments with community leaders to discuss specific projects.

The service area of the Panhandle Regional Planning

Commission includes the following 26 counties: Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donely, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher and Wheeler.

There is no fee for the workshop; however, participants must register. For more information and/or to register, contact Perna Strickland of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission at (806) 372-3381.

Lake McClellan Improvement elects new officers

Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. members elected Steve Thornton to serve as president of the non-profit organization in their first meeting of the new year on Thursday.

Pat Bagley was elected vice president and Diane Chase was elected secretary/treasurer.

Joe Wheeley, James Hefley, Glenn Fisher and Venita Rowland were reappointed to serve on the board for two-year terms ending Dec. 31, 1999, and Diane Chase will finish the current year term of Marilyn Lewis, who recently resigned.

The board met with Reggie Blackwell, area supervisor with the

U.S. Forrest Service, and John Crowell, director of the local Natural Resource Conservation office, to discuss pending plans for Lake McClellan improvements and renovations, according to Bagley.

"Detailed work plans are not finalized at this time, although some clean up work is in process on the west side of the lake, in preparation for future improvements in the camping areas," Bagley said.

He said once the projects are given final approval, work should start this spring.

In November grants were approved for pending projects, through the efforts and support of U.S. Senators Kay Bailey Hutchison and Phil Gramm, and U. S. Rep. Mac Thornberry. Total funds to be allocated are in amounts of \$250,000 for dredging, \$300,000 for renovation projects and \$50,000 on road improvements.

WTAMU to hold annual Music Career Day

CANYON — More than 100 high school students and parents are expected to attend the annual West Texas A&M University Department of Music and Dance's Music Career Day for high school juniors and seniors beginning at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 31.

"This will be an opportunity for these students to see examples of the various careers in music," Sally Turk, instructor of music and coordinator of the event, said. "Music Career Day will demonstrate to students the music opportunities in performance, therapy, business,

education and others."

The day will begin with registration in the Atrium of Mary Moody Northern Hall on the WTAMU campus. The opening session will begin at 10 a.m. in Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall. The session will include information about career choices, financial aid, admission requirements, student services and campus life.

During the afternoon, students will have the opportunity to attend career information sessions where they can learn specific details about music career choices. Auditions for scholarships, tours of the campus and a multimedia demonstration will also be available.

Those attending are also invited to attend a concert including the WTAMU Symphonic Band, the WTAMU Chorale and the Jazz Ensemble at 5 p.m. in Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall.

The day will culminate with the Faculty Grand Recital, an annual event, set to begin at 8 p.m. in the Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall.

For more information or to register for Music Career Day, contact the Department of Music and Dance at 806/656-2840.

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We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not a political grant from government, and that men have the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property for themselves and others.

Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment.

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Opinion

Privatization enters debate

Reality finally may be eclipsing rhetoric as the nation grapples with ways to save the ailing Social Security system.

For years, many liberals have been apoplectic about so-called Republican intentions to "gut" Social Security to avert the system's looming insolvency. Democrats have waged a shameless - and successful - campaign to portray their GOP opponents as ogres who would kick Grandma onto the street.

Now, some liberals are proposing measures that are more sweeping than what most Republicans proposed in recent election seasons: benefit cuts, the postponement of the retirement age and an increase in taxes to make Social Security solvent. The left still is resisting privatization proposals, but it is promising that most everyone now agrees that doing nothing is an irresponsible approach.

Even more promising is the recent announcement from a presidential advisory council charged with finding ways to rescue this enormous entitlement program. The council's report suggested investing some Social Security dollars in the stock market instead of in low yield government paper. The council's 13 members couldn't agree on much else, so they issued three divergent proposals.

The first plan would maintain the current Social Security system, but invest part of the Social Security tax in the stock market. The second plan would place 1.6% of each person's pay in individual retirement accounts owned by workers but handled by the government. The third, and most sensible, policy would allow workers to invest five percent of their pay into a personal retirement account of their own choosing.

Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle supports a pilot program to invest Social Security funds into the private sector but still calls more "radical" privatization programs a "nonstarter." Coming from one of the loudest opponents of any Social Security tinkering, this sounds like progress.

It's a good time for the debate to be shifting. *USA Today* points out these startling facts: "The system has already piled up an \$8 trillion unfunded liability - a number so large that an immediate 17.5% payroll tax hike or benefit cut would be needed to eliminate it. And even then, average wage earners still wouldn't get out of Social Security what they put in."

Beyond these disastrous numbers is another equally pressing problem. By guaranteeing benefits, Social Security has reduced Americans' incentive to save. So, Americans have become even more dependent on a system that may not be able to deliver on its promises.

Daschle and other liberals are opposed to Social Security proposals that allow private investment because they don't trust Americans to make wise investments on their own. But private investments do far better than government investments. Besides, millions of Americans have created secure nest eggs from employer-sponsored 401(k) investment programs, which are similar to what privatization plans would allow.

"Diverting part of the payroll tax into private retirement accounts will create a healthy mix: rapidly growing savings accounts backed by a social-insurance safety net for the disabled, survivors and low-wage workers," wrote *Business Week*.

Given how quickly the Social Security debate has already shifted, it may not be long before Americans rally behind that sound and equitable idea.

Thought for today

"A few honest men are better than numbers. If you choose godly, honest men to be captains of horse, honest men will follow them."

Oliver Cromwell, 1599-1658
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Virginia's fathers' wisdom

Soon, I'll write to Virginia's Gov. George Allen demanding that he keep the faith with his predecessors who, in 1788, ratified the Constitution and brought Virginia into the union. Let's do some thinking out loud about this letter just to make sure my reasoning is correct.

In 1788, when Virginia's delegates narrowly (88 to 78) ratified the Constitution, their ratification message closed with, "We the said delegates, in the name and behalf of the people of Virginia, do by these presents assent to and ratify the Constitution ... the said Constitution is binding upon the said people ..." The Virginia delegates and their Assembly had great fear of what they called consolidation of power by the federal government, but on balance, they saw the good outweighing the bad.

Their ratification message made clear their unwillingness to give the federal government a blank check, "We the delegates of the people of Virginia ... do in the name and on the behalf of the people of Virginia, declare and make known, that the powers granted under the Constitution being derived from the people of the United States, may be resumed by them whensoever the same shall be perverted to their injury or oppression, and that every power not granted thereby remains with them, and at their will. That therefore no right, of any denomination, can be canceled, abridged, restrained or modified by the Congress,



Walter Williams

by the Senate, or House of Representatives, acting in any capacity, by the President, or any department or officer of the United States, except in those instances where power is given by the Constitution for those purposes."

That's a fairly clear ratification message. The key phrase is: The powers granted the federal government, by the people of Virginia, "may be resumed by them whensoever the same shall be perverted to their injury or oppression," and every power not granted to the federal government by the Constitution resides with the people of Virginia. The people of Virginia, through their delegates, set up a contractual agreement, along with the several other sovereign states, creating the federal government as their agent. They enumerated the powers their agent would have. When the federal government violates their

grant of power, then the people of Virginia have the right to take back the power they granted the federal government - in other words, fire their agent.

The governor should read the Washington, D.C.-based Competitive Enterprise Institute's "Ten Thousand Commandments," a paper that discusses the nearly 70,000 federal regulations and mandates. With the U.S. Constitution in hand, the governor should ask which among these regulations and mandates are within the letter and spirit of Virginia's ratification agreement. I hope the governor doesn't try to trick me with that nonsensical "commerce clause" justification.

I know what some of you will say, "Williams, that was 1788 when Virginia ratified the Constitution; a lot has changed since then." The framers built flexibility into the Constitution with Article V procedures for amendment. I haven't seen the amendments permitting those 70,000 federal regulations and mandates.

You say, "Williams, what do you expect from your letter to Gov. Allen?" Gov. Allen is a principled man with an appreciation for our Constitution. I suspect he'll agree that the federal government has perverted the 1788 agreement and will call a special session of the Assembly to debate whether Virginians should take back (resume) the powers granted and resume its status, as per the Treaty of Pads, as a sovereign state.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Jan. 19, the 19th day of 1997. There are 346 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 19, 1807, Robert E. Lee, the commander-in-chief of the Confederate armies, was born in Stratford, Va.

On this date:
In 1736, James Watt, inventor of the steam engine, was born in Scotland.

In 1809, author Edgar Allan Poe was born in Boston.

In 1853, Verdi's opera "Il Trovatore" premiered in Rome.

In 1861, Georgia seceded from the Union.

In 1937, millionaire Howard Hughes set a transcontinental air record by flying his monoplane from Los Angeles to Newark, N.J., in 7 hours, 28 minutes and 25 seconds.

In 1944, the federal government relinquished control of the nation's railroads following settlement of a wage dispute.

In 1955, a presidential news conference was filmed for television for the first time, with permission from President Eisenhower.



The intent of black English

Charley Reese

On both my short and long lists of things to worry about, the decision of the Oakland, Calif., school district to recognize so called black English as a second language is absent.

In the first place, what the Oakland district did has been misunderstood at least by some. The district did not decide to teach black English to students, nor did it decide to discontinue teaching standard English. What it decided to do was to teach black English to faculty members so they could better communicate with their students. That in itself doesn't seem to me an unreasonable thing to do.

Second, in the tradition of contemporary America, the district decided to take a run at the federal treasury by calling it a second language. Bobbing for federal funds is the norm among local governments these days, and the only surprising thing is that the federal government turned the district down.

There is, of course, no such thing as black English or white English or brown English. There are only two forms of standard English - American and British. There are several variations of nonstandard English, usually called dialects, which are a combination of incorrect pronunciation, incorrect grammar and slang.

There is nothing racial or genetic about the dialect of black kids. Black kids can speak and write standard English just like white kids - pro-

vided, of course, they are, also like white kids, taught it and encouraged to use it. And white kids can speak the black dialect. Having grown up in the rural South with black people, I can speak black dialect, though my slang would be out of date.

I really wish people would be as supportive of teaching standard English as they are outraged by the subject of black English. If I were a teacher, I'd be tempted to say, "Yeah, right, you people out there ignore the Hades out of the classroom until you decide to fabricate some controversy."

If I were a member of the Oakland school district, I'd say to non-Oakland residents, "Where was your abiding interest in our efforts to educate our children before this topic came up? Nonexistent, that's where, so butt out."

Teaching English is the single most important task of American secondary education. Thinking and communicating are human beings' principle means of survival. We think and communicate in our native language. The more precise our knowledge of the language, the more precise our thinking and communication. The more precise our thinking and communication, the easier it is for us

to solve problems.

Except for hermits, every aspect of human life - friendship, family, courtship, marriage, parenting, work, religion and politics - depends on communication.

It's possible for a person to learn to add, subtract, multiply and divide, and succeed in life with no more instruction in math than those elementary skills. But it is far more difficult for a person to succeed who cannot read, write and communicate clearly in standard English. Thus any child leaving high school deficient in English language skills has been handicapped, and the taxpayers who paid for his education have been defrauded.

But two more points need to be gleaned from this incident. We have to stop picking fights with each other. There are too many people in this country - journalists, demagogues, talk show hosts and people widening their rear ends in academia and in think tanks - who have nothing to do all day but argue. And they will argue about anything, with or without knowledge of the subject. We need to focus on solving problems, not on winning arguments.

Second, let's learn to respect boundaries. Educating children in Oakland is the responsibility of the people in Oakland. Where does someone 2,000 miles away, relying only on secondhand information, get off telling the people of Oakland how to run their public schools?

A truly great clown in politics

R. Emmett Tyrrell Jr.

One of the great clowns of American politics has just sounded off! And who might that be? So many come to mind. Well, I have in mind no lesser a buffoon than former Speaker of the House Jim Wright, in all his periphrastic absurdity. From a "retirement" residence at a "golf club development" somewhere in Texas, the disgraced (the word does not only apply to discredited Republican presidents) politico granted an interview to a *New York Times* reporter who should have deposited the resulting flappedoodle on the newspaper's entertainment page.

Wright was forced from office in 1989 for accepting royalties on a book that he did not write or, for that matter, sell through normal channels - lobbyists bought it in bulk. It was a scam to avoid House rules. He also had his wife on a bogus payroll - and there was something about her relationship with a Fort Worth developer. In return for the support of Texas S&L operators, he and his equally righteous sidekick, the Hon. Tony Coelho, loosened S&L regulations, conducting the country to the \$300 billion S&L bust and the 1990-91 recession. It was all sufficiently incriminating for him to flee the third most powerful office in the republic. Yet, he now assures us that there was nothing to the charges against him. In fact, he says he is, morally speaking, mountain tops above Speaker Newt Gingrich because he never admitted to anything or apologized.

In fact, he still yaks sententiously as though he were a statue located on the Capitol grounds, an Augustus St. Gaudens with vocal chords and the capacity to wink. "When I resigned, I believed that that act would shock and shame my col-

leagues of both parties into restoring the civility which had been for so many years the oxygen that fueled the legislative system." Well, actually, "the legislative system" is fueled by hot air, of which Wright is a veritable cyclone. And what is this claptrap about his resigning to "shock and shame" his colleagues? Is he claiming to be a simple martyr, or that his resignation was meant as an educational device? How many politicians in world history have resigned to educate lesser mortals or to edify? Does this gas bag see himself as DeGaulle or, perhaps, Jesus Christ? Give him a few more years to contemplate his moral grandeur, and he will be claiming the stigmata.

As with so many of the buffoonish frauds in American politics, Wright now stands foursquare for "civility." It is the driving dream of his life - ah, "a restoration of civility!" The *Times* insists that Wright sees it as "the paramount need in America's public life." What about S&L or campaign finance reform? During his paeans to civility, Wright did pause to compare Newt Gingrich to McCarthy. He was not referring to Gene McCarthy or to Charlie McCarthy, but to the Bad One, the McCarthy responsible for that American holocaust in the 1950s and for the plagues and pestilence that came with it. From his "golf club development," this champion of civility also noted Gingrich's "incorrigible tendency to outrageous verbal abuse and reckless accusations

against anyone who stands in the way of his personal ambitions." Possibly, in the months ahead, Wright will join with James Carville in the preparation of a manual on civility once Carville has ceased his talk of "knee-capping" Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr, as he did on Dec. 10.

This longing for the good old days of political civility (and, as Wright says, "a mutual assumption of honor") is very popular with Democrats, both in the White House and in their reduced numbers on Capitol Hill. Frankly, I am uncertain as to when those good old days were. Surely, they did not take place for very long periods during the Cold War, when Democrats were episodically erupting in denunciations of Republicans as heartless haters of the poor and the black. And, with growing frequency nowadays, the Republicans put the Democrats in mind of "right wing extremists," "kooks and goofballs" (in the memorable term of Dr. Carville), and heirs to the late McCarthy.

Doubtless, there were some happy interludes when the boys on both sides of the aisle slobbered bourbon together and sang "Hail Colombia." Yet, there were also years of harsh rhetoric and devious stratagems - and never forget the duels fought, the tar-and-featherings threatened, and that famous summer day in 1856 when South Carolina's Rep. Preston Brooks fell on Sen. Charles Sumner in the Senate chamber. He bashed Sumner so furiously with a cane that Sumner could not return to the Senate for three years. OK, let us raise a toast with Wright and his Democratic colleagues: "To Civility and to Progress!" It is no longer in fashion for Democrats to carry canes on Capitol Hill.

Letters to the editor

Speak out on river safety

To the editor:

On behalf of my family and myself, I want to thank you for publishing the article about the tragic death of my daughter, Michelle Black, that occurred five years ago in the Guadalupe River near New Braunfels, Texas. Thank you, Ms. Cromartie, for the fine job you did writing the article.

I have heard from many local people regarding the article, offering support and wanting to know what they can do to help. I know most people have no idea what it's like going against a bureaucratic power like the state, and especially the TNRCC (Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission) has such a "WE DON'T CARE" attitude. Many, many hours and thousands of dollars were spent trying to get the state to look into river safety, especially in the Guadalupe and Comal Rivers between Canyon Dam and the city of New Braunfels.

The state has yet to do anything, specifically the TNRCC. They refuse to acknowledge safety problems exist, thus refusing to use the authority they have to pass safety measures.

The state is willing to only investigate select hazardous areas. Fifty miles west of Pampa at intersection FM 1912 and Highway 60, there have been a few auto accidents and deaths. The state studied this area; plans to improve motorist safety has been initiated. This is good. The neglect of the state to assess other areas of hazard such as river safety is disturbing. Does the TNRCC care about the safety of an estimated 1.2 million people who will get into the Guadalupe River this summer? Memorial Day weekend alone, some 100,000 people will float/raft unprotected on its waters. The state and the TNRCC refuses to even study the situation. They claim nothing can be done about the many deaths and thousands of injuries that occur along these 25 miles of river each summer.

At a recent town meeting, I asked Senator Teel Bivins if he had plans to look into river safety. His reply was there is just not enough outcry from the citizens of Texas for anything to be done. He implied a lone voice would not persuade the state to do anything. I am a lone voice. I am not going away until some safety measures are implemented by the state to protect the unsuspecting people who go to any Texas river for fun and recreation.

I would like to warn everyone who chooses this recreation, especially those who take their children for a day or two of fun, that you are at the mercy of an unregulated natural river full of hazards. There are "outfitters" who could care less about you or your child's safety. This is a multi-million dollar business and the monetary profit seems to be the sole priority of these "outfitters."

Since my daughter's accident, I have talked with many people across our state. Several have shared hair-raising experiences of injury and near death situations. Many just thanked God they lived

through it, got in their cars and went to the hospital for care or went home vowing never to return.

I would like to ask anyone who has had or knows of someone who's been injured or had the devastating loss of a loved one, to please contact your local State Representative, Warren Chisum, and/or State Senator Teel Bivins. You can help. I need help turning my lone voice into a multitude of voices. With me, verbalize your concern for river safety in Texas.

If I can prevent another family from going through what my family has, then hopefully all of this work and worry will help in the healing of our loss.

Dr. Keith Black and family
Pampa

Why no delay for snow?

To the editor:

My name is Kim Newman, and I am a sophomore at Pampa High School. My sisters are in middle school. We would like to know why school around us gets to go to school either one hour or two hours late, or they even get canceled, when there is a big snow. We can't even get an hour delay. Our streets are just as bad as the other towns in the Panhandle. Thank you.

Kim Newman
Pampa

Letters to the editor policy

The Pampa News welcomes and encourages readers to express their opinions on issues of public interest and concern. However, we also reserve the right to accept or reject any letter for publication.

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Letters may be dropped off at the office, 403 W. Atchison, or mailed to The Pampa News, Letters to the Editor, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066.

Teen files suit over school's drug testing

AMARILLO (AP) — A school board member's son is suing the Tulia school district and its trustees in federal court challenging the district's drug-testing policy.

Hollister Gardner, 18, a senior at Tulia High School and president of the school's National Honor Society chapter, is seeking a federal court order that would declare the district's drug policy illegal.

"Under the Fourth Amendment to the Constitution, it is unconstitutional to search someone without a reasonable cause," Gardner is quoted as saying in

Saturday editions of the *Amarillo Globe-News*. "During all the discussion of this, there's not been one person state we have a drug problem in Tulia, Texas."

Gardner has refused to be drug tested, and the school system has not allowed him to participate in extracurricular activities, according to the lawsuit.

The policy requires students in grades 7-12 to participate in the random testing program as a condition of their participation in extracurricular activities.

Tulia Superintendent Mike Vinyard declined comment on the suit filed Wednesday.

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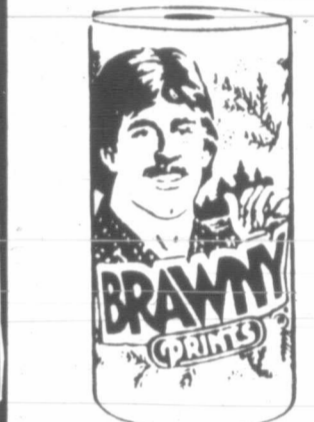


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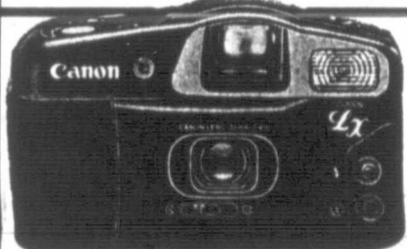
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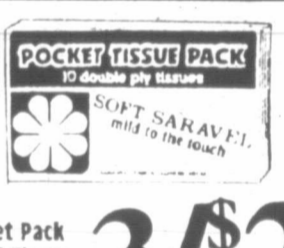


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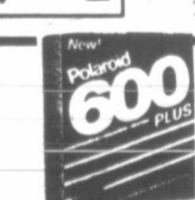
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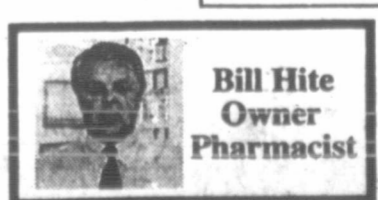
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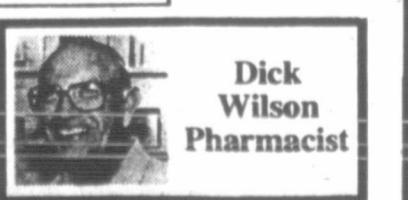
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NASA considers adding extra day to shuttle Atlantis flight

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — The shuttle Atlantis may stay in orbit an extra day to make up for time lost over problems in testing a treadmill, NASA said Saturday.

The crew of Atlantis is evaluating the treadmill for possible use on the international space station, to be built beginning late this year.

The astronauts tried out the treadmill earlier in the flight, but data was lost because of a computer problem, mission operations director Bob Castle said.

Difficulty with the instructions may have contributed as well. "We probably had a procedure that was poorly written," Castle said.

The astronauts also couldn't use the machine for as long as planned because it took more time than expected to assemble.

The shuttle remains docked to the Russian space station Mir, where it picked up U.S. astronaut John Blaha after a four-month stay and dropped off his replacement, Dr. Jerry Linenger.

The extension might not be

necessary, Castle said Saturday. The decision whether to add an 11th day to the flight will depend on results from treadmill testing late Sunday or early Monday.

Weather forecasts also will be a factor in determining whether to bring Atlantis home as scheduled on Wednesday or push the landing to Thursday.

Three of the six Atlantis astronauts plan to squeeze in some time on the treadmill after undocking from Mir Sunday night.

If the equipment works well,

the mission can be completed within the originally planned 10 days, Castle said. "If we have more problems and we get behind, we'll have the option of adding the day."

Exercise equipment will be needed on the planned international space station to help space travelers fight the typical loss of bone and muscle mass in weightlessness. This treadmill is designed to contain vibrations that otherwise could disturb sensitive science experiments on board.

Mexican state replaces police

CULIACAN, Mexico (AP) — Fed up with drug trafficking and rising crime, Gov. Renato Vega Alvarado has been replacing top law-enforcers in Sinaloa state with military men.

So far, Vega told reporters late Friday, "for reasons of greater efficiency" he has replaced 10 top officers including the state police, the state judicial police, the Culiacan municipal police and a number of their deputies.

Vega said the substitute officers have been selected in cooperation with the Defense Department and the federal Attorney General's office.

For decades, the Pacific Coast state of Sinaloa has been a center for drug trafficking and a hideout for drug lords. Most of the traffic involves smuggling home-grown marijuana and cocaine from South America to the United States.

Virtually all state police forces and a number of federal law enforcement agencies have become hopelessly corrupt over the years.

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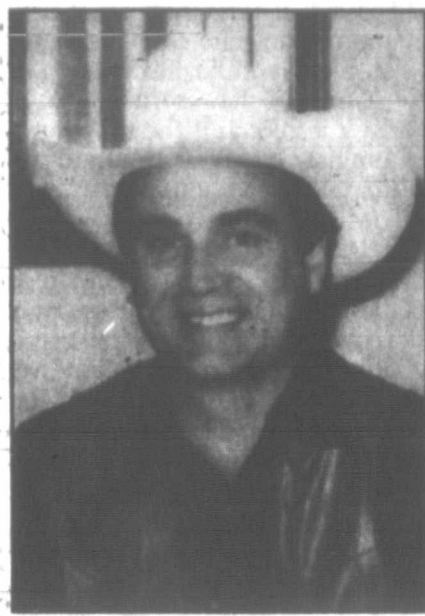
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Business



Rodney Weatherly

Wheeler man new president of Heritage Beef Cattle Co.

WHEELER - Heritage Beef Cattle Co. Inc. of Wheeler has announced Rodney Weatherly as president and general manager of the company. The announcement was made by Joe R. Weatherly and Heinz Prechter, co-owners of the Custom Cattle Feeding Operation.

Rodney Weatherly has been employed by the company for nine years. He has been general manager of the company for five years. Rodney is the son of Joe Weatherly.

Heritage Beef Cattle Co. Inc. began in 1968 from a sandhill, a dream and the determination of its founder, Joe R. Weatherly. The company has been under the same management and ownership since its formation.

Heritage Beef consists of a 30,000-head feedlot, a 1,000-head starting unit and a 5,000-head irrigating, grazing and ranching operation.

In recognition of its dedication to the land, Heritage Beef Cattle Co. Inc. was the 1995 National Cattleman's Environmental Stewardship Award Winner. Rodney Weatherly was instrumental in the company receiving this award.

Joe Weatherly states, "We are proud to have Rodney as president and general manager. His expertise in the cattle feeding business is a great asset to our company."

Chamber Communique

Columbia Medical Center of Pampa will be sponsoring the Chamber Luncheon Jan. 21 in the M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building. Phil Young, administrator, will be the guest speaker. Sirloin Stockade will begin serving at 11:45 a.m.

Reservations are available until 9 a.m. on the 21st by calling the Chamber at 669-3241. Your attendance is welcome. Bring a friend!

The 68th Annual Chamber Meeting will be Feb. 20 in the Heritage Room of the M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium. Dan Willis, cowboy poet-storyteller from Cranfills Gap, Texas, will be the featured speaker. Tickets are \$15 per person and may be purchased either from a Chamber board member or from the Chamber office, 200 N. Ballard.

Meetings:
Monday - 12 noon, Top O' Texas Monthly Luncheon, M.K. Brown Room, Pampa Community Bldg.

Tuesday - 11:45 a.m., Chamber Luncheon, M.K. Brown Room

Thursday - 2 p.m., Household Hazardous Waste Meeting, Nona Payne Room, Pampa Community Bldg.

Minding your own Business
By Don Taylor

Coping with competition

The first danger signal Gene noticed was the shrinking checking account balance. A quick check of the current bills revealed that he could only pay half of them immediately. The end-of-the-quarter sales report confirmed that sales were lagging nearly 15 percent behind last year.

When a new competitor entered the market six months ago Gene wasn't too concerned. Business had been good and there was plenty of cash. Now suddenly, things were going downhill fast and Gene wondered how he could keep up with the expenses.

Fortunately, Gene's situation is not an actual case this week. However, I've worked with many business owners in similar circumstances during the last ten years and situations just like this occur all too frequently.

A common question I receive is, "How do you protect your business from competition, economic downturns and other adversities?" One of the best protections I know of is to run a cost effective operation. When you run a lean, trim business, devoid of an unnecessary expenses, you can deal with tough times when they come.

Running a bar-bones operation is always easier to talk about than do. Business expenses just naturally have a way of piling up during the good times. When sales are up and profits are increasing, expenses tend to creep up as well. Getting rid of those little extras is often more difficult than one would expect. Trimming fat from a business requires dedicated, day-to-day discipline.

An ounce of prevention
One of the best ways to check your expense fitness level is to compare your expenses with other businesses like yours. When you compare your costs to industry averages, you can see quickly if any expense categories are out of line.

One word of caution here. You should not be content to be "average" in your industry. In tough times, only the best survive. Your goal must be to position your firm well above the average.

Another good principle to apply is to look beyond the largest expense categories. Remember, small expenses add up, too. Rather than trimming a big category by 15 or 20 percent, look for 15 or 20 areas that you can trim by 1 or 2 percent. The results will be positive and you don't run the risk of crippling your business because you cut too deeply in one area.

Some businesses aren't fortunate enough to have industry averages with which to compare their own numbers. In this case, you must use your own historical financial statements as a guideline.

A good starting point is to calculate your operating expenses as a percentage of sales. Look at the last three or four years to see if there is an established trend. Regardless, your goal is to reduce fixed expenses as a percentage of sales. It doesn't matter if sales are up or down, reducing expenses as a percentage will strengthen your financial position.

Be careful where you cut
While there are no sacred cows you should protect when eliminating waste, there are some areas where you need to observe caution. Advertising and promotion budgets deserve careful examination. You should try to trim waste, but don't cut here just for the savings.

Use care when reducing labor costs. You must keep customer service at a high level to be competitive.

Finally, never delay in paying income and withholding taxes. Some creditors can be hard to deal with, but the IRS can lock your front door.

The best possible position to work from is one where you don't allow fat to accumulate in the first place. To ensure success, you must make a commitment. Cut the fat and get more competitive.

Southwestern Public Service Company issues annual report

Southwestern Public Service Company has reported first-quarter earnings of \$21.5 million, or 52 cents per share, compared with earnings in the same period in the prior year of \$21.9 million, or 54 cents per share.

The electric utility reported earnings of \$102.8 million, or \$2.51 per common share, for the 12 months ended Nov. 30, 1996. That compares with earnings in the twelve months ended Nov. 30, 1995, of \$116.6 million, or \$2.85 per common share.

Total kilowatt-hour sales, excluding non-firm, increased 1.1 percent and 4.2 percent in the three- and 12-month periods, respectively. The increase for the 12-month period was primarily due to hot, dry weather in late spring and early summer that increased air conditioning and irrigation load. Improved economic conditions contributed to sales for both periods.

SPS Chairman of the Board Bill D. Helton said quarterly and 12-month earnings were negatively affected by increased interest expense due to increased long-term and short-term debt.

These higher levels of debt were caused by the retirement of preferred stock, the 1995 acquisition of electric properties from Texas-New Mexico Power Company and increased construction expenditures.

Twelve-month earnings were positively affected by the sale of a portion of underground water rights held by SPS subsidiary Quixx Corporation that added 19 cents per share.

Earnings were adversely affected by merger-related and business integration expenses, primarily in the 12-month period. SPS is in the process of merging with Denver-based Public Service Co. of Colorado to create New Century Energies. Pending final regulatory approvals and other steps, the companies have targeted completion of the merger for spring 1997.

Additionally, earnings for the prior 12-month period had been boosted by the rate settlement with wholesale customers in New Mexico that added 11 cents per share, and by a change in the estimated kWh sales relate to energy used by customers but not billed until the subsequent month.

Southwestern Public Service Company is a regional electric utility that primarily provides electric service to a population of about one million people in a 52,000-square-mile area comprising eastern and southeastern New Mexico, the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, the Oklahoma panhandle and southwestern Kansas. Corporate headquarters is in Amarillo.

Appraisers in demand, public may expect to pay more

The increased demand for licensed real-estate appraisers and fewer available appraisers in 1997 has led the National Association of Real Estate Appraisers to advise clients to expect to pay more for these services.

According to Joan T. Powell, managing director of National Association of Real Estate Appraisers, real estate appraisers have been polled and the results show that there will be fewer appraisers available, yet more people will have property appraised.

Additional reasons for the

increase include the price of high tech equipment which is necessary to meet the standards set by mortgage and lending firms.

Digital cameras and updated computer equipment and programs have replaced the tape measures and Polaroid cameras of the the past years.

Appraisers are expected to spend more money on increasing state licensing fees, mandatory continuing education fees and higher insurance premiums, according to Powell.

State regulators have increased the number of class hours and

educators are charging more for these classes, she said.

According to statistics, clients can expect to pay 10 percent to 20 percent more for residential appraisals and 5 percent to 10 percent more for commercial clients.

Powell said the commercial increases are not as high as residential, because commercial rates are already higher.

For more information, contact the National Association of Real Estate Appraisers, 8383 East Evans Rd., Scottsdale, Arizona, 85260 or call (602) 948-8000.

Topographic Land Surveyors adds two technicians to staff

OKLAHOMA CITY - Topographic Land Surveyors of Oklahoma has added two technicians in the areas of drafting and GPS/survey, president Susan Blueher has announced.

J. Chad Kulbeth has been named a GPS/survey technician for Topographic Land Surveyors of Oklahoma and will be responsible for maintenance and operation of survey grade receivers. Previously with Carroll

Surveying Service in Marlow, Kulbeth has five years surveying experience. He is currently continuing his education to become a Registered Professional Land Surveyor in Oklahoma.

Mark A. Russell has been named a drafting technician for Topographic Land Surveyors of Oklahoma. His job responsibilities include creating data files and drawings of oil well plats. He has

six years experience in the surveying field and worked previously for Smith-Roberts as a survey technician. Russell is also working towards earning his Registered Professional Land Surveyor license.

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Intentions to Drill

CARSON (WEST PANHANDLE) Anadarko Petroleum Corp., #1-60A Burnett, 2640' from North & 990' from West line, Sec. 60, 5, I&GN BHL: 428' from North & 358' from West line of Sec. 13 mi north from panhandle, Pd 2850'. Horizontal Sidetrack

CARSON (WEST PANHANDLE) Conoto, Inc., #11 G.W. Deahl, 1500' from South & 330' from West line, Sec. 3, —, H&GN, PD 3000'

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Seagull Midcon, Inc., #118 Worley Unit, 1320' from North & 660' from East line, Sec. 84, 3, I&GN, PD 3284'

HANSFORD (WILDCAT & PAT-TEN Kridler) Jones Energy, Ltd., #1 Rafferty '178', 980' from south & 1250' from East line, Sec. 178, 45, H&TC, PD 4000'

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Douglas) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #3 Fisher Estate, 2050' from South & 467' from West line, Sec. 14, Y.W.E. Dewey Survey, Pd 8200'

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Douglas) Midgard Energy Co., #3 Willa Rea Dumler 'A', 660' from South & 2000' from West line, Sec. 2, 1, I&GN, PD 8150'

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., Herring 'C', Sec. 52, M-23, N.A. Williamson, PD 3500', for the following wells:

#18, 2946' from central South line, & 330' from central East line of Sec. #19, 2361' from central South line & 433' from central West line of Sec.

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., South Herring, E. McDaniel survey, PD 3500', for the following wells:

#195, 1650' from South & 455' from East line of Survey.

#196, 1908' from North & 990' from East line of Survey.

HUTCHINSON (S.W. MORSE Brown Dolomite) UMC Petroleum Corp., R. Womble Lease Sec. 40, 3, GH&H, PD 3400', for the following wells:

#3-40, 990' from North & 4290' from East line of Sec. 6 mi west from Morse.

#4-40, 990' from North & East line of Sec. 5.75 mi west from Morse.

MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE) Mesa Operating Co., #B-111 Masterson '43', 2280' from North & 660' from East line, sec. 43, 3, G&M, PD 3100'. Replacement well for #B-1 Masterson

MOORE (TEXAS-HUGOTON) Midgard Energy Co., #36 Flores, 1250' from South & West line, Sec. 91, 3-T, T&NO, PD 3350'

POTTER (WEST PANHANDLE) Mesa Operating Co., #B-114 Masterson '64, 778' from South & 541' from West line, Sec. 64, 0-18, D&P, PD 3400'

POTTER (WEST PANHANDLE) Mesa Operating Co., #B-116 Masterson '56', 830' from North & 585' from West line, Sec. 56, 47, H&TC, PD 3000'. Replacement well for #B-32 Masterson

POTTER (WEST PANHANDLE) Mesa Operating Co., #B-117 Masterson '65', 587' from south North line & 5566' from West line, Sec. 65, 47, H&TC, PD 3000'. Replacement well for #B-32 Masterson

SHERMAN (TEXAS-HUGOTON) BRG Petroleum, Inc., #2 buzzard, 1250' from South & West line, Sec. 116, 1-C, GH&H, PD 3350'

SHERMAN (TEXAS-HUGOTON) Midgard Energy Co., #33 Flores, 1460' from South & 1499' from West line, Sec. 24, 3-T, T&NO, PD 3340'

SHERMAN (TEXAS-HUGOTON) Midgard Energy Co., #34 Flores, 1460' from south & 1499' from East line, Sec. 61, 3-T, T&NO, PD 3350'

SHERMAN (TEXAS-HUGOTON) Midgard Energy Co., #35 Flores, 1396' from South & 1596' from West line, Sec. 90, 3-T, T&NO, PD 3350'

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HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & WASHITA CREEK Brownville) Phillips Petroleum Co., #1 Bowers 'J', 1320' from South & West line, Sec. 254, C, G&MMB&A, PD 8100'

LIPSCOMB (STABEL Lower morrow) Midgard Energy Co., #3899 Alex Born 'F', 2555' from South & West line, Sec. 899, 43, H&TC, PD 11050'

ROBERTS (CHAMBERS Lower Douglas) Midgard Energy Co., #4079 Frank Chambers 'B', 954' from North & 1252' from East line, Sec. 79, B-1, H&GN, PD 7400'

Amended Intentions to Drill

HANSFORD (HANSFORD Upper & Middle Morrow) Bristol Resources Corp., #2 Crooks, 1650' from South & 1350' from West line, Sec. 118, 45, H&TC (BHL: 1980' from North & 2180' from East line of Sec.) PD 7500'. Amended to move directional well to a more favorable location

HEMPHILL (FELDMAN Tonkawa) MW Petroleum Corp., #4 Fee '37, 900' from South & 1350' from East line, Sec. 37, 42, H&TC, PD 11400'. Amended to change well location

Oil Well Completions

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Oilwell Operators, Inc., #7 short, Sec. 2, 1, H&GN, elev. 2969 kb, spud 10-16-96, drlg. compl 10-24-96, tested 1-8-97, pumped 20 bbl. of 40 grav. oil + 36 bbls. water, GOR 1300, TD 3200', PBTD 2970'

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Texaco E&P, Inc., #20 J.E. Wright, Sec. 13, 3, I&GN, elev. 2859 kb, spud 10-1-96, drlg. compl 10-7-96, tested 12-11-96, pumped 2 bbl. of 43.6 grav. oil + no water, GOR 1500, TD 3040'

HUTCHINSON (WILDCAT) Phillips Petroleum Co., #1 Holt-Eisenhauer 'A', Sec. 81, 5-T, T&NO, elev. 3223 rkb, spud 10-14-96, drlg. compl 11-4-96, tested 12-11-96, pumped 95 bbl. of 36 grav. oil + no water, GOR 21, TD 7800', PBTD 7586'

LIPSCOMB (SELL Upper Morrow) Williford Energy Co., #1004 Sell Upper Morrow Unit, Sec. 29, 10, HT&B, elev. 2828 gl, spud 2-17-96, drlg. compl 3-10-96, tested 5-7-96, pumped 90 bbl. of 38.2 grav. oil + no water, GOR 2067, TD 8300'

LIPSCOMB (SELL Upper Morrow) Williford Energy Co., #1005 Sell Upper Morrow Unit, Sec. 29, 10, HT&B, elev. 2836 kb, spud 3-12-96, drlg. compl 3-29-96, tested 6-13-96, pumped 24 bbl. of 37.2 grav. oil + 7 bbls water, GOR 833, TD 8325'

OCHILTREE (WEST LIPS Cleveland) Amoco Production Co., #3 Raymond Jarvis, Sec. 29, JT, AB&M, elev. 3047 gl, spud 4-23-96, drlg. compl 5-5-96, tested 8-28-96, pumped 23 bbl. of 41 grav. oil + 4 bbls. water, GOR 7130, TD 6900', PBTD 6829'

Gas Well Completions

HANSFORD (HANSFORD Upper Morrow) CoEnergy Operating Co., #2-27 Rex, Sec. 17, R, B&B, elev. 3140 kb, spud 7-21-96, drlg. compl 9-11-96, tested 11-15-96, potential 205 MCF, TD 9500'

HUTCHINSON (ARRINGTON Cherokee) Enron Oil & Gas Co., #3 Nannie Kirk '116', Sec. 116, 5-T, T&NO, elev. 3209 gr, spud 10-31-96, drlg. compl 11-15-96, tested 12-24-96, potential 1200 MCF, TD 6195', PBTD 6160'

LIPSCOMB (LIPSCOMB Atoka) Midgard Energy Co., #1 Clarence Henry Parker 'A', Sec. 618, 43, H&TC, elev. 2291 kb, spud 9-12-96, drlg. compl 9-26-96, tested 11-6-96, potential 19.25 MCF, TD 10455', PBTD 10146' — Plug Back

MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE) Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America, #R71 Thompson, Sec. 59A4, H&TC, elev. 3503 gr, spud 8-28-96, drlg. compl 9-3-96, tested 12-18-96, potential 259 MCF, TD 3452', PBTD 3020' —

OCHILTREE (ELLIS RANCH Cleveland) Unit Petroleum Co., #1 Conely, Sec. 846, 43, H&TC, elev. 2862 gr, spud 10-18-96, drlg. compl 11-17-96, tested 11-25-96, potential 3300 MCF, TD 9590', PBTD 7350' — Plug-Back

OCHILTREE (HANSFORD Upper Morrow) Amoco Production Co., #4 Beck Unit 'B', Sec. 46, R, AB&M, elev. 3105 gr, spud 5-29-96, drlg. compl 6-10-96, tested 9-7-96, potential 435 MCF, TD 8650', PBTD 8550' —

SHERMAN (TEXAS-HUGOTON) Midgard Energy Co., #2 McKenzie, Sec. 375, 1-T, T&NO, elev. 3580 kb, spud 10-13-96, drlg. compl 10-23-96, tested 12-4-96, potential 540 MCF, TD 3330' —

SHERMAN (TEXAS-HUGOTON) Midgard Energy Co., #2 Morris, Sec. 340, 1-T, T&NO, elev. 3571 kb, spud 9-12-96, drlg. compl 9-17-96, tested 10-21-96, potential 69 MCF, TD 3500', PBTD 3220' —

Plugged Wells

CARSON (WILDCAT) J. C. Daniels Energy, #1 Britten, Sec. 159,7,I&GN, spud 7-24-84, plugged 11-23-96, TD 5246' (dry) —

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Bradley Operating Co., #5 Gething 'B', Sec. 14,A-9,H&GN, spud unknown, plugged 12-6-96, TD 2786' (oil) —

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Phillips Petroleum Co., #4 Castleberry 'B', Sec. 151,3,I&GN, spud 2-20-48, plugged 11-11-96, TD 3344' (oil) —

HANSFORD (HORIZON Cleveland) Sonat Exploration Co., #1 Etter-Buzzard 'A', Sec. 8,1,H&GN, spud 6-12-73, plugged 7-18-96, TD 6546' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Horizon Oil & Gas

HANSFORD (NORTH SPEARMAN Upper Des Moines) Midgard Energy Co., #1 Edith B. Steele 'A', Sec. 55,45,H&TC, spud 3-21-57, plugged 11-5-96, TD 6837', PBTD 3840' (oil) — Form 1 filed in The Shamrock Oil & Gas

OCHILTREE (HORIZON Cleveland) Sonat Exploration Co., #1 ODC 'D', Sec. 15,R,B&B, spud 8-26-75, plugged 9-6-96, TD 6658' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Horizon Oil & Gas

OCHILTREE (HORTHURP Cleveland) Midgard Energy Co., #4 Brownlee Brothers-Cook, Sec. 669,43,H&TC, spud 12-12-79, plugged 11-19-96, TD 7285' (gas) — Form 1 in Diamond Shamrock

OCHILTREE (PARSELL Lower Morrow) Midgard Energy Co., #1 Leland E. McKeel 'D', et al, Sec. 140,43,H&TC, spud 7-3-61, plugged 11-26-96, TD 10700', PBTD 10679' (gas) — Form 1 filed in The Shamrock Oil & Gas

SHERMAN (TEXAS-HUGOTON) Midgard Energy Co., #1 Morris, Sec. 339,1-T,T&NO, spud 9-27-46, plugged 11-11-96, TD 3220' (gas) — Form 1 filed in The Shamrock Oil & Gas

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FOOTBALL

PAMPA — Tom Tipps, who had the best winning percentage of any Pampa High School football coach in school history, turns 80 years old on Jan. 29.

Friends can help recognize Tipps' birthday by writing to him in care of Betsy Tipps, 3550 West Wagon Wheel Way, Park City, Utah 84098.

POOL

PAMPA — Tim Hill was the winner of the Tuesday night pool tournament at the Pampa Athletic Club.

Brian Butters placed second.

BASKETBALL

HIGGINS — Jared Neighbors scored 31 of Miami's 56 points in a losing effort against Higgins Friday night as the Warriors fell by 8 points, 64 to 56.

Miami jumped on Higgins early in the first quarter and ended the period with a 6-point lead 14-8. But in the second quarter Higgins charged back and by halftime had the game under control with a 10 point lead over the Warriors, 31 to 21. In the second half Higgins controlled the lead as Miami battled to take control. In the end Higgins was able to hold out and earn an 8-point victory.

Higgins remains undefeated on the season at 17-0 while the Warriors fall to 14-6 overall.

Neighbors' 31 points was followed by Marshall Flowers' 12 points in scoring, while Higgins was led by Booker with 27 and Deal with 17.

Higgins also won the girls' game, 37-34.

Bussard was high scorer for Higgins with 14 points.

Mindy McConnell had 10 points and Lindsay Gill 9 for the Warriorettes.

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Tony Battie had 26 points and 13 rebounds and Cory Carr finished with 23 points, mostly from 3-point range, as No. 25 Texas Tech held off Kansas State 73-64 Saturday, handing the Wildcats their fifth straight loss.

Battie, averaging 20.6 points a game and leading the Big 12 with 12.4 rebounds a game, was too much for Kansas State's rotating combination of Gerald Eaker and Manny Dies, and his turnaround jumper gave Texas Tech (12-3, 4-1 Big 12) a 61-58 lead with 7:10 to play.

The Red Raiders led Kansas State (7-7, 0-4) 68-60 with about 3:30 to play when Carr, Tech's leading scorer at 23.4 points a game, hit a 3-pointer just before the shot clock expired.

Mark Young had 11 points to lead Kansas State, while Eaker had 10 points and 10 rebounds and Ayome May added 10 points.

The Wildcats had led by as many as 10 points in the first half, and were up 46-41 with just under 18 minutes remaining when Aaron Swartzendruber made two free throws after Gionet Cooper was assessed a technical foul for arguing a foul call, and Chris Griffin made two more free throws on the ensuing possession.

Kansas State had a 10-2 run midway through the first half to take 20-12 lead with about 11 minutes to play, but Tech rallied with the combination of 3-point shooting by Carr and the inside play of Battie.

Battie had 15 points in the half and Carr 14, including two 3-pointers in the closing two minutes — one at the buzzer — as the half ended in a 38-38 tie. Carr was 4-of-7 from 3-point range in the half.

The Red Raiders had started the half by making only five of their first 11 shots, and then struggled through a stretch in which they had two shots blocked and committed three turnovers as the Wildcats built their lead.

Harvesters bomb Borger for third consecutive win

PAMPA — Pampa, led by August Larson's 29 points, rolled to a convincing 81-64 win Friday night over Borger in District 1-4A action in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The lopsided win keeps Pampa in the hunt for a playoff spot with five league games remaining in the regular season. It was Pampa's third consecutive win, giving the Harvesters a 4-3 record in district play. Borger drops to 1-6.

The Harvesters may have been inspired by the presence of Clifton McNeely, who won four state basketball championships in the 1950's as PHS head coach. McNeely and several of his former players were guests of honor at the game and they were recognized during halftime ceremonies when a plaque and proclamation was presented to McNeely, who coached in Pampa for 13 years.

The Harvesters, 10-15 overall, broke away from the Bulldogs with a 21-point second quarter. Pampa led by six, 19-13, at the end of the first quarter and by 15 at halftime.

Pampa hit 50 percent of its field goal attempts (16-32) the second half after just a 30.3 shooting performance the first half. Pampa's lead was 24 (67-43) going into the fourth quarter.

Larson, a 6-3 senior, hit 50 percent (8-16) of his field goal attempts and was 11 of 12 from the foul line.

Sophomore guard Shawn Young hit 17 points for the Harvesters, including three 3-point goals.

"I thought we played real good as a team. We've had some good practices and we're starting to come together as a team," said Young, who was 6 of 11 from the floor and 2 of 3 from the foul line last night.

Borger, 7-13 overall, was led by Reggie Briggs with 15 points. Travis Williams added 12.

Pampa 81, Borger 64

Pampa: August Larson 29, Shawn Young 17, Gabe Wilbon 10, JaMarius Osborne 8, Kaleb Meek 6, Devin Lemons 4, Tyson Alexander 3, Lynn Brown 2; Jared Knipp 2; Three-point goals: Young 3, Larson 2; Alexander 1.

Borger: Reggie Briggs 15, Travis Williams 12, Brian Davis 11, Chad Johnson 8, Colby Yeary 8, Steven Bridges 7, Kyle Jones 2, Wes Mitchell 1; Three-point goals: Briggs 3, Davis 1.



Pampa's Kaleb Meek (right) plays defense on Borger's Chad Johnson.



Mayor Bob Neslage (left) presents Clifton McNeely with a proclamation declaring Jan. 17 as "Clifton McNeely Day" during halftime ceremonies Friday night.

McNeely, stars of the past honored at basketball reunion

PAMPA — They opened the era that is known today as the Harvester Basketball Tradition. Clifton McNeely was the architect of four state championship teams. Jimmy Bond was the catalyst behind those early title runs.

This past weekend, Bond and McNeely were together again — along with some 60 Harvesters — who played from 1947 through 1960, for a reunion in Pampa to remember those magical years. It was also a time to honor "Coach Mac," who guided the Harvesters to state titles in 1953, '54, '58 and '59. Pampa won the district championship nine times during that 13-year period, advancing to the state tournament six times. The Harvesters had an .882 winning percentage during the McNeely period, including win streaks of 72 and 53 games plus three unbeaten seasons.

"Coach McNeely made a great contribution to our lives not only as coach, but also as a person. He helped shape our lives and made us winners, both on and off the court," said the 6-foot-5-inch Bond, who has been the president of Point Loma Nazarene College in San Diego, Calif., for almost 20 years.

Bond was the standout player on Pampa's state championship teams of 1953 and 1954, averaging 22.3 points per game his senior year.

During halftime ceremonies at the Pampa-Borger game Friday night, those star players along with McNeely were recognized for their achievements.

Pampa mayor Bob Neslage presented a proclamation to McNeely which proclaimed Jan. 17 as "Clifton McNeely Day." Mayor Neslage was also one of McNeely's players.

The highlight of the night, however, was the presentation

of a large plaque dedicated to McNeely. The plaque will be permanently mounted in McNeely Fieldhouse, which was named for the former coach back in the 1980's.

Saturday morning, a reception was held at M.K. Brown Auditorium where the general public could visit with McNeely and the former Harvester players.

"My time is Pampa was excellent," said McNeely, who is now a retired Irving school administrator. "The people, your dads and mothers (speaking to the players), always took care of things. They were all part of the winning situation we were able to have here."

Warren Hasse, who was *The Pampa News Sports Editor* and later the owner of radio station KPDN during the McNeely period, served as emcee at both the reception and halftime ceremonies.

AFC: A dozen years of Super Bowl futility

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Burned by Joe Montana to Jerry Rice and Steve Young to Jerry Rice. Overwhelmed by Emmitt Smith and Michael Irvin and the monstrous Dallas offensive line.

Edged in the final seconds by Montana's magic and Scott Norwood's missed kick. Victimized by the 46 Defense and the 55 Offense.

For the last dozen years, the AFC representative in the Super Bowl has lost any number of ways. It's been pushed around and outscored 455-198.

No matter if the game was in the Superdome, the site of next Sunday's Green Bay-New England matchup, or in the sun-drenched Rose Bowl, the AFC lost. No matter if it was played on the lush grass of Joe Robbie Stadium or the artificial indoor carpet of the Georgia Dome or the Metrodome, the AFC lost.

The final score for 12 straight years has been NFC plenty, AFC not enough.

These things are supposed to run in cycles, but this is a bit much. "I know the NFC has been fairly dominant, and I was a part of that," says Patriots coach Bill Parcells, who won the 1987 and 1991 games with the New York Giants. "Each year is a different year. And it's having good players, mostly."

Mostly, the good players have been with NFC teams. The NFC has had the dominant runners: Smith, Walter Payton, Roger Craig, even Joe Morris. It's certainly had the better defenses — the Bears who won in 1986 had an awesome unit, and so did both of Parcells' New York teams.

While the quarterbacks generally are a tossup — future Hall of Famers Montana, Young and Troy Aikman for the NFC, John Elway, Dan Marino and probably Jim Kelly for the AFC — the overall firepower edge also has belonged to the NFC. As good as the receivers have been for the AFC, there has been no match for the Rice-John Taylor combo or for Michael Irvin and Alvin Harper.

When the NFC didn't have the superior talent, it often had players who chose Super Bowl Sunday to have career days. Phil Simms went 22-for-25 in 1987. Tim Smith, in his only noteworthy pro performance, rushed for 204 yards the next year. Larry Brown made two game-turning interceptions last year.

Most of the time, the AFC representative has been just plain inept. Four times the Bills fell short, and three times the Broncos fell apart. Miami, New England, Cincinnati, San Diego and Pittsburgh also share the shame.

What hasn't been recognized is that the Bills were an extraordinarily talented and well-coached team that simply self-destructed in two Super Bowls, barely lost another (20-19 to the Giants) and had a chance into the final quarter of the fourth.

Coach Marv Levy called them "a tremendously resilient football team." The Bills have had to be. Their most dangerous player, Thurman Thomas, never excelled on Super Sunday, losing his helmet at the start of the 1992 game then gaining 13 yards rushing and 27 receiving. In 1994, he made two critical fumbles in 1994.

Denver was even worse in its three Super Bowls. Other than Elway, the Broncos didn't match up with the Giants, Redskins or 49ers. They lost by a total of 136-40.

PHS girls drop district tilt

PAMPA — Borger avenged an earlier defeat with a 63-55 win over Pampa in a District 1-4A girls' tilt Friday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The Lady Harvesters are 4-5 in district play and 11-13 for the season. Borger is 6-20 and 1-7.

Borger jumped out to a 17-8 first-quarter lead and the Lady Harvesters could never recover.

Kelli Mitchell led Borger in scoring with 15 points while Lynae Lee and Holly Forrester added 13 points apiece.

Senior guard Jennifer Jones sparked a Pampa comeback with a 35-point effort, but time ran out on the Lady Harvesters. Jones scored 31 points in the second half, including a half-dozen 3-point goals. Tina Dwight followed with 6 points.

Pampa had defeated Borger, 44-39, in an earlier game.

The Lady Harvesters host Elk City, Okla. in a non-district contest at 6 Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Borger 63, Pampa 55
Pampa — Jennifer Jones 35, Tina Dwight 6, McKinley Quarles 5, Jordanna Young 3, Chandra Nachtigall 2, Faustine Curry 2, Kristi Carpenter 2; Three-point goals: Jones 6.

Borger — Kelli Mitchell 15, Lynae Lee 13, Holly Forrester 13, Shea Fraley 8, Karem Lujan 7, Amy Smith 4, Stephanie Webb 3; Three-point goals: Webb 1, Forrester 1.

Houston edges by DePaul, 78-76

HOUSTON (AP) — Kenya Capers scored 25 points and Galen Robinson added 21 as turnover-plagued Houston held on for a 78-76 win over DePaul Saturday.

The win was Houston's (1-2) first ever in the new Conference

USA and improved the Cougars overall record to 9-6.

Houston led 78-73 until Thomas Cooper hit a 3-point shot at the buzzer to narrow the final DePaul (3-12 overall, 1-3 USA) deficit to 78-76.

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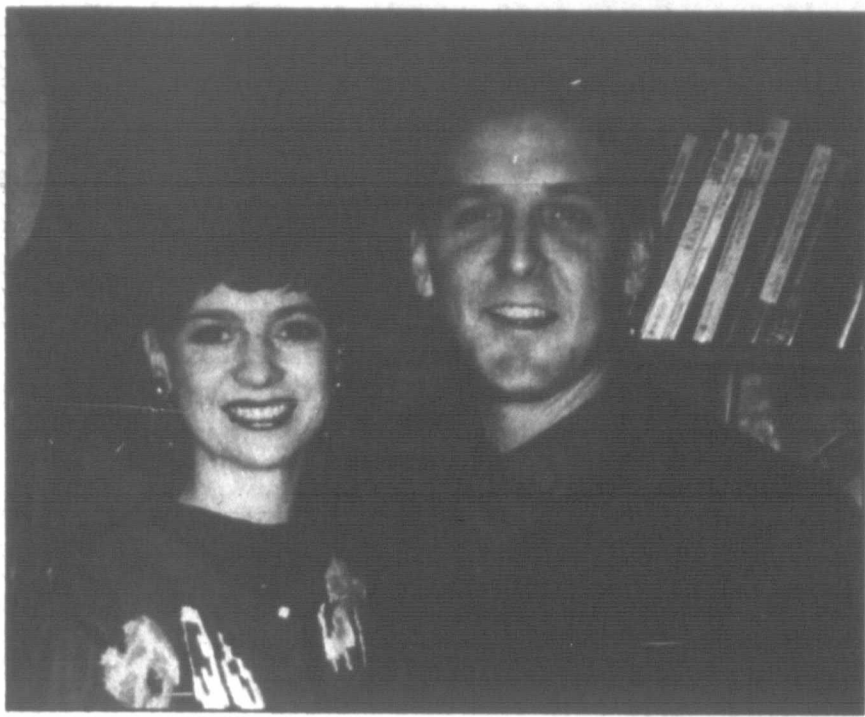
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Worley Kennedy and Danina Kennedy of Pampa have associated with Amarillo Family Institute.

Worley Kennedy holds a master of arts degree in counseling from Colorado Christian University, Denver, Colo., where he and his wife trained under Dr. Larry Crabb and Dr. Dan Allender. His practice includes individual, family and marriage counseling, and he works under the supervision of Dr. Terry Hargrave.

Kennedy is a Pampa native, Pampa High School graduate and earned a bachelor of art degree from The Master's College, Newhall, Calif.

Danina Kennedy is a Colorado native and graduated from Meeker High School. She received a bachelor of arts degree in management of human resources from Colorado Christian University. She earned a master of arts degree in counseling from CCU in May of 1996.

Her practice includes individual, family and marriage counseling. She has expertise in group therapy and women's issues, and also works under Hargrave's supervision.

The Kennedys conduct counseling in Pampa, Tuesday through Saturday, at 310 W. Browning. They may be contacted at 665-6550 for an appointment.

Three groups are forming which deal with personal and marriage issues. They are set to begin Feb. 10 and last eight to ten weeks.

Danina Kennedy is to lead "Facing Your Fears," where eight to ten women will examine how to be less enslaved to fear and anxiety in their relationships with family and friends. Ten fears most common

to women will be discussed.

Worley Kennedy is to lead "Brave Hearts," for eight to ten men to explore the issues involved in loving one's family well while also reaching one's maximum potential at work. Habits that enhance and hinder a man's impact will be examined.

"One Heart versus Two" will be led by both Kennedys and is designed for couples who are not satisfied with simply living parallel lives, but wish to connect at a heart level.

The groups cost \$15 per week per person, or \$20 per week per couple. Deadline to join is Feb. 3. For more information, call AFI of Pampa at 665-6550.

"While there are many scientific principles behind our therapy, we approach counseling as an art form aimed to meet each client's individual needs. We hope to paint a picture of who the client can become," the Kennedys said.

"As a couple, our goal in Pampa is to be educational to the degree people are unfamiliar with life's struggles. In therapy, we aim to offer vision and support. We place a spiritual emphasis on our therapy as we believe at some point everyone hungers to know God," Mr. Kennedy said.

The Amarillo Family Institute has as its purpose to provide counseling and therapy to individual, couples and families. Second, the institute offers training and supervision to mental health professionals, pastoral counselors and students.

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Big Brothers Big Sisters of America was organized in 1904 by Ernest E. Coulter of New York City, who recognized the need of young boys who were without a positive male influence due to divorce, desertion or

death. The merger with the Big Sisters organization took place in 1977 to form a federation of over 480 Big Brothers Big Sisters agencies throughout the United States and Canada. More than 65,000 children today are matched in a one-to-one relationship with an adult volunteer.

Volunteer processing begins with an orientation meeting where a representative of Big Brothers Big Sisters explains the organization's goals and objectives. The representative tells the prospective volunteers the initial requirements for becoming a Big Brother or Big Sister.

To meet minimum requirements for the program, volunteers must be at least 18 years of age and have a full time job or be a full time college student. They must have lived in the service area (Pampa) for the past six months, have access to a motor vehicle, hold a valid driver's license and have the minimum required liability insurance required by law. Volunteers should have at least two to four hours per week to spend with a child and make one year commitment to the program.

After the orientation, interested parties take home an application to complete and return. Big Brothers Big Sisters also provides a police report form the applicants must take to the police station and have completed. Along with the application and police report, applicants are asked to provide five references who have known them for three years or longer.

"It takes about six to eight weeks to complete a Bigs processing," explains Barbara Mamoulides, case manager for the Pampa Satellite. "Of the many requirements it takes to be a Big Brother or Big Sister, the major one is simply a genuine desire to assume complete responsibility for the child while he or she is entrusted to their care. Along with this comes a real

commitment to another human being. Their word must be dependable and the example they set must be straight forward."

Big Brothers Big Sisters of America Standards and Procedures serve as a guideline to ensure the safety of child participants by thoroughly screening applicants and by providing professional "high-caliber" supervision and support of the match.

"The requirements for a child to begin the process includes being between the ages of six and 14, being from a single parent or extended family home, have been living in the service area for at the least three months, have two to four hours per week to spend with an adult volunteer and can make a one year commitment to the program," Mamoulides said.

"The custodial parent/guardian must call the BBBS office to request an application. After a few basic questions are answered, an application is mailed. When the completed application is returned, the case manager sets up an appointment with the custodial parent for an interview. This begins the client processing to

accept a child into the program," she continued.

Throughout all of the processing, a trained social worker supervises the program, carefully evaluating the needs of each "Little" before assigning a particular volunteer to be his/her friend.

"We are ready to begin serving the children in the Pampa area who are in need of a one-to-one mentor," Workman reports. "We already have some children who are waiting for that special Big and some Bigs who are completing the processing and will soon be ready to match."

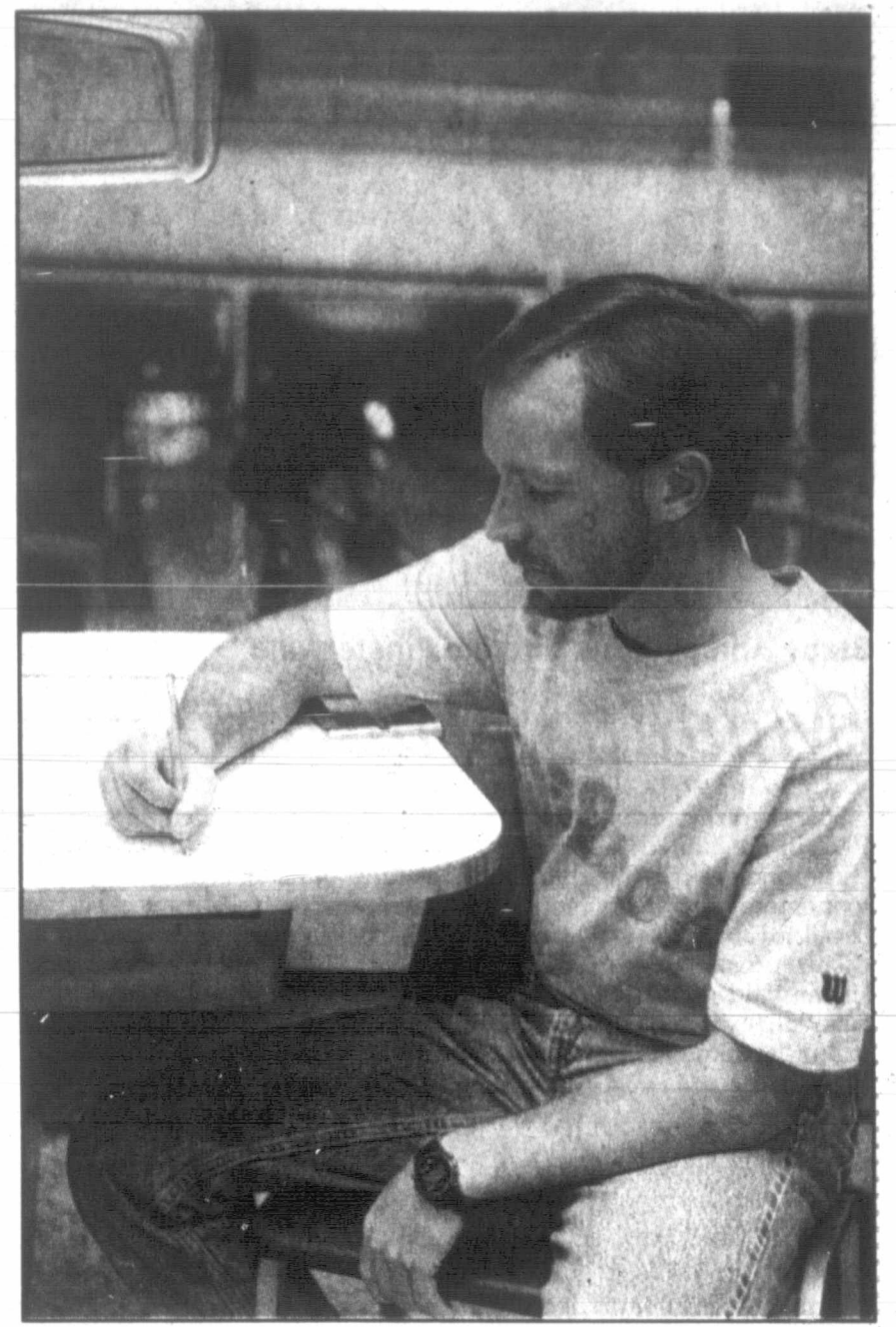
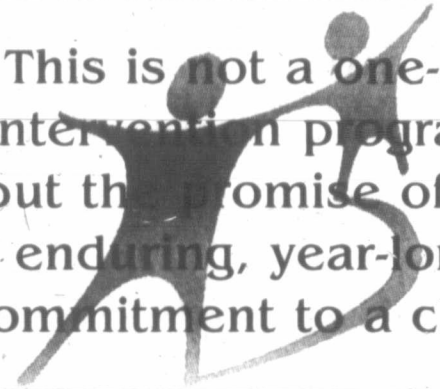
This is not a one-shot intervention program, but the promise of an enduring, year-long commitment to a child. While a Big is not a parent figure, he or she can be that child's devoted fan, considering his or her Little the greatest kid of all. This allows the child to enjoy and keep for life "the feeling of a conqueror."

At a recent meeting, members of the Big Brothers Big Sisters Pampa Advisory Council elected Denise Winegeart as the new chairperson. Other officers include Carol Ziegelgruber as vice chair and Nancy Shaffer as the secretary. Committee members of the council include Doug Ware, Dr. Jack S. Albracht, Sharla Chidester, Dr. Greg Kelly, Bob Marx, Greg Brown, Dr. Byron Wilkenfeld, Bob Jeffers, Sue Thornton and Chris Mitchell.

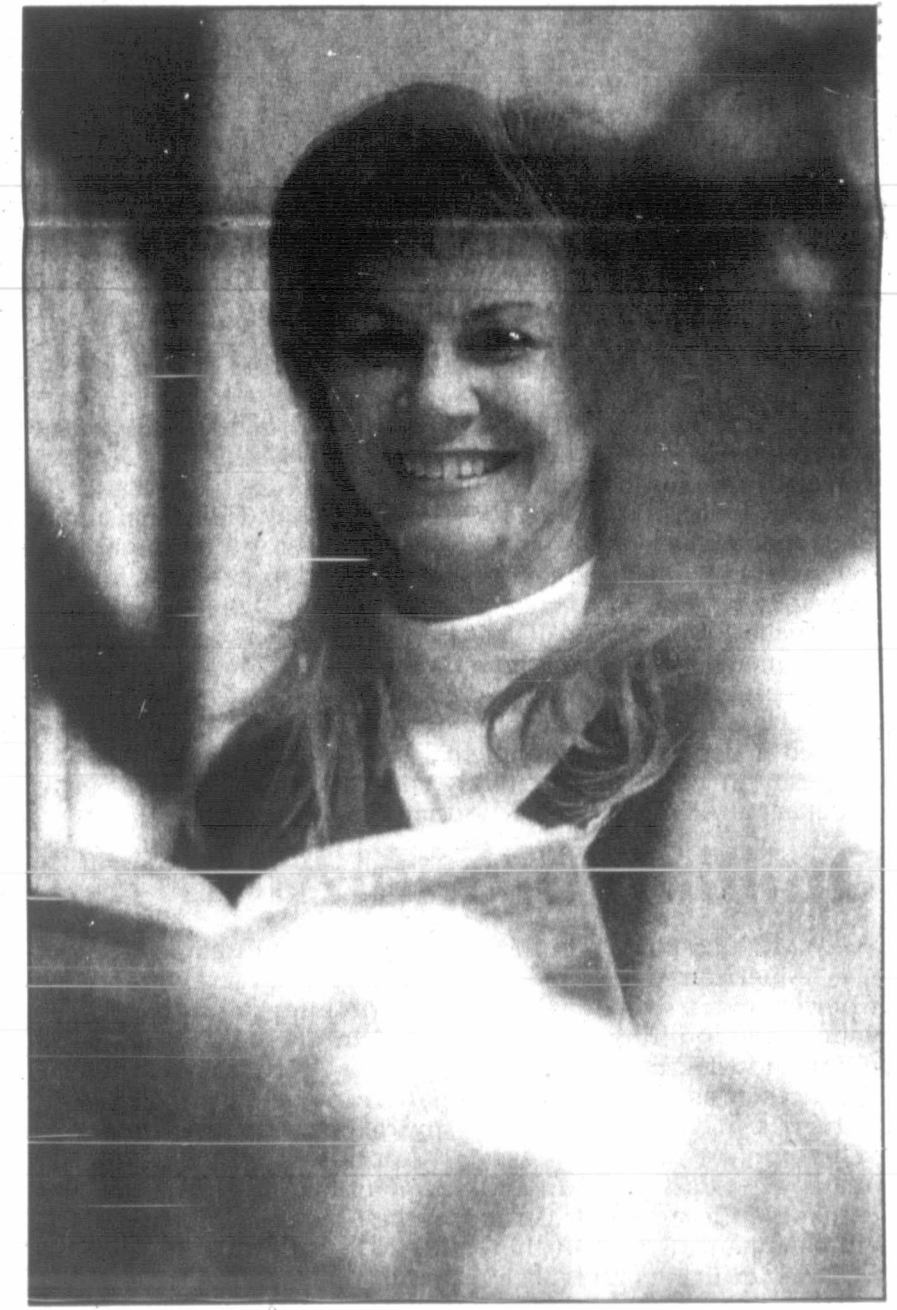
The United Way funded organization plans two fund raising events this year. Bowl for Kids' Sake, a national event, will be held in April and the annual Barn Dance will be in August. More details will follow.

To get information about being a volunteer or to have your child become a part of this organization, call Mrs. Mamoulides at 665-1211 or Mrs. Workman in the Amarillo office at 1-800-687-8282.

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Those volunteers who become a Big Brother or a Big Sister are asked to provide two to four hours a week to their 'Little' child in their care in providing positive life skills and social values. Activities can be as simple as a game of bowling (above) or a trip to the library (below). A trained social worker supervises the program, carefully evaluating the needs of each 'Little' before assigning a particular volunteer.



Discussing plans for Big Brothers Big Sisters are Pampa Satellite board members, from left, Dr. Greg Kelly; Nancy Shaffer, secretary; Bob Marx; Denise Winegeart, president; Dr. Jack S. Albracht; Dr. Byron Wilkenfeld; Carol Ziegelgruber, vice president; Barbara Mamoulides, case manager; and Chris Mitchell. Other directors, not pictured, are Greg Brown, Sharla Chidester, Bob Jeffers, Sue Thornton and Doug Ware.

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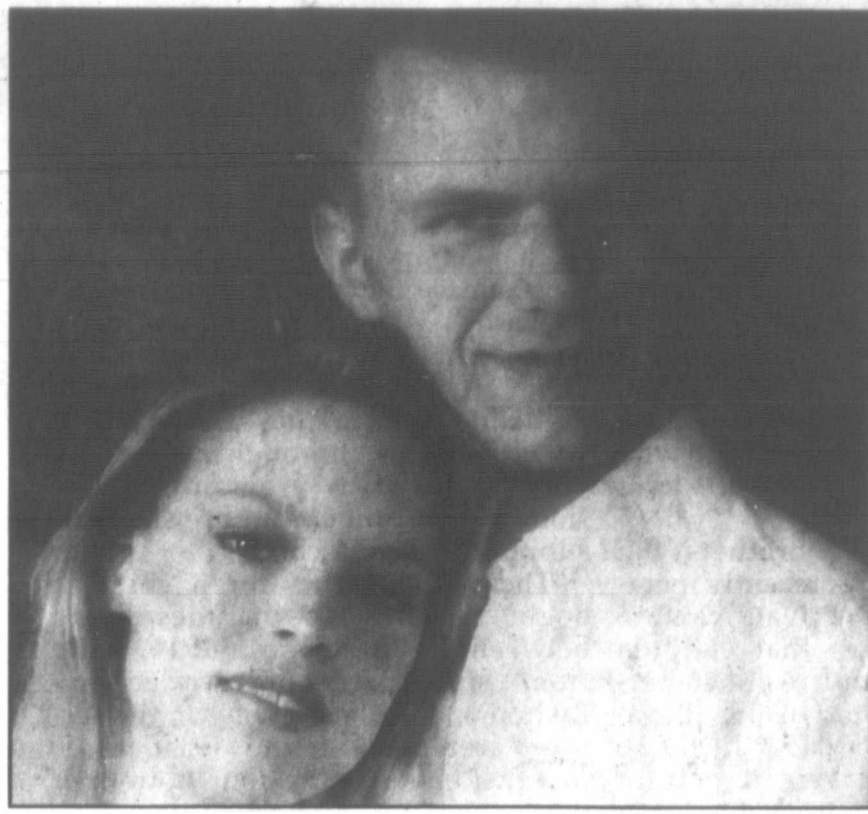
Stacy Ann Maddux and Ike Finsterwald

Maddux-Finsterwald

Stacy Ann Maddux and Ike Finsterwald plan to wed March 15, 1997, in the United Methodist Church at Wheeler.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Andrea Sims of Wheeler. She is a sophomore elementary education major at South Plains College in Levelland and is currently employed at Sam's Wholesale Club in Lubbock.

The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Finsterwald of Wheeler. He is a senior range and wildlife biology major at Texas Tech University in Lubbock and is currently employed at Builders Square in Lubbock.



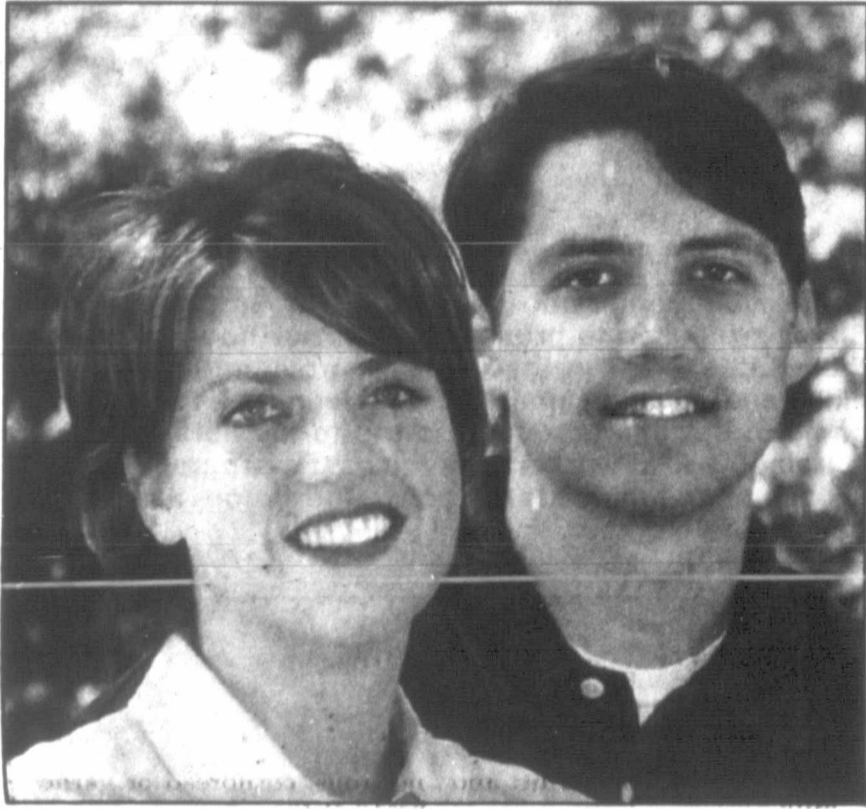
Katrina L. Whiteley and Timothy W. Lacy

Whiteley-Lacy

Katrina L. Whiteley and Timothy W. Lacy, both of Pampa, plan to wed April 19, 1997, in McCullough Church of Christ at Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Terry and Tina Whiteley of Pampa. She is a Pampa High School graduate and intends to begin pursuing a degree in education at Amarillo College.

The prospective groom is the son of Dory and Tamara Lacy of Amarillo. He is Caprock High School graduate and holds an associate degree in paramedicine. He is currently employed as a paramedic in Pampa.



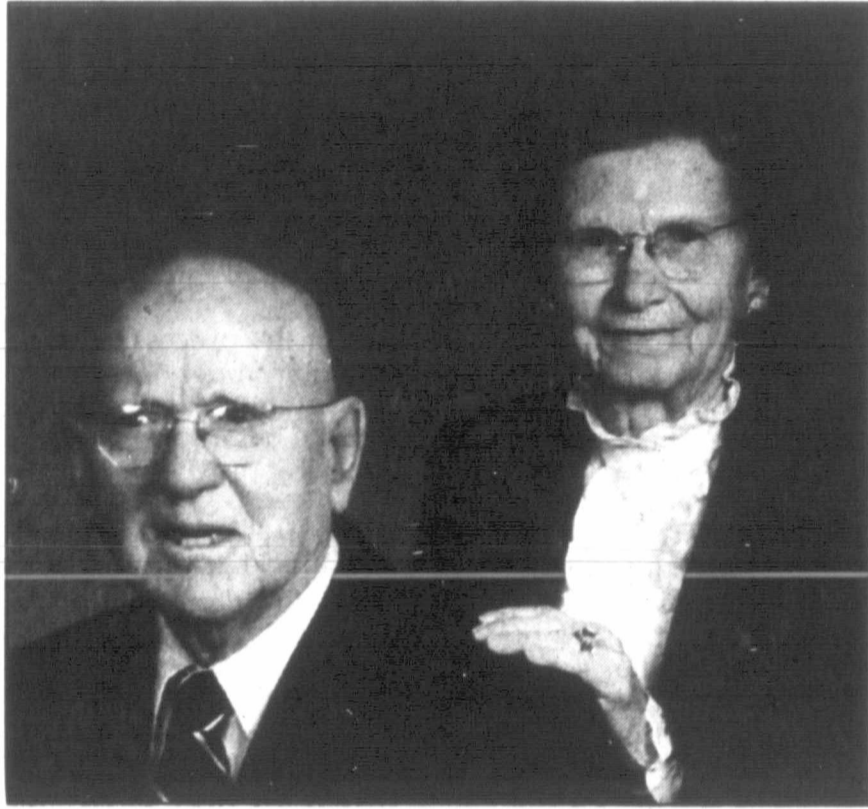
Tandy Jo Thompson and Jason Max Diamond

Thompson-Diamond

Tandy Jo Thompson and Jason Max Diamond, both of Dallas, plan to wed March 1, 1997, in Robert Carr Chapel at Texas Christian University campus in Forth Worth.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Alan and Kay Thompson and is the granddaughter of J.W. and Mary Thompson, all of Miami. She graduated from Miami High School in 1991 and from Texas Christian University in 1995. She currently teaches hearing impaired students at Arapaho Elementary in Richardson Independent School District. She is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority.

The prospective groom is the son of Roger and Evelyn Diamond of Austin. He is a 1991 graduate of Anderson High School in Austin and received a degree in environmental science from Texas Christian University in 1995. He is currently employed as an environmental consultant at Albert Hallf and Associates in Dallas.



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ernest Jones

Jones anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ernest Jones, of Pampa, will be celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary from 2:30 p.m.-4 p.m. Jan. 23, at their home.

Thomas Ernest Jones married Lela Bertha Johnson on Jan. 23, 1927, at Leedey, Okla.

The couple farmed near Leedey and Texahoma, Okla., and east of Groom, Texas, prior to retiring.

Mr. Jones is a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge. Mrs. Jones is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Both are members of the Methodist Church.

Children of the couple are Billy T. Jones of Pampa and Jericho and Bobby Jones of Groom. They are the grandparents of four grandchildren, two grandsons, ten great-grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Quilting organizations host three day workshop

GUYMON, Okla. — Quilting — an American tradition — is experiencing a major boom. Nationwide, quilting is a \$1.5 billion industry that ties us to our ancestry as we enter a new century.

Guymon's Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild and Panhandle Piecers Quilt Guild will be enhancing and furthering this quilting revival by hosting Sharon Newman of Lubbock Jan. 23, 24, and 25, in Guymon.

Panhandle Piecers Quilt Guild will be hosting a program by Newman entitled "Detecting the Date" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, in Fellowship Hall of Victory Memorial United Methodist Church. This lecture will use known facts about fabrics to discover dates of fabrics and quilts. Newman will use developed guidelines and exhibit examples to structure known facts about styles, prints and colors in fabric as well as other factors necessary in dating quilts. Slides, quilts, quilt tops and fabrics showing specifics from several decades will be shown throughout the program. This special program is open to the public with an admission charge of \$3 per person. Reservations will need to be made by calling Leanne Chaffin at (405) 338-6761.

Newman will be doing quilt appraisals on Friday, Jan. 24. Written appraisals for insurance purposes or for fair market value, on old quilts or new quilts, or quilted clothing takes

30 minutes per item at a cost of \$25 per quilt. Newman also does oral appraisals for \$5 per quilt. In the ten minute oral appraisal, Newman will tell the pattern name, age and give an approximate value.

Appraisals will be done by appointment only in the lobby of the American Theater, 413 N. Main. To schedule an appointment, call Nancy Weeks at (405) 338-1402 or Cheryl Ashbaugh at (405) 338-3677.

On Saturday, Jan. 25, Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild will host a two-part day of quilting with Newman. The morning program will begin at 10 a.m. with a lecture and trunk show entitled "Scrap Quilts: Bits and Pieces of Quiltmakers' Lives." This lecture will feature universal information as well as span different time periods with viewpoints of various quilt-makers.

After a short sack lunch break, Newman will teach a workshop entitled "Basket Lattice" from her book *Treasures from Yesteryear, Book II*.

This will be a four hour workshop using scraps to create a woven look design. Newman will guide the workshop through a unit method of rotary cutting and machine piecing with no inset seams. There will be a fee of \$7.50 per person for the workshop. Preregistration is required as there are class instructions and cutting requirements that need to be fulfilled before the day of the workshop. More information on the workshop can be obtained by calling Darlene Hambleton at (405) 338-3880.

Newman is the owner of The Quilt Shop in Lubbock. She is a teacher, judge, lecturer, author and creator of two fabric lines. A noted quilt appraiser, Newman currently serves as administrator for the American Quilter's Society Appraiser Certification Program. In addition, she is a founding member of two quilt guilds in Lubbock, and is a charter member of American Quilter's Society, American International Quilt Association, National Quilting Association and Quilter's

Guild of Dallas. Newman served as curator of the 1986 Texas Sesquicentennial Quilt Exhibit in the Ranching Heritage Center, Texas Tech University, as well as being the editor of the exhibit catalog, *Quilts of the Texas South Plains*.

Ashbaugh, president of Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild states, "We are extremely thrilled to get a nationally known quilter to come to Guymon to share her expertise with us. As quilters we usually have to go to the large cities to be able to attend a workshop and lectures of this magnitude."

Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild and Panhandle Piecers Quilt Guild invite the public to take advantage of the lectures, workshop and appraisal expertise coming to Guymon by making reservations today.

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Newsmakers

SAN ANGELO — Angelo State University has announced its Dean's List for the Fall 1996 semester.

To be eligible for this honor, a student must maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 3.25 or higher while enrolled full-time. Among students named to the honor roll were: Jason Michael Jones, kinesiology major; Angela Rene Rodriguez, medical technology major; and Jennifer Walker, early childhood major, all from Pampa.

WEATHERFORD, Okla. — Southwestern Oklahoma State University has announced its honor rolls for the 1996 fall semester.

To be eligible for the Presidents Honor Roll, a student must earn all A's while enrolled in no less than 15 semester hours. Among students named to the President's List were: Edith Marie Osborne of Pampa.

To be eligible for the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must maintain a B average or higher while enrolled in no less than 15 semester hours. Among students named to the Dean's List were: Dustin Shane Weatherly of Pampa; Roger Ted Chase, DiDi Sue Pierce and Rebecca Anne Smith, all of Shamrock; and Wade Wiley Hampton and Heath Daniel Mitchell, both of Wheeler.

NORMAN, Okla. — The University of Oklahoma has

announced its honor roll for the 1996 fall semester.

To be eligible for the honor roll, students must earn a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale while enrolled in twelve or more semester hours. Among students named to the honor roll were: Joshua Merrick Seabourn of Pampa; and Yancy Jon Galutia of Wheeler.

SAN ANTONIO — Air Force Airman 1st Class Jason P. Cochran, 1994 Pampa High School graduate and son of Ted and Lea Cochran of Pampa, has graduated from basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations. In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Army Pvt. Michael L. Closser, son of Richard and Donna Closser of Pampa, has entered basic military training at Fort Jackson, Columbia.

During the eight weeks of training, the soldiers will study Army mission and will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, Army history and traditions, plus special training in human relations.

Lifestyles policies

1. 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. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.
2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday, prior to Sunday insertion.
3. Engagement, wedding, and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.
4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the

wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

5. Bridal photos and information will not be accepted in The Pampa News office later than one month past the date of the wedding.

6. Anniversary announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more, and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date.

7. 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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DENYING GOD

"They profess that they know God; but by their works they deny Him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate." (Titus 1:16.) From these words of the apostle Paul we conclude that what one does must comply with what one says. The apostle John wrote: "And hereby we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He that saith, I know Him, and keepeth not His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in Him; but who so keepeth His word, in him verily hath the love of God been perfected. Hereby we know that we are in Him: he that saith he abideth in Him ought himself also to walk even as He walked." (1 Jn. 2:3-6.) To contradict what one says by what one does, or doesn't do, makes one a liar, according to the apostle John.

It is quite easy to profess to know God. To verify that profession with obedience is not so easy. While the commandments of God may not be easy in that they do not require effort, still they are not impossible for man to keep. It always comes down to whether we

are willing to pay the price of obedience. "Then said Jesus unto His disciples, if any man would come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." (Matt. 16:24.) Obedience, then, requires a denial of oneself, accepting the responsibilities of discipleship and following Jesus. This, sometimes is not so easy to do, yet it is the price of discipleship. To do so is to truly profess to know God.

According to the teaching of the scriptures, many religious people are denying God in that even though they profess to know Him, they, like Paul says, are guilty of disobedience. There are those who profess to know God but refuse to obey His Son. Jesus said: "He that believeth on the Son hath eternal life; but he that obeyeth not the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him." (Jn. 3:36.) Jesus taught that one must believe the gospel and be baptized in order to be saved (Mk. 16:16). Yet, there are those who profess to know God but refuse to accept that baptism is essential to salvation. This is denying God.

—Billy T. Jones

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Homemakers' News
Donna Brauchl



Adapting environment to needs of older folks

Changes that are likely to accompany normal aging include loss of eyesight and hearing, diminished strength, less ability to judge distance and poor coordination. Falls are the number one cause of injury in the home for older persons and walking is the basic daily activity which is most likely to be a problem for an older adult. Almost 40% of people 85 and older and about 14% of those aged 65-74 have difficulty walking.

Whether using a cane or walker, restricted to a wheelchair or able to move about freely, an older person may have to deal with a number of hazards around the house. There are many things that can be changed at home to make the living environment safer for an older person.

carpeting to provide good traction. Place handrails on both sides. Paint the baseboards on the sides of the stairs with a color which contrasts with the one on the tread or paint every other step — or even just the top or bottom steps — in a contrasting color.

— High thresholds or one step changes in floor levels also pose hazards. Remove thresholds and patch the small space between the two floorings with mortar or plastic wood. Paint step edges a bright, visible color. Add a thick, sturdy plywood ramp at entrances or steps. The recommended slope for a ramp is one foot of ramp for each inch of step height. Ramps should be at least 32 inches wide and have bumper strips along both sides.

— Lighting is very important. Rooms should be well lighted and glare controlled. The flicker of fluorescent lights can be disturbing to anyone suffering from depression and can cause over excitement in someone with Alzheimer's Disease. Nightlights can be used during the day as well as at night, especially in dark hallways. Choose low gloss floor coverings and paints.

— Make use of color, in particular warmer, earth tone hues which are perceived more easily by the older eye. Oranges, yellows, reds, pinks and browns are all easier to detect. Blues and greens, if used, should be presented in intense tones to compensate for their softer or faded appearance.

— Floors should not be highly waxed; carpets should be tacked down; rugs should be permanently secured so they don't slide or curl up at the edges and scatter rugs should generally be eliminated.

— Hallways and other walkways should be kept cleared of clutter. A railing similar to those on stairways might be installed on the wall of a hallway. Furniture might need to be rearranged or some of it removed to provide unobstructed pathways.

— Sharp corners of furniture or counters should be padded.

— It is often helpful to outline doors in contrasting color with paint or tape.

— An elderly person with arthritis or hand weakness may have difficulty gripping or turning a doorknob. Install a level type handle. Handles of this type, some of which fit directly over an existing knob, can be pushed with the arm, forearm or elbow to easily open a door.

— Stairs can be very hazardous. Consider making a seldom used dining room or den into a first floor bedroom. Investigate various types of lifts or elevators. Keep stairways uncluttered. Steps should have rubber treads or some kind of

— Easy to see and handle dishware with prominent rims around plates, glasses and trays prevent spills and breakage. Dials on showers, dishwashers, stoves, washing machines and dryers should have clearly legible markings.

— Grab bars should be placed over the tub, in the shower and beside the toilet. In addition, be certain tub and shower surfaces are non-skid.

For more information on safe home environments for older adults, contact the Gray County office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.



Kara Pottlitzer and Scott Flathouse

Pottlitzer-Flathouse

Kara Pottlitzer of Lubbock and Scott Flathouse of Pampa were wed Jan. 4, 1997, in St. Elizabeths Catholic Church in Lubbock with Father Scott Raef of Spearman officiating.

The maid of honor was Kim Pottlitzer of Hanover, Ind. The bridesmaids were April Scott, Paige Young and Lisa Bednarz, all of Lubbock, Margaret Sachnik of Austin and Amanda Riggs of Albuquerque, N.M. April Flathouse of Austin was flower girl.

Standing in as best man was Russell Bednarz of Plainview. The groomsmen were Joseph Riggs and Austin Riggs, both of Albuquerque, Craig Flathouse of Austin, Ross Flathouse of Lubbock and Mark Flathouse of Sacramento. Chase Finley of Lubbock was ring bearer.

Registering guests was Sandra Sconiers of Lubbock. Music was provided by vocalists Shara Narayan, Raghu Narayan and Barbara Narayan and violinist Mollie Malone.

A reception was held following the service in Merket Alumni Center.

The bride is the daughter of Spencer and Barbara Pottlitzer of Kingwood. She is a post-baccalaureate graduate of Texas Tech University in Lubbock with a bachelor of arts degree.

The groom is the son of Virgil and Pat Flathouse of Austin. He is a graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science degree and a masters degree.

Man hopes brain implant will ward off ravages of Lou Gehrig's Disease

MIAMI (AP) — Kenneth Sibley let surgeons drill a pinhole in his skull and insert a tiny flexible tube deep in his brain in hopes it will buy him a few more years of life.

It is the first time doctors have used an implanted catheter to regularly administer medicine they hope will slow Lou Gehrig's Disease, an incurable neurological disorder that slowly destroys the body.

Sibley, a 39-year-old commercial real estate agent who doctors say has only three years to live, said he is willing to be a human guinea pig despite the risk that the treatment itself could cause bleeding that could kill him.

"A surgical implant of a device into my brain is a scary proposition, to say the least, but I am determined to fight this disease as aggressively as possible for the sake of my family," Sibley said, using a tiny key-board to communicate.

The Birmingham, Ala., man, who is married with three children, received the implant on Dec. 4 and was in Miami for his second treatment when doctors at the University of Miami announced the experiment.

Surgeons there inserted the catheter through the front of Sibley's skull just under his scalp, across the top of the brain and then three inches down into the frontal lobe. The catheter is virtually invisible underneath the scalp.

The drug GDNF, or Glial Derived Neurotrophic Factor, or a placebo is injected via the catheter directly into Sibley's brain once a month.

He is the first to take part in the experiment, which is expected to last at least 1 1/2 years. Eventually, he

will be joined by 24 others nationwide with Lou Gehrig's disease.

The disease is also known as ALS, or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. Symptoms include muscle weakness, spasms and eventual respiratory failure. Less than 20 percent of patients live five years or more with the disease.

Researchers hope GDNF will slow the disease as much as 50 percent and double Sibley's life expectancy to six years, said Dr. Walter Bradley, who heads the university's drug trial program for the pharmaceutical companies Amgen and Medtronic.

The medicine has had good success in lab experiments on animals and in tissue cultures, Bradley said. But it may do nothing for ALS sufferers, or even worse, it could cause a fatal hemorrhage.

GDNF is manufactured by Thousand Oaks, Calif.-based Amgen. Tests of another Amgen drug, BDNF, were canceled after it was deemed ineffective. BDNF was injected into patients under the skin.

With GDNF, the catheter — developed by Medtronic of Minneapolis — is being used to get the drug directly into the brain. Unlike other organs, the brain is surrounded by a "blood-brain barrier" that would prevent the medicine from entering it were just simply injected or taken in pill form.

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Menus Jan. 20-25

Pampa Schools MONDAY Inservic day TUESDAY Breakfast: Cheese toasts, fruit or juice, and choice of milk. Lunch: Beef nachos, pinto beans, rice, spiced apples, cornbread, and choice of milk.	Lunch: Pizza, corn, salad, fruit, milk. THURSDAY Breakfast: Biscuits, sausage, gravy, toast, cereal, juice, choice of milk. Lunch: Burritos, chili, cheese, salad, beans, fruit, choice of milk. FRIDAY Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, cereal, juice, choice of milk. Lunch: Hamburgers or barbecue sandwiches, HB salad, tator tots, pickles, fruit, choice of milk.
WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Scrambled egg, biscuit, fruit or juice, and choice of milk. Lunch: Oven fried chicken, whipped potatoes, spinach, fresh fruit, hot roll, and choice of milk.	Southside Senior Citizens Center Mobile Meals SATURDAY Baked chicken, stewed tomatoes, green beans, rolls and dessert. Senior Citizens MONDAY Chicken fried steak or sausage and kraut, mashed potatoes, green beans, steamed squash, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, pineapple cake or chocolate pie, hot rolls or cornbread.
THURSDAY Breakfast: Breakfast taco, fruit or juice, and choice of milk. Lunch: Stew, cheese sandwich, pears, and choice of milk.	TUESDAY Pork roast with stuffing or chicken enchiladas, new potatoes, broccoli, beets, pinto beans, slaw, tossed salad or jello salad, hurricane oatmeal cake or coconut cream pie, hot rolls or cornbread. WEDNESDAY Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, carrots, brussel sprouts, butter beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, German chocolate cake or banana pudding, hot rolls or cornbread.
FRIDAY Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit or juice, and choice of milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger, oven fries, burger salad, pickle slices, cookie, choice of milk.	THURSDAY Stir fry chicken with rice or taco salad, macaroni and tomatoes, cauliflower, spinach, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, yellow cake or cherry delight, hot rolls or cornbread. FRIDAY Baked fish or baked chicken breast, potato wedges, California mix veggies, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, prune cake or tapioca, hot rolls, cornbread or garlic bread sticks.
Lefors Schools MONDAY Breakfast: Waffles, cereal, toast, juice, choice of milk. Lunch: Salisbury steak, rolls, potatoes, gravy, black-eyed peas, milk, fruit.	Meals on Wheels MONDAY Stew, cornbread, peaches. TUESDAY Shepherd's pie, lima beans, candied carrots, applesauce. WEDNESDAY Barbecue weiners, macaroni and cheese, cabbage, jello. THURSDAY Chopped sirloin with mushroom gravy, rice pilaf, tomatoes, pudding. FRIDAY Turkey and dumplings, cake.
TUESDAY Breakfast: Ham eggs, toast, cereal, juice, choice of milk. Lunch: Barbecue weiners, macaroni and cheese, green beans, rolls, fruit, milk.	FRIDAY Breakfast: Hot or cold cereal, toast, juice, choice of milk. Lunch: Pizza, corn, salad, fruit, milk.
THURSDAY Breakfast: Biscuits, sausage, gravy, toast, cereal, juice, choice of milk. Lunch: Burritos, chili, cheese, salad, beans, fruit, choice of milk.	FRIDAY Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, cereal, juice, choice of milk. Lunch: Hamburgers or barbecue sandwich, HB salad, pickles, tator tots, fruit, and choice of milk.

4-H Futures & Features

- Dates**
- 19 — Lefors 5-H 4-H Club meeting, 2 p.m., Lefors School Cafeteria
 - 20 — 4-H judging orientation meeting, 7 p.m., Annex; Shooting Sports, 7 p.m.
 - 21 — Shooting Sports, 7 p.m.
 - 22 — 4-H Special Interest Group, 7:30 p.m., Annex
 - 23 — 4-H Leader Appreciation Dinner, 7 p.m.
- 4-H Judging Orientation Meeting**
An orientation meeting for all 4-H members interested in participating in 4-H judging activities will be conducted at 7 p.m., Monday, Jan. 20, in the Gray County Annex. This will include: Consumer Decision Making; Livestock Judging; Horse Judging; and Meats Identification and Judging.

be honored by the Gray County 4-H Council at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, in the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. "Follow the Leader" is the theme of this year's event. Dr. Martha Couch, district Extension director, will provide the program.

Leaders should RSVP to the Gray County Extension office by noon Jan. 21.

4-H Adult Leader Council
The Gray County 4-H Adult Leader Council will meet for its quarterly meeting at 8 p.m. immediately following the Leader Appreciation Dinner on Jan. 23. All parents and leaders are invited to attend. Dates will be set for 1997 4-H activities.

All ages of 4-Hers may participate. Parents should attend the orientation meeting with their 4-H member. Any parents unable to attend, please call the Extension office to indicate your interest.

Leader Appreciation Dinner
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Sandi Stevens and David Johnson

Stevens-Johnson

Sandi Stevens of Canyon and David Johnson of McLean were married Dec. 21, 1996, in First Baptist Church at Canyon with the Rev. Thacker Haynes of McLean officiating.

Matrons of honor were Shonna Covin and Joanie Ivy, both sisters of the bride, of Canyon. The bridesmaids were Star Stevens, Chrisa Moore and Angie Sides, all of Canyon, Paige Bizzell of Lubbock, Mandy Garrison and Julie South, both of Oklahoma City, Okla., Nian Newsom of Mesquite and Astou Ndiaye of Dakar, Senegal, Africa. Ashlee Covin was junior bridesmaid. The flower girls were Aven Covin of Canyon and Sherri Ann Haynes of McLean.

Standing in as best man was Darren Johnson, brother of the groom, of McLean. The groomsmen were J.T. Haynes and Tom Pennington, both of Lubbock, Destry Magee of Canyon, Tanner Hess of Austin, Sid Brass, Randy Nichols and Brent Skaggs, all of Pampa, and Cal Holwick and Chris Littlefield, both of McLean. Andrew Covin was junior groomsmen.

The guests were seated by Pat Covin and Billy Ivy, both of Canyon, Trace Bailey of Clovis, N.M., and J.T. Haynes. Registering guests were Renee Downey and Bree Lewis, both of Friona.

The candlelighters were Lane Ivy and Austen Covin, both of Canyon. The cross carriers were Brent Ivy and Wheatley Stevens, both of Canyon.

Music was provided by soloist Wes Stevens, organist Ann Root and quartet members Buddy Covin, John Covin, George Covin and Gary Covin, all of Canyon, and pianist Kloette Henson of Wheeler.

A reception was held following the service in Fellowship Hall of the church.

The bride is the daughter of Gary and Jean Stevens of Canyon. She is a 1993 Canyon High School graduate and has attended Southern Nazarene University in Bethany, Okla. She is currently pursuing an exercise sports science degree at West Texas A&M University in Canyon and hopes to graduate in May 1997.

The groom is the son of Mike and Cherry Johnson of Vernon and Sam and Jan Haynes of Pampa. He is a 1992 McLean High School graduate and has attended South Plains College in Levelland. He is currently pursuing a degree in pre-pharmacy and chemistry at Texas Tech University in Lubbock and hopes to graduate in May 1997.



Tyler Beth Bramlet and David William Pink

Bramlet-Pink

Tyler Beth Bramlet of Amarillo and David William Pink of Pampa were married Dec. 21, 1996, in St. Paul's Catholic Newman Center at Laramie, Wyo., with Father Roger Schmit of Laramie and Father Gerald Sullivan of Cheyenne, Wyo., officiating.

The maid of honor was Aimee Jo Bramlet of Amarillo. The bridesmaids were Julie Hahn of Garden City, Mich., Jill Bramlet of Wheatland, Wyo., Keri Krall of Spearfish, S.D., and Cheri Oakley of Bozeman, Mont. The flower girls were Krystal Wilson of Fort Collins, Colo., and Rachel Griess of Greeley, Colo.

Standing in as best man was John Pink of Kailua, Kona, Hawaii. The groomsmen were Frank Pink of Parkersburg, W. Va., Mike Pink of Houston, Bob Pink of Pocatello, Idaho, and Pat Pink of Denver, Colo. The groomsmen also doubled as ushers.

The candlelighters were Cecily Bramlet, mother of the bride, and Jean Pink, mother of the groom.

Registering guests was Barb Revak of Greeley.

Music was provided by musician-soloist Tim Frank of Okreek, S.D., and soloist Susan Cogdill of Casper, Wyo.

A reception was held following the service in Bishop Newall Hall of the center. Serving the guests were A.J. Griess of Greeley and Cody Pink of Pocatello.

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Cecily "Gady" Bramlet of Amarillo. She attended the University of Wyoming for three years and is currently pursuing a degree in education at West Texas A&M University at Canyon. She hopes to graduate from WTAMU in the Fall of 1997. She is a Mortarboard National Honorary member and coaches club swimming.

The groom is the son of Paul and Jean Pink of Greeley. He attended the University of Wyoming and swam on the university's varsity swim team. He currently teaches physics at Pampa High School and is head swim coach.



Melissa Darlene Jones and Randall Ted Felts

Jones-Felts


Melissa Darlene Jones of Pampa and Randall Ted Felts of Knox City, Texas, were wed Sunday, Jan. 12, 1997, in Central Baptist Church at Pampa with Rick Parnell of Pampa officiating.

The maid of honor was Sheri Stewart of Pampa. The bridesmaid was Jamie Wehmier of Pampa and the flower girl was Britiany Wehmier of Pampa. Standing in as best man was Tommy Ramos of Knox City. Tab Felts of Eastland served as groomsmen and Garrett Jones of Pampa performed the duty of ring bearer.

The ushers were John Wehmier of Pampa and Todd Felts of Knox City. Joann Walters of Pampa registered guests. A reception was held following the service in the parlor of the church.

The bride is the daughter of Alvin and Sandy Jones of Pampa and is a Pampa High School graduate. She is currently employed with Combined Insurance of America.

The groom is the son of Zoann Carol Felts of Knox City. He is a graduate of Knox City High School and is a deputy with Knox City Sheriff's Office.



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Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum presents 'New Mexico in a Box' exhibit

CANYON — An exhibit entitled "New Mexico in a Box" featuring images of the countless small churches, cemeteries, bars, curio shops and landmarks that dot the vast New Mexico landscape will open Jan. 20 at the Panhandle-Plains Museum in Canyon.

The portfolio of small black and white photographs, by Jim Jordan of Amarillo, are matted to 10" x 8" to fit in a small presentation case. According to the photographer, the prints are deliberately small to allude to the fact that natives of treeless plains are used to seeing objects long before they get close to them.

Like many West Texas families, Jordan vacationed with his parents in northern New Mexico to escape the summer heat of the plains for one or two weeks each year. It was during these trips in the early forties that Jordan began speculating on the scenery from the back seat of his

father's 1938 Chevrolet Deluxe.

"The State of New Mexico abounds with places of both spiritual and secular nourishment. There are over 250 tiny churches, many in despair, dotting the landscape. Countless little cemeteries, or camposantos, display a special tenderness of Hispanic people for their dead. The victims of fatal auto crashes are often remembered with crosses and roadside shrines," Jordan reflected.

With retirement from the City of Amarillo, Jordan

gained the great luxury of time to explore the Land of Enchantment with a camera. He makes frequent trips, recording images there.

"Today I still feel happy anticipation each time I cross the New Mexico state line on I-40 West. These images ("New Mexico in a Box") are among the first of many yet to be made under the vast skies of New Mexico," Jordan concluded.

The exhibit will continue through Nov. 1, 1997, in the Photo Gallery on the first floor of the museum.

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Entertainment

Unsinkable Debbie Reynolds

By KATHLEEN SAMPEY
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Sober reflections on mortality seem oddly out of place these days for Debbie Reynolds.

After all, the perky, fresh-scrubbed starlet of yesteryear who engaged audiences in the 1950s and '60s with such movies as *Singin' in the Rain* and *The Unsinkable Molly Brown*, now finds herself the subject of Oscar-talk for her portrayal of the title character in Albert Brooks' new comedy, *Mother*.

All the critical acclaim for her current comic turn doesn't stop her from thinking about how she wants to make her final exit: She'd like to die before a live audience.

"That would be my dream," says the actress, who spends much of each year performing in Las Vegas. "I would like to be able to go out on stage, just do a buck and a wing and fall over."

"You know at 64, you're looking towards the end of your life. You're not looking towards the middle or the beginning."

Her resume includes 50 films, two No. 1 hit singles in the 1950s ("Tammy" and "Aba Daba Honey Moon"), numerous stage and television appearances and, in recent years, a thriving Las Vegas stage show adjacent to her movie-memorabilia museum.

Aside from small roles in such recent films as last year's *Wedding*

Bell Blues and Oliver Stone's *Heaven and Earth* in 1993, Reynolds hasn't had a major acting role in years, not since she co-starred with Shelley Winters in the campy murder mystery *What's the Matter With Helen?* in 1971. Before that, she had appeared in such movies as *Divorce American Style*, *The Singing Nun*, *Pleasure of His Company*, *The Rat Patrol* and *Goodbye Charlie*.

As Brooks' quirky mom in the new off-beat movie, Reynolds just might have a new turn in her career. And with all the attention she's getting these days, she doesn't mind a bit that she's also known as Carrie Fisher's mother.

She says the situations portrayed in *Mother* — in which a divorced writer moves in with his mother so he can retrace his childhood and find out why he always mishandles relationships — don't reflect the relationship she has with real-life son, Todd Fisher, 37, or Carrie, 40.

"This woman isn't like me at all," she insists. "She was a woman that was very content with her life of being retired. I could never be happy being retired. She gardens. I don't do anything quiet."

In person, Reynolds projects none of the spunky bonhomie so embedded in her on-screen persona. Her demeanor is detached, but the slow tempo and smooth texture of her voice are comforting complements.

She speaks candidly of her bad marriages (three in all) and their attendant money troubles, her neck pains from osteoporosis, and Eddie Fisher's very public desertion of her for Elizabeth Taylor 38 years ago.

A reconciliation with the actress came in the early 1960s, Reynolds says, when she and second husband Harry Karl (she and third husband Richard Hamlett are divorced) discovered they were aboard the same Europe-bound cruise liner as Taylor and husband Richard Burton.

"We just passed notes saying, 'Why don't we get together and talk about this?' We found some humor in it. She had remarried and thrown Eddie out and I found that all very amusing."

Born April 1, 1932 in El Paso, Texas, Reynolds grew up poor before the family moved to California when she was 7. She entered the Miss Burbank beauty contest in 1948 at age 16. She won and grabbed the attention of a Warner Bros. talent scout who put her under contract for her first role, in the *Daughters of Rosie O'Grady*, in 1950.

"My whole life changed — from Mary Frances Reynolds to Debbie," she said. "We went from poor people to people who could save money, who had a stove and a car from having nothing. So I think I've been very blessed. I've had a wild and wonderful life."

Larry Hagman plays gambling judge in new 'Orleans' series

By JENNIFER BOWLES
AP Television Writer

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — It's hard to imagine Larry Hagman playing anybody other than that rascal J.R. Ewing. Even in person, Hagman exudes the boisterousness, bawdiness and devilish laugh that so typified the *Dallas* character.

"And get me some cookies!" Hagman yells at his publicist, who's ordering the actor a double espresso from room service at the rather hoity-toity hotel where Hagman and CBS are taking part in a semiannual meeting of the nation's television critics.

But even traces of J.R. are hard to find in Hagman's new CBS show *Orleans*, a family legal drama which debuted Jan. 8 with a two-hour movie before moving into its regular 9 p.m. time Wednesday slot.

As its name suggests, the show is about the city known as the Big Easy and it is ripe with crawfish, alligators and bayous, not to mention incest, topless dancers, prostitutes, interracial relationships and a whole lot of crime.

Hagman is the patriarch of the family — Luther Charbonnet, a motorcycle-riding, cane-carrying judge whose heart is devoted as much to upholding the law as it is to gambling. One son is a police detective; the other's a prosecuting attorney.

Other than Hagman and guest appearances by Ralph Waite and Charles Durning, the ensemble cast is comprised of mostly unknowns. Certainly, Hagman is a powerful draw for viewers to tune in, but whether they'll stay depends on how effectively the other characters are developed.

"If they like incest, I suppose they'll like it," Hagman said, referring to first cousins in the show who do more than hug. "I don't know how they're going to greet this in the Midwest, to tell you the truth."

CBS ordered the pilot plus six episodes of *Orleans*, putting it up against another legal show, NBC's *Law and Order*, and ABC's *PrimeTime Live*. The last show in that slot, *EZ Streets*, a gritty mafia-cop drama starring Ken Olin, got such low ratings that CBS yanked it off the air after two episodes.

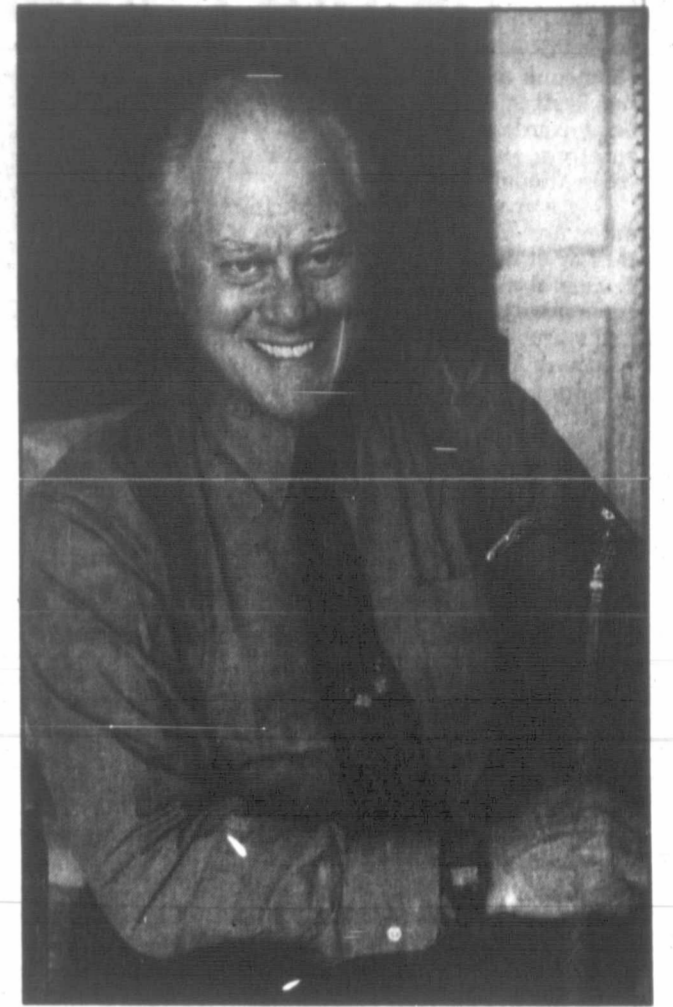
"It's a very different type of show than *EZ Streets*," CBS Entertainment President Les Moonves said of *Orleans*.

"Obviously, it has a well-known CBS star. It's a gentler series than *EZ Streets* and we're hoping the type of show *Orleans* is can attract more of an audience and better counter-programming than *EZ Streets*."

Moonves said most episodes of *Orleans* will garner a TV-14 under the new TV ratings system, meaning it may be inappropriate for children under 14.

The incestuous relationship between first cousins, he said, was "something we talked about. It is somewhat controversial. It's adult and it's sophisticated. I don't know how much more we want to tame it."

Hagman was the first actor that executive pro-



(AP photo)

Actor Larry Hagman returns to television with a new CBS television drama series, *'Orleans,'* in which he portrays the Honorable Judge Luther Charbonnet.

ducer Toni Graphia thought about when she created Charbonnet.

"I think people are expecting to see J.R. or a bad guy and he turns it on his head and he establishes that very quickly — when he's offered a bribe he turns it down," she said.

The series actually is inspired by the real-life family of Graphia, who grew up in nearby Baton Rouge, La., and whose father was a judge and assistant district attorney, brother a state trooper and other brother an attorney.

Her father, now retired, serves as the technical adviser to the show.

When writing Hagman's character, Graphia said, she wanted him to embody Louisiana, with his own moral sense, his own sense of right and wrong.

"It's not necessarily by the letter of the law, and sometimes it's a little wacky, but it's always with heart," she said.

Orleans is Hagman's first series since *Dallas*, which ran from 1978 to 1991, and since undergoing a liver transplant in August 1995, and he hopes it will take off like *Dallas* did.

"Honey, if I've got five or six years left," he said, "I'd rather be working."

'In Love and War' brings Bullock and bravery to the WWI front line

By MATT WOLF
Associated Press Writer

SHEPPERTON, England (AP) — "Wait for 'action' until you start your moaning."

As assistant director Pat Clayton barked commands at his *In Love and War* ensemble, Sandra Bullock giggled behind her surgical mask.

Near her, numerous extras were working up the necessary decorum, or anguish, in the face of death, with a London film studio standing in for a front-line hospital in the Italian foothills of the Dolomites.

"I know it's hard to keep doing, ladies and gentlemen," added Richard Attenborough, director of the \$40 million World War I romance, "but (the scene) really does need all that energy and panic."

Meantime, make-up artist Daniel Parker doled out golden syrup and food dyes to suggest the casualties' cuts and wounds. "This is fun," said Parker, whose credits include *Mary Shelley's Frankenstein*.

Minutes later, he was daubing "Kensington gore" on the truncated legs of a real-life amputee who was among the extras.

Continuing Attenborough's latest penchant for depicting legends in love — his last movie, *Shadowslands*, was about the writer C.S. Lewis's romance with Joy Gresham — *In Love and War* focuses on young Ernest Hemingway's love affair with an American nurse.

As an ambulance driver during World War I, Hemingway, played by Chris O'Donnell, caught a bullet in his leg and landed in a Red Cross hospital in Milan. There, he met Agnes von Kurovsky (Bullock), who became the great early love of the writer's life.

A *Farewell To Arms*, Hemingway's fictional account of the affair, has been filmed twice.

On this day of filming, immediate concerns had to do with realism.

While bags of wounds labeled "slit throat" and "small gash" ensured verisimilitude, a local priest, the Rev. John Elliott, was on hand to make sure Hollywood in no way compromised the administration of last rites.

"This is a fascinating way



(AP photo)

Playing the role of an American nurse, Sandra Bullock assists Chris O'Donnell, portraying a young Ernest Hemingway, in *'In Love and War,'* a World War I romance.

to spend the morning," Elliott said. "I have a parish to run the rest of the time."

No less busy was Jean Waldman, a volunteer historian in the nursing division of American Red Cross headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Having joined the set in Italy, where filming began, Waldman was providing information and advice on proper tents and bandages as well as clamps, scissors, and Hershey bars.

In Love and War was the brainchild of producer Dimitri Villard, whose father Henry is a character in the movie played by Mackenzie Astin. The real Henry was 18 in 1918, the year the film takes place, and was as smitten with Agnes as Hemingway.

"I'm very comfortable with blood and operations," Bullock remarked to a journalist during filming last summer. "It's kind of gross what I can bear."

Her *In Love and War* salary no doubt made it all more bearable, too — \$10.5 million plus \$500,000 expenses.

Bullock characterized Agnes as "a nurse who could have been a doctor very easily, but because of the time, she couldn't."

"You look at the handbook for 1918, and you see that a

nurse was basically a nurse-maid. It tells you how to make egg creams on top of holding a severed leg; you learn to make Belgian waffles and hold an amputee."

Attenborough has been down the path of conflict before. His directing debut in 1969 was *Oh! What A Lovely War*, adapted from the legendary Joan Littlewood stage production. The starry *A Bridge Too Far* (1977) focused on an Allied airdrop in 1944 Holland, while both the 1982 Oscar-winning *Gandhi* and *Cry Freedom* showed countries in upheaval.

In his latest film, the 73-year-old director shows a man and a woman in upheaval as well.

"The war was probably responsible in no small measure for the relationship that did happen in that it heightened everything," Attenborough said later during post-production. "With the imminent feeling of disaster or the end of life literally around the corner, all those emotions are enormously magnified."

Attenborough doesn't give any indication of slowing down.

"The thought of not working is anathema," said the director. "I really would like to actually fall off the twig saying 'cut' or 'action.'"

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By The Associated Press

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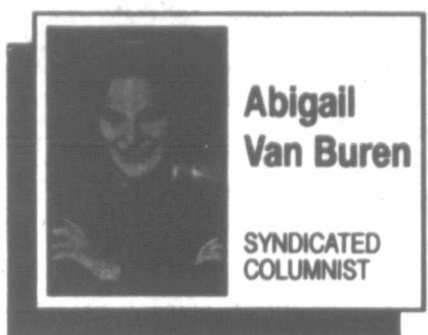
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The "Just Say No" campaign was well-meant, but the truth is "It Takes a Village." Our families, friends, neighbors, police, teachers and clergy need to be aware and get involved. The drugs on the street today are stronger and more lethal than ever before. Our kids are addicted before they know what hit them.

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Abigail Van Buren

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"He leadeth me beside the troubled waters.

"He destroyeth my soul. "He leadeth me in the paths of wickedness.

"Yea, I shall walk through the valley of poverty and will fear no evil, for thou, Heroin, are with me.

"Thy needle and capsule comfort me. Thou strippest the table of groceries in the presence of my family. Thou robbest my head of reason.

"My cup of sorrow runneth over. Surely heroin addiction shall stalk me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the House of the Damned forever."

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You should assess each situation realistically today, but try to push negative thoughts out of your mind. If you don't, you will not be productive.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Do not forget or ignore people who have helped you in the past, especially if one of them requests a favor from you today.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You are capable of significant achievements today if you utilize the resources you have at your disposal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Usually you

depend on the strength of your convictions, but today you might entertain so many self-doubts that it will be hard to see beyond your weaknesses.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Do not put yourself in a position which will require you to request favors from friends. They might not be in the mood to help, and rejection could be embarrassing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today, avoid alliances with people whose goals and objectives are not the same as yours. Arrangements of this kind could be unproductive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Approach your work with a positive attitude today. If you think you can breeze through an assignment, you probably can.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today, resist the temptation to take risks. You could lose many of the things you've worked hard to gain.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You must be cooperative today if you want to appease your mate. He or she will reciprocate, and you both will benefit.

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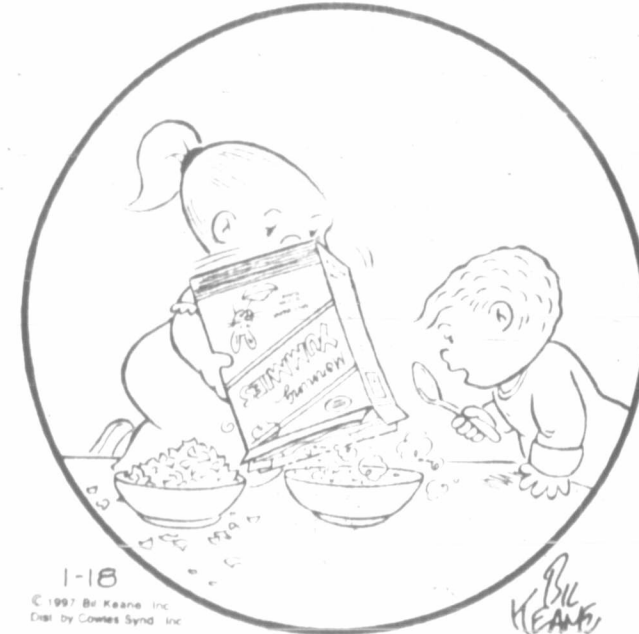
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Unique opportunities might present themselves to you in the year ahead. These could be beneficial if they are utilized properly, so assess each one individually. **AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Co-workers might tax your patience today. However, strive to be tolerant and understanding. There might be legitimate reasons for their peculiar behavior. Major changes are ahead for Aquarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$2 and SASE to



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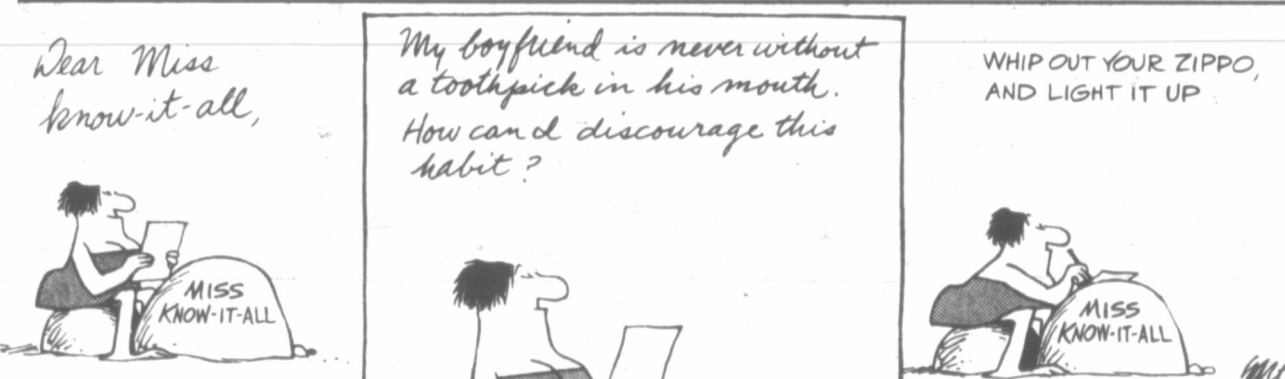
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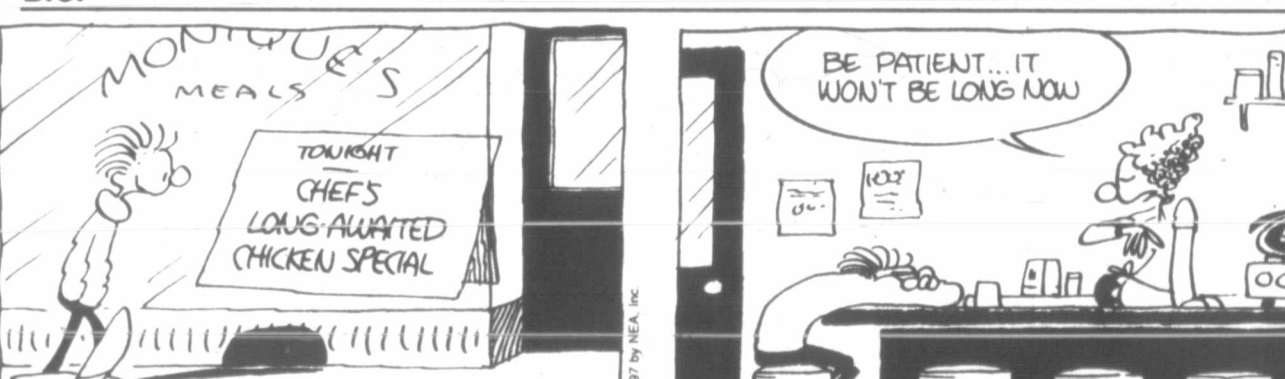
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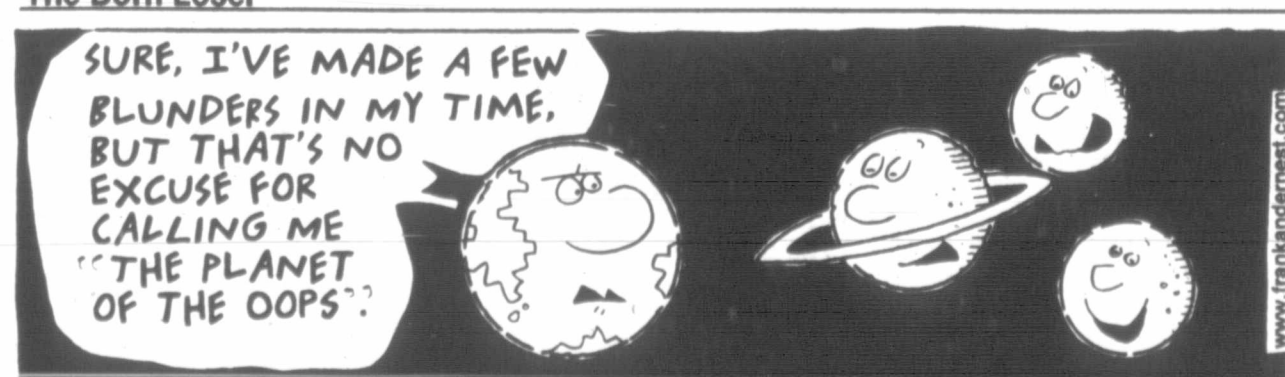
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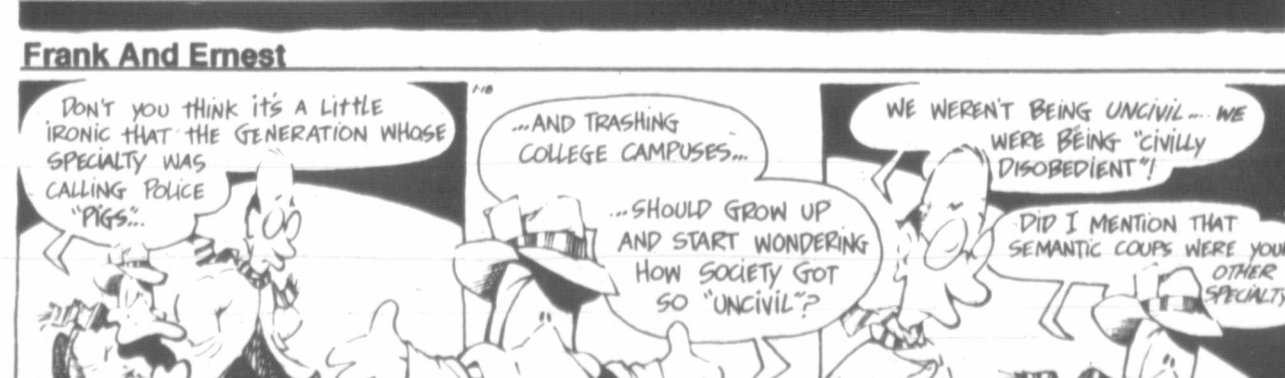
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Police continue search for young girl's killer

By STEFANI G. KOPENEC
Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The motto appears on a computer screen-saver at police headquarters: "The Amber Hagerman Task Force: In search of the facts and one low-life killer."

One year after the 9-year-old Girl Scout was dragged, screaming, off her bicycle by a man who drove a black pickup truck, investigators have scoured thousands of leads but have been unable to find her killer.

"I didn't think that this case would go that far. I thought I'd have him by now," said Sgt. Mark Simpson, who heads the task force that includes eight full-time detectives and a secretary.

"I personally believe that if we can stay with it, we'll get him."

Amber's parents still hold out hope that the murderer of their daughter — who fancied Barbie dolls, liked to sing "America the Beautiful" because it mentioned her name — will be caught.

"We're never going to give up on that," said Richard Hagerman. "That's something that the family is never going to give up on because that's what we need to bring final closure and justice for our daughter."

Detectives keep a large picture of the blue-eyed third-grader in plain view in their workroom, which also contains five bookcases of three-ring binders filled with tips and leads, a timeline of significant events in the investigation and various maps and charts.

The photograph, Simpson said, "keeps everybody focused on where we are and why we're here."

Amber was kidnapped on a sunny afternoon Jan. 13, 1996, less than 20 minutes after she arrived at her grandparents' house after spending time in the park with her mother.

She and her younger brother ventured down the street on their bicycles, with Amber riding to a parking lot between an abandoned grocery store and a laundromat. A man in the neighborhood witnessed the crime that captured the nation's attention and drew condolences from President Clinton.

Police responded quickly. Within two hours, they knew a stranger had abducted the girl.

Four days later, Amber's nude body was found floating face down in a rain-swollen creek, her



(AP photo by Jon Frellich)
Donna Whitson holds back tears while looking at a photo of her daughter, Amber Hagerman, who was abducted and murdered in Arlington.

throat cut. A man walking his dog outside an apartment complex about three miles north of the working-class neighborhood where Amber was last seen made the gruesome discovery.

The body was identified by way of a fingerprint card that her parents had filled out in the event of such a tragedy.

Authorities said they have

pushed hard to solve the crime, following up leads of varying strength, searching data bases for recently released child-sex offenders and checking records on pickup trucks.

Detectives felt "very strongly" about five or six people, but those suspects were eliminated one by one with alibis, Simpson said.

A \$75,000 reward hasn't helped.

While police remain unsatisfied in their quest to capture the killer, they acknowledge some of the difficulties involved with investigating such a heinous act.

"One of the problems with this type of crime is this is not the type of offense that someone brags about," Simpson said. "You don't go down and talk to your buddies at the bar about how you kidnaped, raped and killed a child."

Amber's parents admit frustration and lingering doubts about the investigation, and Simpson said police understand they are an "easy target" for that.

"I'm frustrated he's not caught yet, but they don't have much to go on," said Donna Whitson, who still lives in the small two-bedroom apartment she once shared with her daughter.

A living room bookcase is filled with angels people have given in her daughter's memory. Picture after picture of the smiling, brown-haired girl line the walls and tables. A pair of tennis shoes sits by the front door as a reminder of Amber.

Her parents have harnessed some of their anger and kept themselves busy by fighting for tougher laws to protect children. Last year they attended a Rose Garden ceremony where President Clinton signed a measure establishing a national registry to keep track of convicted sex offenders.

This spring they hope to present Gov. George W. Bush with 100,000 signatures on petitions calling for stronger and stricter laws for such criminals.

"I was mad at the whole world when my daughter was found dead, but now I'm not angry anymore," said Ms. Whitson, who wears a button with Amber's picture on it as a sign to her child that the family is still seeking justice.

"I'm just angry at my daughter's killer. He'll be caught one day. If we the people don't, God'll take care of it. God'll see to it that he gets what's coming to him."

Winter good time to decide whether to repot your plants

PHOENIX (AP) — This is a good time to check whether plants growing in containers will benefit from repotting. Spring transplanting also tends to stimulate new growth, which can be even more of a benefit.

Plants that need larger quarters usually provide ample clues.

Look for discolored or yellowing leaves, roots coming out of the drain hole or growing exposed on top, a plant that wilts frequently and needs daily watering, or water that runs out of a pot as soon as applied.

A secondary benefit of spring repotting is the opportunity to re-assess the placement and number of outdoor containers.

Since too many small containers are a guaranteed maintenance nightmare, can the plants be grouped into larger containers? Did the plants seem to suffer last year in the afternoon sun? Did the containers get too hot? Is a shift to a location with morning sun feasible?

Many house plants can be root- and top-pruned and returned to the same pot after adding fresh growing medium. This also helps keep them small enough for indoor culture.

Repotting rules used to be inflexible. Only the next-size pot could be used: a plant growing in 3-inch pot had to be moved to a 4-inch one. The size of a pot is measured by its diameter at the top.

These days the process is more flexible but many of the old practices still are good basics. They developed from commercial needs, where plants were grown to be shipped.

One example is that pots must be clean. Try not to move plants while the ball of soil is wet; wait until it's dry enough to crumble. Plants should never be re-set deeper than they were growing originally. Foliage should be pruned to match any loss of roots in transplanting.

Another good rule: if the plant did well in the old container, stick with the same type — plastic or clay.

In the home, a plant should survive if moved from a 2-inch to a 4-inch pot or from a 4-inch to 6-inch pot. But don't give them too great a shift. That can create drainage problems.

Remember that hardwood plants such as azaleas, roses and palms are more tricky than softwood ones like flowers.

It's also wise to standardize the growing medium. A good mix will drain well, hold water, have sufficient nutrients and allow oxygen to penetrate.

To get the plant out of a container, turn it upside down, hold it firmly with one hand and tap the rim sharply on a solid surface.

Cut the rootball on the sides and bottom, about 1/4-inch deep, and lightly rough it to induce the roots to break from the dimensions of the old pot.

Put sufficient growing medium into the new pot so the plant will stand about an inch below the rim with the soil level about the same as it was originally. Jam the new mix around it, using your thumbs.

Water the plant until water comes out of the drainage hole.

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The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

WHEAT - (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: As I've said before, the near term tone to the wheat market will be set by the Jan. 10th USDA report (at press time we do not yet have the numbers).

Two important aspects to this one: Firstly, we'll receive an update of the wheat stocks. I look for the report to continue to show extremely tight domestic supplies. While world supplies are adequate now, tight U.S. could prove significant if certain things happen. Also, there could already be some damage due to weather to the US new crop, but at this point it's hard to know how much.

The second half of the report is the government's estimate of the 1997 plantings. Every so often there is a surprise here. We'll wait to comment until we see the number. Much of the growing season remains ahead of us, but these reports will set the stage for the coming months.

Strategy: Hedgers: Our plan is to buy put options for price protection on anticipated new crop production. I recommend the use of puts, rather than short futures or forward cash contracting, for one prime reason. Puts will not limit your upside potential. They still put in place a worst case floor price. They worked real well last year. I would wait for a

better opportunity, however (higher prices) to buy the puts.

Traders: We never got our break under \$3.70 in the March Minneapolis futures to be a buyer. This recommendation is now canceled and we'll stay on the sidelines until after the report.

CORN - (BEAR)

Outlook: At press time, we do not have the statistics from the USDA January crop report. The November crop estimate was a big one - 9.265 billion bushels. As I mentioned last week, the government almost always raises the estimate on the January report in years of big crops and also when they raised the November numbers. This is where the old saying "big crops get bigger" comes from.

I still don't see much in the corn market to get excited about now. A bullish surprise on the report would be a surprise to me, but we'll wait and see.

Strategy: Hedgers: If you took my previous advice, you are already sold out of old crop (at higher prices I'm sure). If you want to speculate on higher prices [which is what you're doing when you hold cash corn], there's a better way, my opinion. Buy call options. They're cheap now, they allow you to participate in any upside [minus the premiums paid plus commissions], plus, and this is impor-

tant, they limit your downside. This statement cannot be made when holding cash corn.

Traders: We'll wait until after the crop report to take a new position.

CATTLE - (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: The cattle market's turned into a dull affair. I recently read an analysis that convincingly talked about eighty dollar cattle in 1998, and those cattle will look cheap by '99. It all has to do with the long term cattle cycle, and I believe there is validity to this.

Unfortunately, we have to get through the rest of this year first. What does it hold? Increasing supplies in the next few months, met by relatively good demand. Look for a two-sided trading affair. I would be surprised to see the market fall under sixty this year, but on the other hand it doesn't look like a runaway to the upside either.

Strategy: Feeders: Last week I recommended cattle feeders purchase February Live Cattle 64 puts for downside protection. They offer relatively cheap insurance right now, since they are trading at less than a buck. Puts leave upside potential open, but place a guaranteed floor price under your market.

Cow/calf operators: Feeders prices should gain on fat cattle prices due to relatively tight supplies and available feed, but this market will still be dominated by fat cattle prices. Since I don't see a collapse coming in cattle prices, and feeder puts aren't necessarily cheap right now, I would just consider accepting the risk of the marketplace at this time.

Traders: Look to buy February under 6350, or sell above 6650. In either case risk one dollar on a stop close only for a two dollar objective.

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Ag real estate tax seminars scheduled

"A properly drawn estate plan may save many farm and ranch families up to \$200,000 in estate taxes."

This statement made by Wayne A. Hayenga, Texas Extension economist and attorney, assumes a lot of information: a married couple who "like each other" and want to care for each other, who have property worth \$1 million or more, and want to pass it on to their children.

This is an eye-opening fact for many people. In fact, many people only worry about estate planning if they hear of a friend's "problem" in settling an estate or paying estate taxes.

"But," Hayenga continued, "for many families the estate tax savings are not as large - if they have smaller operations. In fact, for many families, the income tax savings of a properly prepared

estate plan can be greater than the estate tax savings."

Four two-day seminars talking about these complicated tax topics will be held at Austin, Feb. 4-5, Joe C. Thompson Conference Center, University of Texas; San Antonio, Feb. 12-13, Alamo Towers W., Ste. 420, 901 NE Loop 410; Lubbock, Feb. 20-21, Holiday Inn Civic Center, 801 Ave. Q; and Houston, Feb. 25-26, Harris County Extension Office, #2 Abercrombie Drive (Bear Creek Park).

The program is structured to help people learn how to lower their tax burden and ease administrative burdens that affect passing their estates to their loved ones. In addition to discussing estate planning systems, tax savings possibilities will be discussed from corporations, partnerships and trusts when family

members are involved in the business.

Making gifts to avoid estate taxes will be discussed also.

"There are two problems with making excessive gifts - the first is dying poor; the second is the adverse income tax consequences the gift can cause the recipient. A properly planned estate can save many dollars in income taxes for the heirs," Hayenga said.

Two problems that affect family operations - planning for inflation and growth of the business - will be discussed. Another topic, how to be fair among all children when one child is interested in the family business and others are not, also will be addressed.

The registration fee is \$100. Call Carol Sabo, Christine Eubank or Wayne Hayenga for registration information; phone (409) 845-2226.

Grain sorghum producers to meet in Pampa

Grain sorghum producers will meet this month in Pampa to discuss checkoff dollars and membership dues.

The Texas Grain Sorghum Association, a membership organization, and the Texas Grain Sorghum Board, which is supported by checkoff dollars, will host a meeting at noon Wednesday, Jan. 22, at the Gray County Extension Office.

Grain sorghum board officials

said the program would include how both checkoff dollars and membership dues are spent. A free meal will be included.

Checkoff dollars go to research, market development and promotion, officials said. Membership dues are spent for lobbying and educational functions.

A free estate planning program will be conducted by Mark R. Ensign, an Amarillo attorney, and Mike Morgan of the New

England Financial Group at 10:30 a.m. the same day at the Extension office.

Similar programs are scheduled Jan. 20 for Perryton and Dumas and on Jan. 21 in Hereford.

For more information on the grain sorghum meetings, call (806) 298-4501.

For more information on the estate planning program, call 1-800-765-1351.

TBC report highlights beef checkoff activities and projects for fiscal 1996

Investments by Texas beef producers in checkoff activities conducted within the state, nation and world in fiscal year 1996 are highlighted in the recently published Texas Beef Council (TBC) annual report, says Chauncey Thompson of Breckenridge, TBC chairman.

"TBC's board of directors mandates that all programs conducted by TBC's staff with checkoff dollars be highly measurable as to the intended result," Thompson said. "Texas producers will see from this annual report that TBC has conducted cost-effective programs with accountability that have provided value to consumers and cattle producers alike."

One side of this year's annual report lists highlights of projects conducted by TBC in Texas to strengthen beef's position in the marketplace. The report covers the fiscal year from Oct. 1, 1995, to Sept. 30, 1996. The other side of the report lists national and international activities also conducted with beef checkoff dollars over the same period by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) and the U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF).

The annual report shows that Texas, the No. 1 cattle population state, received \$13,206,527 in checkoff dollars (96 percent of which came from Texas producers) and \$208,468 in interest and other income. TBC sent \$6,276,231 to the Beef Board as its 50 percent share of all checkoff dollars collected. Of the remaining 50-cent share, Texas sent \$2.5 million to NCBA, all of which helped fund additional

national beef promotion, education and research programs.

TBC programs operated on approximately \$2.8 million with the remaining funds left in reserve at the direction of the TBC board.

Here are some highlights of what these checkoff dollars helped fund in the last fiscal year:

- A close working relationship between TBC and the Texas affiliates of the American Heart Association and American Cancer Society, which contributed to the 14 percent increase in physicians nationwide who recommend beef two to three times per week.

- A partnership with HEB that helped move 1 million additional pounds of shoulder clods through a new cut called the Texas-Style Short Rib.

- A partnership with Wendy's that increased ground beef summer sales by 5 percent in Houston and 4 percent in Dallas.

- Bringing the No. 1 cooling personality in Mexico on a tour of Texas beef in cooperation with USMEF. The resulting Mexican

media coverage provided the industry an estimated publicity value of \$500,000.

- An interactive satellite Town Hall meeting that provided producers with valuable information on how their checkoff dollars are spent. A total of 98 percent of participants called the program a useful source of information.

"All programs that we conduct in Texas are in accordance with the national plan," Thompson said. "This year's annual report signifies how this state-national relationships pays dividends to producers through the beef checkoff program."

The annual report will be available to producers through their county Extension agents and auction markets. Annual reports also can be requested by writing or calling TBC at 8708 Ranch Road 620 N., Austin TX 78726; (512) 335-2333.

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TCF board OKs strategic plans

Texas Cattle Feeders board of directors this month approved the association's 1997 strategic plan including 41 committee goals, according to TCFA spokesman Burt Rutherford.

The directors also discussed studies on group marketing and decided to continue to evaluate alternatives.

In other action, they agreed to support the development of a Live Cattle Cash Settlement Contract and to support restrictions on the feeding of ruminant-derived proteins in response to FDA's proposed regulations as a result of the BSE outbreak in Great Britain.

The board approved revisions to the Southwest Scale of Grain Discounts, to become effective March 1, 1997.

The board also approved auditors report for fiscal year 1996, and approved four new Feedyard Members, 236 Feeder Associates and 32 Industry Associates.



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Careful handling still needed to cook meats tested for bacteria

Processing plants will be required to test meat and poultry for bacteria under new USDA rules intended to reduce disease-producing organisms known as "pathogens." The plants must implement HACCP (Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points) systems as a means of controlling their processes to prevent microbial contamination.

Even though HACCP in the plants will significantly reduce pathogens on meat and poultry products, these foods will not be sterile. While it's not practical to do microbial testing in home kitchens, the HACCP approach is also valid to help the consumer learn and practice safe food handling and preparation of all meat and poultry at home.

The improved inspection system will not replace good sanitation and safe food handling in the home. Consumers must still share in the responsibility for safe food handling. Meat and poultry which are properly handled and cooked at home should be safe.

USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is pursuing a broad and long-term science-based strategy to improve the safety of meat and poultry products and to better protect the public health. Part of this strategy is a farm-to-table approach to improve the safety of meat and poultry at each step in the food production, distribution, and marketing chain.

As a result, FSIS has published new regulations to modernize USDA's meat and poultry inspection system. Part of these regulations include a HACCP system of process controls to prevent food safety hazards.

HACCP focuses on problem prevention. It involves taking a look at processes or food handling practices and identifying critical control points, or steps, where failure to take appropriate action is most likely to result in foodborne illness.

Recent surveys show that consumers are more aware these days of food safety issues. According to Bessie Berry, acting manager of USDA's Meat and Poultry Hotline, "A recent Associated Press poll revealed that 89 percent of those surveyed said they follow the safety handling instructions on raw meat and poultry products. The safe handling instructions are really part of a HACCP approach which starts in the store and continues in the home."

But do consumers really understand what hazards and critical control points are? As in the meat and poultry plants, potential hazards in the home

can be divided into three categories: 1. biological (bacteria); 2. chemical (cleaning agents); and 3. physical (equipment).

This focus will be on the biological hazards, or foodborne bacteria, which can lead to illness if the food is mishandled, particularly for those more at risk — the very young, the elderly and the immunocompromised.

Certain processes or handling practices by consumers in the home have been identified as being essential or critical in preventing foodborne illness. These practices, which prevent or control the "dinner plate" microbial contamination associated with foodborne illness, are under the direct control of the consumer, from food acquisition through disposal.

They are purchasing, storing, pre-preparation, cooking, serving and handling leftovers. Failure to take appropriate action at these critical points could result in foodborne illness.

Critical Point 1: Purchasing

Purchase meat and poultry products last and keep packages of raw meat and poultry separate from other foods, particularly foods that will be eaten without further cooking. Consider using plastic bags to enclose individual packages of raw meat and poultry.

Make sure meat and poultry products — whether raw, pre-packaged or from the deli — are refrigerated when purchased.

USDA strongly advises purchasing fresh, pre-stuffed whole birds.

Canned goods should be free of dents, cracks or bulging lids.

Take food straight home to the refrigerator. If travel time will exceed one hour, pack perishable food in a cooler with ice and keep groceries and cooler in the passenger area of the car during warm weather.

Critical Point 2: Home Storage

Verify the temperature of your refrigerator and freezer with an appliance thermometer — refrigerators should run at 40° F or below; freezers at 0° F. Most foodborne bacteria grow slowly at 40° F, a safe refrigerator temperature. Freezer temperatures of 0° F stop bacterial growth.

At home, refrigerate or freeze meat and poultry immediately.

To prevent raw juices from dripping on other foods in the refrigerator, use plastic bags or place meat and poultry on a plate.

Wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds

before and after handling any raw meat, poultry or seafood products.

Store canned goods in a cool, clean dry place. Avoid extreme heat or cold which can be harmful to can goods.

Never store any foods under a sink and always keep foods off the floor and separate from cleaning supplies.

Critical Point 3: Pre-Preparation

The importance of hand washing cannot be overemphasized. This simple practice is the most economical, yet often forgotten way to prevent contamination or crosscontamination.

Wash hands (gloved or not) with soap and water for 20 seconds: before beginning preparation; after handling raw meat, poultry, seafood or eggs; after touching animals; after using the bathroom; after changing diapers; or after blowing the nose.

Don't let juices from raw meat, poultry or seafood come in contact with cooked foods or foods that will be eaten raw, such as fruits or salad ingredients.

Wash hands, counters, equipment, utensils and cutting boards with soap and water immediately after use. Counters, equipment, utensils and cutting boards can be sanitized with a chlorine solution of 1 teaspoon liquid household bleach per quart of water. Let the solution stand on the board after washing, or follow the instructions on sanitizing products.

Thaw in the refrigerator, NEVER ON THE COUNTER. It is also safe to thaw in cold water in an airtight plastic wrapper or bag, changing the water every 30 minutes till thawed. Or thaw in the microwave and cook the product immediately.

Marinate foods in the refrigerator, NEVER ON THE COUNTER.

USDA recommends that if you choose to stuff whole poultry, it is critical that you use a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature of the stuffing. The internal temperature in the center of the stuffing should reach 165° F before removing it from the oven. Lacking a meat thermometer, cook the stuffing outside the bird.

Critical Point 4: Cooking

Always cook thoroughly. If harmful bacteria are present, only thorough cooking will destroy them; freezing or rinsing the foods in cold water is not sufficient to destroy bacteria.

Use a meat thermometer to determine if your meat or poultry or casserole has reached a safe

internal temperature. Check the product in several spots to assure that a safe temperature has been reached and that harmful bacteria like Salmonella and certain strains of E. coli have been destroyed.

Avoid interrupted cooking. Never refrigerate partially cooked products to later finish cooking on the grill or in the oven. Meat and poultry products must be cooked thoroughly the first time and then they may be refrigerated and safely reheated later.

When microwaving foods, carefully follow manufacturers instructions. Use microwave-safe containers, cover, rotate and allow for the standing time, which contributes to thorough cooking.

Critical Point 5: Serving

Wash hands with soap and water before serving or eating food.

Serve products on clean plates with clean utensils and clean hands. Never put cooked foods on a dish that has held raw products unless the dish is washed with soap and hot water.

Hold hot foods above 140° F and cold foods below 40° F.

Never leave foods, raw or cooked, at room temperature longer than 2 hours. On a hot day with temperatures at 90° F or warmer, this decreases to 1 hour.

Critical Point 6: Handling Leftovers

Wash hands before and after handling leftovers. Use clean utensils and surfaces.

Divide leftovers into small units and store in shallow containers for quick cooling. Refrigerate within 2 hours of cooking.

Discard anything left out too long.

Never taste a food to determine if it is safe.

When reheating leftovers, reheat thoroughly to a temperature of 165° F or until hot and steamy. Bring soups, sauces and gravies to a rolling boil.

If in doubt, throw it out.

For additional food safety information about meat, poultry or eggs, call the toll-free USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline at 1 (800) 535-4555; Washington D.C. area (202) 720-3333. It is staffed by home economists, dietitians and food technologists from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. ET year round. An extensive selection of food safety recordings can be heard 24 hours a day using a touch-tone phone.

The media may call Bessie Berry, acting Director, USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline, at (202) 720-5604.

Information is also available on the Internet from the USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service Home Page at <http://www.usda.gov/fsis>.

Beef industry group to vote on new name for association

DENVER — When beef producers and other stakeholders in the beef industry gather in Kansas City this month for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) convention, they will consider changing the organization's name to "Beef USA" and adopting a new logo as the symbol of the group.

The name change was recommended by a beef producer task force in 1996 and will be voted on by producers during the convention which takes place Jan. 29 through Feb. 1, at the Convention Center in Kansas City, Mo.

The NCBA is the result of a merger of the National Cattlemen's Association and the National Livestock and Meat Board, approved by beef producers a year ago. Following the merger, a task force was appointed to consider options for a new name for the organization.

After conducting focus group research on name options with both consumers and producers,

the task force recommended the name "Beef USA" with the tagline "America's Cattle Industry." The name was approved by the NCBA Executive Committee in November and will be voted on by the NCBA board, members and stakeholders.

A new logo for "Beef USA" will also be considered. Several logos were discussed by the Executive Committee and further refined by the Name Task Force.

The proposed new logo is a stylized map of the United States with the word "BEEF" inside the map. The letters "USA" are printed below the map. It is proposed that the logo may be printed in black only, or, when printed in color, the words "BEEF" and "USA" are to be printed in red. No other colors or words are to be used in any part of the logo or type.

The logo will be voted on by the executive committee, NCBA board, members and stakeholders.

Latest beef grading standards affect small numbers

DENVER — The new USDA beef carcass grading standards that go into effect Jan. 31 will affect 1.58 percent of all fed cattle according to a recently completed B-maturity audit by USDA.

The new figure is lower than the National Beef Quality Audits in 1991 and 1995 that indicated three to five percent of the cattle would be affected.

Under the new grading standards, carcasses with combined lean and skeletal maturity scores of "B," cattle usually 30 to 42 months old and/or with Small or Slight degrees of marbling, will be excluded from the Choice and Select grades. Instead, these carcasses will be downgraded to Standard.

The 1996 carcass data was collected by USDA personnel from late October to early December in 16 states at 40 fed-beef plants, then analyzed by scientists at Colorado State University. Data came from 97,210 carcasses, roughly one day's fed-cattle production in the United States.

The audit identified 3.32 percent of all carcasses as having "B" skeletal maturity. However, because of "youthful" "A" maturity lean color, almost one third (1.11 percent) of these carcasses received an overall maturity score of "A," while the remaining 2.21 percent were identified as "B" maturity carcasses.

Within this remaining group of "B" maturity carcasses, about one-fourth of them (0.63 percent) would not be impacted by the grade change, anyway. About half of this subgroup (0.33 percent) had adequate marbling to grade upper two-thirds Choice or Prime. Conversely, the others had insufficient marbling to remain in the Select grade under the present system and are now graded Standard.

Subtracting this group from the 2.21 percent "B" maturity mix left scientists with the 1.58 percent figure that reflects the amount of cattle in the study that would be affected by the grade change. Of these cattle, 70 percent

would have previously graded Select and 30 percent Choice.

A gender analysis of the data showed that within the small percentage of cattle affected by the grade change (1.58 percent) heifers are somewhat more likely to be affected by the "B" maturity grade change than steers. While a regional carcass analysis was done, Colorado State University scientists stated that broad characterization of cattle in those regions is inappropriate because cattle are generally transported from all over the United States.

The carcass grade change was initiated at the request of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association in accordance with NCBA policy developed in January 1994. That policy was recommended by an industry wide task force that sought to improve the quality of Choice and Select beef delivered to the consumer.

Many beef marketers have publicly voiced displeasure

with beef generated from B-maturity carcasses and support the grade change as a means to improve the quality and consistency of Choice and Select beef.

"B" maturity cattle don't belong in the Choice grade," said Irv Fishman, president and owner of Lombardi Bros. Meats in Denver, a meat distribution company. "Thirty percent of these cattle eat improperly and that's way too many. It's just too great a percentage to have unsatisfactory eating experiences in the Choice grade. We, the industry, keep saying we want to improve the quality of the product and here's an opportunity to do it."

Although the grade change will not have a major impact on the overall eating quality of beef, it is a consumer-focused step many in the beef industry feel is necessary to reduce the number of negative beef eating experiences associated with Choice and Select beef, Mike Smith with NCBA said.

CC now taking applications for its ranch, feedlot program

CLARENDON — Clarendon College's renowned Ranch and Feedlot Operations program is now accepting applications for the Fall 1997 semester. Interviews for this hands-on program will end May 1.

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ers in agriculture. Clarendon College offers 35 academic majors and five workforce education programs. After completing CC's Ranch and Feedlot Operations program, students may complete one year's worth of academic classes and then apply the following year for admission to the Ranch and Feedlot Operations program.

Students who have completed CC's Ranch and Feedlot Operations program are employed in a wide variety of agricultural situations — ranch management and operations, banking, feedyard management and operations, pharmaceutical sales, education and more.

Celebrating its 100th anniversary, Clarendon College is the oldest institution of higher education in the Texas Panhandle. Clarendon College is a two-year college with an enrollment of 800 students.

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Court grants first divorce in Ireland, capping long and divisive debate

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) - A court did what once was unthinkable and granted the first divorce in Ireland's history Friday, quietly embarking on a new era forged by a bitter and closely fought debate in this Roman Catholic country.

Justice Henry Barron announced that he had granted a divorce to an unidentified man who was said to be gravely ill and unwilling to wait until divorce legislation became effective on Feb. 27.

Following a private hearing behind closed doors, Barron concluded that the constitutional amendment approved by voters

in November 1995 provided authority for dissolving the marriage.

The divorce issue had been settled last summer, when the Supreme Court unanimously ruled against a lawsuit filed by anti-divorce activists. News of the first divorce was taken in stride - the story was fourth in the lineup on the 6 p.m. radio news on RTE, the state broadcasting service.

Gerry Hickey, spokesman for the Department of Equality and Law Reform, said Friday's ruling meant that any Irish citizen wanting a divorce could now apply under the constitution.

"If people want to go this route and simply take a case to court and say there is a particular urgency, they can do it," Hickey said. However, he said they would have to convince the court that they could not wait until the effective date.

Hickey said he had no indication how many divorce cases were waiting to be heard. During the referendum campaign, Hickey said the government had estimated that 60,000 or more men and women in this nation of 3.5 million people were involved in marriages that had broken down.

The wife in the historic case did not want a divorce, but she did not

contest her husband's application. The couple had two daughters and a son, all grown, and the man has a daughter by a continuing relationship with another woman. "He is reported to be seriously ill, and wishes to regularize that relationship," Mary Wilson of RTE said.

The constitutional amendment allows divorce if the couple have been separated for four of the previous five years, and if there is "no reasonable prospect of a reconciliation." It is not necessary to find either party at fault.

The court's action Friday represented a quiet beginning to one of the most controversial changes in

Ireland since the state gained independence in 1921. Legalized divorce had been strongly opposed by the Catholic church, the faith in which 92 percent of the country's people were baptized.

"It was obviously inevitable," said Jim Cantwell of the Catholic Press and Information Office. "The church will live with it, as it does in many countries."

In the referendum on Nov. 24, 1995, the constitutional amendment to allow divorce and remarriage was approved by 50.23 percent of the voters - a 9,118-ballot margin out of more than 1.6 million cast.

An anti-divorce activist, Des

Hanafin, had gone to court seeking to void the referendum. He argued that the government had illegally spent state funds to encourage a "yes" vote.

The Supreme Court unanimously rejected the challenge in June, and the enabling legislation was signed by President Mary Robinson in November.

Divorce had never been available in Ireland, even during British rule, and the prohibition was enshrined as Article 41 of the 1937 constitution. Some Irish citizens obtained divorces in other countries, such as Britain and the United States, but in general they were not recognized at home.

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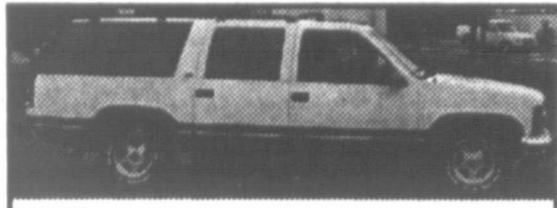
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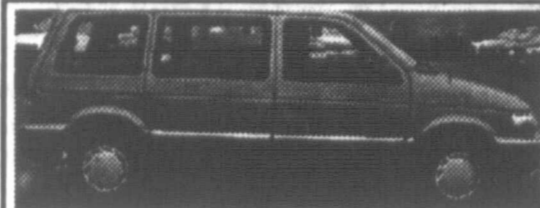
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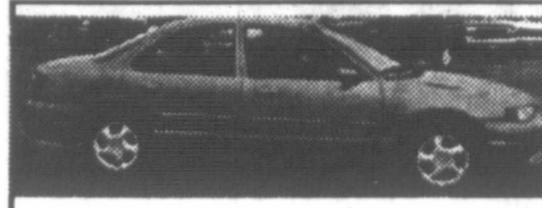
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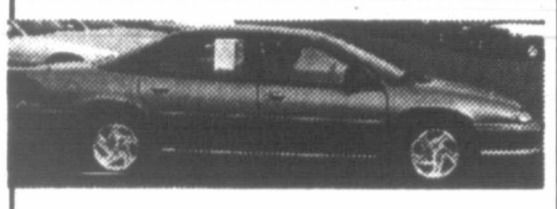


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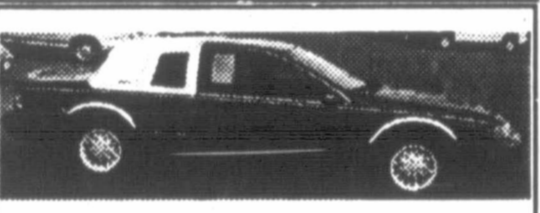
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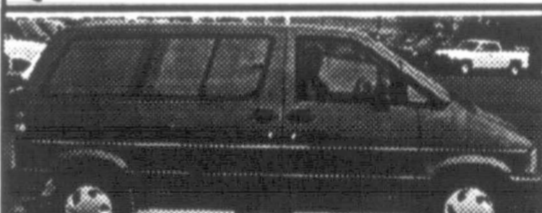
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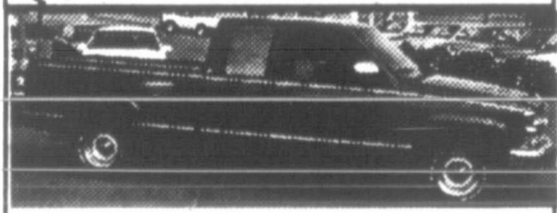


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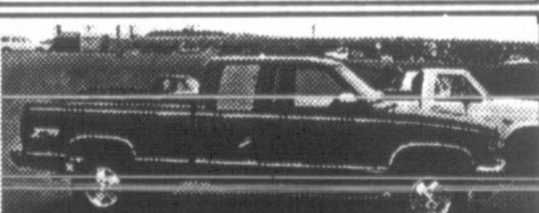
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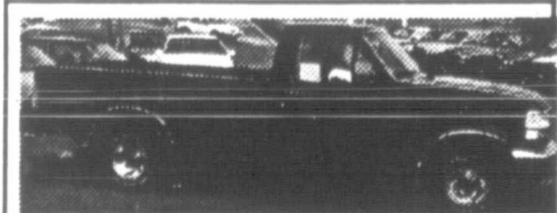
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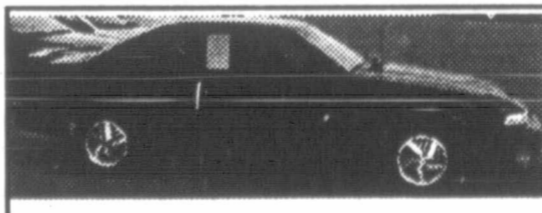
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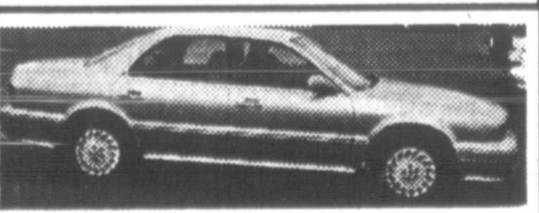
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