

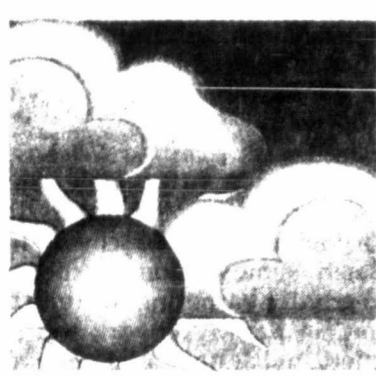
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details.

**AMARILLO** - The Women's Center at the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will present "Women in Touch," a monthly support group for women living with breast cancer.

The support group will meet from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 19, at the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center amphitheater at 1500 Wallace Blvd. in Amarillo.

The May program will feature Georgia Weathers, the American Cancer Society Board chairman and "Reach to Recovery" trainer. Ms. Weathers will present "The Reach to Recovery Program."

For information on the program and the support group, call Kathryn Hughes at the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, (806) 359-4673, Ext. 283, or 1-800-274-4673.

**AMARILLO** - A three-day Cowboy Roundup in June in Amarillo will feature a ranch rodeo, chuckwagon cook-off and horsemanship demonstrations.

Scheduled for June 13-15, the roundup will feature the Coors Ranch Rodeo on Friday and Saturday nights at the outdoor arena at the Tri-State Fairgrounds here.

A team penning is slated for 2 p.m. Friday. Panhandle Cutting Horse Association is planning competition beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. Sunday at Bill Cody Arena. A ranch team roping is scheduled for 8 a.m. Saturday.

Horse training seminars conducted by Craig Cameron are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday.

A chuckwagon lunch is planned for noon Saturday and a chuckwagon breakfast is slated for 8 a.m. Sunday.

Cowboy church with Susan Luchsinger, Reba McIntire's sister, is scheduled for 9 a.m. Sunday.

**RALEIGH, N.C. (AP)** - Evidence offered by attorneys for convicted killer Jeffrey MacDonald does not merit a new trial for the former Green Beret doctor, U.S. Justice Department attorneys say.

MacDonald, 56, was convicted in 1979 and sentenced to three life terms for killing his pregnant wife and two young daughters in 1970 at the family's Fort Bragg home. He claimed a band of drug-crazed hippies attacked the family, chanting "Acid is groovy. Kill the pigs." The case inspired the book *Fatal Vision* and a television film based on it.

MacDonald has no basis for an appeal because the evidence cited by his lawyers was insignificant in his conviction, according to a 59-page prosecution motion filed Monday.

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## White House announces initiatives for food safety

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Clinton administration unveiled a \$43.2 million, five-step program to improve the nation's food safety, including subjecting fruit and vegetable juices and egg products to more stringent safeguards.

Vice President Al Gore, in releasing a report detailing the program, said Monday that while U.S. food supplies are the safest in the world, "the nation has much more to do."

The report, "Food Safety From Farm to Table," said that millions of Americans continue to be stricken each year by illness caused by the food they consume and about 9,000 - mostly the very young and the elderly - die as a result.

"We're not raising the food safety victory flag yet," said Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala.

As an example of the continued safety problems, the report noted that several hundred Michigan schoolchildren were

struck by the hepatitis A virus in March after eating contaminated frozen strawberries in a school lunch program.

And at least 49 people were sickened recently after drinking trendy, unpasteurized fruit juices that were contaminated with the virulent E. coli bacteria.

Officials said the government still is studying whether to require pasteurization of fruit juices.

President Clinton requested the study in January and asked Congress to appropriate the money necessary to carry out its recommendations. The report calls for:

- Improved inspections and expanded preventive safety measures, including \$8.5 million for additional Food and Drug Administration inspectors. In addition, fruit and vegetable juices and egg products will be included among the seafood, meat and poultry products now subject to the tracking system from the farm to the grocery store.

- A \$4 million national educa-

tion campaign by the Agriculture Department and the FDA to improve food handling in homes, restaurants and stores.

- Increased research, costing \$16.5 million, to develop new tests to detect food-borne pathogens, some of which - such as hepatitis A - cannot be detected in many foods.

- Creation of an intergovernmental group to improve federal, state and local coordination when illnesses break out.

- Spending \$13.7 million to build a national early-warning system to detect and respond to outbreaks.

Under the new juice and egg proposal, companies must prove they have prevented contamination at every step of production, from harvesting to sales. A similar system now governs seafood and meat companies.

The Safe Food Coalition, a group of consumer and public interest groups, praised the proposed rules but said additional measures still are needed.

## Relay for Life set for this weekend

The American Cancer Society wants to honor all cancer survivors in Gray and Roberts counties.

The Second Annual Relay for Life will pay tribute to cancer survivors at the Pampa High School stadium on Friday. The opening ceremony will begin at 6:15 p.m. with the survivor's lap and a celebration starting at 6:30 p.m.

"We are inviting all cancer survivors to come and participate in this celebration," said Chris Hurt, field representative for the American Cancer Society. "This lap will honor those who have battled against cancer and will serve as a powerful reminder of the real reason we hold this fund raiser."

Every participant will receive a survivor's sash to wear during the lap. After the lap, all survivors are invited to a reception

with refreshments and an inspirational talk by Jerry Lane.

"Last year, we had over 20 cancer survivors in attendance," Hurt said. "What a powerful testimony to see these survivors. We are making some great strides in the battle against cancer."

Incorporating a survivor's lap into an event like Relay for Life is a clear indication of the increasing importance of survivorship issues, Hurt said. There are at least 7 million people in the United States who have survived five years past a diagnosis with cancer.

Any cancer survivor who wishes to participate may call Kathy Gist at 665-4742 to register. The registration for the survivor's lap will begin at 5:30 p.m. Friday at the high school stadium.

The tribute to cancer survivors

is part of the 24-hour Relay for Life activities to be held at the stadium from 3 p.m. Friday to 3 p.m. Saturday to benefit the Gray/Roberts County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

The Relay for Life will feature teams of former and current cancer patients, their families and the public - corporations, businesses, churches, neighborhoods, co-workers and others - with a minimum of 10 persons on each team.

The teams will keep at least one person on the track for the entire 24 hours while the rest of the team members camp out in the center of the track to participate in various activities, including games and entertainment.

Andrea Perez, event public relations chair, said the Relay for Life is as much an awareness raiser about the progress against cancer as it is a fund raiser.

## Andy Edmondson to graduate from PACE

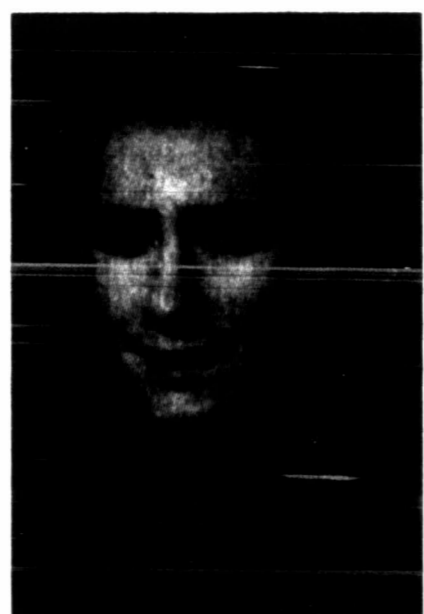
Andy L. Edmondson will graduate from Pampa Academy of Christian Education on Tuesday, May 20, at 7 p.m. at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium Heritage Room.

He is the son of Dennis and Jan Edmondson and the brother of Angie Edmondson of Pampa.

Edmondson has attended Pampa Academy of Christian Education since its inception four years ago. He has participated in the school's building program and athletic programs, which included basketball, softball and volleyball.

Annually, PACE students attend the A.C.E. student convention in Leuders, Texas, where Edmondson placed first in chess competition as a sophomore. As a senior, Edmondson placed third in chess competition and first in table tennis.

He has consistently made the



Andy L. Edmondson

academy's honor roll and received an award for completing the most paces as well as a

citizenship award.

Athletically, Edmondson has received honors as most valuable player in volleyball and best defensive player in basketball during his freshman, sophomore and junior years. Awards for his senior year will be presented May 19 at 7:30 p.m. at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium following the banquet dinner at 6:30 p.m.

For the Pampa Pacers basketball team, Edmondson served as co-captain and played the position of point guard.

As a senior, he was the team leader with 207 assists offensively and 137 steals defensively, while scoring a career 896 points. In tournament play, Edmondson was selected to the Allison All-Tournament team both as a junior and as a senior.

He plans to attend an area college this fall.

## Spruced-up Hubble finds evidence of supermassive black hole

WASHINGTON (AP) - Although the refurbished Hubble Space Telescope still is being fine-tuned, it has already taken an unprecedented look into a ring of glowing gas around an exploding star, and found direct evidence of a supermassive black hole.

Despite those early achievements, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration still worries that the life of one of its major cameras may be cut short. Scientists have been unable to focus the infrared camera because a solid block of nitrogen ice expanded more than expected and nudged the detectors out the range of their focusing device.

Nitrogen is used to supercool detectors to make them more sensitive to the heat from infrared sources.

"It didn't particularly affect the performance of cameras 1 and 2," said David Leckrone, a project scientist at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md. As the block of nitrogen ice warms and evaporates slowly, the push against the detectors may ease to the point where the instrument can be focused.

When the ice is evaporated completely, the instrument's usefulness will be gone. Leckrone said scientists fear that possibly half the camera's four-year life may be lost, but that there is no way to tell how much.

Some of the new instruments installed by a spacewalking crew in February are still being calibrated, but scientists have begun using others.

Looking at the Orion Nebula with its new near infrared camera and multi-

object spectrometer, the Hubble unmasked a chaotic region where massive young stars violently eject material into the surrounding molecular cloud.

The region is a familiar one to Earth-based cameras, which saw the area as relatively dim and featureless. With the infrared camera, stars and glowing dust, heated by intense starlight, appear yellow-orange.

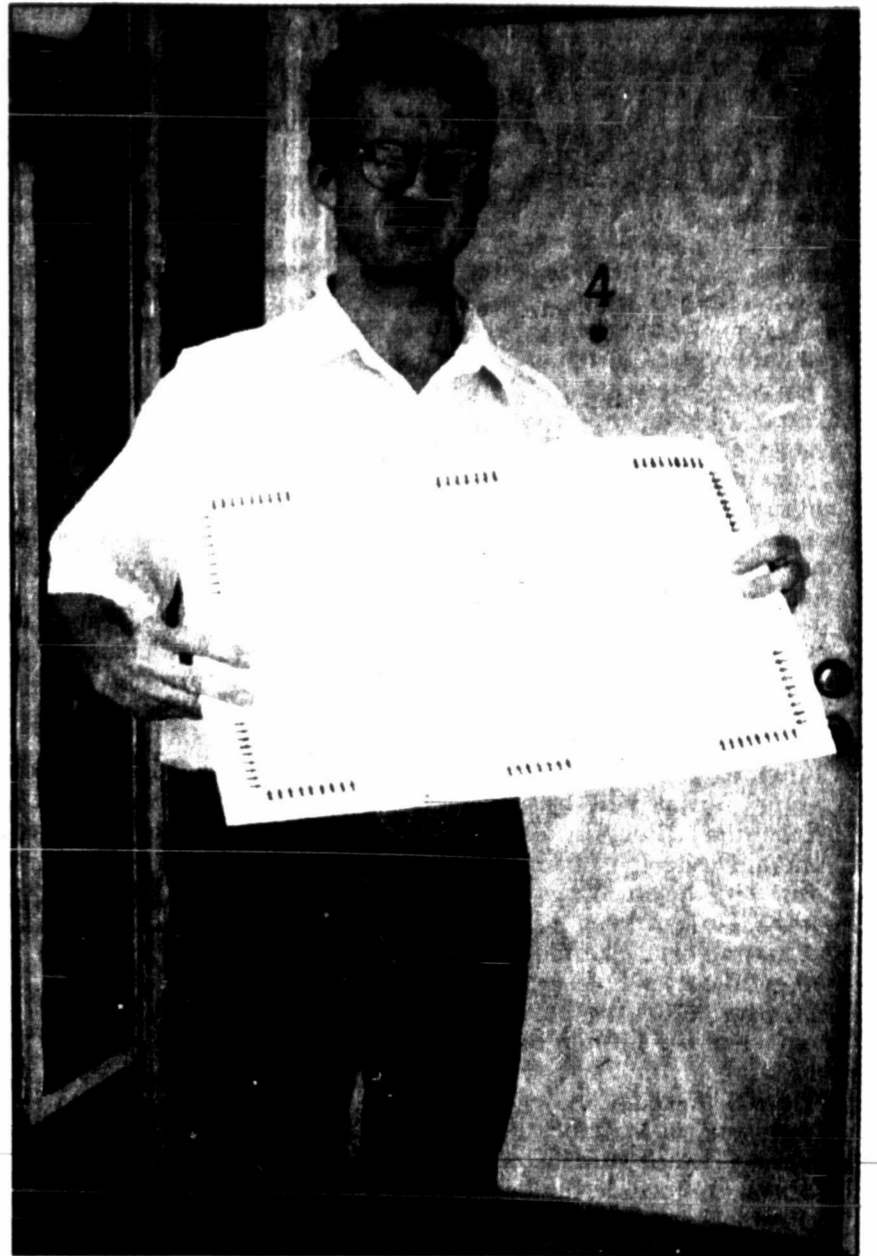
Rodger Thompson of the University of Arizona, the principal scientist for the instrument, said that by lifting the dusty veil over the region, the infrared camera enables scientists to see every stage "from star birth to star death."

Another single exposure on the Hubble's new imaging spectrograph discovered a black hole at least 300 million times the mass of our sun.

Peering into a galaxy 50 million light-years away, the spectrograph measured the increasing speed of a disk of gas - swirling trapped material - encircling the black hole.

Bruce E. Woodgate of the Goddard Space Flight Center, the principal scientist on an instrument called an imaging spectrograph, said it recorded a speed of 880,000 mph within 26 light-years of the galaxy's center, where the black hole is. A light-year is the distance that light travels in a year at the rate of 186,282 miles a second.

Hubble also looked at a ring around Supernova 1987A, the closest star explosion in 400 years. The ring formed 30,000 years before the supernova exploded and is a record of the final stages of the star's existence.



(Pampa News photo by Laura Haley)

William Rasmussen holds a sample of the Ten Commandments book covers he plans to distribute to local students.

## Pampan continues plan to distribute book covers with 10 Commandments

Pampa resident William Rasmussen is spreading the word of God through the use of book covers.

The 1,500 Ten Commandments book covers, which were paid for by a donation from Calvary Baptist Church in Pampa, have been printed ahead of schedule so they may be used in a rally Monday morning across from Pampa High School.

According to Rasmussen, both he and Thelma Faggett, whose grandson Richard Proctor was murdered on Christmas Eve last year, will speak at the rally for the book covers.

"She would be a very good person to have at the rally to speak out against crime ... and to try and get the Ten Commandments back in the schools," said Rasmussen about Faggett.

The rally will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ parking lot. In addition to parents and church members, Rasmussen hopes the rally will also draw high school students to view the book covers.

Rasmussen began heading up a drive to institute the Ten Commandments into the schools earlier this year. He believes many of the problems in today's society stem from the lack of God in the education process.

The purpose of the book covers, said Rasmussen, is to put the Ten Commandments into the schools as a guide and incentive for students to act in the likeness of God. However, Rasmussen admits the measure is also a push to convert those who do not believe in the Christian faith.

"They (the students with Ten Commandment book covers) can get a message across to these other kids and maybe they can save these kids," he said, adding that the book covers could become a conversation piece in non-Christian families and perhaps persuade the family to become more "godly."

In addition to the religious and moral message, Rasmussen also hopes the book covers will also make a political point.

"We're tired of homosexuals, occults and abortionists getting more of a say in the schools ... and in general ... than we do," he said.

Monday afternoon, Rasmussen took a book cover to State Rep. Warren Chisulm's office in Pampa.

"I want to let the state legislators know that their constituents, and many of them, want the Ten Commandments back in the public school system," said Rasmussen. "We're very sincere about this."

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**HUTCHISON, Victor Ray** — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

## Obituaries

### FRANK PARSLEY

**GENTRY, Ark.** — Frank Parsley, 86, died Saturday, May 10, 1997, at Fayetteville. Services were at 10 a.m. Monday in Gentry First Baptist Church with the Rev. Dennis Taylor officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Wasson Funeral Home of Siloam Springs. Graveside services were to be at 10 a.m. today in Elmhurst Cemetery at Guyton, Okla., with the Rev. Odie Nunley officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home of Guyton.

Mr. Parsley was born at Felt, Okla. He had been a resident of the Gentry area for 35 years, moving from Wheeler, Texas. He was a carpenter and farmer prior to retirement. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Gentry.

He was preceded in death by three wives, Corene Fields Parsley, Georgia Glass Feemster Parsley and Nellie Robinson Weems Parsley.

Survivors include two daughters, Loretta Millsap of Gentry and Kay Stiles of Wheeler; a son, Ed Parsley of Guyton; 14 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

### VICTOR RAY HUTCHISON

Victor Ray Hutchison, 32, of Pampa, died Sunday, May 11, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Bishop Roger Roundy, of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Hutchison was born Nov. 12, 1964, at Pampa. He had been a lifelong Pampa resident, graduating from Pampa High School in 1985. He had worked as a service operator for Wagner Well Service for the past five years and was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ellen Hutchison, on March 9, 1991, and by a brother, Charles Edward Hutchison, in July of 1965.

Survivors include his fiancée, Leisa Edmiston of Pampa; his father, Phillip Hutchison of Pampa; a brother, Mark Hutchison of Amarillo; two nieces, Neely Hutchison and Kendall Hutchison, both of Amarillo; several aunts and uncles; and a special friend, Stephanie Braddock of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas.

## Calendar of events

### TOTS-N-TRAINING

Parents of preschool children can pick up free materials to help their children get ready for school through the Tots-N-Training program. Materials and a copy of the service's newsletter will be available at Frank's Thriftway #1, 300 E. Brown, from 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Frank's Thriftway #2, 1420 N. Hobart, from 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Albertsons', 1233 N. Hobart, from 10-11 a.m. and 3-30-5:30 p.m.; and Pampa Community Day Care Center, 1100 Gwendolen, from 4:30-6 p.m. For more information, call Sue Thornton at 669-4700.

### WEST TEXAS SINGLES

The West Texas Singles will have a dance on Saturday, May 17, at the Buena Vista Community Hall in Borger. Potluck supper starts at 7 p.m., with the dance at 8 p.m. featuring the North Fork Band. Admission is \$5. No alcohol and no smoking permitted.

## Fires

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

### MONDAY, May 12

1:27 p.m. — Three units and six personnel responded to the intersection of Harvester and Duncan on a motor vehicle accident.

## Emergency numbers

Energy..... 665-5777  
Fire..... 911  
SPS..... 669-7432  
Water..... 669-5830

## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following calls and arrests for the 24-hour period ending 7 a.m. today.

### MONDAY, May 12

Criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of South Sumner.

Forgery was reported in the 300 block of East Brown.

A burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart. An Alpine compact disc player valued at \$500 was reported stolen.

### Arrests

Barry Lee Mobley, 24, 412 N. Russell, was arrested on a charge of evading arrest. He bonded out.

Ada Mae Armendarez, 37, of Borger, was arrested on a charge of theft over \$50. She remains in custody.

## Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Arrests

### MONDAY, May 12

Chad Henson Young, 18, 1104 S. Dwight, was arrested on a motion to revoke his probation. He remains in custody.

Sabra Baxter, 35, 113 S. Dwight, was arrested for probation violations. She remains in custody.

Richard Brookshire, 26, 847 E. Gordon, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct. He remains in custody.

### TUESDAY, May 13

Richard Scott Stone, 27, 720 N. Naida, was arrested on a charge of evading arrest. He remains in custody.

## Ambulance

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

### MONDAY, May 12

11:09 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to Baptist St. Anthony's West in Amarillo.

1:29 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Harvester and Duncan on a motor vehicle and transported two patients to Columbia Medical Center.

2:17 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to a local nursing facility.

6:54 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2400 block of Mary Ellen on a medical assistance. No one was transported.

### TUESDAY, May 13

4:49 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home and transferred one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

## Accidents

The following accident was reported to the Pampa Police Department for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### MONDAY, May 12

A 1995 brown Cadillac Sedan Deville driven by Wanda Marie Hudson, 75, 1600 Turtle Creek, collided with a 1994 gray Oldsmobile driven by Irene Graves Dodd, 76, 1528 Hamilton, at the intersection of 1400 Duncan and 300 Harvester. Both Hudson and Dodd were transported to Columbia Medical Center for injuries. No citations were issued.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa

Wheat	3.80	Chevron	72 1/8	dn 5/8
Milo	4.19	Coca Cola	66	dn 1/2
Corn	4.86	Columbia/HCA	37 1/8	dn 3/4
		Enron	41 1/2	up 1/8
		Halliburton	76 3/8	dn 1 3/4
		Ingersoll Rand	51 7/8	dn 1/4
		KNE	39 3/4	dn 1/8
		Kerr McGee	64	dn 1/4
		Limited	18 3/4	dn 3/8
		Mapco	30 3/4	dn 1/8
		McDonald's	52 5/8	dn 3/8
		Mobil	134 5/8	dn 7/8
		New Atmos	22 7/8	dn 1/8
		Parker & Parsley	34	up 1/4
		Penney's	49 7/8	up 3/8
		Phillips	41 7/8	dn 3/8
		SLB	117 7/8	dn 1 1/2
		SPS	37 3/8	dn 1/8
		Tenneco	43 1/2	dn 3/8
		Texaco	112 1/8	dn 1/2
		Ultradram	31 1/4	dn 5/8
		Wal-Mart	29 7/8	up 1/8
		New York Gold	348.40	
		Silver	4.81	
		West Texas Crude	21.38	

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

Occidental	23 1/8	NC
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The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation

Magellan	85.68
Puritan	18.64

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

Amoco	87	dn 1/4
Arco	147 3/8	dn 5/8
Cabot	24 1/2	NC
Cabot O&G	18 3/4	dn 1/8

## Retirement reception



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Longtime school employee Martha Hadley will be honored at a reception on Wednesday, May 14, at the Horace Mann Elementary School library from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Hadley has worked for the school for 14 years and has served as cafeteria manager for the last 11 years. Friends and co-workers are invited to come and wish her well during the reception.

## Hale Center farmer re-elected to serve on state water board

TEMPLE - Paul E. Robertson of Hale Center was re-elected May 6 to serve a two-year term on the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB).

Robertson represents State District One, which consists of 51 counties in the Panhandle and South Plains region of the state. State District One encompasses 49 soil and water conservation districts (SWCDs).

The TSSWCB's chief responsibility is to coordinate the programs of Texas' 214 SWCDs. In addition, the TSSWCB consists of five elected members who must be landowners and actively engaged in farming or ranching. TSSWCB members are elected in a convention type election by SWCD directors in the State District the TSSWCB member represents.

A long time soil and water conservationist, Robertson presently serves on the board of directors of the Hale County SWCD. He has been a member of the Hale County SWCD since May 1979.

A cotton, corn, soybean and hybrid seed producer, Robertson is owner and operator of Mar-Pat Cotton Inc. in Lamb County. He also founded and operates the Paul E. Robertson Insurance Agency, which provides agricultural crop insurance to area farmers.

In other agricultural areas, Robertson is a past member of the board of directors of the Texas Cotton Ginner's Association. He holds membership in the Plains Cotton Grower's Association and served six years on the board of directors of the Texas Independent Cotton Ginner's Association.

Locally, Robertson is a past president of the Hale County Farm Bureau in which he served in all elected positions of the organization.

A veteran of WW II, Robertson is a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Cotton Center and has served six years on the Executive Board of the Texas Baptist General Convention.

## City briefs

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**PIZZA HUT** Delivery open for breakfast 7-11 a.m. Carry out or delivery. 665-0887. Adv.

**IMAGES CORDIALLY** invites you to a Trunk Showing of Fall and Holiday Howard Wolf by Robert Wolf, Thursday, May 15th, 10-5:30 p.m. 123 N. Cuyler, 669-1091. Adv.

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**CHANEY'S CAFE** - Tuesday 5-8 p.m. Pork chops, baked chicken, chicken gizzards, chicken fried steak. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

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## Covers

The book covers also represent a hypocrisy within the government, said Rasmussen, as religious images are allowed in various forms of the government institutions but not in the school systems.

"If they're going to have that (religious influences) up there (state and national government), then we're going to have it in the public schools," he said.

Rasmussen has gained a lot of local attention with his book covers, but he is hoping his group of followers will continue to grow, gaining him attention in the national spotlight. And, according to Rasmussen, this is well underway.

The Dallas Morning News will be in town Thursday, said Rasmussen. He also claims the story about the book covers has gained some national exposure already by garnering air time on the USA Radio Network and the American Family Radio network. In addition, Rasmussen has stated that the American Family Association, based in Tupelo, Miss., has vowed their support of his crusade.

But Rasmussen does not think the spotlight can continue to grow without a fight. He believes a fight with the American Civil Liberties Union is inevitable, but is prepared to draw the battle lines. Rasmussen also claims to have already contacted an attorney with the American Family Association to guide the movement.

And Rasmussen has vowed not to stop the movement until it hits nationwide.

In addition to the local rally to be held in Pampa Monday, May 19, Rasmussen is in the planning stages for a much larger rally Aug. 2 in either Pampa or Amarillo. It is the Aug. 2 rally that he is hoping will gain national attention and push his movement into the spotlight.

Some keynote speakers Rasmussen is hoping to get to the Aug. 2 rally include Alabama Judge Roy Moore, Pat Buchanan and Alan Keyes. None of these speakers are yet confirmed.

Additional book covers will be printed at the expense area churches that are willing to get involved in the movement, said Rasmussen. Any churches wanting additional information about the book covers can contact Rasmussen at 665-3747.

## Mexican teachers demand pay hike

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Thousands of public schoolteachers have marched in this capital and others began a work stoppage in southern Mexico to demand a doubling of their wages, according to published reports today.

The long line of demonstrating schoolteachers snaked through downtown Mexico City on Monday afternoon, but the march was peaceful and police did not intervene.

Teachers from Mexico City and at least a half dozen outlying states were taking part in the demonstrations to demand a 100 percent hike in wages. Some teachers make as little as \$150 a month and moonlight to make ends meet.

The capital newspaper Reforma said leaders of the unionized teachers had opened negotiations with authorities at the Mexican Interior Ministry late Monday, but there was no immediate report of progress.

Separately, teachers in the southernmost state of Chiapas on Monday began a 72-hour work stoppage to demand pay increases and other benefits.

## Funds aid research against ergot fungus

By DIANNA F. DANDRIDGE  
Staff Writer

The Agricultural Research service has released \$100,000 to expand research against the sorghum ergot fungus, which was found in Texas in March of this year.

According to Jim Quattro with the ARS News Service, the money has been released as part of a non-specified emergency research account.

Ergot, a fungal infection which threatens the number two feed crop in the world, sorghum seed, infects the female flowers just prior to pollination, preventing the production of seed.

The fungus produces sticky honey dew, spore-containing droplets, which allows fungal structures to be readily carried by the harvested seed, wind, insects, animals and machinery.

The fungus, *Claviceps africana*, the species so far found in the Western Hemisphere, infects only unfertilized ovaries of female sorghum flowers, but it is not known to produce toxins when the seed or silage is fed to livestock.

Ergot decreases the quality and yield and contaminates seeds so that future crops are extremely susceptible to the disease.

Researchers have stated that many crops in Australia, Puerto Rico and South America have been implicated for quarantine with seed from

infected fields being rejected.

It was first located in the Western Hemisphere in 1995 and without adequate control rapidly spread through South and Central America. Ergot infected fields in a 60,000 square kilometer area in just three weeks in Queensland.

The funds released by ARS is designated to go for the study and research of finding seed treatments which will make plants more resistant to the disease, without having to use additional chemical additives.

ARS will expand research at its Tropical Crops and Germplasm Research Laboratory in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, and its Foreign Disease-Weed Research Lab in Frederick, Md.

Research will be conducted in cooperation with Texas A&M University and will include the evaluations of fungicide treatments which were used to kill the ergot spores contaminating seed of breeding lines shipped to the U.S.

The ARS will identify resistant plants from the ARS Germplasm collection. The resistant varieties should give growers long term protection, research officials say.

ARS scientists in Puerto Rico operate a World Wide Web site as an ergot resource for scientists, industry and growers. The site, including ergot photos, is at <http://www.ars-grin.gov/ars/SoAtlantic/Mayaguez/sorghum.html>.

## Weather focus

### LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance for thunderstorms. Low in the mid 50s. Wednesday, partly cloudy with a high near 80. Monday's high was 65; the overnight low was 51. Pampa received 0.01 inch of moisture in the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m. today.

### REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance for thunderstorms. Lows in mid 40s to around 50. Wednesday, partly cloudy with highs in low to upper 70s. South Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows from near 50 to mid 50s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs from mid 70s extreme southern Texas Panhandle to mid 80s southern South Plains. North Texas - Tonight, increas-

ing cloudiness west, partly cloudy elsewhere. A slight chance of thunderstorms northwest half late. Lows 57 to 62. Wednesday, morning low clouds southeast half, otherwise partly cloudy. A chance of thunderstorms. Highs 78 to 87.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, patchy dense fog developing after midnight. Lows in low 60s. Wednesday, patchy dense morning fog becoming partly cloudy and warm. Highs in upper 80s to low 90s west. Upper Coast: Tonight, mostly cloudy with patchy dense fog developing after midnight. Lows in low 60s inland to upper 60s coast. Wednesday, patchy dense morning fog becoming partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs near 90 inland to near 80 coast. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy with patchy fog developing after midnight except Rio

Grande plains. Lows near 70 coast to mid 60s inland. Wednesday, patchy morning fog becoming partly cloudy. Highs in low 80s coast to upper 80s inland, low 90s Rio Grande plains.

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New Mexico - Tonight, a slight chance of evening thunderstorms south otherwise fair skies. Lows upper 20s to 40s mountains with 40s to mid 50s lower elevations. Wednesday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms mainly central mountains and northeast. Highs mid 60s to near 80 mountains and northeast with 80s to near 90 lower elevations west and south.

Oklahoma - Tonight, partly cloudy. A slight chance of thunderstorms, mainly southwest. Lows in the 50s. Wednesday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms southwest and south central. Highs in mid 70s to around 80.

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# Explosion rocks CITGO refinery, blast rips through Corpus Christi

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Ann Broussard lives on Corpus Christi's south side, but when an explosion rocked a CITGO refinery all the way across town, she saw a two-second burst of yellow light, like daylight.

"The sky was like the sun was shining, it was so yellow," she said shortly after the blast Monday night.

There were workers inside the CITGO Petroleum Corp. plant at the time of the 10:20 p.m. explosion and fire that followed, but officials said a company spokesman said all were accounted for. No injuries were reported, but the Refinery Terminal Fire Co. continued to fight the fire through the night.

The flames had dissipated, but were still visible after midnight.

Police Chief Pete Alvarez, standing outside the plant, said a processing unit inside the plant had exploded. KRIS-TV in Corpus Christi reported that a fire was burning in two gas tanks.

The processing unit that exploded is used to make components for gasoline, said Chuck Cazalas, a CITGO spokesman. It was unclear whether the cause was within the plant or whether it was weather-related, he said. There were thunderstorms Monday night that produced lightning.

There was no answer Monday night at the oil company's headquarters in Tulsa, Okla. Some residents said they thought an

earthquake had hit Corpus Christi.

Police Capt. Richard Lewinsky said the explosion shook the police building downtown.

"We thought it was thunder in the background but it was an explosion," said a dispatcher at the Nueces County sheriff's department who refused to give her name. "One of the dispatchers who came in said it just lit up the whole sky." Jannice Duhart, who lives four blocks from the plant, told the *Corpus Christi Caller-Times* that the explosion knocked her two-year-old grandson out of bed.

"I've never felt my house shake like that," said Anthony Williams, who lives two blocks from the CITGO plant.

Minutes before the explosion, in a

house across the street from the refinery, Donna Pryor's daughter, Nicole, complained that she couldn't sleep because of a hissing noise that sounded like a rattlesnake.

Then, Ms. Pryor said, she heard the explosion.

Her living room windows imploded, she said. Shattered glass littered the carpet, she said. Through her broken window she saw a fireball and huge cloud.

Her three children, 4, 5 and 7, ran from their bedrooms and "started screaming and crying," she said. She refused to spend the night at her house.

"I'm going to get out of here. I've got to get out of here. You can smell it right now. ... I'm very nauseated," she said.

"I heard a loud explosion and a shock wave followed after the initial bang," said Ray O'Docharty, who lives about a quarter mile from the refinery. He said he and his wife were watching the evening news when they heard a thunderous roar.

"It shook our windows and it rattled real bad," said his wife, Jerri. The cookware in the pantry tumbled to the kitchen floor, she said.

About 20 minutes after the explosion, Jerri O'Docharty said, she felt her "nose burn and a strange taste in my mouth."

Cars snarled the streets as residents tried to evacuate, neighbors said. Traffic slowed on Interstate 37 and drivers pulled over to see the fire.

## Bill against same-sex marriage languishes

AUSTIN (AP) — An effort to make clear that Texas lawmakers don't want the state to recognize same-sex marriages is dead, according to its chief sponsor.

The pronouncement came Monday, despite the bill being scheduled for full House debate Wednesday.

Rep. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, said there are too many bills in line for debate before his, which he had hoped would be put on the House's "major state" calendar. That would have put it ahead of hundreds of bills already scheduled on the chamber's "general state" calendar.

Rep. Kent Grusendorf, R-Arlington, on Monday forced the issue after raising the possibility of using a rare procedural move to get the bill scheduled for debate outside of the normal process. Grusendorf is among more than 70 supporters of the bill and has been a critic of the process in which bills are scheduled for debate.

The bill passed a committee last month, but until Monday had not been scheduled for debate by the House Calendars Committee.

Rep. Mark Stiles, D-Beaumont, is one of the supporters. He also chairs the Calendars Committee, which schedules most bills for debate. The committee twice this month rejected Stiles' effort to place the bill on the major state calendar.

"What else can I do," he said. After Grusendorf's remarks Monday, the committee again rejected scheduling the bill ahead of hundreds of others, but approved a motion to put it in line.

"That's a sucker deal," Chisum said. "Of course it's dead."

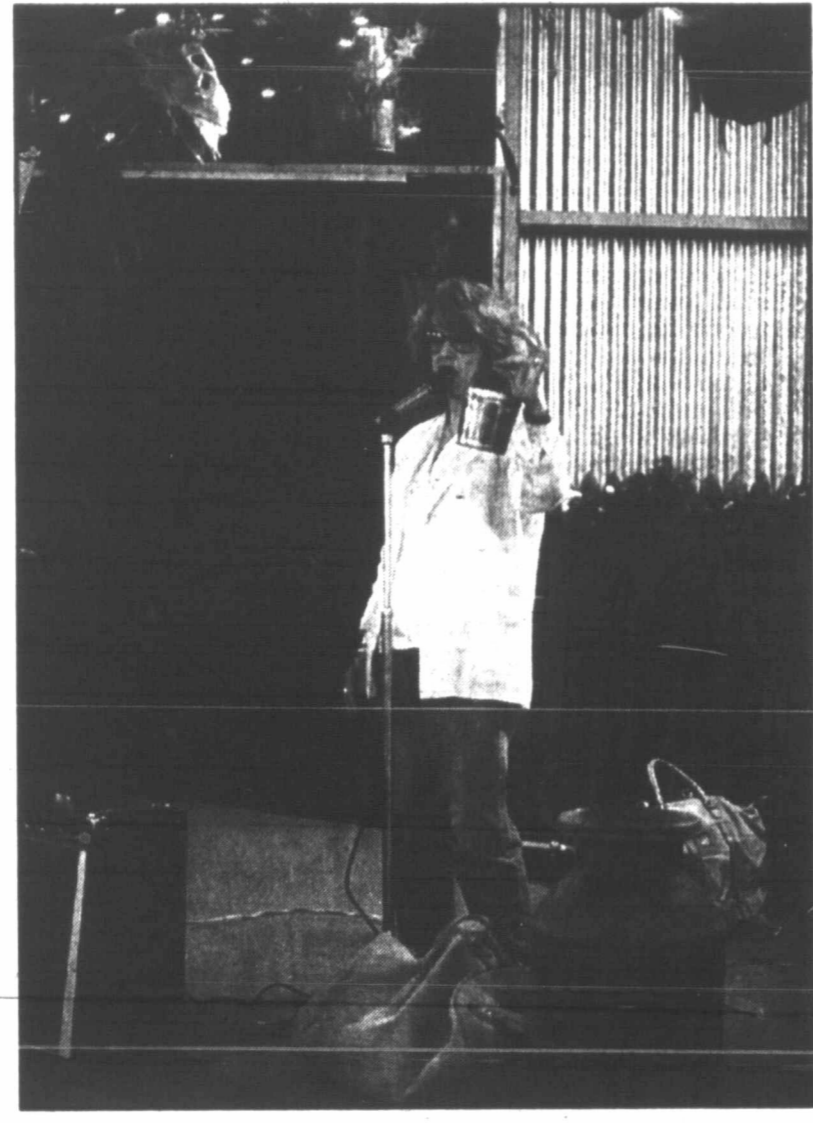
"I only had 77 cosponsors and 130 votes on the floor, but that doesn't mean you have anything," he added.

Grusendorf wasn't available for comment after the committee vote.

Texas grants marriage licenses only to couples consisting of a man and a woman. State lawmakers want to make clear that if any other state grants marriage licenses to gay couples, those marriages won't be recognized in Texas.

Rep. Glen Maxey, D-Austin, is the Legislature's only openly gay lawmaker. He said the bill is in trouble, but won't be dead until the session ends June 2.

## Texas Day



Anne Davidson, curator/director of the White Deer Land Museum, speaks to students at Community Christian School. The students met at the Stokes Barn, had lunch and then listened to various speakers and performers to celebrate Texas Day, held recently.

## Secretary of defense reports marginal, modest cuts in the offing for military

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon will continue its policy of being ready to fight two wars at virtually the same time, Defense Secretary William Cohen says.

But that robust military must get along with a leaner support structure, he added.

Speaking broadly Monday about the "Quadrennial Defense Review," a sweeping Pentagon study of strategy and weapons, Cohen said the months-long review was proposing few major changes.

But he said he'll also be naming a panel of experts that will help "cut the fat" from his department. The group's mission is to help trim the bureaucracy in the military and tighten the infrastructure of its agencies.

An announcement was expected today.

"We have to cut the fat from defense," Cohen said in a speech at the Brookings Institution. "We can keep the tooth, but cut the tail. Right now there is too much fat in the tail."

The panel of outside experts will partly rely on the help of business executives with experience in shrinking staffs in the corporate world, he said.

Cohen repeatedly has said the network that supports America's military has been pared by only 18 percent since the end of the Cold War, compared with the 33 percent cuts made in active-duty forces.

For the most part, Cohen said, the nation will sustain its current military force to ensure its ability to handle a "two-war scenario" — the pos-

sibility of twin conflicts erupting at the same time, such as in the Persian Gulf and the Far East.

Roughly 100,000 troops are stationed in the Pacific and another 100,000 are in Europe, and Cohen pledged to maintain "a robust presence" in key regions. That, he said, will keep the military prepared to handle humanitarian crises and embassy evacuations as well as major battles.

Critics of the review have faulted it for failing to recommend major changes, given the end of the Cold War era. However, Pentagon officials have argued that since the military has been successful in such conflicts as the Gulf War, dramatic changes may not be wise.

Even so, the review is being conducted with the expectation that the Pentagon's budget will remain steady at about \$250 billion a year.

The military, however, faces a budget squeeze as it tries to find more than \$40 billion to fund updated weaponry by the end of the century. Since overall defense spending is expected to remain flat for the next several years, officials will have to look elsewhere, such as military bases, for savings.

Cohen said the Pentagon intends to invest in future forces with plans that include new technologies and new systems to keep the military at fighting trim.

He pointed out that the final decisions do not rest with him. Lawmakers, he said, are the ones who hold the purse strings.

"Ultimately, cutting the fat from defense depends on Congress," he said.

## Frank Phillips selects Distinguished Alumnus

BORGER — James (Jim) D. Bryan, president of Norwest Bank, Borger, was selected as the Frank Phillips College 1997 Distinguished Alumnus.

A 1974 graduate of Sanford-Fritch High School, Bryan received his associate of arts from Frank Phillips College in 1976. He later received a bachelor of arts in economics from the University of Texas, Permian Basin, in Odessa.

After working as a bank examiner, Bryan held many managerial positions with First National Bank in Lubbock. He relocated to Borger in 1995, as vice president of Norwest Bank, and is currently the president of Norwest Bank in Borger.

While attending Frank Phillips College, Bryan was undecided in his career goals. He was recruited

to come to FPC from high school on a music scholarship. He was leaning toward studying law when he enrolled in an economics class taught by Thomas Brooks. Bryan remembers this as the turning point: "It was because of this class and Mr. Brooks that I became interested in business, and later pursued a career in banking."

Frank Phillips provided Bryan with a smooth transition from high school to college. A president of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges, Bryan took advantage of the one-on-one interaction available between faculty and students. "I still have friends that I met at Frank Phillips College," Bryan said.

Bryan serves as a member of the Frank Phillips College Plainsmen Partners, and is involved with var-

ious community boards and committees in Borger such as the Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Borger, the BISD Career and Technology Advisory Council, the Jerry Waggoner Foundation and the Borger Noon Lions. He is also the past chairman of the Hutchinson County "Friends of Scouting" 1996 fund raiser and current chairman of the 1997 United Way fund-raising campaign.

A member of the First Baptist Church in Borger, Bryan is active in his church and with his family. He and his wife Monique have three children, Niki, 9; Dusty, 8; and Allie, 6. Bryan's parents, Jim and Ileana Bryan also reside in Fritch.

Jim Bryan addressed the 1997 graduating class at commencement on May 2.

## Nation briefs

### 'It was like the Wizard of Oz' — tornado skips across Miami

MIAMI (AP) — From the roof of the downtown police station, Officer Leo Carilo watched the tornado lurch closer and closer.

"I saw palm trees and trees with root systems and everything a couple of hundred feet up," Carilo said. "It was something like in the movie 'Twister,' like in the Wizard of Oz, everything flying like that."

The tornado swept past the station and Miami's high-rise condominiums Monday afternoon, smashing windows and damaging roofs and cars in a two-mile path as people scrambled for cover. No one was killed and only five injured, including a woman who suffered a heart attack.

Several television stations captured spectacular footage of the funnel cloud as it blew through downtown with 100 mph winds, then past condo towers and

across causeways on Biscayne Bay.

### Contact-lens maker agrees to rebates to settle lawsuits

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — At least 20 million contact-lens buyers will be eligible for rebates on future purchases after a manufacturer settled claims with 26 states that it illegally inflated prices.

The agreement Monday, which still needs a judge's consent, settles civil complaints that CIBA Vision Corp. unlawfully limited the sale of its contact lenses through discount outlets.

CIBA would provide former customers nationwide who buy four multipacks of CIBA Vision, Vistakon or Bausch & Lomb lenses with cash rebates of \$35 and coupons worth another \$8.

A multipack typically provides six lenses and sells for anywhere from \$60 to \$200.

### Governor vows to clear name at trial

PHOENIX (AP) — Two-term Republican Gov. Fife Symington, who could be impeached and sent to prison if convicted of financial fraud, goes to trial vowing that a jury will exonerate him.

"I am really looking forward to finally clearing my name," Symington said. Jury selection was scheduled for today, with prosecutors predicting a trial that could last up to three months.

Symington, 51, is accused of lying to lenders when seeking loans for his real estate development business before he became governor in 1991 — when he was J. Fife Symington III, blueblood scion of Eastern establishment wealth.

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Opinion

POWs are entitled to a square deal

One of the less seemly epilogues to America's Vietnam War experience is the fate of certain South Vietnamese commandos captured while on U.S.-directed missions in North Vietnam and Laos in the 1960s.

Many of them languished in communist prisons for years after the war's end in 1975. But even after those who survived were eventually released, by the end of the 1980s, an indignity confronted them: The United States did not compensate them for the years they spent as POWs.

The U.S. military's policy is to keep its captured personnel on payroll during captivity - a statement, both real and symbolic, that says POWs still serve and aren't forgotten. Ordinarily, that payroll rule would have applied to these Vietnamese commandos, who fought on missions chartered by the CIA.

But they had the bad fortune of being declared dead after capture - even though recently released documents show that some U.S. government officials knew they had not died, as Florida attorney John Mattes, who was investigative counsel to the Senate Select Committee on Prisoners of War in 1992, told us only recently.

This curious eagerness to give up on captured soldiers might elicit a knowing grimace from activists in behalf of American MIAs and POWs. One skeptic of the official American government line on Vietnam War POWs is Sydney H. Schanberg, a *New York Times* reporter who covered the war's close. He has contended that documents unearthed in recent years by the Senate Select Committee on POW-MIA Affairs suggest that some American prisoners who were declared dead by our government in fact lived on in prison camps after the war.

(Mattes, we should say, takes issue with this contention: "The POWs we left behind were our Asian soldiers, not Americans," he told us. "But that's no less excusable.")

At least the Vietnamese commandos who were finally released and made their way to the United States may receive their financial due. Legislation to pay them for their years of imprisonment was enacted in 1996; it would divide \$20 million among approximately 460 commandos or families of deceased commandos. The Pentagon, however, has resisted disbursing the money, alleging some ambiguity in the legislation.

Congresswoman Loretta Sánchez is sponsoring a measure that basically says, "We really mean it," by tightening up the instruction to the military. The commandos "are not demanding outrageous sums," she pointed out in a press statement. "They are simply asking for the back pay they earned." In the Senate, the effort's prime supporters include Republican John McCain, a former POW himself, and Democrat John Kerry, a Vietnam veteran.

"Many of the commandos are elderly and in poor health and should not be asked to continue waiting patiently while the bureaucracy drags its feet," the two senators said in a letter to the secretary of defense.

This newspaper is a proponent of government spending only in the most limited circumstances. But pay for soldiers who fought with and for Americans - and who were imprisoned as a result - is money owed by right and duty. The appropriation measure would close a chapter that has remained open too long.

Newshounds suffer a slump

After the long awaited episode of *Ellen*, there are millions of Americans who are instinctively and utterly disgusted by the mere sight of the most famous sitcom star ever to declare her homosexuality. Not because she's a lesbian but because she's a grossly overexposed lesbian.

For what seems like the last three and a half years, it has been impossible to open a magazine, pick up a newspaper or turn on the TV without being assailed with more information about the most drawn out opening of a closet door in the history of housing. By the time the process was completed, it had occupied more journalists than you would expect to be deployed for the Summer Olympics and the Second Coming combined.

But this flurry of press coverage is merely symptomatic of a larger problem afflicting the news media - the utter lack of news. Across America, reporters and commentators are sunk in the sort of gloom that must have gripped stagecoach employees when the railroad made its appearance. The ominous fact hanging like a storm cloud over every newsroom in the country is that there is nothing going on in the world worth reporting and analyzing - and it is only a matter of time before the public figures that out and dispenses with us entirely.

Some years ago, an article in *The New Republic* magazine about the serene charms of New Zealand bore the headline: "Paradise Is Boring." You can be sure there are no journalists in heaven for the simple reason that any of our number who might qualify for admission would soon depart for hell in search of better stories. The world of 1997 is quite a ways from the pearly gates, but it is a close enough facsimile to induce despair in many an ink-stained wretch. Like doctors intent on stamping out disease, journalists dearly hope to see the world's



Stephen Chapman

problems solved - but not until we retire.

All the great stories of our time seem to have played themselves out. The Cold War is over, the economy is humming along without inflation or high unemployment, crime is falling, welfare rolls are shrinking, racial equality is advancing, life expectancy continues to rise, the budget deficit is on the wane, a liberal president is heralding the demise of big government, O.J. Simpson is no longer in court, and hardly anyone minds that a shameless lesbian has her own network TV show.

Next the *Ellen DeGeneres*, the biggest story around is four present and former presidents gently suggesting that it would not be a terrible thing if more Americans pitched in to help kids learn to read. Journalists thrive on controversy, and trying to find anything controversial in the volunteerism summit is like trying to find someone to take the negative in a debate on the proposition that puppies are cute.

What's in the papers lately? Sensational revelations about the European monetary union. Blood curdling tales of federal budget negotiation. Even the scandals are tedious beyond belief.

Whitewater? Campaign finance? Give me Gary Hart and Donna Rice any day. The closest thing to entertainment comes from Richard McLaren and his band of paranoids. As an expatriate from Austin, though, I have to admit that the rest of the country doesn't regard it as frowns to be told that Texans are revolting.

Nowhere is the absence of lively conflict more conspicuous than in the nation's capital, where Democrats are sounding like Republicans and Republicans are sounding like they've been pumped full of Prozac. When he first took office, Bill Clinton offered plenty of daring recommendations for substantive action, and after becoming House speaker in 1995, Newt Gingrich didn't just court controversy - he eloped with it.

Clinton and Gingrich were especially good for columnists and other opinion mongers because most of their proposals were terrible. Today, however, these two are generally silent except when offering solemn endorsements of the Boy Scout virtues. The president and speaker have proven what many suspected all along: If it weren't for bad ideas, they wouldn't have any ideas at all.

The only solace for members of the Fourth Estate is the assurance that this, too, will pass. Eventually, wars will erupt in places Americans care about, the economy will sputter or overheat, truly lurid scandals will erupt, and lawmakers overcome by hubris will adopt some harebrained scheme guaranteed to save the world.

Then journalists can revert to their accustomed state of griping non-stop about the state of the world and yearning nostalgically for the good old days of, say, 1997. As the late University of Chicago law professor Philip Kurland often said, "Cheer up! Things will get worse!"

Today in history

By The Associated Press  
Today is Tuesday, May 13, the 133rd day of 1997. There are 232 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
On May 13, 1981, Pope John Paul II was shot and seriously wounded in St. Peter's Square by Turkish assailant Mehmet Ali Agca.

On this date:  
In 1607, the English colony at Jamestown, Va., was settled.

In 1846, the United States declared that a state of war already existed against Mexico.

In 1914, boxing champion Joe Louis was born in Lafayette, Ala.

In 1917, three peasant children near Fatima, Portugal, reported seeing a vision of the Virgin Mary.

In 1918, the first U.S. airmail stamps, featuring a picture of an airplane, were introduced. (On some of the stamps, the airplane was printed upside down, making them collector's items.)

In 1940, in his first speech as prime minister of Britain, Winston Churchill told the House of Commons, "I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat."



Growth is not right for America

Charley Reese

Growth doesn't pay for itself. If the average American really wants to understand how badly he's been screwed by the corporate-government establishment, he needs to recognize that hard fact.

To quote a new study by the Carrying Capacity Network: "The tax burden on existing residents increases because the cost of expanding publicly funded infrastructure and services to accommodate new growth is greater than the tax and assessment contributions of the new residents."

These additional costs, computed for a number of cities, can range from \$4,400 per added person to \$18,700 per added person. The difference is the variation in the expense of providing the infrastructure and services. It's much higher, for example, in San Francisco than in Ocala, Fla.

The Carrying Capacity report is based on a study done in Oregon in which the costs of eight growth-related facilities and services were quantified. These were schools, sanitary sewers, transportation, parkland, water systems, recreation facilities, storm water drainage and fire protection/emergency medical facilities. There are other costs involved, too, but they were not included in the Oregon study.

Growth, which is cited as the answer to all problems, has always been a win-lose proposition. People in a position to profit from the growth - builders, bankers, real estate salesmen, media, etc. - win while people who have to pay for

growth - existing residents - lose. They lose not only money in the form of increasingly higher taxes, but also in the loss of quality of life: more crowded roads, more crowded schools, more crime, more pollution, more inflated property values, more loss of farmlands and more loss of wildlife habitat.

Americans will have to impose a new paradigm on their governments, from the courthouse to the White House, and they will have to do it by brute force at the ballot box. They will get no help from the profiteers of growth, who defend growth the way munition makers defend war.

Local officials are going to have to realize that the old paradigm puts them on a treadmill. They are short of tax revenues so they seek growth. But the growth generates a greater need for even more tax revenues than it supplies. So the local official, doing what he thinks best, never catches up and finds that as the need for more taxes continuously increases, the quality of the community continuously decreases and the shortage of infrastructure stays well ahead of his efforts to catch up.

The U.S. population is growing at the rate of about three million a year, and 60% of that is immigration. We are now at 270 million people.

Just 47 years ago, in 1950, we had only 150 million. The Carrying Capacity Network estimates that if present growth rates continue, the United States will have a half-billion people by 2050 - only 53 years away.

It's quite obvious we're on the wrong path if we just look around. The United States in 1950 was an infinitely better country than it is today. There was less crime, less illegitimacy, less taxes, less welfare, less government, less pollution, less crowds, less drugs, better schools, better communities, more open spaces. It was so much better in most respects that it seems like an entirely different country to those of us old enough to remember it.

The question, however, is not, Can we go back to what the United States used to be? We can't. The question is, Are we going to become a country far, far worse than we are now - a country with far more people, more pollution, more poverty, more crime and more authoritarian government, all in a more degraded environment?

That will happen if we do not build a political constituency that recognizes that growth doesn't pay for itself. Growth, in the late 20th century, is the wrong policy in the wrong place at the wrong time for the wrong reasons (the greed of the few at the expense of the many).

You can reach the Carrying Capacity Network and get a copy of its report by calling (800) 466-4866.

Socialism in D.C. is for the birds

Quite a few thinkers have plans to rescue the District of Columbia from the dysfunctional hell into which it has plunged.

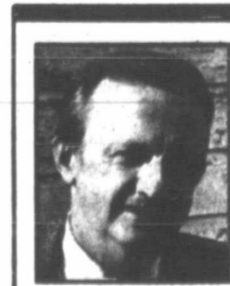
Bill has a plan: He wants the federal government to assume a number of the city's fiscal burdens - prison operations, infrastructure financing, a portion of its Medicaid obligations in return for ending Uncle Sam's annual \$660 million subsidy.

Newt has a plan, several of them, in fact: He endorses the 15% flat tax for District residents and businesses that has been proposed by D.C. delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton and Jack Kemp; he has suggested giving the District back to Maryland, which donated the land on which the city sits; and he has touted a Republican stew of school vouchers, tax credits and a "voluntaristic private sector" that would lay siege to social problems that have eluded government solution.

Joe has a plan: Replace the People's Republic of the District of Columbia with a free enterprise system.

I'm willing to compromise if they are. Truth is, I'm not too keen on Bill's idea. The taxpayers have been throwing money at the District since Congress granted limited home rule in 1974, and you see the mess it's in.

Roads are potted, pitted and haphazardly patched. The traffic lights are spastic. School buildings are crumbling and students sometimes have to manage without books. Corpses spoil at the city morgue because the refrigeration units are in a constant state of disrepair. Half the city's garbage trucks are serviceable on a given day. Fire companies have



Joseph Spear

been shut down. Policemen are repairing and gassing up their squad cars at personal expense. Judges are cleaning their own courtrooms. The water system is periodically invaded by noxious organisms.

Even the Republican plans would attack only the revenue side of the equation, and, arguably, inadequate income is not Washington's problem. The unemployment rate is very low and its residents earn more - \$32,274 per capita - than the citizens of any other state. It has some of the nation's highest tax rates.

No, the District of Columbia's problem is expenditures. Like all the socialist governments which folded in the past few years, it spends an inordinate sum on social welfare programs, and it sees itself as the employer of first and last resort.

The current mayor, former convict Marion Barry, started this neat tradition when he was first elected in 1979. Under Filizzoner's comforting embrace, the

city's work force grew from 34,000 to 40,000. That was before he went off to prison for drug abuse. The payroll now stands at 45,000. Put another way, one in every nine District adults works for the city in one way or another. It makes for a nice power base, come election time.

Progress is presumably being made. In 1995, Congress appointed a "financial control board" to clean up the District's fiscal mess, and it is playing hardball with the mayor. But it promises to be a protracted affair. Witness some recent events:

- A federal judge threatened to take away District control of a school bus system that services disabled students. On any given day, almost half of the fleet is not functional.

- Over the past three years, every dime of the \$7.3 million budgeted by the city government for job-training programs has gone for salary, benefits and contractors.

- Over the past ten years, the Justice Department gave the District \$4.4 million to assist victims of crime. Seventy percent of it was spent on salaries. The local official in charge of administering the grant had the chutzpah to ask the feds if he could buy a car with their money.

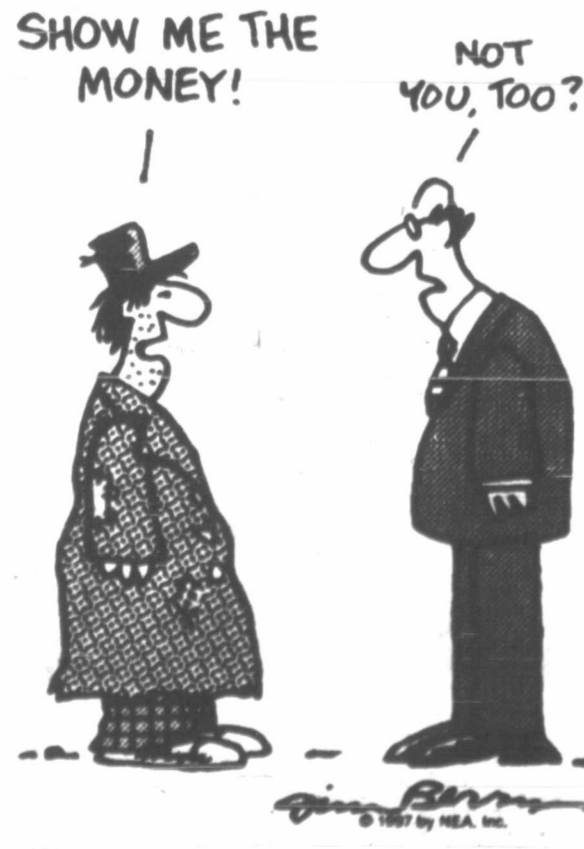
- The city council recently decided to halve the mayor's personal security detail. He was being guarded, driven and waited upon by 31 police officers - 25 more than the mayor of Philadelphia and 29 more than the mayor of New Orleans.

Go with Joe: Sack the commissar and dissolve the PRDC.

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## Moles best indicators of melanoma

CHICAGO (AP) — People's risk of developing the most deadly kind of skin cancer can best be estimated by evaluating the number, size and appearance of moles on their skin, researchers reported today.

Moles are a better predictor of malignant melanoma than the next best gauge — lifetime sun exposure, said the lead author of a new study, Dr. Margaret A. Tucker of the National Cancer Institute.

Scientists have known for years that the presence of a certain type of abnormal mole, called a dysplastic nevus, is a strong predictor of melanoma, which will kill an estimated 7,300 people this year.

Typical abnormal moles were identified in the study as ones that are large in size, flat, have varying color, asymmetry and indistinct borders.

Studying people with and without melanoma, researchers found that people with one abnormal mole were about twice as likely to have developed melanoma as people with no abnormal moles.

The more abnormal moles, the higher the risk. The presence of ten or more was associated with a 12-fold increase in the likelihood of melanoma, researchers said.

The study, whose findings are to be published in Wednesday's issue of *The Journal of the American Medical Association*, was adjusted for people who had traits other than moles known to affect the risk for melanoma, such as age and family medical history.

"Any health-care practitioner can estimate someone's melanoma risk when they come in for a physical exam," Tucker said in a recent telephone interview.

"You can easily teach people what to look for, because we have families who are prone to melanoma who have only a grade-school education who could recognize these moles in a heartbeat," she said.

But there is disagreement over whether to define abnormal moles by their appearance or a microscopic analysis of their cells.

Dr. Darrell S. Rigel, an associate professor of dermatology at New York University, said age spots, freckles or other skin irregularities can mimic moles. Rigel is not associated with the study.

However, Rigel, also vice chairman of American Cancer Society's skin cancer committee, agreed it is vital to evaluate moles, saying melanoma is very treatable early on.

## Homecoming event slated for Sagerton

SAGERTON — The Sagerton Homecoming has been set for Saturday and Sunday, May 24 and 25, at the Sagerton Community Center.

Registration will begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday. This is the 12th homecoming since the original one, which was held on July 4, 1954. The last homecoming was in 1994.

John Guinn is chairman of this year's homecoming. Others on the steering committee are Jack Tabor, vice chairman; Mrs. Charles Clark, secretary-treasurer; Charles Clark, finance chairman; Delbert LeFevre, program chairman; Joyce LeFevre, publicity chairman; and Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Toney, food chairpersons.

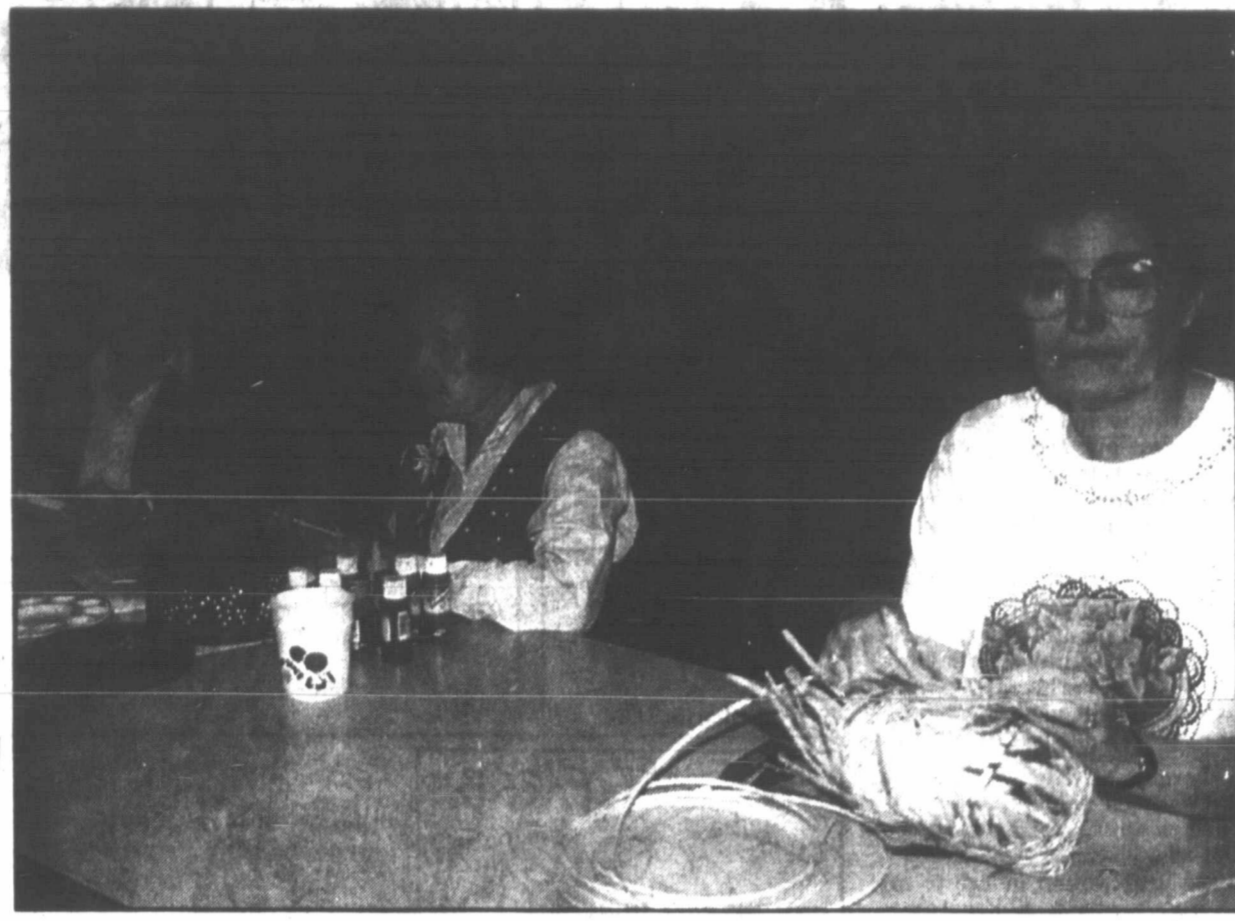
A homecoming queen will be announced during the program. Also, the classes of 1945, 1946 and 1947 will be recognized.

Since no tickets are sold for Sunday lunch, registration is necessary, but donations will be needed to defray expenses. Contact Mrs. Charles Clark at (817) 997-2680 for reservations. Registration cards have been sent to those who live outside a 50-mile radius of Sagerton.

Activities have been planned by the Homecoming Committee. For those who would like to see "old" and "new" places in the Sagerton community, there will be two bus tours on Saturday — one at 1:30 p.m. and another at 3:30 p.m. At 6 p.m. refreshments will be served.

Registration will be at 9 a.m. on Sunday and lunch will be served at noon. A short program will be held in the auditorium at 1:30 p.m.

## Pampa Art Club



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Members of the Pampa Art Club met at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center recently to do final touchups on some of the art works which will be displayed at the Pampa Art Club Guest Day Tea which continues today until 6 p.m. and again Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lovett Memorial Library. Among the artists displaying their works will be Sophia Vance and her landscapes, Billie Collinsworth with her china painting, Pat Youngblood with her decorated boxes and Madeline Gawthrop with her basketweaving.

## Separatists considered purchase of structure with nuclear bomb shelter

MONTGOMERY, Texas (AP) — A group of people said to be affiliated with the Republic of Texas once considered buying an office complex near an underground nuclear bomb shelter in Montgomery County, a Houston area investor says.

An armed man dressed in camouflage clothes was among a group that expressed interest in purchasing the four-story building with the nearby nuclear bomb shelter, he said.

The group apparently was not affiliated with the Republic of Texas faction headed by Richard McLaren.

On May 3, McLaren surrendered to the Texas Department of Public Safety, leading his group out after being holed up for a week in the makeshift trailer that he claimed was the Republic of Texas "embassy" in the Davis Mountains of West Texas.

The Montgomery County complex includes a four-story building that once housed offices, a large dining area, two gymnasiums. The nuclear bomb facility is located on adjacent property on the hill north of Houston.

The structure was built in the early 1980s by a wealthy Houston oil producer, Ling-Chieh "Louis" Kung, who was 75 when he died of cancer in a Houston hospital last November.

The investor, who asked not to be identified, said Monday that a group of people claiming to be Republic of Texas members toured the facility in December or January.

The purported separatists expressed serious interest in buying the heavily secured facility located on a hill on Texas 105 just east of Montgomery.

The building, on 14 acres, is listed for sale at \$3.1 million.

The investor said the separatists also were interested in buying an adjoining but separately owned 36-acre tract, which

has twin pagodas leading to an underground shelter built to withstand a nuclear-bomb blast.

John Martin, owner of Keller Williams Realty of Conroe, told the *Conroe Courier* Monday that the underground bunker is well-fortified.

"It is my understanding that 300 people can live there for a year," he said. "It has a hospital and even a jail. It's like a little city underground."

"One of the men who toured the building was dressed in camouflage and had a pistol strapped on," the investor said. "They said they were trying to raise money from overseas to buy it."

"They looked at it, but they never came back with any earnest money."

The Republic of Texas now has several factions, including the one headed by McLaren.

## State briefs

### Ten-year-old expected to testify at trial of relative

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A ten-year-old girl is expected to testify this week in the Brownsville trial of a man accused of aggravated sexual assault and kidnapping.

The girl says the man raped her after school officials allowed him to take her out of class against her will.

Roberto Ramirez, 41, is on trial for an incident that occurred last spring at a Brownsville elementary school. Ramirez is a relative of the girl who says he took her out of class, tied her up and raped her. She says she escaped several hours later.

Ramirez's criminal history includes two separate alleged incidents with an eight-year-old girl and an eleven-year old girl.

### Workers lower woman into 35-foot well to rescue dog

CONROE (AP) — A dog fell into a 35-foot water well while chasing a squirrel, but a teenage girl came to the dog's rescue by going in after her.

Blaze, a seven-year-old boxer, fell into the abandoned well about 8 a.m. Monday at the Canine Country Kennels in Conroe. The dog's owners called 911 for help, but were frantic that help wouldn't arrive in time.

Shawn Clute, 19, volunteered to go down into the well herself.

"We took a garden hose and tied it around her. ... We lowered her down into the well ... and she was then able to slide the other hose up on the chest of the dog,

which enabled us to pull the dog out," kennel owner Bobby Schoenfeld said.

Schoenfeld said the dog appeared none the worse for wear after being pulled out of the well.

### Memorial held for slain peace officers

AUSTIN (AP) — Relatives of 16 Texas law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty over the past two years gathered on the front steps of the Capitol for a memorial service.

Hundreds of uniformed officers also attended Monday, as did Gov. George W. Bush, Texas Attorney General Dan Morales and several lawmakers.

"As I look around me, I see the faces of these fallen heroes left behind, in the wives, husbands, children, parents, sisters, brothers and friends," Bush said. "We can never take away the hurt. We can only offer our heartfelt gratitude for the sacrifices you, too, have made for our great state."

"Each of you is a stark reminder to every Texan that public safety carries a very high price."

All of the remembered officers died between April 1, 1995, and this April 1. Nationally, 116 peace officers killed while working in 1996.

Nine of the 16 officers killed in Texas were fatally injured in motor vehicle accidents while in pursuit of a suspect or while making traffic stops. Five officers were gunned down and two were killed while directing traffic.

## McVeigh defense looks to discredit Fortier's credibility as a witness

DENVER (AP) — The same Michael Fortier who testified that Timothy McVeigh spent months plotting the Oklahoma City bombing had bragged to friends early on that he could lie about the blast and make millions on the talk show circuit.

It was a contrast that defense attorney Stephen Jones was expected to explore often once cross-examination resumed today. Jones has suggested that Fortier slanted his testimony to secure a lenient sentence for lesser charges associated with the bombing.

Yet Fortier, the prosecution's star witness, insisted he was telling the truth Monday when he testified that McVeigh cased the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building months before the blast and even considered crashing his truck bomb through the glass front doors in a suicide attack.

It was riveting testimony — Fortier calmly recounting how his former Army buddy and the best man at his wedding talked about renting a Ryder truck and filling it with explosives to destroy the building as revenge for the 1993 government siege on the Branch Davidian compound near Waco, Texas.

"He told me they wanted to bomb the building on the anniversary of Waco ... to cause a general uprising in America, hopefully that would knock some people off the fence and cause them to take action," Fortier said.

Yet Fortier insisted that McVeigh was not the face of terror depicted on the cover of *Time* magazine.

"If you don't consider what happened in Oklahoma, Tim was a good person," Fortier said matter-of-factly. "I just

didn't think Tim had it in him."

McVeigh, a 29-year-old Gulf War veteran, could be sentenced to death if convicted of murder and conspiracy for the worst terrorist attack in the United States. The April 19, 1995, explosion killed 168 people and injured 500.

While prosecutors have asked other witnesses to describe McVeigh's hatred of the government, it was Fortier who was called to provide details of the suspect in the months leading to the bombing.

Using a model of downtown Oklahoma City, Fortier said he and McVeigh drove by the Murrah building four months before the bombing. He showed where he said McVeigh planned to put the truck and an alley where he planned to park a getaway car.

Fortier said McVeigh asked him to join the plot but he refused. He said he learned of the bombing while watching television. "Right away I thought Tim did it."

Fearful he would go to prison and even be executed, Fortier said he lied to everybody, from the FBI and the media to his father.

"My father was taking this very hard," said Fortier, choking back tears. "He was going through a nervous breakdown."

Fortier, 27, pleaded guilty to four federal charges, including failure to report the bombing plot and lying to the FBI. He faces up to 23 years in prison, but likely will get less because of his testimony.

U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch scowled as Fortier acknowledged taped phone conversations with friends in which he expressed contempt for judges and the court system.

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## Teaching Kids To Be Generous Is Job Shared By Mom And Dad

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have been married almost four years. He has two children in middle school from his first marriage who live not far away. He and his ex-wife are on friendly terms, but I am having some problems with their relationship.

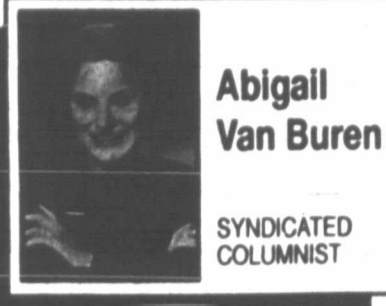
Whenever there is a special occasion, like birthdays, Father's Day, etc., my husband's ex-wife buys gifts for him from the children. I think it is my place to see that he has gifts from his children. Am I wrong?

My other concern is that when the children are at our home and their mother comes to pick them up, she always comes into the house. I work irregular shifts so I am seldom there when she comes over. I don't want her in my home with my husband when I am not there. Am I wrong about this, too? My husband says I'm wrong on both counts.

**NO GIFTS, PLEASE**  
IN HUDSON, N.C.

**DEAR NO GIFTS:** Setting a good example and creating an atmosphere of civility are more important than your feelings of insecurity.

It is the mother's responsibility to teach the children about gift-giving. Be thankful she is setting a tone of generosity and encouraging the children to acknowledge their father on special occasions. The right thing for your husband (and



**Abigail Van Buren**

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

you) to do would be to see that the gift-giving is reciprocal on her birthday and Mother's Day.

However, since your husband's ex-wife's presence in your home when you are absent makes you uncomfortable, your husband should respect your feelings and ask the children to meet their mother out in front of the house when she picks them up.

**DEAR ABBY:** I am writing to tell your readers to always consult an attorney when dealing with paternity issues.

Out of the blue, we were hit with a suit to pay support for a child who is 12 years old. The woman listed as the mother was someone my husband had dated for one week. Needless to say, he was stunned. The state wanted back support to the tune of \$15,000, plus future support and medical insurance. My husband

didn't know what to think, but I was fighting mad. We have a child of our own and another on the way.

I contacted an attorney in the state where the suit had been filed to learn what our rights were. He told us to insist on a paternity test. The state readily agreed (they were sure my husband was the father), and they even paid for the test.

The test was done and we waited. A couple of months later, we received a letter telling us that my husband was not the father, and the lawsuit was dismissed.

We were greatly relieved, but my heart breaks for the child who has been lied to for 12 years about who his father is.

Please urge your readers to insist on a paternity test. Regardless of how it turns out, everyone needs to know the truth.

**PUT TO THE TEST**  
IN PORTLAND, ORE.

**DEAR PUT:** If a man is asked to support a child he is not sure is his, he should insist on a paternity test. This test is the only way to establish that a man is (or is not) the biological father.

An attorney is always helpful when dealing with paternity issues, but not always necessary. Your physician can refer you to a laboratory that performs paternity (or parentage) testing.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Family members might have difficulty keeping secrets from you today, especially if you have the urge to investigate. The truth won't elude you.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Today could be a dynamite day for you if you mix with friends who share similar interests. Limit your get-togethers to pals who operate on your wavelength.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** You may realize a modest return from a commercial endeavor today, yet your pride of accomplishment could supersede anything profit can offer.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Your peers will give considerable weight to your ideas today. Someone surprising may follow your suggestions to the letter.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Avoid discussing confidential projects with people who aren't directly involved. You might select a listener who could work against you.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Something of substance could result today from a discussion with a friend who knows how

to analyze problems pragmatically. Take notes!

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Act in harmony with your hunches today, especially where career aspirations are concerned. Your ideas should work if given the proper chance.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Keep the lines of communication open with a friend who now resides at a considerable distance from you. Something good could come of it.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Focus on a domestic problem today that you've been trying to resolve. You should be able to find several solutions instead of just an elusive one.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Keep your plans flexible today so that you will be able to make changes if something more meaningful supersedes what's in your business proposal.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Look for little-useful ways to economize today. If something is broken, see if it can be repaired instead of replacing it.

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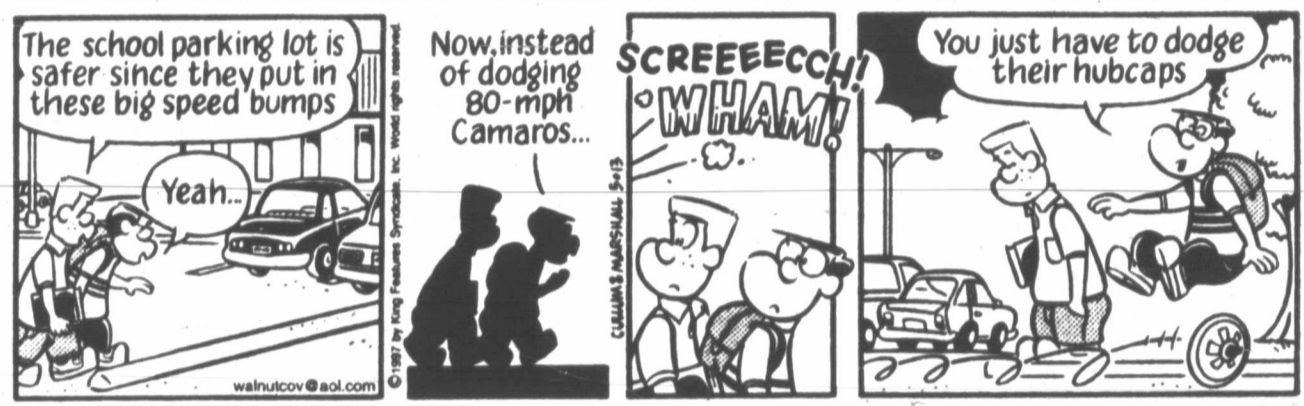
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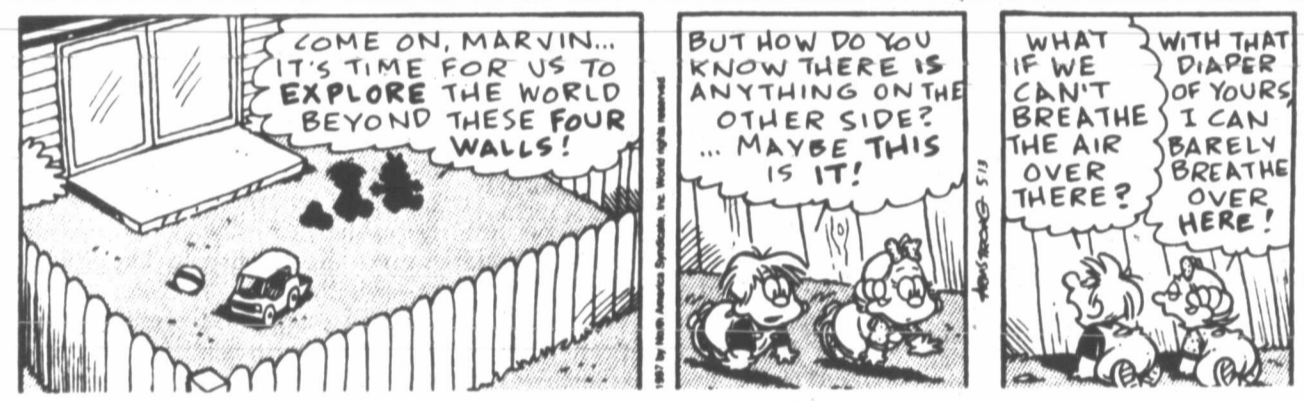
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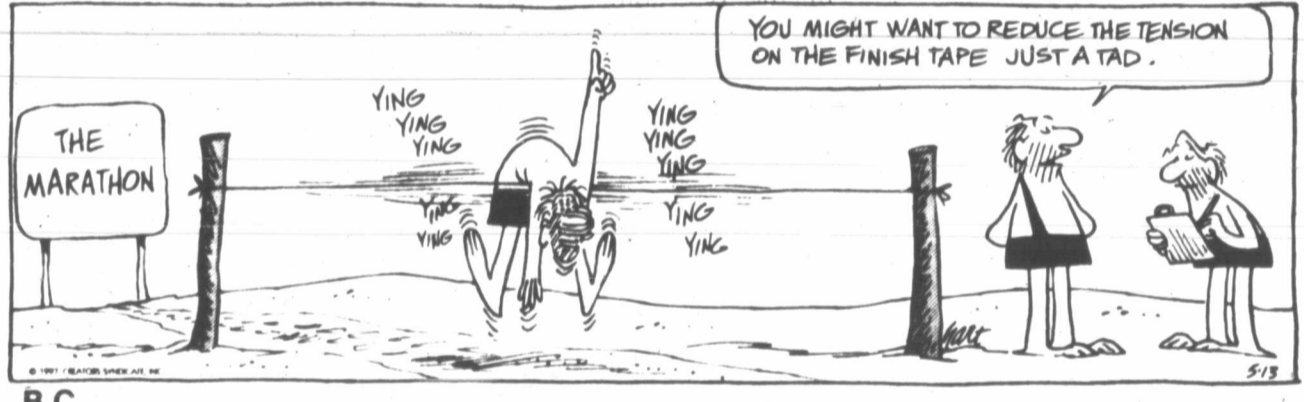
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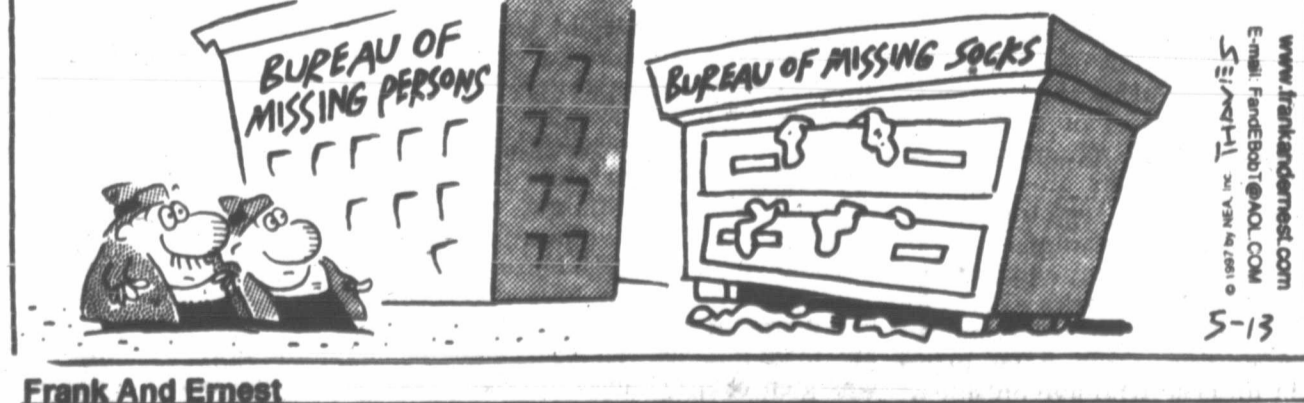
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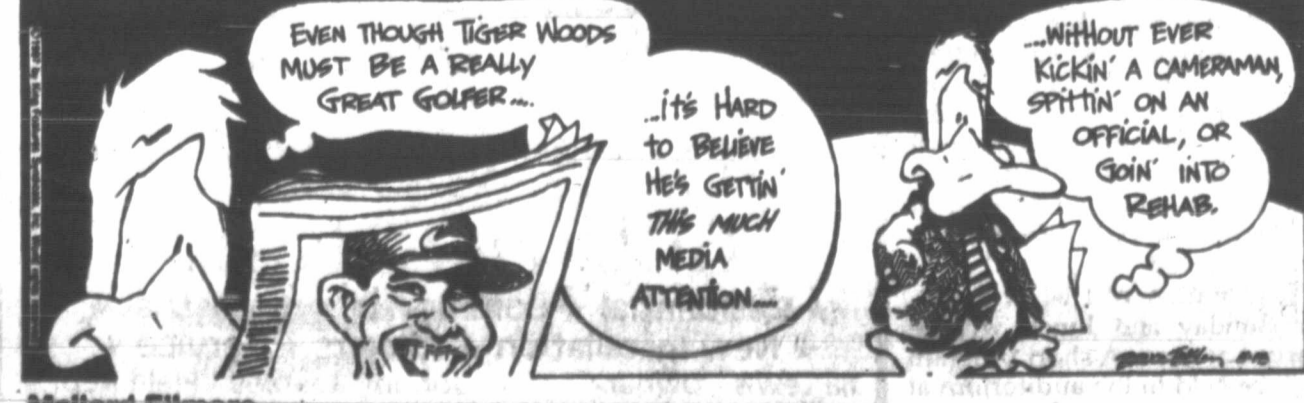
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## Horoscope



**Your Birthday**

Wednesday, May 14, 1997

Information provided to you in confidence could play a significant role in the year ahead. What will be imparted to you by friends could help further your ambitions.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Although you might not be in the mood early in the day, social involvements may be meaningful to you later on. Try to arrange something for the evening hours. Taurus, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

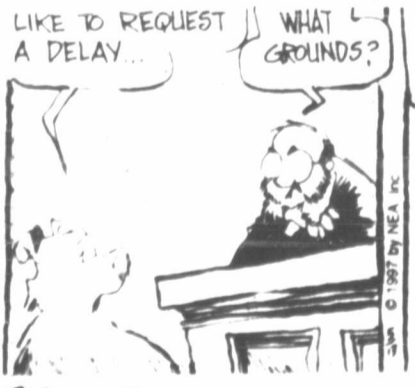


"Daddy's making a trip to Miami." "Someday, can I go to your ami, too?"



"He got tired of just going for walks."

### The Family Circus



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Peanuts

Peanuts

# SPORTS

## Texas Tech lands regional baseball site

### Notebook

#### BASEBALL

**PAMPA** — The Pampa Optimist Club's opening day ceremonies are set for Saturday at Optimist Park. Boys baseball and girls softball games are scheduled to be played all day.

A barbecue will be held from 12 to 4 in the Optimist gymnasium. Tickets are five dollars and can be purchased at the door.

#### FOOTBALL

**MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)** — The deal allowing the Houston Oilers to use the Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium for the next two seasons is in jeopardy because some local officials don't want to pay some of the team's travel expenses.

Team vice president Mike McClure and Avron Fogelman, chairman of the Shelby County Sports Authority, announced a deal Friday that would make the Liberty Bowl the Oilers' temporary home while their new stadium in Nashville is being built.

But Fogelman's agreement that the authority would help pay the team's travel costs between Nashville, where they will practice, and Memphis, where they will play games, has angered local officials.

"There is no doubt that this city has paid a great price as it relates to trying to bring an NFL franchise to Memphis," authority member Cato Johnson said of the city's two-decade-long campaign for a NFL team.

McClure said the Oilers are willing to be flexible, but he said a decision must be made before the NFL owners meet May 20-21.

Asked by The Commercial Appeal if the Oilers have other stadium options, McClure said, "We haven't left Houston yet."

#### BOXING

**LONDON (AP)** — Lennox Lewis will defend his WBC heavyweight title in Lake Tahoe, Nevada, July 12 against Henry Akinwande, Lewis' manager Frank Maloney said today.

The fight was announced last month for Atlantic City, New Jersey, but that site was apparently ruled out because of legal problems in New Jersey for Akinwande's promoter Don King.

In November 1995, New Jersey casino regulators barred King from holding a Mike Tyson-Buster Mathis Jr. fight in Atlantic City because of his legal troubles.

Lewis, reported to be earning about \$5.2 million for the fight, is 30-1. He won the title Feb. 7 in Las Vegas when the referee stopped the fight after a seemingly confused Oliver McCull three only two punches in the fourth round and one in the fifth. Lewis' only previous loss was to McCall.

Akinwande, who has relinquished his WBO title to fight Lewis, has 32 wins, no losses and one draw.

Akinwande was awarded the mandatory challenge because he was the highest available contender since Tyson is to fight WBA champion Evander Holyfield in a rematch June 28.

#### FOOTBALL

**BELTON, Texas (AP)** — The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, the oldest historically female school in Texas, has named former Louisiana Tech defensive coordinator Pete Fredenburg as its first head football coach.

Fredenburg will begin work July 1, the school said.

Mary Hardin-Baylor, a school exclusively for women for 126 of its 152 years, will begin playing football in fall 1998 in the American Southwest Conference, a non-scholarship NCAA Division III league.

**OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (AP)** — Three Southeastern Conference members and a Big 12 power awaiting possible punishment were among the eight schools picked Monday to play host to regional competition in the NCAA Division I baseball tournament.

Texas Tech, 43-10, which self-reported last week that it had exceeded the financial limit on its baseball scholarships, will play host to the Central Regional. The Red Raiders are not under NCAA investigation and will probably lose future scholarships.

Louisiana State, 45-11, ranked No. 1 in both major college polls, was selected to play host to the South One Regional.

Competition in the six-team, double-elimination regional tournaments runs May 22-25. Pairings

and the rest of the 48-team field, which includes 24 at-large, 19 automatic berths and five play-in winners, will be announced on May 19. The eight regional winners will advance to the 51st College World Series in Omaha, Neb., beginning May 30.

Also picked as regional hosts were:

- Miami, 41-15, Atlantic One.
- Alabama, 44-11, South Two.
- Oklahoma State, 40-15, Midwest.
- Florida State, 41-15, East.
- Mississippi State, 40-16, Mideast.
- Stanford, 38-16, West.

By their selection as regional hosts, the eight schools also gain entry into the tournament. All eight could be awarded No. 1 seeds.

Tech reported to the NCAA last week that it had failed to factor in out-of-state tuition waivers, leaving it the financial equivalent of about two scholarships over the maximum of 11.7 in baseball.

Ron Maestri, chairman of the Division I baseball committee, said the panel saw no reason to exclude Texas Tech since the case is still under consideration.

"There have been no charges," said Maestri. "Nothing has been filed. There hasn't been any penalty placed. I don't want to punish the institution or the student-athletes. We're giving them a regional site based on criteria that's in the book — the quality of the facility, revenue potential, attendance history and geographic location."

The school is not under investigation, an NCAA official told The

Associated Press. The committee on infractions will take up the matter at some later meeting and decide on possible sanctions, which will most likely be a loss of future scholarships. The case is not scheduled for review until after the College World Series.

Texas Tech officials referred all questions Monday to director of compliance Victor Mellinger, who did not immediately return a phone call to the AP. But Tech baseball coach Larry Hays told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal he was relieved the 1997 team does not have to pay for the mistake.

"Next year, or whenever they decide, I'm sure we'll be penalized, and I'll be glad when that happens," Hays said. "We're wrong. We made a mistake and I'll be glad when we get it paid for."

Maestri said the baseball selection committee had checked with the NCAA enforcement department.

"There has been no declaring of ineligible players... There has been no decision rendered. Nothing has come to us to indicate otherwise," said Maestri, athletic director at the University of New Orleans. "At this time, we have nothing to indicate there will be ineligible players."

Under NCAA rules, baseball is considered an "equivalency sport" and Division I schools are allowed 11.7 full baseball scholarships, with the cost of a scholarship based on in-state and out-of-state attendance costs. It is rare for anyone to get a full baseball scholarship. Most are shared among a school's 25 or so top players.

### Marlins turn back Astros

**MIAMI (AP)** — The Florida Marlins waited out a rain delay, came from behind to beat the Houston Astros, then caught an early morning flight to Atlanta.

Now comes the hard part. The Marlins, tied for last in the major leagues with four road victories, play 10 of their next 12 games away from home, beginning tonight against the first-place Braves.

Florida tried to build a little momentum for the trip by beating Houston 11-4 Monday night.

"We needed a boost so we would go into the road trip with something positive under our belts," said backup catcher Gregg Zaun, who had three run-scoring singles.

The Marlins went 5-3 on their homestand. Their 17-5 home record is the best in baseball, but they're 4-11 on the road.

"Maybe it's the home cooking," Zaun said. "Home cooking doesn't matter to me, because there's nobody home cooking for me."

Florida trails Atlanta by five games in the NL East.

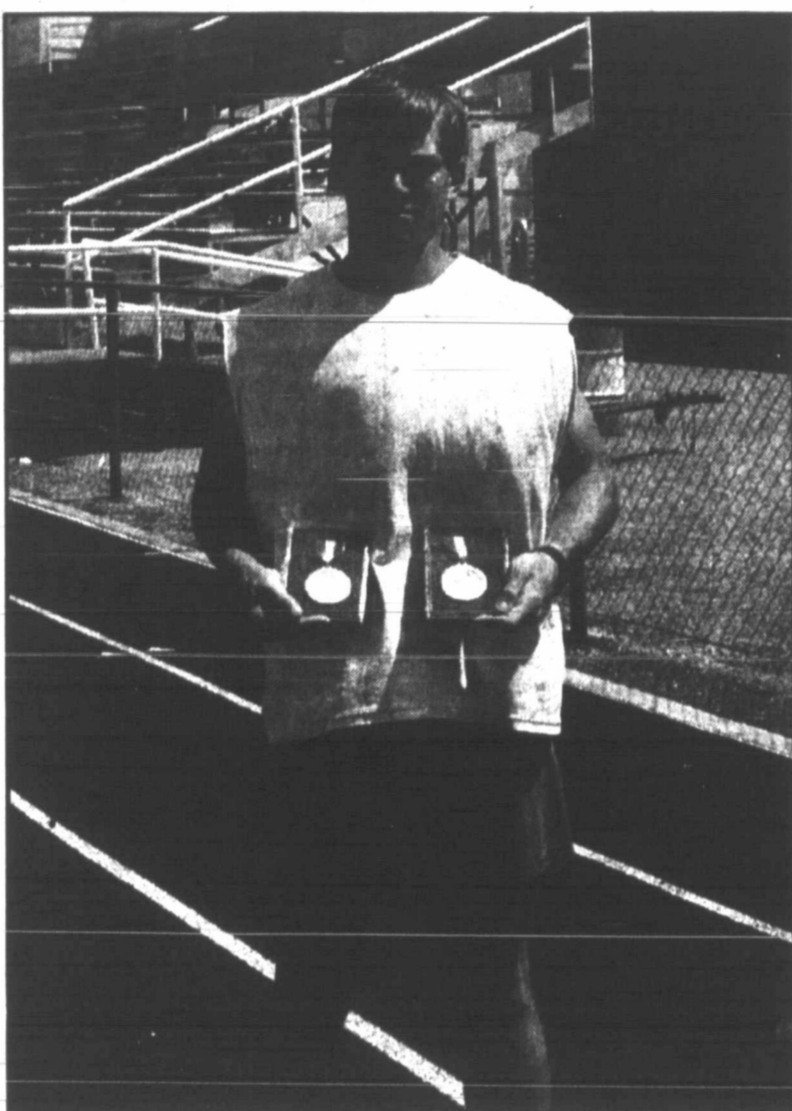
"We've got to crank out some wins and get back into this thing," Zaun said.

In the only other National League games, it was Atlanta 10, Pittsburgh 2; and Colorado 9, Philadelphia 2.

Relievers Rob Stanifer and Felix Heredia singled for their first major-league hits and Florida tied a season high with 14 hits against Houston. The Marlins overcame an early 3-1 deficit.

Stanifer allowed one run in 2-2-3 innings to win his first major league decision. The 25-year-old rookie also singled in his first big-league at-bat and scored on Bobby Bonilla's two-run double in the sixth.

### Tiger trackster



(Pampa News photo)

Groom High School senior Justin Ritter has another medal to add to his district and regional awards (above) after winning the silver medal in the 400-meter run at the Class 1A boys meet last weekend in Austin. Ritter advanced to the state meet in both the 400 and 800. He finished fifth in the 800. Ritter was the district champion in the 800, 400 and long jump. He won the regional title in the 400 and placed second in the 800.

## Fort Elliott advances into bi-district play

### HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

**BRISCOE** — The Fort Elliott baseball team has clinched a post-season playoff spot.

The Cougars split a District 1-1A doubleheader with Cotton Center last weekend to finish second in district play with a 6-2 record.

In a 6-5 loss in the opener, Fort Elliott committed three errors and gave Cotton Center four earned runs. Cougars' pitcher Clay Zybach gave up only two earned runs on four hits, but he did walk five batters, and with the errors gave up six runs.

Curt Smith led Fort Elliott at the plate, going three for three with two runs batted in. The Cougars were held to only five hits and there was only one hit from the top four batters.

In the second game, Donnie Barr pitched a five-hitter as Fort Elliott won, 9-3. Barr gave up three earned runs while striking out eight and walking five.

"We didn't commit any errors and that was difference," said Fort Elliott coach Curtis Smith.

Barr also went two for three at the plate with a double and his 15th home run of the year. He

knocked in three runs.

Fort Elliott, 15-7 overall, will meet Claude in bi-district play. Follett is the No. 1 seed out of District 1-1A and will play Shamrock in the bi-district round.

Randall, out of District 1-4A, defeated San Angelo Lake View, 5-4, last weekend to win the Class 4A area championship in a best two of three series.

Randall earlier defeated Lake View, 5-3, in the opening game. The Raiders move into the regional quarterfinals where they will meet Frenship in a best of three series at Jaycee Park in Plainview. Game one is set for 5 p.m. Friday.

Randall has a 17-16 record while Frenship is 25-6-1.

In other Class 4A regional matchups, Andrews meets Plainview, Saginaw Boswell takes on Brewer and Arlington Heights goes against Azle.

### SMU announces football schedule

**DALLAS (AP)** — Southern Methodist on Monday finalized its 1997 football schedule, including a Sept. 13 game against Arkansas at Shreveport, La.

The Mustangs agreed to move the Arkansas game, originally set to be played at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, to Shreveport at the Razorbacks' request.

SMU's 1997 schedule, with dates and opponents:

- Sept. 6, at Mississippi
- Sept. 13, vs. Arkansas at Shreveport, La.
- Sept. 20, Navy
- Sept. 27, Brigham Young
- Oct. 4, at New Mexico
- Oct. 11, at Utah
- Oct. 25, Wyoming
- Nov. 1, Rice
- Nov. 8, Texas-El Paso
- Nov. 15, at Tulsa
- Nov. 20, at Texas Christian

## Lions hold off Cree in Babe Ruth League action

### OPTIMIST ROUNDUP

**PAMPA** — The Lions Club faced Cree Oil in a pre-season Babe Ruth Optimist baseball matchup Monday night with the Lions Club taking their second in a row by a 10-7 score.

Cree pitcher Justin Barnes started out on the mound against the Lions Club, allowing two hits in the first inning that put the Lions up by 2-0. Barnes redeemed himself in the second, sending the batters down 1-2-3.

Cree got started offensively in the third inning, after a solid single by Travis Lancaster turned into a run after two walks and Lions Club errors.

The Lions also scored in the third inning, turning a single by Jonathan Waggoner and a double by Koury Snider into two runs with three walks later in the inning.

The fourth inning was also a bright spot for the Lions, producing four runs due to powerful hitting. Two walks early in the inning were turned into RBI's for Waggoner, who wound up with a triple and was later driven in by Kevin Schaub, who nailed a triple of his own.

Schaub later scored to wind up the four-run inning for the Lions.

Cree tried to rally back into the ballgame in the fifth behind some powerful hitting by Russell Robben.

A walk by Lions Club relief pitcher Kevin Schaub put two runners on the bags for Cree, which turned into an RBI situation for leadoff batter Kaleb Snelgroves, who laced a single

to drive in a run.

Robben, up next, drilled a three-run home run over the right field fence that put Cree back into the game.

Both teams added runs in the final one and a half innings of play, but the Lions were able to hold off Cree as time expired.

In 10-12-year old girls' softball action, McCarty-Hull slipped by Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau, 10-9, Monday night.

Stefani Goldsmith and Skye Niccum scored two runs each for McCarty-Hull while Jennie Waggoner had three runs for Gray-Roberts.

Stefani Goldsmith pitched for McCarty-Hull and Jennie Waggoner pitched for Gray-Roberts.

In another 10-12 girls' game last night, First Bank Southwest defeated IRI, 16-12.

Keisha Childress, Jennie Rogers, Jessica Leos and Tess Kincade had one hit each to lead First Bank.

Staci Searl, Tara Coffee, Lindsey Dyer, Ashley Parker, Emily Greer and Ashley Garner had one hit each.

Catcher turned pitcher Christopher Moody took the mound and pitched a four

inning no-hitter to lead The Operating Company to a 19-1 win over First Bank Southwest in an Optimist Minor League baseball game Monday night.

The Operating Company came to bat first and pushed across five runs on four walks and one hit batter.

In the bottom of the inning, Moody shut down First Bank with two strikeouts and an assist to blank FBSW in the first inning.

In the second inning, TOC pushed across two runs on two walks and a double by first baseman Clayton Young. Moody allowed one walk in the second, but paired it with two strikeouts and a flyball to Young to close the inning on FBSW.

The third inning found TOC scoring six runs on five walks, a double by Moody and a single by shortstop Mateo Campos. FBSW came to the plate in the third inning and Moody allowed two walks to eventually place runners on third on two separate occasions. The first runner was tagged out by Moody while attempting to steal home and the second runner was tagged out by Moody after a wild pitch and catcher Ben Ponce made a pinpoint throw back to Moody waiting at the plate.

In the final inning, TOC came back to the plate to score six runs on two walks, singles by Jarred Moler, Young and

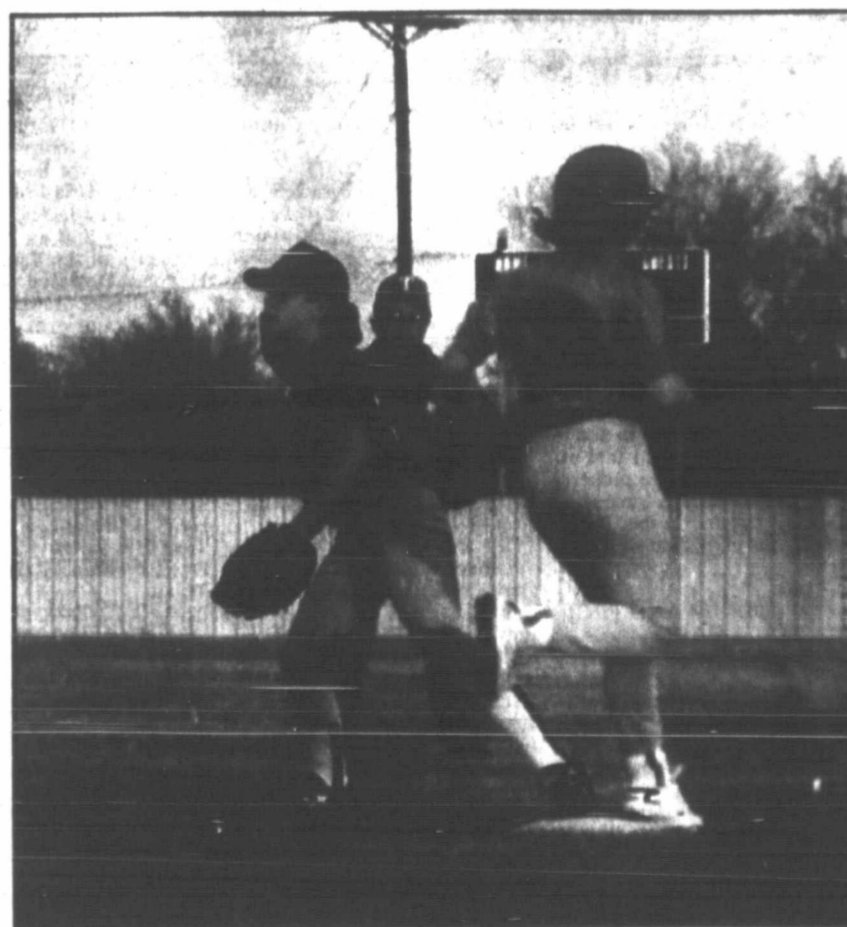
Campos, a double by Chris Burns and a triple by Moody.

FBSW came to the plate and managed one run on two errors and two strikeouts with Young snagging a flyball to save the no-hitter.

Game stats were FBSW: 18 at bat, 1 run 0 hits, 4 walks and 7

strikeouts with TOC committing three errors. TOC: 32 at bats, 19 runs on 8 hits, 13 walks, 6 strikeouts and two hit batters.

The Operating Company will play Dean's Pharmacy in their first game at 10 a.m. Saturday. First Bank Southwest will play Robert Knowles at 1 p.m. Saturday.



(Photo by Judy Elliott)

First baseman Kelly Tripplehorn makes a putout on runner Teryn Stowers in girls' softball action between McCarty-Hull and Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau.

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## Jazz turn back Lakers in overtime

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — In overtime, Utah's strategy was as predictable as it was unstoppable. Give the ball to Karl Malone and try to stay out of his way. That was just fine with the Jazz power forward, who responded with a performance underscoring his bid for league MVP: 32 points, including six of Utah's nine overtime points, and 20 rebounds in a 98-93 victory Monday night that eliminated the Los Angeles Lakers from the NBA playoffs.

The outcome put the Jazz in the Western Conference title for the fourth time in six years. In the three previous appearances, they have failed to reach the NBA Finals.

"I knew they were going to run a lot of plays for me in overtime," Malone said with a grin after giving the Jazz a 4-1 decision in the best-of-7 second-round series. "I never forget my own plays; it gives you a chance to be the hero, or the goat."

With the two teams tied 89-89 at the end of regulation, Malone

put Utah ahead to stay, 91-89, by making two free throws 36 seconds into overtime. He also hit a pair of jumpers as the Jazz outscored the Lakers 9-4 in the extra period.

He credited a thunderous Delta Center crowd of 19,911 with lifting him when it mattered most.

"We went into overtime after dodging a bullet, and we got the fans into this thing," Malone said. "I can't really describe the energy and the confidence that the guys had; it was a great win."

John Stockton had 24 points and 10 assists for the Jazz, who will play the winner of the Houston-Seattle series in the Western Finals. The Rockets lead 3-1, with Game 5 tonight.

"It's going to be a dogfight. In the Western Conference championship, you can't expect anything less," Stockton predicted.

The Lakers promised Game 5 would be physical, and it was. A total of 61 fouls were called, with L.A. having 31. Lakers forward Robert Horry was ejected in the third quarter after taking a swing

at Utah's Jeff Hornacek, and Los Angeles center Shaquille O'Neal fouled out with 1:47 left in regulation.

Nick Van Exel led the Lakers with 26 points, while O'Neal had 23 points and 13 rebounds.

"There's an old saying, 'Before you succeed you must learn how to fail.' And I just hope that I don't fail too many more times," a dejected O'Neal said. "I'm getting tired of going home early."

"We fought hard, but they hung in there, and they deserve to move on," Van Exel said of Utah. "We thought we had them, but they came through big."

Stockton's layup with 39 seconds left in regulation tied it at 89, and the Lakers had a chance to win in the closing seconds. But rookie Kobe Bryant shot an airball over Bryon Russell from 17 feet just before the horn sounded.

Malone, who was 9-of-21 from the field and 14-of-18 from the line, opened the overtime with a pair of free throws and a corner jumper that gave the Jazz a 93-89 lead with 3:20 remaining.

## Rangers extend win streak to two

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Last season, the Cleveland Indians gave John Burkett a rude introduction to the American League.

Burkett, acquired by the Texas Rangers in August for the stretch run after spending the first seven seasons of his career in the National League, was 0-1 with a 14.04 ERA in two starts against the Indians last year.

Burkett apparently learned from last year's mistakes, recovering from a shaky first two innings as the Rangers beat the Indians 4-2 Monday night to extend their winning streak to four.

"Last year the Indians beat me up pretty good," said Burkett, who has pitched at least six innings in each of his last six starts. "It was good to turn it around. Baseball is a game of adjustments, and to survive you have to learn how to make them."

Burkett (2-2) won for the first time in four starts since April 16,

giving up four hits and a walk in the first two innings, then retiring 19 of the next 21 batters. He wound up allowing one run and seven hits in eight innings.

John Wetteland finished his ninth save in 10 chances, allowing an RBI single to Sandy Alomar. Burkett's stint gave the Rangers' tired bullpen a breather. Texas' relievers pitched three or more innings in nine of the previous 13 games.

"He gave us some quality innings," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "The only thing better would have been if our offense had gotten some more runs so we could have given the whole bullpen the night off. On a night when we didn't need to be getting people up and down in the bullpen, he pitched extremely well."

Burkett was backed by four homers, two by Will Clark, to match the Rangers' best long-ball output of the season.

"This is a carbon copy of last year's team," Clark said. "We find ways to win games. It's a complete team effort."

Clark tied the score 1-1 when he connected in the fourth off Jack McDowell (3-3), then gave Texas a 3-1 lead in the seventh with his fourth homer of the year, a drive off Eric Plunk.

Benji Gil snapped a 1-1 tie with a solo shot in the fifth. He began the night hitting .205 with four extra base hits in 83 at bats.

Lee Stevens homered off Plunk in the seventh, his sixth homer of the season, to help the Rangers into first place in the AL West for the first time since April 3.

Gil also contributed defensively, making a backhand stop and throwing out pinch-hitter Kevin Mitchell with two outs and runners on first and third in the ninth.

"Benji put a nice game together," Oates said. "He hit the home run and made the play to end the game."

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<p><b>1 Public Notice</b></p> <p>NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF TEXAS GRAY COUNTY BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE DATED MAY 8, 1997 and issued to judgment decree (s) of the District Court of Gray County, Texas, by the clerk of said Court on said date, in the hereinafter numbered and styled suits and to be directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on May 8, 1997, seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in June, 1997, the same being the 3rd day of said month, at the East Door of the Courthouse of said County, in the City of Pampa, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. on said day, beginning at 10:00 a.m., proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suits and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Gray and the State of Texas, to-wit:</p> <p>SUITS NO. STYLE OF SUIT AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION</p> <p>#748 City of Pampa vs. Shirley Mathis Lot 4, Block A, Schulze Annex to Harlem Addition, City of Pampa, as described in Volume 239, Page 12, Deed Records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30635001004 #827 City of Pampa vs. Stanley Mathis Lot 23, Block 2, Prairie Village Addition, City of Pampa, as described in Volume 434, Page 312, Deed Records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30595002023 #842 Pampa Independent School District vs. Daisy Phillips, D.L. Phillips, Agent Lots 9 and 10, Block 4, of the Wood Addition, City of Pampa, as described in Volume 193, Page</p>	<p><b>1 Public Notice</b></p> <p>521. Deed Records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30810004009 #884 City of Pampa vs. Bobby Cole Tract #1: 50 feet by 62 feet, being part of Plot #164 of the Suburbs of Pampa and part of Lot 15, Block 5, Hillcrest Terrace Subdivision, City of Pampa, as described in Volume 463, Page 580, Deed records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30365005815 Tract #2: Lot 14, Block 5, and 50 feet by 92 feet out of Lot 15, Hillcrest Terrace Subdivision, City of Pampa, as described in the First Tract and Second Tract, respectively, in Volume 399, Page 682, Deed Records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30365005014 #945 City of Pampa vs. Margaret Cash Lot 8, Block 8, Prairie Village, City of Pampa, as described in Volume 511, Page 240, Deed Records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30595008008 #1585 City of Pampa, Pampa Independent School District and Gray County vs. Thomas Brown, et al. Lots 6 and 7, Block 1, Hyatt Addition, City of Pampa, as described in Volume 535, Page 266, Deed Records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30145002020 #1627 City of Pampa, Pampa Independent School District and Gray County vs. Viola O'Neal Lots 20 and 21, Block 2, Cohen Addition to the City of Pampa, being more particularly described in Volume 100, Page 72, Deed records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30145002020 #1715 City of Pampa, Pampa Independent School District and Gray County vs. James W. Taylor, et al. Lot 12, Block 8, Prairie Village Addition to the City of Pampa, being more particularly described in Volume 564, Page 548, Deed</p>	<p><b>1 Public Notice</b></p> <p>records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-305950081 #1728 Pampa Independent School District, City of Pampa and Gray County vs. Salvador Dominguez, et al. Lots 35 and 36, Block 16, Wilcox Addition to the City of Pampa, being more particularly described in Volume 505, page 106, Deed Records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30795016035 #1817 Pampa Independent School District, City of Pampa and Gray County vs. Earla Jean Bixley, also known as Earla Jean Morris, Individually and as Independent Executrix of the Estate of James H. Roper, Deceased, et al. Lot 6, Block 1, Littleton Addition, City of Pampa, as described in Volume 369, Page 243, Deed records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30455001006 #1906 City of Pampa, Pampa Independent School District and Gray County vs. Bertha M. Redd, et al. Tract #1: Part of Lot 15, Block 1, Hyatt Addition, as described in Tract 2 in Volume 220, Page 679, Deed records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30400001015 Tract #2: Lot 19, Block 1, Hyatt Addition, as described in Volume 220, Page 679, Deed records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30400001019 #2142 City of Pampa, Pampa Independent School District, County Education District #14 and Gray County vs. Jessie Douglas Caffy Lot 9, Block 1, Vandale Addition, City of Pampa, as described in Volume 551, Page 412, Deed records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30765001009 #2169 City of Pampa, Pampa Independent School District, County Education District #14 and Gray County vs. Isais G. Silva, et al. Lots 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28, Block 2, Silva Addition, according to map or plat thereof recorded in Volume B, Page 4, Plat Records of</p>	<p><b>1 Public Notice</b></p> <p>Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30677002015 #2173 City of Pampa, Pampa Independent School District, County Education District #14 and Gray County vs. Lee D. Scott, et al. Lot 16, Block 1, Finley-banks Addition, City of Pampa, as described in Volume 593, Page 627, Deed records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30259001016 #2173 City of Pampa, Pampa Independent School District, County Education District #14 and Gray County vs. Mattie A. Bain Lot 1, Block 7, East end Addition, as described in Volume 614, Page 300, Deed Records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-300220007001 #2223 City of Pampa, Pampa Independent School District, County Education District #14 and Gray County vs. Lloyd H. Carter, also known as Lloyd Henry Carter Lots 9 and 10, Block 2, City of Pampa, as described in Volume 543, Page 842, Deed Records of Gray County, Texas. #2227 City of Pampa, Pampa Independent School District, County Education District #14 and Gray County vs. Layne A. Conner, et al. Lot 8, Block 6, Vandale Addition, as described in Volume 486, Page 239, Deed Records of Gray County, Texas. Acct. #1-10-30765006008 (any volume and page references, unless otherwise indicated, being to the Deed Records, Gray County, Texas, to which instrument reference may be made for a more complete description of each respective tract.) upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion of the property described above should be sold therefor to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties, and cost; but absent such written request, all property shall be sold in solid; and any property sold should be subject to the right of redemption of the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the time and in the manner provided by law, and shall be subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me and to satisfy the judgments rendered in the above styled and numbered causes, together with interest, penalties, and cost of suit, and the proceeds of said sales to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs. Dated at Pampa, Texas, May 8, 1997</p> <p>Don Copeland Sheriff, Gray County, Texas May 13, 20, 27, 1997</p>	<p><b>1 Public Notice</b></p> <p>having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the time and in the manner provided by law, and shall be subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. 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STYLE OF SUIT AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION</p> <p>#TAX-2353 Gray County Appraisal District vs. Gene Mathis Abbott, et al All of that certain property described in or made reference to in that certain Notice of Lis Pendens filed in the office of the Gray County Clerk in Volume 4, Page 4, Lis Pendens Records, Gray County, Texas, on April 1, 1997 as if set forth herein at length for all purposes; same property as also described in the final petition filed in Cause Number TAX-2353, styled Gray County Appraisal District vs. Gene Mathis Abbott, et al and the final judgment entered therein including all exhibits attached to said petition and judgment as well as all exhibits entered as evidence therein. 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LOUISE BOWERS SLENTZ President of the Board of Trustees B-9 May 12, 13 and 14, 1997</p>	<p><b>1 Public Notice</b></p> <p>2499. Sealed envelope should be plainly marked "BREATHING AIR SYSTEM BID ENCLOSED, BID NO. 97.13" and show date and time of bid opening. Facsimile bids will not be accepted. The City of Pampa reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids received and to waive any formalities or technicalities. The City Commission will consider bids for award at the May 27, 1997 Commission meeting.</p> <p>Phyllis Jeffers City Secretary May 6, 13, 1997</p> <p><b>PUBLIC NOTICE</b> The annual return of LUCILLE AND JIMMY MASSA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION is available, at the address noted below, for inspection during normal business hours, by any citizen who so requests within 180 days after publication of this notice of its availability. LUCILLE AND JIMMY MASSA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION NBC Plaza II, Suite 5 1224 N. Hobart Pampa, Texas 79065 The principal manager of the Foundation is: Phil N. Vanderpool, Secretary/Treasurer Telephone (806) 665-5774 B-10 May 13, 14, 15, 1997</p> <p><b>PUBLIC NOTICE</b> The Pampa Independent School District will be obtaining Competitive Quotations for Moving Services and Boxes/Packing Supplies. PISD is requesting names, addresses and phone/fax numbers of vendors to be placed on a vendor list for this purpose. Please contact Anita Patterson, Purchasing Director at 321 W. Albert, Pampa, Texas 79065 or call (806) 669-4705 by 4:00 p.m., May 16, 1997. B-11 May 13, 14, 1997</p>
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### 3 Personnel

MARY Kay Cosmetics and Skin-care. Facials, supplies, call Deb Stapleton, 665-2095.

BEAUTICONTROL Cosmetics and Skin Care sales, service, and makeovers. Lynn Allison 1304 Christine - 669-3848

MARY Kay Cosmetics. Free delivery, make-overs, career information. Sherry Diggs 669-9435.

LOOKING for persons who worked at Celanese 1957-63. Call Kim James 1-800-222-2766. 9-6 cst.

ERRANDS Etc. Deliver/pick up: Groceries, bills, dry cleaning, supplies, etc. 669-6732 8-7 p.m.

### 5 Special Notices

ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News, MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

TOP O Texas Lodge 1381, study and practice, Tuesday night 7:30 p.m.

PAMPA Lodge #966, we meet every Thursday 7:30 p.m. Stated business- 3rd Thursday.

### 10 Lost and Found

FOUND- Black dog (small Lab?), female, 669-7387.

### 11 Financial

NEED \$\$\$ ? Continental Credit, 1427 N. Hobart, 669-6095. Se Hablo Espanol. Phone applications welcome.

### 12 Loans

**SUN LOAN COMPANY**  
\$100 - \$400  
Social Security  
Applications Welcomed  
Applications Taken by phone  
665-6442

### 14b Appliance Repair

RENT TO RENT RENT TO OWN  
We have Rental Furniture and Appliances to suit your needs. Call for estimate.  
Johnson Home Furnishings  
801 W. Francis

### 14d Carpentry

FOUNDATION Settling? Cracks in walls, ceilings, or brick? Doors won't close? Call Childers Brothers. Free estimates 1-800-299-9563.

CUSTOM homes, additions, remodeling, residential / commercial Deaver Construction, 665-0447.

PANHANDLE House Leveling Floors sagging - Walls cracking. Door dragging. Call 669-0958. Concrete Foundation Repairs.

OVERHEAD Door Repair. Kidwell Construction. 669-6347.

ADDITIONS, remodeling, roofing, cabinets, painting, all types repairs. No job too small. Mike Albus, 665-4774.

### 14e Carpet Service

NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost...it pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541, or from out of town. 800-536-5341. Free estimates.

BT'S Carpet Cleaning & Restoration. Carpet/Upholstery. Free Estimates. Call 665-0276.

### 14e Carpet Service

CARPET stretch/carpet repairs. Call Dennis at Steve's Refrigeration 665-2764, leave message

### 14h General Services

COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. 669-7769.

WILLOUGHBY'S Backhoe Service. STORM SHELTERS. 669-7251, 665-1131.

CONCRETE Work. All type concrete work. Remove and Replace Foundation and Floor repairs. Call Panhandle House Leveling 669-0958

### 14n Painting

PAINTING reasonable, interior, exterior. Minor repairs. Free estimates. Bob Gorson 665-0033.

### 14r Plowing, Yard Work

2 Semi Retired Gentleman to mow yards. 665-2036.

COLLEGE Student will mow lawns. Call 665-7012.

LAWN Care, tree trimming, and removal, clean-up. Very reasonable. 779-2877 Local call.

LAWN Need Mowing? Call Miller Mowers 665-6082. Dependable Workers!

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### 14s Plumbing & Heating

JACK'S Plumbing Co. New construction, repair, remodeling, sewer and drain cleaning. Septic systems installed. 665-7115.

LARRY BAKER PLUMBING Heating Air Conditioning Berger Highway 665-4392

MCBRIDE Plumbing of Pampa, since 1977. Licensed, Bonded, Insured. Complete Plumbing Service. 665-1633.

BART Gooch's Plumbing. For all your plumbing needs, 669-7006 or 665-1235, extension 403.

McBride Plumbing Inc. Fully Insured and Bonded Mike J. McBride 665-8540

### 14t Radio and Television

We will do service work on most Major Brands of TVs and VCR's. 2211 Perryton Pkwy. 665-0504.

### 19 Situations

LITTLE Angels Daycare. Monday-Friday, CCMS vendor. 669-3412, 208 W. Browning.

NOTICE  
Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

DO YOU HAVE NEWSPAPER TRAINING OR EXPERIENCE?  
The Pampa News would like to keep its files current with the names of available individuals living in this area who are interested in full or part-time employment and who have credentials in all areas of newspaper work including editing, reporting, photography, advertising, production, presswork and circulation. If you are a QUALIFIED newspaper professional, please send your resume, including salary requirements, IMMEDIATELY to: Wayland Thomas, Publisher  
The Pampa News  
P.O. Drawer 2198  
Pampa, Tx. 79066-2198

NEED live-in caregivers to care for elderly. Will pay room/board and salary. Experience required. Call 806-447-5536

MAINTENANCE Man needed for small community. Must have own tools. Some knowledge: paint, make ready, grounds, electric, plumbing, HVAC.  
800 N. Nelson 665-1875

MAKE up to \$1,500 operate a fireworks stand just outside Pampa June 24th thru July 4th. Must be a responsible adult. Phone 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. 1-210-429-3808 or 1-800-364-0136

DAWSON Production Services is now taking applications for Oilfield Truck Drivers. Must have CDL and pass drug test. Benefits include uniforms, paid vacation, health insurance, 401K retirement/savings plan. Apply in person at 1865 W. McCullough, Pampa, Tx.

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PART Time People needed to evaluate local stores and restaurants. Free food. \$8+hour. Call now. 1-512-703-6784.

CAD Operator: AutoCAD, annual salary \$18K. Crall Productions, P.O. Box 1640, Pampa

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### 21 Help Wanted

TAKING Application for experience, qualified retail sales person. Good salary to the right person. Apply at Tarpley Music Company, 117 N. Cuyler, Pampa

CALDWELL Production needs backhoe operator. 1 week paid vacation, plus 6 paid holidays. Hwy 60 West. 665-8888

Wildlife Jobs/\$Salary+Benefits Game wardens, security, maintenance, park rangers. No experience necessary. Exam/application 1-800-813-3585 extension 7615. 8 a.m.-9 p.m. 7 days

Postal Jobs \$17.21/Hour Guaranteed hire plus full benefits. For application and exam information call 1-800-813-3585 extension 7614. 8 a.m.-9 p.m. 7 days.

CNA's needed full-time 3 p.m.-11 p.m., and part-time all shifts. Great benefits including car expense, insurance, retirement plan, meals furnished. Apply in person St. Ann's Nursing Home - Pampa. 806-868-6341

EXPERIENCED tractor mechanic. John Deere or Case. Lisco Tractor Parts and Service. Miami, TX 806-868-6341

SIVALLS, Inc. needs welder-fabricators. Drug test required. Only experienced welders apply. 2-3/4 miles west on Hwy. 60, Pampa, Tx.

JOB FAIR  
Correctional Services Corporation will have a Job Fair at City Hall Auditorium in Canadian, TX on May 17, 1997 from 8 am - 6 pm. If you are interested in finding out more about what we do at Hemphill Co. Juvenile Boot Camp, feel free to attend. Information and application will be available for those wishing to apply. You must be at least 21 years of age. EEO. Come See Us.

OFFICE Manager needed for Doctor's office. CPT Coding a plus and computer skills required. Send resume to Box 12 c/o Pampa News, P. O. Drawer 2198, Pampa, Tx 79066.

SEEKING dependable adult who loves children, for part-time church nursery position. 669-2335.

POSTAL Jobs, 3 positions available, no experience necessary. For information call 1-818-757-3141 extension 3156.

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PART time clerical, computer skills helpful, not necessary. Resumes- Po Box 2639, Pampa.

NIGHT floorman, 2 to 4 nights per week, must run propane buffer and automatic scrubber. 806-848-2517.

### 30 Sewing Machines

WE service all makes and models of sewing machines and vacuum cleaners. Sanders Sewing Center. 214 N. Cuyler, 665-2383.

### 50 Building Supplies

White House Lumber Co. 101 S. Ballard 669-3291

### HOUSTON LUMBER CO.

420 W. Foster 669-6881

### \$3 Machinery and Tools

GRAY County D5 dozer for sale by Sealed Bids. Turn bids to county judge's office by 9 a.m. May 15th. Contact Joe Wheeley 665-3168 for further information.

### 60 Household Goods

JOHNSON HOME FURNISHINGS  
Rent one piece or house full  
TV-VCR-Camcorders  
Washer-Dryer-Ranges  
Bedroom-Dining Room  
Livingroom  
Rent By Hour-Day-Week  
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BABY Bed with mattress, matching changing table. Stroller. 669-7137

ALMOST New sofa sleeper country colors. 669-1446

### 68 Antiques

WANTED: Antique furniture and anything western. Call Jewett 665-8415 or at 302 W. Foster.

### 69 Miscellaneous

CHIMNEY Fire can be prevented. Queen Sweep Chimney Cleaning. 665-4686 or 665-5364.

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Buy DIRECT and SAVE!  
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FREE Color Catalog  
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ANTIQUE Clock, also Grandfather Clock Repair. Call Larry Norton, 669-7916 after 5 p.m.

EVAPORATIVE air conditioner window unit, like new, \$175. 665-6853 evenings.

FOR Cushion Rubber, Call Bob Jewett. 669-9221

5 Oak glass store display cases. 3 store display units. Various other store displays. 665-4280

### 70 Musical

PIANOS FOR RENT  
New and used pianos. Starting at \$40 per month. Up to 9 months of rent will apply to purchase. It's all right here in Pampa at Tarpley Music. 665-1251.

### 75 Feeds and Seeds

BRITTEN FEED & SEED  
Hwy 60, 665-5881

### 77 Livestock & Equip.

BLACK Limousin Bulls. 14 to 15 months old. Top Bloodlines. Semen tested. Jerry Perry, Canadian, TX 806-323-6993

PREMIUM Bulls for sale. Beef machine composites, add muscle, excellent maternal and feeder traits, easy calvers. Joe Vanzandt, 806-845-2101.

### 80 Pets And Supplies

CANINE and Feline grooming. Boarding. Science diets. Roysie Animal Hospital, 665-2223.

Grooming and Boarding Jo Ann's Pet Salon 669-1410

CREATURE Comforts, grooming, flea/tick supplies for cats, dogs. 115 N. West, 669-265.

### 80 Pets and Supplies

REGISTED Black with Brown male Dachshunds. 7 weeks old. \$100 each. 665-2035

DARLIN' Dalmatian puppies \$50. Call 669-3475

Free Puppies 1/2 Chow 669-1624

POODLE Puppies for sale \$100 each. 665-5687

PYRENEES Puppies for sale. 779-2994

### 89 Wanted To Buy

WILL pay cash for good used furniture, appliances. 669-9654, 669-0804.

### 95 Furnished Apartments

2 bedroom, 1 bath, large living area, large metal building. \$310, \$200 deposit. 665-3120

PICK up rental list from red box on porch at Action Realty, 707 N. Hobart.

CLEAN 2 bedroom, stove, refrigerator, \$250 month, \$200 deposit, 404 N. Gray. 665-7618.

2 bedroom, 2 bath trailer, fireplace, fenced yard, all appliances. References/Deposit. 665-3309

2 bedroom, 1032 E. Francis, \$285 month, 1 bedroom, 810 Jordan, \$160 month. 665-6604, 665-8925

1045 Farley. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, central heat/air \$400 month, \$200 deposit. 665-4400

3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, central heat/air, \$400 month, \$200 deposit. References. 665-6978

2 bedroom with attached garage, and large yard. Call after 6 p.m. 669-1031.

99 Storage Buildings

TUMBLEWEED ACRES SELF STORAGE UNITS  
Various sizes  
665-0079, 665-2450.

Yes We Have Storage Buildings Available! Top O Texas Storage Alcock at Naida 669-6006

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### 102 Bus. Rental Prop.

HOBART Street properties for lease. Call Action Realty, 669-1221.

Combs-Worley Bldg. 3 Months Free Rent Office Space 669-6841

### NBC PLAZA

Office Space 665-4100

### 103 Homes For Sale

Twila Fisher  
Century 21 Pampa Realty  
665-3560, 663-1442, 669-0007

2 bedroom, 1 bath, Newly remodeled. Central heat/air. Must see. \$24,000. 669-0911.

2 Story - 3 or 4 bedroom, attached garage/carport. New roof carpet. Wilson area. 669-7964

3 bedroom, new carpet, redecorated, garage, N. Nelson. Pampa Realty Marie 665-5436, 665-4180

4 bedroom, 2 1/4 bath, fireplace, cellar, 2 storage buildings, double car, \$63,900. 665-3823.

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BROKER-OWNER.....665-3687	BROKER-OWNER.....665-1449

### NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS	Jackson	41	Upper-arm bone
1	Actor	44	Snapshot
3	Gulager	46	Hebrew prophet
4	Sac	50	Inquiry
8	Snow runner	53	Yawn
11	Abominable Snowman	54	and downs
13	White frost	54	Sea eagle
14	Grease	55	Mild oath
15	Appearance	56	Ninny
16	Abolish by authoritative action	57	Remainder
18	Literary works	58	Jazz player
20	To the left, on ship		Kid
21	Serrate	DOWN	
23	Sponger	1	Plant part
25	Like a gymnast	2	Hilo garianda
29	Corn on the cob	3	South-western Indians
30	Actor	4	Purely
32	Baldwin	5	Hoodlum
32	Robert E. —	6	Actress
33	Army rank (abbr.)	7	Bernhardt
34	Ivy League school	7	Figure of speech
36	Author	8	Rise
38	Fleming	9	Singer
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## Zaire: Further military skirmishes feared in future

KINSHASA, Zaire (AP) — Preparations proceed for peace talks that might not happen. Parliament chooses a presidential successor who might not take the job. The rebel leader talks of a settlement but fights his way toward the capital.

In other words, it's business as usual in Kinshasa.

The first face-to-face meeting between President Mobutu Sese Seko and rebel chief Laurent Kabila on May 4 accomplished little except raise the level of uncertainty here.

If the two meet again Wednesday in Pointe-Noire, Congo, as international mediators say they will, diplomats and politicians say it will likely be their last chance to peacefully sort out their differences.

Failing that, Mobutu and Kabila will find themselves boxed further into their corners: Kabila forced to make good on his boasts to conquer Kinshasa; the ailing Mobutu forced to stand firm rather than quit in humiliation.

"The meeting Wednesday may very well be the last chance to find a negotiated settlement," South Africa's deputy president, Thabo Mbeki, said Monday as he prepared to travel to Congo.

Publicly, South Africa and the United States are expressing optimism that

Mobutu's inevitable departure from power will be achieved at Wednesday's meeting.

"What will be formed at these peace talks is an inclusive transitional government where power is handed over in a peaceful fashion," the United States' U.N. ambassador, Bill Richardson, said Sunday.

The United States is set to evacuate Americans, has scaled back its embassy workers in the capital, and diplomatic staffers have put their valuables in storage in case fighting breaks out or soldiers loot the city, as they did in 1991 and 1993.

Mbeki, even as he planned Monday for the meeting, acknowledged that either or both men could still pull out of the talks.

The inconclusive first round May 4 highlighted their intransigence.

Kabila stuck to his demand that Mobutu resign immediately and hand power to a transitional authority that he would lead; Mobutu, dying of prostate cancer but determined to make an honorable exit, refused and said he would only hand power to an elected president.

Since then, the rebels have fought to a reported 30 miles from the capital and regular Zairians on the street appear eager to welcome Kabila's

army into their dilapidated capital.

Mobutu appeared to have given Kabila the key to the city when he announced his departure last Wednesday for a three-day trip to Gabon for talks with regional presidents. Despite loud threats, Kabila didn't make his move, possibly swayed by international pressure to hold off. But he was more likely influenced by concerns his men weren't battle-ready enough to take the capital in a quick swipe with a minimum of bloodshed.

If observers were surprised by Mobutu's seemingly risky trip out of the country, many were equally surprised he came back rather than head into exile in the face of insurmountable military and political pressures.

The parliament Sunday appeared to make a move toward creating some sense of order by selecting Monsignor Laurent Monsengwo as parliamentary president to assume power in Mobutu's absence.

The idea presumably would be for Mobutu to hand power to a transitional authority led by the monsignor, who would then hand power to Kabila, thus sparing Mobutu the humiliation of handing over directly to the rebel chief.

## Electric deregulation on rocky ground

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush's electric deregulation proposal has been in constant rewrites since debuting almost two weeks ago. Consumer and environmental groups still think the plan is lopsided.

"If the governor's bill passes, utilities get a free ride at the expense of consumers," said Carol Biedrzycki, executive director of Texas Ratepayer's Organization to Save Energy.

Bush, with the help of the Public Utility Commission, wrote a proposal that he said would address the different concerns of utility customers and the utilities.

Under the Bush-backed proposal, the state's electric market would be opened to competition Sept. 1, 2001, except for publicly-owned utilities and cooperatives, which would get to choose when to join competition.

Investor-owned utility companies, which cover about 90 percent of Texas, would have to cut prices by ten percent for residential customers and by four percent for small business customers over the

next three years, beginning Sept. 1. Publicly-owned utilities and cooperative utility companies would not have to cut rates.

The incentive for the utilities to back the deal is the ability to recover 100 percent of so-called "stranded costs."

All consumers currently pay for the construction and maintenance of power plants owned by their local electric companies. The costs that could be abandoned by current customers moving in the future to new companies are called "stranded costs."

Consumer and environmental groups voiced their concerns early Monday. The legislation was continuing to be updated before a late Monday State Affairs Committee meeting, where no vote was expected.

"Some people never know when they've got a good deal," said Rep. Mark Stiles. "They have to continue to create controversy to prove how important they are. There's no place in the process, as far as I'm concerned, for that. You get the very best that you possibly can."

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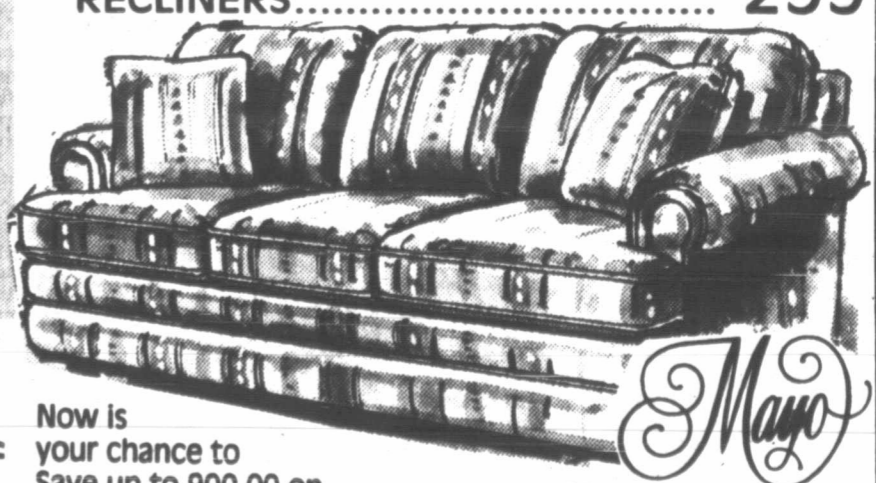
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