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Pampa man among those on death row

From Staff and AP Reports

As the execution rate surges in Texas on death row, a 34-year-old Pampa man waits while his case is appealed.

An execution date has not yet been set for Henry Watkins Skinner of Pampa, convicted of the bludgeoning death of his girl friend and stabbing deaths of her two sons.

District Attorney John Mann, who prosecuted the case against Skinner, said he thinks it will be a year or more before Skinner will face the death chamber.

"It will be another 12 to 18 months before we get a final decree in the case,"

Mann said. "That's not unduly lengthy by today's standards."

Mann noted that it takes time to write the appeals brief and more time to respond to it as the case winds through the appeals process.

Convicted killer Larry White, scheduled to be executed by lethal injection Thursday, has been on death row for 18 years.

Mann said the process has speeded up. In the past, it was not unusual for appeals to last 10 to 20 years.

"If the death penalty is going to work as a deterrent," Mann said, "it's going to have to be handed down and imposed in short order."

An unprecedented number of their fellow inmates have been or will be strapped down for lethal injection.

White's punishment is expected to cap four executions on four consecutive days, beginning today. They would add up to seven executions this month with at least eight more planned in June.

That would push Texas' total for the year to 23, easily eclipsing the record 19 injections for all of 1995 and topping any of the years between 1924 and 1965 when condemned prisoners were strapped to "Old Sparky," the state's electric chair.

On March 24, 1995, it took the jury two and a quarter hours to assess the death

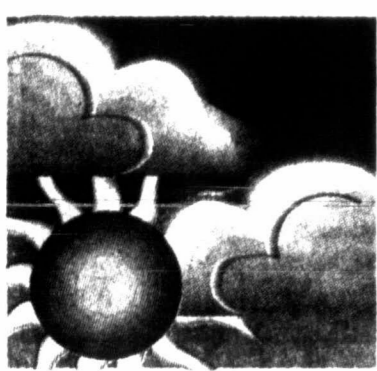
penalty against Skinner, who was convicted of killing Twila Busby, 42, and her retarded sons, Elwin Caler, 22, and Randolph Busby, 20, on Dec. 31, 1993 in their Campbell Street home.

Skinner, 32, said "thank you" when 31st District Judge Kent Sims condemned the Virginia native to death for the murders.

Mrs. Busby was strangled and bludgeoned beyond recognition and her sons stabbed to death.

"I was just ... my kids got justice today. I was just ecstatic. I just about went berserk," said Beverly Clark, Twila Busby's mother.

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Low tonight in mid 50s. High tomorrow in mid 70s. See Page 2 for weather details.

PAMPA - The Tots-N-Training program will be having a "fair" of information to close out the school year on Wednesday, May 21, at the Lovett Library from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

There will be activities for the children and information for parents regarding nutrition, teeth, the summer reading program and safety.

Parents and their preschoolers are invited to come and spend approximately 30 minutes exploring ways to help the children succeed.

PAMPA - Nominations are now being taken for deserving veterans to be inducted into the Panhandle Veterans Hall of Fame.

Deadline for the nominations is July 26. Applications should include information on the veteran, branch of service, any military honors won, places served and post-military career and civic activities.

Those selected for induction will be honored at a banquet on Aug. 15.

Nominations should be mailed to Panhandle Veterans Hall of Fame, P.O. Box 657, Pampa TX 79066.

For more information, contact Gray County Veterans Service Officer John Tripplehorn.

PAMPA - The city landfill will be closed Monday, May 26, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. The collection routes also will not run on that day.

Normal landfill and sanitation collection operations will resume on Tuesday, May 27, and continue through the following Saturday, according to Rick Stone, sanitation superintendent.

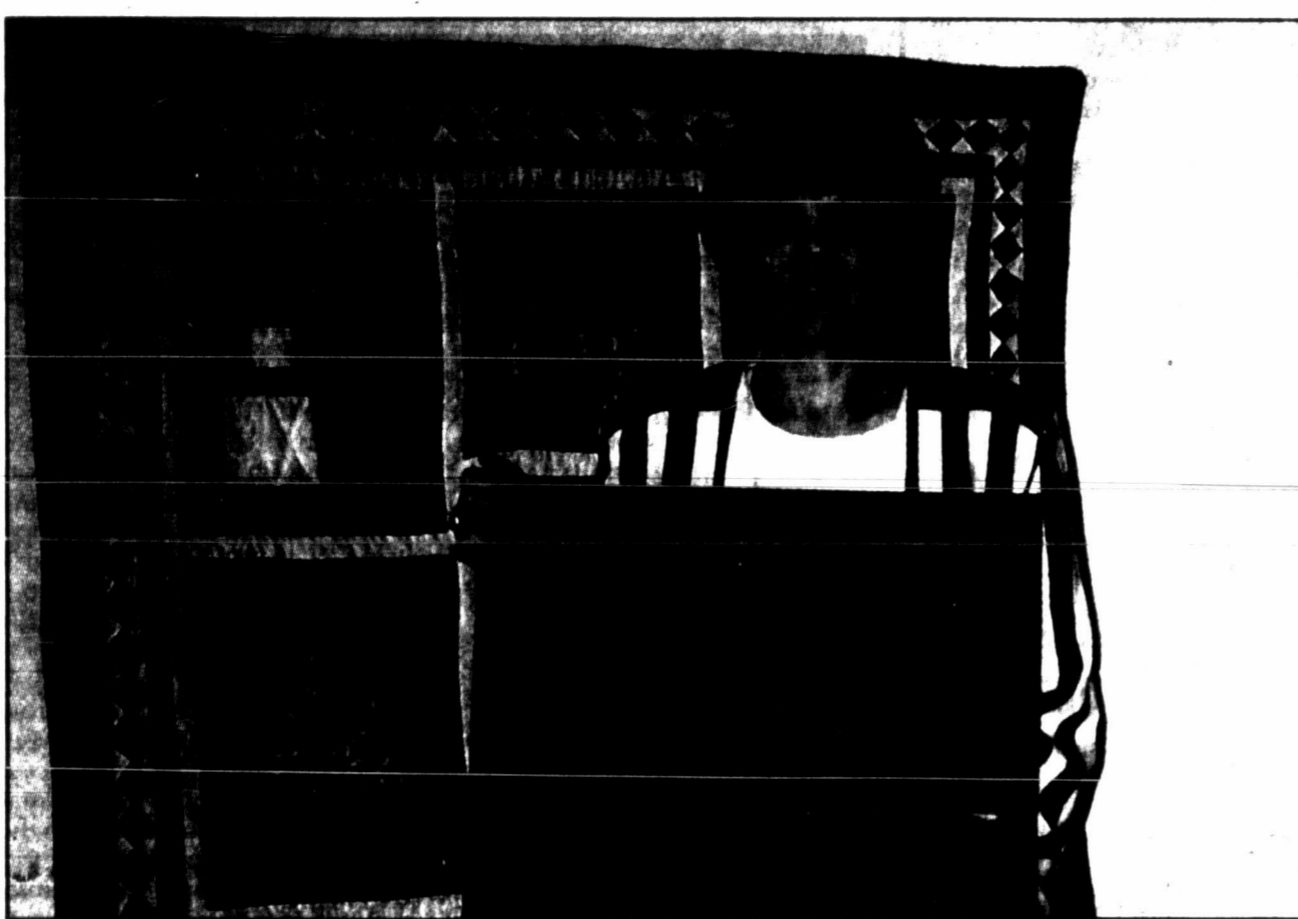
MEXICO CITY (AP) - Demanding a doubling of wages, some 4,000 public schoolteachers continued an indefinite strike in the capital Tuesday, backed by thousands of other teachers around Mexico.

Separately, authorities have announced they have accepted a proposal to begin a dialogue with the teachers, whose marches and rallies have snarled traffic in Mexico City since the strike began May 14.

The teachers complain a government offer of a 6-percent wage increase, with a 10-percent hike in other benefits, is too small. Many teachers make as little as \$150 a month and must moonlight to make ends meet.

Meanwhile, leaders of a national teachers union said they were meeting with the dissident teachers - who hail from Michoacan, Tlaxcala, Oaxaca, Yucatan, Guerrero, Nuevo Leon and Zacatecas.

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(Pampa News photo by Sherry Cromartie)

Susan Winborne, sponsorship coordinator for the building project of the Celebration of Lights theme park, holds an artist's drawing illustrating the lighted display scene of the story of the birth of Christ, which may be used in the 1997 Christmas holiday theme park to be built in Pampa's Recreation Park.

Celebration of Lights seeks funds for Nativity scene with light show

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
 Staff Writer

The Celebration of Lights is considering placing a large Nativity scene, with narration and a light show, in Recreation Park as part of its lighted displays for the Christmas season.

In a meeting Thursday night, May 15, members of the Celebration of Lights organization and representatives of the local Ministerial Alliance viewed a video presentation of creative lighting featuring the musical story narration of Jesus' birth.

The video shows panel series of lighted characters, 12 feet high, which reveals each Bible scene telling the story of Mary and Joseph and Baby Jesus, moving from one phase of the story to the other. As the story comes to its conclusion, in the grand finale, the entire exhibit is displayed in lighted brilliance and is surrounded in a spray of twinkling lights flowing from around each character grouping and onto the foreground.

The story narration and light show is approximately 15 minutes in length, with the 12-foot lighted characters appearing in each scene.

Mike Howard, representative of

the Midwest Display Inc., is offering a "lease purchase" package deal on the spectacular design of the lighted Nativity scene to be used in Pampa's Recreation Park this holiday season by Pampa's Celebration of Lights. This can be made possible in cooperation with local sponsorships, suggested by Howard to the local committee.

According to the Midwest Display spokesman, the space needed for the full exhibit of the scenes depicting the birth of Jesus will be the width of a football field, with sound equipment and thousands of lights. The display company has only three of these giant Nativity creations completed for use in the United States for Christmas 1997, and Pampa's display will be one of the three.

The total cost of the unit for the lease/purchase agreement is \$20,000 for the first year. The estimated cost for building the entire theme park is \$55,000, including the lease of the Nativity scene, according to local COL volunteers.

Sponsorship funding is requested from area organizations, churches and individual families toward the cost of the display built by Midwest Display. Some pledges have already been committed to date, according to the

sponsorship coordinator, Susan Winborne, who may be contacted at her home at (806) 669-9813 after 5 p.m. during the work week.

"We are accepting sponsorship donations in any amount that individuals or other organizations might wish to commit," she said.

Winborne added, "We want to make the birth of Christ an important part of the local Christmas holiday theme park, and this beautiful display will certainly give the visitors an exhilarating feeling of enjoyment."

"This display will attract visitors from all over the Panhandle and other states. People will be coming to Pampa throughout the entire holiday season to see the Celebration of Lights park wonderland this year because of all the new additions and thousands of light on the theme pieces. And, with the beautiful Nativity scene included, there will be nothing else like it for hundreds of miles," said Kathleen Chaney, who is chairing the committee for the theme park creations.

The artist's drawings are available for viewing at the Chaney Cafe, and anyone who is interested in learning more about the details of the theme park may contact Kathleen or John Chaney at the cafe, or call (806) 669-2454.

Rally canceled for 10 Commandments book covers

Local Pampa man William Rasmussen has delayed his rally to introduce the Ten Commandments book covers to the school children and community members.

The rally, originally scheduled for Monday morning, was canceled due to the weather. However, there are no plans at this time to reschedule the event, said Rasmussen.

Instead, he is hoping to have another rally closer to the time

that school begins for the 1997-98 year. There are some book covers in the schools at this time, but Rasmussen, local pastors and youth leaders have decided it would be in the best interest to distribute the approximate 1,500 book covers with the Ten Commandments to next year's students.

So, while the rally has been put on hold, Rasmussen is taking the opportunity to generate even more support for his effort. He

already claims to have the backing of several religious organizations.

The book covers were designed to "put the Ten Commandments back into the classroom."

Rasmussen got the idea of the book covers from one of his sisters during a discussion of Alabama Judge Roy Moore, who was ordered to remove the Ten Commandments from his courtroom.

Fouled water blamed for horses' condition

By DIANNA F. DANDRIDGE
 Staff Writer

Fouled water has been named the culprit and underlying reason for the poor condition of four horses owned by a Lefors man.

During testimony at a civil hearing, to determine the disposition of the two mares, a gelding and a colt, Justice of the Peace Bob Muns heard from County Constable James Lewis, Lefors City Marshal Rocky Stewart and the horses' owner, Ted Nolte, Jr.

After hearing the testimony and a private discussion with an unnamed horse expert, Judge Muns ordered the horses be returned to the Nolte's on a 60 day trial.

During the trial period, Muns reserves the right to make unannounced visits to the pasture to check on the condition of the horses.

As part of the condition of return, Nolte is expected to install a new water tank and be connected to city water to guarantee a safe, fresh supply of drinking water.

Lewis testified that he had spoken to Nolte at least twice about the care of the animals and had been told the animals were being fed and watered.

But after receiving numerous complaints regarding the lack of food, water and the horses' poor condition, Lewis filed for a warrant of seizure on May 7, at which time the warrant was effected and the animals were taken to a private residence for care until a hearing could be arranged.

Lewis also testified that the

horses were in a pen with no food, water or hay. Their feet were in an untrimmed condition and all the animals needed to have burrs removed from their coats.

Nolte provided a water analysis report done by the Ground Water District District No. 3 that showed extremely high levels of ammonia and salt in the water well which provided water to the pen.

According to Nolte, an expert at Texas A&M University has told him that horses will only drink so much contaminated water. After a point, the horses will not drink anymore, and when they don't drink, they don't eat and eventually starve.

He also testified that sweet mix, corn and alfalfa cubes were carried out to the horses on a regular basis, but food could not be kept on the location due to past vandalism.

Nolte provided canceled checks for feed and veterinarian services during the last six months, but said the horses just would not eat.

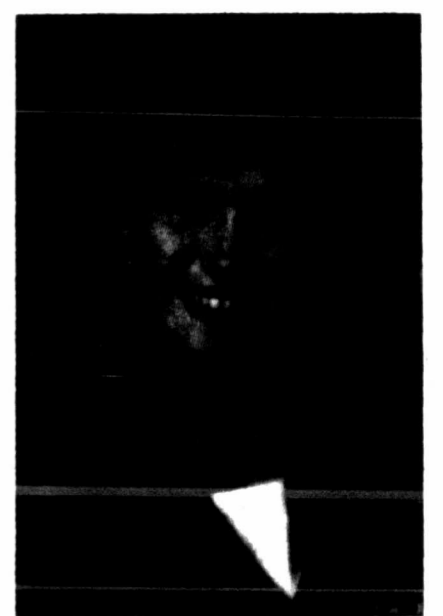
Lewis stated that the Humane Society had been out only once and at that time their representative said the horses looked thin and could possibly use some feed.

Stewart confirmed the number of complaints which had been received in the last three months as well as conversations with the Noltes regarding the horses' care.

The horses came to public attention earlier this month when a Channel 7 news report showed pictures of the skeleton-like animals.



Tabitha Tenille Franks
 ... Lefors valedictorian



Karla Michele Murray
 ... Lefors salutatorian

Franks, Murray to lead Lefors High graduates

LEFORS - Tabitha Tenille Franks will be valedictorian and Karla Michele Murray will be salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Lefors High School.

Franks, the granddaughter of Jay and Nora Franks of Lefors, has a 97.4 grade point average and plans on attending Navarro Junior College in the fall, majoring in education.

Murray is the daughter of Clyde and Jada Murray of Lefors and has a 95.0 grade point average. She also plans on attending Navarro Junior College in the fall and pursue a career in nursing.

Graduation ceremonies for the 1997 senior class will be held Friday, May 23 at 8 p.m. at the Lefors school auditorium.

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Services tomorrow

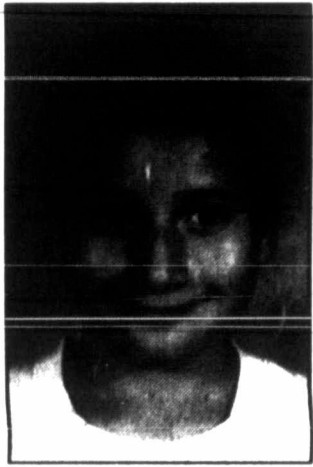
BABBITT, Orva Leone - 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, McLean.
SILVA, Kevin Lee - 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, Pampa.
WINKLER, Eleanor - 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, Pampa. Graveside services, 3 p.m., Restlawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Hereford.

Obituaries

HARLAN WELLS HYSMITH
KILLEEN - Harlan Wells Hysmith, 50, a former Pampa resident, died Thursday, May 15, 1997, at San Antonio. The body has been cremated. Memorial services will be held at a late time.
 Mr. Hysmith was born Jan. 11, 1947. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1965 and attended Wayland Baptist College. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Pampa. He married Yuvema Schimanski on Oct. 1, 1995, at Killeen. He served in the U.S. Army for 16 years before making his home in Killeen.
 He was preceded in death by his mother, Jo Fern Anderson, in 1992, and by Olen G. Anderson, in 1995.
 Survivors include his wife, Yuvema, of the home; two stepdaughters and a son-in-law, Crystal Simpson and Leshe and Lionel Love; a stepson and daughter-in-law, Bernie and Betty Schimanski; a brother and sister-in-law, Bruce and Sandra Hysmith of Nashville, Tenn.; a step-sister and brother-in-law, Wanita and Ed Taylor of Pampa; seven grandchildren; and seven nieces and nephews.
 The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church of Pampa or to the American Cancer Society.

KEVIN LEE SILVA
 Kevin Lee Silva, 10, of Pampa, died Sunday, May 18, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Woody Wiggins, pastor of County Road Church of God of Hereford, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Kevin was born June 4, 1986, at Amarillo. He had been a lifelong Pampa resident. He was a fourth grader at Baker Elementary School and belonged to Boy Scouts Pack #3478. He enjoyed horseback riding and wanted to be a cowboy.
 Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Mary Lou and Terry Gillenwater of Pampa; his father, Rolando Silva of Amarillo; two brothers, Steven O'Neal and Arron O'Neal, both of Pampa; his maternal grandmother, Marie O'Neal of Hereford; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.
 The family requests memorials be to Boy Scouts of America Pack #3478 of Pampa.



VERA WILBON
 Vera Wilbon, 77, of Pampa, died Sunday, May 18, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in St. Mark's CME Church with the Rev. I.L. Patrick, pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church, the Rev. Vurn Martin, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, and Frankie Lemons, minister of Oklahoma Street Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Wilbon was born Oct. 28, 1919, at Mangum, Okla. She had been a Pampa resident for 39 years, moving from Amarillo. She was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church.
 Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Jo Ann and Charles King of Pampa; five sons and three daughters-in-law, Billy and Mary Wilbon of Houston, Herbert and Alva Wilbon, Donny and Tanya Wilbon, Freddie Wilbon and Ronny Wilbon, all of Pampa; a sister, Willie Fred Platt of Phoenix, Ariz.; a brother, Herbert Smith of Phoenix; 18 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.
 The family will be at 1080 Varnon Drive and requests memorials be to Pampa Meals on Wheels or the Arthritis Association.

ELEANOR WINKLER
 Eleanor Winkler, 75, of Pampa, died Monday, May 19, 1997. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Bill Williams and Clarence Mounce, of a non-denominational church, officiating. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. in Restlawn Memorial Park Cemetery at Hereford.
 Mrs. Winkler was born June 21, 1921, at Hereford. She married Elmer Winkler on Oct. 15, 1938, at Clovis, N.M.; he died Sept. 19, 1965. She had been a Pampa resident since 1987, moving from Hereford. She was involved in numerous activities throughout her life, working as a home health assistant and quilting. She also volunteered at Coronado Nursing Home and Hospice of the Panhandle. She was a member of a non-denominational church.

Survivors include a daughter, Linda Hoff of Round Rock, two sons, Max Winkler of Amarillo and Keith Winkler of Pampa; two sisters, Dorothy Wright of Amarillo and Marsha Woolley of Placentia, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to Hospice of the Panhandle, P.O. Box 2795, Pampa, TX 79066-2795.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....911
 Crime Stoppers.....669-2222
 Fire.....911
 Police (emergency).....911

Police report

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

MONDAY, May 19
 A burglary was reported in the 500 block of North Gray. A 19-inch television/videocassette recorder combination set valued at \$505 and stereo speakers valued at \$50 were reported stolen. Damages to a set of double wooden doors and a window pane were also reported.

TUESDAY, May 20
 A report of gun shots fired was made in the 400 block of Davis. No injuries were reported.

Ambulance

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

MONDAY, May 19
 1:22 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home on a medical emergency. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.
 2:51 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1800 block of Chestnut on a fall injury. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.
 4:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to a nursing facility for a patient transfer to Columbia Medical Center.
 5:02 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to a nursing facility.
 6:38 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport one patient to the 500 block of North West.
 8:31 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of South Faulkner on a welfare check. No patient was transported.
 11:18 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2200 block of North Hobart on a welfare check. No one was transported.

Sheriff's Office

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

Arrest
MONDAY, May 19
 Kevin Ray Kirkham, 417 N. Russell, was arrested on charges of theft over \$50 and under \$500, evading arrest and parole violations. He remains in custody.

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.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
 The Texas Department of Health will be having an immunization clinic offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases, including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps and HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) in Pampa at Columbia Family Health Care Center, 600 W. Kentucky, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, May 22. The TDH is charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

PANHANDLE PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD
 The Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 22, at Lovett Memorial Library, 111 N. Houston. New officers will be elected for a two-year term beginning in June. Visitors are welcome.

PAMPA AREA SINGLES
 The Pampa Area Singles will meet from 7-11 p.m. on Saturday, May 24, at the M.K. Brown Civic Center, 1000 N. Sumner, in Pampa. Pot luck supper starts at 7 p.m., with the dance starting at 8 p.m. featuring Gary Orr. Cost is \$5 per person. Please bring a covered dish, if possible. For more information, call 669-7370 or 665-2829. No smoking and no alcohol permitted.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
 The Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star, will honor Wanda Carter, Worthy Matron, with a dinner at 6 p.m. today at the Pampa Masonic Lodge Hall, 420 W. Kingsmill. A chapter meeting will follow at 7:30. Officers are requested to wear their chapter dresses. A memorial program under the direction of Bonnie Herrmann will be presented in memory of our deceased sisters and brothers. For additional information, call 665-4880 or 665-2665.

SKELLY-GETTY-TEXACO RETIREES CLUB
 The Skelly-Getty-Texaco Retirees Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 22, at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa

Wheat	3.86	
Milo	4.22	
Corn	4.90	

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

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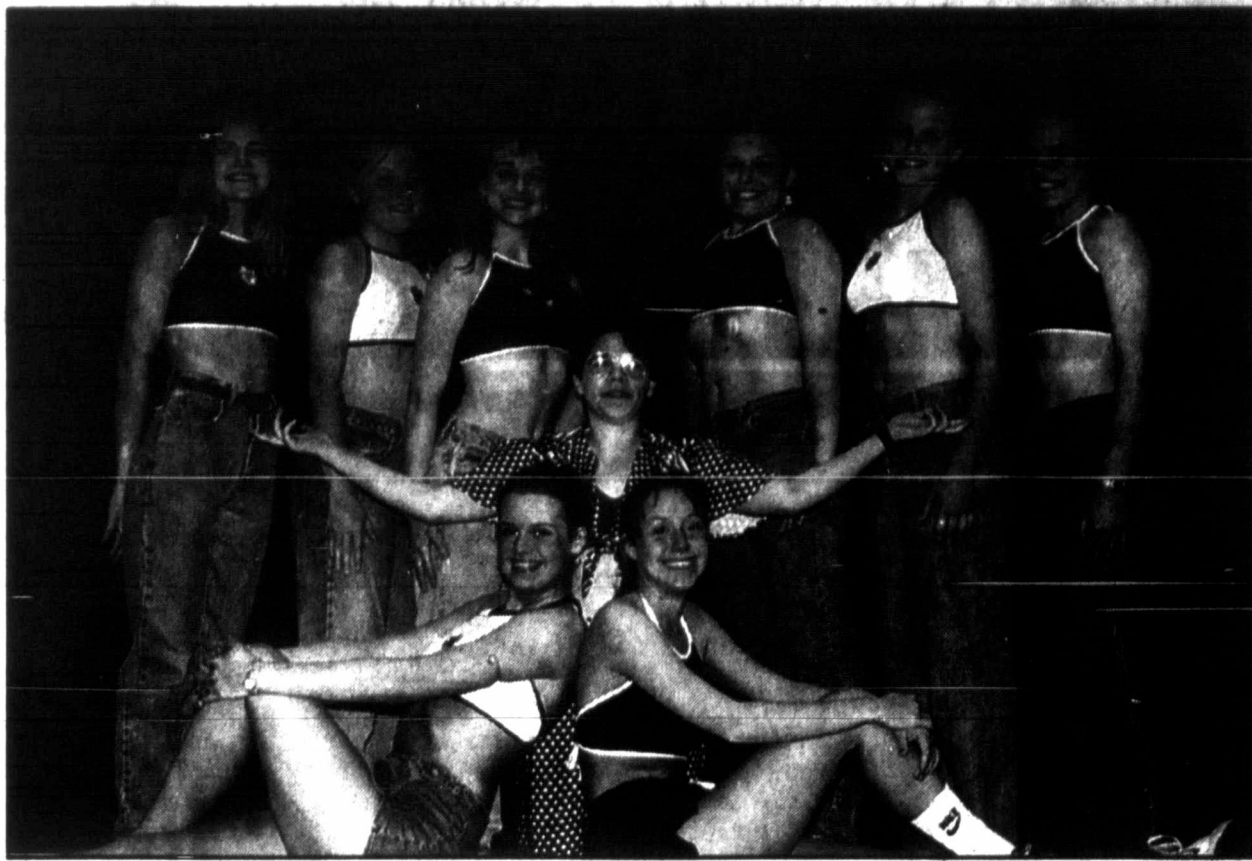
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation

Magellan	85.75	
Puritan	18.58	

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

Amsco	86 7/8	dn 5/8
Arco	142 3/4	dn 1 1/4
Cabot	25	dn 1/8
Cabot O&G	18 3/4	NC
Chevron	69 3/4	dn 7/8
Coca-Cola	67 3/4	dn 1/4
Columbia/HCA	36 5/8	NC
Enron	40 5/8	NC
Halliburton	73 7/8	dn 5/8
Ingersoll Rand	51 3/8	dn 1/4
KNE	40	dn 1/8
Kerr McGee	62 7/8	dn 1 1/8
Limited	19 1/4	dn 1/2
Mapco	31 1/8	up 1/8
McDonald's	51 5/8	dn 3/4
Phillips	42	dn 3/8
SLB	117 3/8	dn 5/8
SPS	37 3/8	up 3/8
Tenneco	44 1/4	dn 3/8
Texaco	112 1/4	dn 1
Ultramar	31	dn 1/8
Wal-Mart	30 3/8	dn 1/8
New York Gold	342.90	
Silver	4.67	
West Texas Crude	22.12	

Shakespeare at PHS



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Willie's back, but don't expect to hear any thee's and thou's. The Pampa High School drama students are preparing a 1970s version of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer's Night Dream*. Halter-topped and bell-bottomed fairies are sure to enliven the 400-year-old play and put a new twist to a classic production. The drama and theater arts students will perform on Friday and Saturday, May 23-24, at 7 p.m. at the high school auditorium. The funds raised from the production will go towards refurbishing the auditorium.

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Death row

"When he's put to death, we'll be at ease," said Melvin Clark her husband.

Skinner was convicted March 18, 1995, after the trial had been moved to Fort Worth on a change of venue. The jury, some of them in tears, returned the guilty verdict after three hours of deliberations.

Texas is far and away the nation's most active state for capital punishment. It has carried out 118 executions since the death penalty resumed in 1982.

The current flurry hasn't been lost on Skinner or many of the 454 inmates who call death row home, especially longtime prisoners who realize their days are numbered.

"The floodgates finally have opened," said Jim Beathard, awaiting death for the 1984 slaying of a 14-year-old boy, one of three members of a Trinity County family killed in a scheme to collect insurance benefits. "The execution (date) lists are looking grim.

Accidents

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

MONDAY, May 19
 A 1979 brown Oldsmobile Cutlass driven by Sarah Alison Brady, 16, 2218 Williston, collided with a legally parked 1989 blue Dodge Daytona owned by Sammy Coffee, 1828 Evergreen, in the 1300 block of North Mary Ellen. Brady was cited for failure to meet requirements and striking an unattended vehicle.

Texas is far and away the nation's most active state for capital punishment.

A recent Texas Court of Criminal Appeals ruling that upheld a state law designed to speed up appeals is credited by authorities - and blamed by inmates - for contributing to the increased pace of executions.

The legal challenge to the law virtually halted executions last year. Appeals delayed because of last year's challenge, along with cases which have exhausted appeals this year, have combined to produce this year's spurt.

"Because so few happened last year, people here relaxed," said Beathard, whose three digit-prison number - 785 - signifies his lengthy tenure.

The prison system six years ago switched to six-digit death row numbers, starting with the prefix 999, after they ran out of triple-digit numbers for inmates.

Several inmates with 999 numbers already have moved from the list of prisoners awaiting execution to the list of those who are dead.

Public opinion polls show broad support for the death penalty and politicians run for office with tough-on-crime campaigns. Legislators have moved to expand the crimes eligible for death sentences and some states like New York that did not have the death penalty now do.

In Huntsville, executions draw meager numbers of anti-death penalty demonstrators. Relatives allowed to watch the killer of their loved ones die routinely complain about how long it takes to carry out the punishment.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers. Low in mid 50s. Wednesday, clearing with a 30 percent chance of showers. High in mid 70s. Monday's high was 59; the overnight low was 45.

REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas - Panhandle: Mostly cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely. Lows from around 50 to mid 50s. Wednesday, partly sunny with highs in low to upper 70s. South Plains: Tonight, chance of showers. Lows 50-60. Wednesday, possible morning fog/drizzle, otherwise chance of thunderstorms. Highs 73-80.
 North Texas - Tonight and Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms

north and west, a chance of thunderstorms east and south. Lows in the 60s. Highs mid 70s northwest to low 80s southeast.
 South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, cloudy with periods of light rain or drizzle. Lows in mid 60s, near 60 Hill Country. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of light rain or showers. Highs in upper 70s. Upper Coast: Flash flood watch tonight for portions of southeast Texas. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Locally heavy rainfall possible. Lows in upper 60s inland to mid 70s coast. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in mid 80s inland to low 80s coast. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or

thunderstorms. Lows in low 70s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in low 80s coast to mid 80s inland, near 90 Rio Grande plains.
BORDER STATES
 New Mexico - Tonight through Wednesday, variable clouds with scattered mainly afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms. Lows both nights mid 30s to near 50 mountains with mostly 50s lower elevations. Highs Wednesday mid 60s and 70s mountains and north with mostly 80s south.
 Oklahoma - Tonight, partly to mostly cloudy. Lows in upper 40s to mid 50s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy west with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy central and southeast. Highs in low and mid 70s.

City briefs

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

GRADUATION MONOGRAMMING. The Stchin' Barn. Walnut Creek. 669-3543. Adv.

FREE INTERNET School. Thursday 22nd, 7 p.m.-? Call to register 665-0706. Adv.

END OF Year award plaques and engraving available at Rheim's Diamond Shop, 111 N. Cuyler. Adv.

RE-OPENING OF Ruthie's Beauty Salon, May 20th. Adv.

ROLANDA'S SILK Flowers & Gifts just received memorial day rose bushes, spray-on-pot-pourri oil and more. Adv.

WHITE DEER Land Museum: Photography by Darlene Holmes. Gallery, Tuesday-Sunday, 1-4 p.m. Adv.

WILLIAMS SIGNS - "Nick" (Now Open). Commercial and Industrial Signage, Hand Paint and Vinyl Signs, Plastic Letters, Vinyl Letters, Sandblasted Signs. 669-3879, Pampa, Tx. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - Pork chops, baked chicken, chicken gizzards, chicken fried steak. Tuesday 5-7 p.m. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

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Miss Top O' Texas Rodeo Pageant display



(Pampa News photo by Laura Haley)

Directors for the Miss Top O' Texas Rodeo Pageant placed the Top O' Texas Teen Saddle in the business of Duncan, Fraser and Bridges last Wednesday for observation and to recognize the business' contribution. Duncan, Fraser and Bridges has donated a \$500 scholarship to the Miss Top O' Texas Queen Pageant. Pictured above are, from left, Gail Woodington, co-owner of Duncan, Fraser and Bridges; Jamie Greene, pageant director; Mike Fraser, co-owner; and Sonja Longo, pageant director.

Registration open for summer sessions, activities at Clarendon College campuses

Summer events and class hours for Clarendon College students include a number of activities to interest students and local residents.

Clarendon College Pampa Center will be offering two computer classes, which deal with use of the personal computer and the Microsoft Office Professional software, during the first summer session. There will also be a Microsoft Word 6.0 class offered for those interested in learning how to use a word processor.

As well as the computer courses, there will be a variety of academic level courses for students wishing to further their education or just considering starting college.

First-time students should have an official copy of their high school transcript, or copies of transcripts from previously attended colleges, and copies of their TASP

scores sent to the college.

First summer session at Clarendon began May 19, and anyone interested in enrolling may do through May 22. Evening registration will be continue today until 6 p.m.

Class schedules can be picked up at 900 N. Frost, Monday-Thursday, at the Pampa Center office.

The sixth annual Elderhostel, an educational adventure for older adults, will be held at Clarendon College's main campus June 8-14.

A non-profit educational organization, Elderhostel offers short-term academic programs to challenge and expand the horizons of the participants.

Elderhostel events include continuing education in Cattle Ranching; From Pioneer to Modern Ranch Life, Origins and Steps of West Texas Music, and

Archeology of the Clarendonian Stage.

Participants will take part in a tour of the Panhandle-Plains Museum, an archeological dig at the Spade Flats Site, a ranch chuckwagon cookout and attendance at a performance of TEXAS in Palo Duro Canyon.

Interested participants should call Dr. Janie Nobel at 1-800-687-9737.

June 23-25, the main campus will host the 15th annual Area I FFA Leadership Conference. Attending the conference will be outstanding young men and women who serve as state FFA officers, area FFA officers, district presidents and area vocational agricultural teachers.

Area I is comprised of the counties from the top of the Panhandle, south to Lubbock. For more information, contact Jerry Hawkins at 1-800-687-9737.

Man put to death for killing three with hammer

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) - A condemned triple-murderer Richard Drinkard quietly went to his death, the first of four Texas death row inmates scheduled for execution this week.

Drinkard, 39, was executed Monday evening for using a 16-ounce claw hammer to fatally beat three people more than eleven years ago in Houston.

It was the fourth execution in Texas this month and 12th this year. The pace of executions in the nation's busiest capital punishment state is accelerating to record levels as longtime inmates exhaust their appeals and revisions in state law seek to limit appeals.

Clarence Lackey, 42, was set for lethal injection this evening for the July 1977 abduction, fatal beating and rape of a Lubbock woman, Diane Kumpf. The U.S.

Supreme Court on Monday rejected an 11th-hour appeal in his case. Similar executions are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday.

Drinkard was executed for the Nov. 15, 1985, bludgeoning of Lou Ann Anthony, 44; her sister, LaDean Hendrix, 47, of Caddo, Okla., and Ms. Hendrix's boyfriend, Jerry Mullens, 43.

Drinkard declined to make a final statement, replying with a simple "No sir" when the prison warden, Morris Jones, asked if he had anything to say.

Then he gasped twice. Six minutes later, at 6:17 p.m. CDT, he was pronounced dead.

Looking through a window a few feet away, five members of his family, including his mother and two sisters, sobbed quietly. In an adjacent viewing area, four members of one of his victims'

family also watched. They declined to speak with reporters afterward.

Drinkard at his August 1986 trial became the first convicted killer in Texas to merit a death sentence under the new law that made multiple murders a capital offense.

At his trial, defense attorneys argued the carpenter from Mobile, Ala., was drunk at the time of the killings and didn't know right from wrong.

Drinkard had a record in Alabama where he served time for burglary and robbery. He also had escaped once from prison.

Evidence showed Drinkard and his brother had been at Ms. Anthony's Houston townhome the night before the slayings.

State defense contractors and bases could be affected by Pentagon review

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Clinton administration's proposal to pare the nation's active-duty military by an additional 60,000 jobs is provoking concern among Texans on Capitol Hill.

A congressionally-mandated review issued Monday by Defense Secretary William Cohen proposes a reduction of 60,000 active-duty jobs, bringing the force down to 1.36 million. Civilian employment in the military would be slashed by an additional 80,000 jobs, down to 640,000.

"I am not pleased with the force reduction numbers that I am seeing," said Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, who sits on the defense appropriations subcommittee. Military manpower "is stretched pretty much to the limit right now," she said.

House National Security Committee member Solomon Ortiz, D-Corpus Christi, also is worried about the proposed manpower cuts. "I think that we are going to jeopardize the readiness of our troops," he said.

Added Ortiz: "I don't think, in my opinion, this is going to fly." Defense-rich Texas is home to nearly 115,250 military personnel. Some 52,000 civilians are employed at Texas defense installations.

Beyond the manpower reductions, the Defense Department is

proposing trimming some major weapons programs, including the F-22 fighter and V-22 tilt-rotor, which have key ties to Texas.

The recommendations are included in the Quadrennial Defense Review, which lays out the Defense Department's manpower, procurement and operational goals. Before those objectives can become reality, however, Congress must speak.

Already many on Capitol Hill are challenging the Pentagon's desire for new base-closure rounds in 1999 and 2001.

Ortiz dismissed the possibility of new base closings, noting that the Defense Department has yet to close all of the bases axed in the previous four rounds.

Larry Neal, a spokesman for Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said: "It's hard to see where there's fat to cut."

The administration's failure to shift thousands of jobs from Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio and a sister base in California, as mandated in the 1995 round of closures, remains a sore point for many in Congress.

In the latest indication of that anger, House Speaker Newt Gingrich said Monday that Congress would not approve future closure rounds "until the Clinton administration keeps their word and finishes the last one."

While the defense review doesn't propose axing any major weapons programs, it does recommend major reductions to Lockheed Martin's F-22 advanced tactical fighter. Key sections of the F-22 are to be produced at Lockheed's Fort Worth plant.

The Pentagon wants to reduce F-22 buys over the next 15 years from 438 aircraft to 339.

"It's not like the program was canceled, but obviously we're disappointed in the reductions," said Lockheed Martin spokesman Jeff Rhodes in Marietta, Ga., where the F-22 will be assembled.

Mrs. Hutchison wasn't overly worried by the F-22 recommendation. "I don't think that this really is set in concrete," she said.

The review also proposes reducing the total buy of V-22 Ospreys, from 425 to 360. But the news is not necessarily bad for Bell Helicopter Textron in Fort Worth, which is developing the V-22 along with Boeing's helicopter division in Pennsylvania. That's because the Defense Department wants to speed up V-22 production, hitting a peak of 30 a year in 2004.

"It's largely good news," said Bell Helicopter spokesman Terry Arnold. Accelerating production will reduce the per-copy cost of each V-22, making the craft more desirable in the international marketplace, he said.

Air Force secretary said to oppose discharge

WASHINGTON (AP) - The secretary of the Air Force is not inclined to grant the nation's first female B-52 bomber pilot an honorable discharge in order to avoid a potentially embarrassing court-martial on adultery and disobedience charges.

The decision apparently clears the way for a pre-trial hearing today for 1st Lt. Kelly Flinn, who is facing trial at Minot Air Force Base, N.D.

Flinn's attorney, Frank Spinner, filed a request Monday to head off the court-martial by seeking an honorable discharge for the pilot instead. "I'm confident the package we presented (Air Force Secretary Sheila Widnall) has given her a lot to think about," Spinner said.

But Widnall has little interest in taking such action, a senior Pentagon official said Monday night.

"The secretary has no intentions of granting an honorable discharge," said the senior official, who spoke only on condition of anonymity.

Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., who opposes prosecuting Flinn, said on NBC Today, that "this is a case of the punishment being greatly disproportionate to the crime. She should be transferred to another base."

Defense Secretary William Cohen refused to discuss Flinn's case today but defended the military's enforcement of tough legal standards.

"We demand great sacrifice for the men and women who come in to the military. There are reasons for maintaining these high standards in order to have discipline and morale. The important thing is that we have these standards uniformly applied and not engage in any selective enforcement," he said on ABC's Good Morning America.

In Minot, Spinner said "I have assumed all along the blue-suit side ... the lawyers, are going to oppose it. I think the secretary has a mind of her own. People may be whispering all sorts of things into her ear."

Spinner had argued that it would be best for all concerned if the Air Force agreed to the deal and averted the drumbeat of media reports on the trial, and its focus on sexual misconduct in the military. "The whole point of Lieutenant Flinn offering this resignation is to avoid court-martial," Spinner said. "We want to avoid embarrassment to her and the military."

Spinner told reporters in Minot he would ask the judge to delay the trial until June 2 so Widnall can have a chance to consider Flinn's request. Flinn has said she will take her chances with a trial unless an honorable discharge is allowed.

The senior Pentagon official said Widnall would make her decision known "in a couple of days" after formally reviewing the paperwork that includes the request.

Space crews nearly through moving equipment

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) - A couple of hundred items down. A few dozen to go.

The crews of the space shuttle Atlantis and Russia's Mir station were almost finished hauling more than three tons of supplies and equipment between the docked spacecraft.

The seven member shuttle crew and three Mir men - two cosmonauts and an American - must have

everything in place by Wednesday morning, when the hatches between the two spacecraft are to be closed. Atlantis is to undock that night and return to Earth on Saturday after nine days aloft.

Early today, the astronauts and cosmonauts had completed more than three-fourths of the transfers.

The eight men and two women were almost done moving ten 100-pound bags of water into Mir.

They made a key swap within hours of Atlantis' arrival Friday night, trading NASA astronaut Michael Foale for Jerry Linenger, who had lived on the station since January. Foale began a 4 1/2-month stay.

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Let Peace Begin With Me

This newspaper is dedicated to furnishing information to our readers so that they can better promote and preserve their own freedom and encourage others to see its blessings. Only when man understands freedom and is free to control himself and all he possesses can he develop to his utmost capabilities.

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

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

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Opinion

Volunteerism should be routine

The reviews are still coming in concerning the recent Volunteerism Summit in Philadelphia. We're grateful to have heard perspectives that transcend conventional wisdom.

The comments of Rabbi Daniel Lapin, for instance. A business consultant and president of the Seattle-based educational foundation Toward Tradition, he said, "I'm not comfortable with the word 'volunteerism.' It really misleads us a little bit. We're identifying what should be a very basic feature of virtuous society and saying that to practice it makes one worthy of medals."

Neighborhood and sharing should be a natural part of daily life in any healthy community, not something out of the ordinary, in the rabbi's view.

The altruistic urge has been muted in this nation in recent decades. "And I have to ask, what happened?" Lapin said.

His own candidate for prime culprit is the idea, which has gained currency over the past half century, that the state is our brother's keeper.

The sooner we unburden ourselves of that notion, the sooner genuine altruism will revive.

And altruism really does start at home. "There's no reason why I should pack up and go to the inner city," says Lapin. "My neighborhood has needs as well." That comment implies that the inner city should be expected to generate its own outpouring of volunteerism, with neighbors in even the poorest of communities helping each other.

The outlook of Joel Kotkin, an urban affairs scholar at Pepperdine University, harmonizes with this stress on the individual and the neighborhood. "Charitable and altruistic activity should be done basically on the local level," he said.

The more "abstract and distant the source of the power and services, the less efficient the service," he argued. And, one might add, the more tenuous the connection between the taxpayers supplying the money and those receiving it, so traditional bonds of charity evaporate. Kotkin offers practical ideas for moving in a different direction, such as the sizable tax credits that Sen. Dan Coats, Republican of Indiana, proposes to encourage charitable donations and charitable involvement.

Thankfully, authentic volunteerism — or whatever other word one might use for the concept — has powerful intellectual advocates. More important, it resides as an instinct planted in the human heart, from which even the most aggressive social engineering cannot ultimately excise it.

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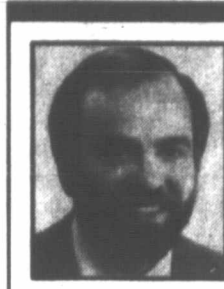
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"Hi, there! My name's Tom. I'm caught up in the spirit of volunteerism, and — um — I — ah..."

A costly monument to nostalgia



Stephen Chapman

Chicago's Union Station is one of the grand cathedrals of the Age of the Railroad. With its cavernous waiting room, towering Corinthian columns, statues of Greek goddesses and soaring vaulted skylight, it could serve as the railway museum for a city built on the steam locomotive. In fact, it remains a bustling train depot, handling 100,000 passengers a day. But the station does include one museum piece: a concourse for Amtrak, the taxpayer-financed national passenger railroad.

On a weekday morning, a visitor risks being trampled flat by crowds of commuters streaming out of the building on their way to work. But no danger exists in the Amtrak lounge, where barely two dozen people can be found. During a typical day, fewer than 5,400 intercity travelers pass through the terminal. Like the horse drawn carriages that traverse North Michigan Avenue every evening, Amtrak serves mainly to acquaint moderns with a form of transportation that belongs almost entirely to the past.

Congress is considering whether to shut off the flow of tax dollars to Amtrak or to give it a permanent tap on the Treasury. Railway buffs want to award it a share of the federal gasoline tax, which currently goes entirely to finance the roads and bridges used by the motorists who pay the tax. Amtrak says that with this source of money, it could do without other federal help.

Anyone who believes that is probably still hoping to redeem her Confederate war bonds. But there is no good reason to extend additional help to a government sponsored venture that was supposed to achieve self-sufficiency a quarter of a century ago.

Amtrak was created in 1970 in an effort to rescue passenger train service, which had been

steadily declining since the end of World War II. The attempt has failed. In 1950, railroads accounted for more than six percent of intercity travel. By the time of Amtrak's founding, the figure was down to 0.9 percent. Today, it's just 0.6 percent.

This achievement brings to mind the remark by the basketball coach who noted that one of his supposed stars had made a single basket: "That's two points more than a dead man." Americans have abandoned trains for vehicles that are faster (airplanes), cheaper (buses) or more convenient (cars), and nothing is going to reverse this trend.

Unlike these other types of transportation, Amtrak is a heavy burden on taxpayers. In 1996, it needed \$635 million in federal outlays. Over the years, it has swallowed up \$19 billion in subsidies. In 1970, Americans were told that the new corporation would soon make a profit. But not a single Amtrak route has ever broken even.

We end up having to bribe people handsomely not to travel by road or air. If you want to go from Chicago to St. Louis and back, for example, the federal government will spend some \$113 just to keep you from laying out your own cash for a \$46 bus ticket or a \$94 air fare. Taxpayers could save a lot of money by giving rail passengers free tickets

on the bus company or airline of their choice.

Incurable devotees of train travel insist that cars and airplanes also get bushels of government money. In fact, as a recent report by the Congressional Research Service notes, "intercity buses receive virtually no federal financial assistance. Autos pay at least the full cost of federal financial assistance to highways. Airlines receive far less federal financial assistance, per passenger mile, than Amtrak." Contrary to myth, Amtrak makes only trivial contributions, if any, to reducing pollution, traffic congestion and energy use.

Amtrak officials insist they could wean themselves from federal operating subsidies if Washington would turn over a share of federal gasoline taxes to pay for shiny new equipment whenever it's needed. They're hallucinating again. Outside the densely populated Northeast corridor, hardly anyone wants to travel by train anymore. New coaches won't change many minds.

Congress' General Accounting Office expresses serious doubts about this latest strategy: "The economic and competitive environment within which Amtrak operates may limit revenue growth, and Amtrak will continue to find it difficult to take those actions (such as route and service adjustments) necessary to reduce costs." Only a fully private railroad, forced to compete to survive, has any hope of furnishing rail service that pays its own way — and then only in the rare places where such service makes sense.

The Age of the Railroad is gone, and it's not coming back, except in the dreams of nostalgia addicts. Federal support for Amtrak makes about as much sense as subsidizing a revival of the Conestoga wagon. We can face that reality, or we can deny it, but facing it is a lot cheaper.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, May 20, the 140th day of 1997. There are 225 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 20, 1927, Charles Lindbergh took off from Roosevelt Field in Long Island, N.Y., aboard the Spirit of St. Louis on his historic solo flight to France.

On this date:

In 1506, Christopher Columbus died in poverty in Spain.

In 1861, North Carolina voted to secede from the Union.

In 1861, the capital of the Confederacy was moved from Montgomery, Ala., to Richmond, Va.

In 1902, the United States ended its occupation of Cuba.

In 1932, Amelia Earhart took off from Newfoundland for Ireland to become the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic.

In 1939, regular trans-Atlantic air service began as a Pan American Airways plane, the Yankee Clipper, took off from Port Washington, N.Y., bound for Europe.

In 1961, a white mob attacked a busload of "Freedom Riders" in Montgomery, Ala., prompting the federal government to send in U.S. marshals to restore order.

In 1969, U.S. and South Vietnamese forces captured Apia Mountain, referred to as Hamburger Hill by the Americans, following one of the bloodiest battles of the Vietnam War.

In 1970, some 100,000 people demonstrated in New York's Wall Street district in support of U.S. policy in Vietnam and Cambodia.

In 1991, the American Red Cross announced measures aimed at screening blood more carefully for the AIDS virus.

Ten years ago: The commander of the U.S. frigate Stark, who lost 37 of his sailors in an Iraqi missile attack, broke his silence. Captain Glenn Brindel said he was warned only seconds before the missiles struck, and that he'd had no time to activate the ship's defense system.

Five years ago: Proclaiming his innocence to the end, Roger Keith Coleman was executed in Virginia's electric chair for the 1981 rape-mur-

der of his sister-in-law, Wanda McCoy.

One year ago: The Supreme Court struck down, 6-3, a Colorado measure banning laws that protect homosexuals from discrimination. In another decision, the court curtailed, 5-4, huge jury awards aimed at punishing or deterring misconduct.

Today's Birthdays: Actor James Stewart is 89. Singer Joe Cocker is 53. Singer-actress Cher is 51. Musician Warren Cann (Ultravox) is 45. Ron Reagan is 39. Rock musician Jane Wiedlin (The Go-Go's) is 39. Actor Bronson Pinchot is 38. Actor Tony Goldwyn is 37. Singer Susan Cowsill (The Cowsills) is 37. Singer Nick Heyward (Haircut 100) is 36. Actress Mindy Cohn is 31.

Plot to curtail Americans' freedom

Charley Reese

The probability is pretty high that the U.S. government is going to try to censor and control the Internet. The government can't stand something it can't control.

I based that statement on the fact that Secretary of Defense William Cohen has now followed FBI Director Louis Freeh in making wild and inflammatory public statements about the Internet.

Freeh spoke ominously about how pedophiles use the Internet to lure children into sex acts. Cohen just spoke at a seminar and waved the bloody flag about terrorists using the Internet to tell people how to make bombs.

Technically, both men spoke the truth. Pedophiles do use the Internet, and you can find information on how to make a bomb. The trouble with both statements is that they present a modicum of truth in an exaggerated fashion and are completely out of context.

Pedophiles use any means — video parlors, beaches, youth groups, even churches — to contact children. They also use telephones, private meetings, the post office or whatever. The Internet — just another means of communication — doesn't really change anything about that problem.

And furthermore, pedophiles are fairly easy to catch on the Internet. The FBI has convicted more than 80, and local cops conduct sting operations all the time. The Internet is not nearly as anonymous as it is painted. Everybody

who uses it leaves electronic footprints.

As for making bombs, information about that has been publicly available since the 1960s, when President Clinton's leftist buddies were running around making bombs and publishing books on how to blow things up. These books are not clandestine publications. They are sold by public firms that advertise them. It's amazing what amnesia some members of the '60s generation have about their own past.

Furthermore, U.S. government manuals on making bombs, booby traps and other such stuff have been on public sale for decades. And I wonder why it has never occurred to Cohen that the Defense Department in the last 50 years has itself trained thousands of people in the use of explosives.

Finally, making a chemical explosive is so simple anybody with more than a double-digit IQ can figure it out just by thinking through the problem. We're not talking about thermonuclear devices here. A chemical bomb is essentially a big firecracker, and who hasn't seen a firecracker?

Now neither Freeh nor Cohen are stupid, and they know the facts I've just pointed out as well as anyone. That's why I think they are just set-

ting the stage to justify government monitoring and censorship of computer communications. Governments always create a bogeyman to save people from, in order to justify expanding their powers.

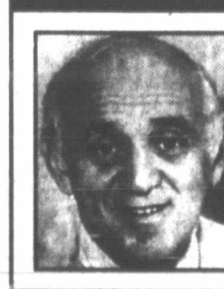
Any time people in government want to outlaw knowledge or block channels of communication, a free people should be on guard. Censoring the Internet is not going to eliminate pedophiles or terrorists, and it is certainly not going to stamp out knowledge. Yet these two uglies are probably going to be used as the excuse to limit people's liberty.

I suspect what our government and other governments really want to censor are unpopular political ideas, the very kind of speech our First Amendment was designed to protect. Nobody wants to or will protect a pedophile. They are as devoid of friends as the Ebola virus. Ditto for terrorists.

But government should concern itself with actions, not with speech, ideas, opinions or information. Let people argue history, politics, race or whatever to their heart's content. That is the essence of a free society. That is what makes America, America. Only when someone uses force or fraud against another should the government intervene.

Unfortunately, this is the most anti-Constitution administration in many a year. Every year, Americans become less free. It's definitely a bear market for liberty.

Dissecting the '60s piece by piece ...



Ben Wattenberg

Alas, you can't get from there to here without going through the legendary "Sixties." Allegedly, it was in the 1960s when the volcano erupted in America. The social lava, we are told, still flows across us: sappy schools, identity politics, bilingualism, antimilitary sentiment, quotas, the war between the sexes, incivility, drugs, promiscuity and the politicization of victimhood. So too, the conservative reaction against all of the above is said to flow from the turbulent decade. And, oh, also the good things: the commonsensical aspects of civil rights, feminism, environmentalism and so forth.

It is no wonder that these days the political and cultural fight is so often about "the legacy of the Sixties." Thanks to two new publications, we are offered a better look at what went on.

Roger Rosenblatt's new memoir, *Coming Apart*, is subtitled "A Memoir of the Harvard Wars of 1969." Rosenblatt writes engagingly about two stories at once: his own tale of a golden boy tarnishing himself in slow motion, and the fabled story of the student takeover of Harvard's University Hall.

Rosenblatt was a young English instructor at Harvard in the Spring of 1969 when members of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) invaded. The SDS evicted a dither of deans, shoving some of them down flights of stairs. Acting with decisiveness unusual among whimpering college presidents of the time, Harvard's Nathan Pusey went for the "fast bust" response. At 5 a.m. the next morning, Boston police and National Guards stormed the building and hauled the protesters off to the slammer. There was some police violence. Coke bottles and brass doorknobs were thrown at the police.

Rosenblatt says the bust radicalized the moderate students, who were not originally sympathetic to the occupation. Harvard, a committee was formed to consider punishments; Rosenblatt was a

committee member. The judgment: 16 of the 135 students in the building were told to leave the university, none permanently. The great majority were "admonished." *Sic Semper Trespassers.*

The students screamed primarily at the judges. It was "the howl of the baby boom," Rosenblatt writes. He thinks that the Harvard faculty was "morally careless" in not standing tough. It was "a strange conspiracy between those who wanted power and those who readily ceded it to them." Harvard, he says, was a place that felt as if "everybody shared the same liberal beliefs." He says: "Liberalism rolled over on its back like a turtle awaiting the end."

Rosenblatt believes that when liberalism collapsed, trendy radicalism gained ground and plagues us still as does the ugly conservative reaction to it.

This is a Harvo-centric view. Something else was going on at the same time. Rosenblatt makes no reference to William Buckley, nor the Young Americans for Freedom (YAF).

The other side of the Sixties story is told in the remarkable May-June edition of *The American Enterprise* magazine. The coverline blasts: "The Sixties Return" and the cover illustration is of a shaggy, bearded, pot-smoking peace activist: young Bill Clinton. TAE's editor in chief, Karl Zinsmeister,

writes, "Young conservative activists organized earlier in the decade, had a broader following, and a much longer-lasting influence."

The magazine offers excerpts of "The Sharon Statement," drafted in 1960 by M. Stanton Evans for a convale of college conservatives who formed YAF in Bill Buckley's backyard in Sharon, Conn. It offers a whiff of a nonliberal future: "the market economy ... is the single economic system compatible with the requirements of personal freedom and constitutional government ... History shows periods of freedom are rare and can exist only when free citizens concertedly defend their rights against all enemies ... The forces of international communism are, at present, the greatest single threat to these liberties ... The U.S. should stress victory over, rather than co-existence with, this menace."

Remember Barry Goldwater? He ran for president in 1964, lost big, and was regarded by the media as a rightwing kook. But he ran strong on college campuses and the active young Goldwaterites, after softening their pitch, took over the Republican Party and much of American government.

TAE offers public opinion data, compiled by Karl Bowman: Most young Americans opposed social protests and demonstrations, and three-quarters were "not active at all" in any protests. More than half thought America should have used more military force to win the war in Vietnam.

Where do these stories converge? Rosenblatt says liberals collapsed in the face of ugly radical pressure, paving the way for the conservatism that followed. The TAE writers say the conservatives were there first. Rosenblatt says there were some good liberal results notwithstanding the ugliness. The TAE writers believe there were some good conservative results and conservatism is the wave of the future. They all have a point.

GOP amends abortion legislation slightly, wins AMA endorsement

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican sponsors of legislation to ban a late-term abortion procedure hope a few changes to the bill that won an endorsement from the American Medical Association will swing enough votes their way to overcome a presidential veto.

Still hunting for the necessary votes in the Senate, lawmakers agreed Monday to minor changes in the bill and received a stamp of approval from the nation's largest medical group in return.

The AMA, which had declined to endorse the measure last week and remained neutral, voted Monday to support the ban on what abortion opponents call "partial birth" abortions.

"I think this gives our effort ... a real boost," said Rep. Charles Canady, R-Fla., who sponsored the original bill almost two years ago in the House. "I think we're within sight of a veto-proof majority."

In a statement, the AMA said its board decided to support the bill because it has been "significantly changed" to meet the organization's own criteria for abortion legislation.

Sponsors said the measure, among other changes, now protects doctors from prosecution when they are intending to deliver a baby but are forced to resort to the abortion procedure to save the mother's life.

"Although our general policy is to oppose legislation criminaliz-

ing medical practice or procedure, the AMA has supported such legislation where the procedure was narrowly defined and not medically indicated," AMA executive vice president P. John Seward wrote in a letter to Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., sponsor of the bill.

Seward said the bill "now meets both those tests."

The National Right to Life Committee welcomed the AMA endorsement, but Kate Michelman, president of the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League, accused the group of opening the door to "politicians' intrusion into doctors' professional decision-making."

The endorsement, she said in an interview, will leave doctors vulnerable to "political whims while sacrificing the health of women and the privacy and the sanctity of the doctor-patient relationship."

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the leading medical organization in women's health care, continues to oppose the bill on grounds it is "inappropriate, ill-advised and dangerous" for lawmakers to meddle in medical decision-making.

A final Senate vote could come as early as today. If the Senate approves the amended bill, the House would have to agree to the changes before the measure could be sent to President

Clinton for an expected veto.

The House earlier passed the ban, which provides exceptions only when the mother's life is at risk, by a veto-proof margin of 295-136.

Santorum told reporters he had 62 solid votes in support of the bill and that odds of winning a veto-proof majority were improving. Overriding a veto requires 67 votes if all senators are present.

"We believe there are more than enough members still undecided on this issue to make the difference," Santorum said.

Those publicly uncommitted include Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle, whose attempt at a compromise failed last week, and Democratic Sens. Tom Harkin of Iowa, Dale Bumpers of Arkansas and Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia and GOP Sen. Susan Collins of Maine. Santorum declined to identify others. Daschle's office declined comment on the AMA's change in position.

Clinton vetoed a similar bill last year and has promised to do so again because the measure doesn't provide an exemption when women's health is at risk — a requirement laid down by the Supreme Court.

The immediate impact of the AMA's decision was unclear, although the bill's supporters previously had been heartened by Daschle's surprise announcement late last week that he might vote for the ban.

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The Tralee Crisis center received a welcome gift from the First Alert Security Company in the form of a business alert system which will notify the police or fire department in the case of an emergency. Linda Towne accepts the donation from Sam Smith, representing First Alert. Smith noted that the alarm system was given as a way for his company to give back to worthwhile organizations in the community.

Unusual uncertainty surrounds interest-rate meeting with Federal Reserve policymakers

WASHINGTON (AP) — An unusual degree of uncertainty surrounded today's meeting of Federal Reserve policymakers, who were considering raising interest rates for a second time this year.

Before the first tightening on March 25 — a quarter-point increase to 5.5 percent in the benchmark rate on overnight loans between banks — analysts knew what to expect.

In a string of congressional appearances, Federal Reserve Chairman Greenspan had telegraphed his belief the Fed needed to raise rates pre-emptively to prevent strong economic demand from spilling over into an acceleration of inflation.

Now, all analysts have to go on is a speech Greenspan delivered May 8 to New York University in which he said, "While there is scant evidence of any imminent resurgence of inflation at the moment, there also appears to be little slack in our capacity to produce."

Some analysts, focusing on the first part of the sentence, thought the Fed would watch incoming data until its July 1-2 meeting before deciding whether to raise rates again.

Those focusing on the second part believed policymakers would bump up rates today as a sort of monetary insurance policy, to make sure growth slows enough to keep a lid on inflation.

"The most recent data have been so mixed that it leaves analysts ... with strong arguments on both

sides of the question," said economist Stuart Hoffman of PNC Bank Corp. in Pittsburgh.

On the one hand, the economy expanded at a rapid 5.6 percent annual rate in the first quarter, the best in ten years, and the unemployment rate dropped to 4.9 percent in April, the lowest in nearly 24 years.

On the other hand, consumer prices during the first four months of this year advanced at only a 1.5 percent annual rate, less than half last year's rate. And it's clear growth has slowed in the second quarter. Both retail sales and factory production fell in April.

All the uncertainty has driven Wall Street crazy. The Dow Jones average of industrial stocks, after hitting 7,085 on March 11, two weeks before the last Fed tightening, fell to 6,392 on April 11. It recovered to a new high of 7,334 last Thursday. On Monday, it closed at 7,229.

In the end, the decision on whether to raise rates may hinge on political considerations, analysts

said. The rate increase in March drew protests from groups ranging from the AFL-CIO to the National Association of Manufacturers. And House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., and 64 other members of Congress sent a letter to Greenspan urging him not to raise rates again.

So, it may be difficult to raise them absent any ascent in inflation. On the other hand, Fed policymakers may feel so certain that tight labor markets eventually will lead to wage inflation and wage inflation to retail price inflation that their question is when — not whether — to raise rates. In that case, they may not want to wait until early July, just days before Greenspan is expected to present the Fed's semiannual report to Congress.

"It's going to be tough for the politicians, but the more they squeal, the more it tells you it's probably the right thing to do," said economist Paul Getman of Regional Financial Associates in West Chester, Pa.

4-H'ers pick up park



(Pampa News photo by Laura Haley)

Brianna Roberts, Kelly Tripplehorn and Casey Dunham with the 4-H E. T. Club clean up Evergreen Park last week. The club has adopted the park through the city's Adopt-a-Park program. As part of the responsibility for adopting the park, the club must help clean and maintain the area for Pampa residents.

Study indicates regular intake of secondhand smoke doubles risk of heart disease in women

DALLAS (AP) — Regular exposure to secondhand smoke appears to almost double the risk of heart disease in women who don't smoke, a study of 32,000 nurses finds.

For women like college student Carrie Carter, a nonsmoker who spends 25 hours a week waiting tables in a Dallas restaurant smoky enough to make her throat swell, the findings were not surprising.

"My doctor's like, 'You don't smoke, right? You work in a sports bar, that's almost as bad,'" Ms. Carter said.

The near-doubling of risk is higher than previous studies have found. At least one expert said the study represents some of the strongest evidence yet of a link between heart disease and other people's cigarette smoke.

"They're startling in terms of the strength of the association," said Ichiro Kawachi, assistant professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School and the study's lead author.

In a major study published last August, nonsmoking spouses of smokers had about a 20 percent higher rate of heart disease deaths than nonsmokers whose spouses did not smoke.

The latest study — published Tuesday in the American Heart Association journal *Circulation* — looked at total exposure to secondhand smoke at home and at work.

Kawachi said he and his colleagues had expected to find a 30 percent to 50 percent higher risk of heart disease among nonsmoking nurses exposed to smoke at work or home compared with non-

smoking nurses who were not exposed.

Instead, the increased risk was 91 percent for nurses reporting regular exposure and 58 percent for those reporting occasional exposure.

Michael Eriksen, director of the Office on Smoking and Health at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said the study is one of the strongest to find such a link.

Researchers at Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital studied 32,046 female participants in the Nurses' Health Study ages 36 to 61 who had never smoked and were free of diagnosed heart disease, stroke and cancer in 1982.

During ten years of follow-up, they recorded 152 cases of heart disease, including 127 nonfatal heart attacks.

Kawachi said his study took into account other factors that

might explain an association between secondhand smoke and heart attack, including diet, exercise, obesity, high cholesterol and use of the pill.

The researchers did not differentiate between smoke exposure at work and home. Also, they left it up to participants to decide what constitutes "regular" or "occasional" exposure — or none at all.

Kawachi said that is one possible weakness of the study, along with the fact that the women were asked about exposure only once, at the beginning of the ten year study period.

Still, he said, those circumstances would probably result in the women underestimating, not overestimating, the amount of smoke they were exposed to.

During the study period, smoking was phased out in most U.S. hospitals but was still allowed in staff lounges, waiting rooms, cafeterias and other areas.

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World briefs

American student lost on Mount Kenya is rescued

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — A young American woman emerged with swollen feet, bruises and a big appetite when rescued after a week lost in a dense bamboo forest on Africa's Mount Kenya.

Jessica Lundquist's rescue Monday spurred celebration in Kenya and in her hometown of Mellen, Wis., where the city hall bell rang for the first time in 16 years.

"I kept on praying to God to help me get my way out of the forest," Lundquist said from her hospital room in Nairobi.

Lundquist, a 22-year-old senior at Northland College in Ashland, Wis., was separated from her school group May 13 while descending the 17,068-foot mountain, Africa's second-highest.

Jungle trackers, Kenyan police and 11 U.S. Special Forces personnel began searching. Lundquist was sleeping Monday when she heard a helicopter.

"When it began descending, I waved at it several times until somebody grabbed me by the hand and I found myself inside it," she said.

She was given first aid, greeted by her parents, Mary and David Lundquist, who had just arrived, and then the family traveled to the Kenyan capital of Nairobi, 150 miles to the south.

Kenya's President Daniel arap Moi visited Lundquist late Monday in the hospital and wished her quick recovery. The president planned a reception for the family today.

World War II germ warfare victims found

BEIJING (AP) — The graves of Chinese killed in Japanese germ warfare experiments during World War II have been unearthed in southern Guangdong province, state media reported today.

The report came as a group of Japanese rightists, many of whom dispute tales of Japanese wartime atrocities, were arriving in Beijing for meetings with Chinese scholars, officials and students.

The suffering caused by the Japanese army during the war, as well as disputes over islands claimed by both countries, have long cast a shadow over ties between Tokyo and Beijing.

Extraordinarily heavy rains helped to uncover waist-high lid-

ded pottery jars each filled with the bones of two or three people presumed to have died in the experiments carried out by a team of Japanese scientists known as Unit 8604, the newspaper Beijing Youth Daily reported.

The graves, found Friday, were the first to have been unearthed in a three-year search for the victims of the 8604, according to the Guangzhou-based newspaper Yangcheng Evening News.

The reports did not say how many jars had been found.

Kasparov: Friendly match turned hostile

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — More than a week after losing to IBM supercomputer Deep Blue, world chess champion Garry Kasparov insisted today that he had been misled about the nature of the match.

"I treated the event as a friendly scientific competition, but the IBM team took it as a win-or-lose contest at any price," he told reporters in Tel Aviv. "This attitude created a hostile atmosphere and I was surprised by the animosity."

Kasparov, who is in Israel to open the International Kasparov Chess Academy, repeated his demand for a rematch against the computer. Deep Blue designers have refused to commit to another match with the 34-year-old Russian.

"A rematch must be played, because from a pure sporting point of view, this month's match proved very little," Kasparov said today.

"I played a very strong opponent with virtually no information about its playing style. This made the sporting contest unfair, as I could make no assumptions about how Deep Blue would play."

Kasparov said he wants to play a regulation 10-game match with Deep Blue, playing every other day instead of every day. There should be a panel of independent specialists instead of a referee, he said, and Deep Blue should be available for reconstruction tests immediately after the match.

"There are certain questions about the machine's decisions during the game," he said. "Some went beyond the wildest dreams of any optimist of computer development. IBM owes the scientific community certain explanations as to how Deep Blue reached some of its decisions."

New leaders in Zaire promise democracy

KINSHASA, Zaire (AP) — Zaire's new leaders had a message today for others who opposed deposed autocrat Mobutu Sese Seko: Leave your party tags at the door. They would be welcome into the government — as individuals folded into Laurent Kabila's rebel alliance.

The aides, preparing to fly from rebel headquarters in Lubumbashi in the southeast to the capital, said that "unity" was paramount after Kabila's successful routing of Mobutu.

"We don't include parties, we only include individuals," Kabila's finance minister, Mwana Nanga Mawampanga, said when asked if the opposition parties that had been at the forefront of resistance to Mobutu, prior to the rebellion seven months ago, would be asked to join the government.

"We have a lot of work. I don't think this is the time to fracture the country," Mawampanga said.

Only individuals who had been associated with Mobutu would not be welcome, he said.

Members of parties that had opposed Mobutu have expressed concerns in recent days that Kabila might return to his Marxist Leninist roots now that he has gained power and declared himself president.

But Mawampanga said Kabila was committed to multiparty elections within 12 months, a commitment the United States and other Western nations that have lent him political support have pressed him to meet.

"There will be a time for electioneering and campaigning," Mawampanga said.

Kabila was expected in the capital of Kinshasa this evening, or possibly Wednesday, his aides said.

South African Deputy President Thabo Mbeki, one of the leaders of

international mediation efforts in the Zaire crisis, said Monday that it was premature to discuss elections.

"The country is bankrupt. There's not even a constitution," he said.

Thousands of Mobutu's soldiers have sworn allegiance to Kabila, whose forces swept across the country in seven months and claimed the capital on Saturday.

While Kabila makes the transition from military commander to head of state, his deposed rival temporarily has holed up in the West African nation of Togo.

Mobutu fled there with about 50 members of his family after rebels captured his jungle palace in the northern town of Gbadolite. He has been joined in Togo by 85 more relatives who fled via Brazzaville, Congo, and some aides.

Soldiers loyal to the deposed president surrendered in humiliation Monday — some forced to their knees by taunting crowds of children, women and men. The residents gathered at old government military barracks to vent animosity that built during Mobutu's 32 years of repressive rule — and plundering of — Zaire.

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'Dance, Dance, Dance' revue set for Saturday

The Beaux Arts Dance Studio, under the direction of Jeanne Willingham, will present its 49th annual revue, "Dance, Dance, Dance," at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 24, at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center.

Featured in the performance will be three graduating seniors: Nichole Cagle, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Cagle; Cara East, 19, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin East Jr.; and Carla Wood, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Arch Wood.

The 1997 Special Dance Award will be announced during showtime.

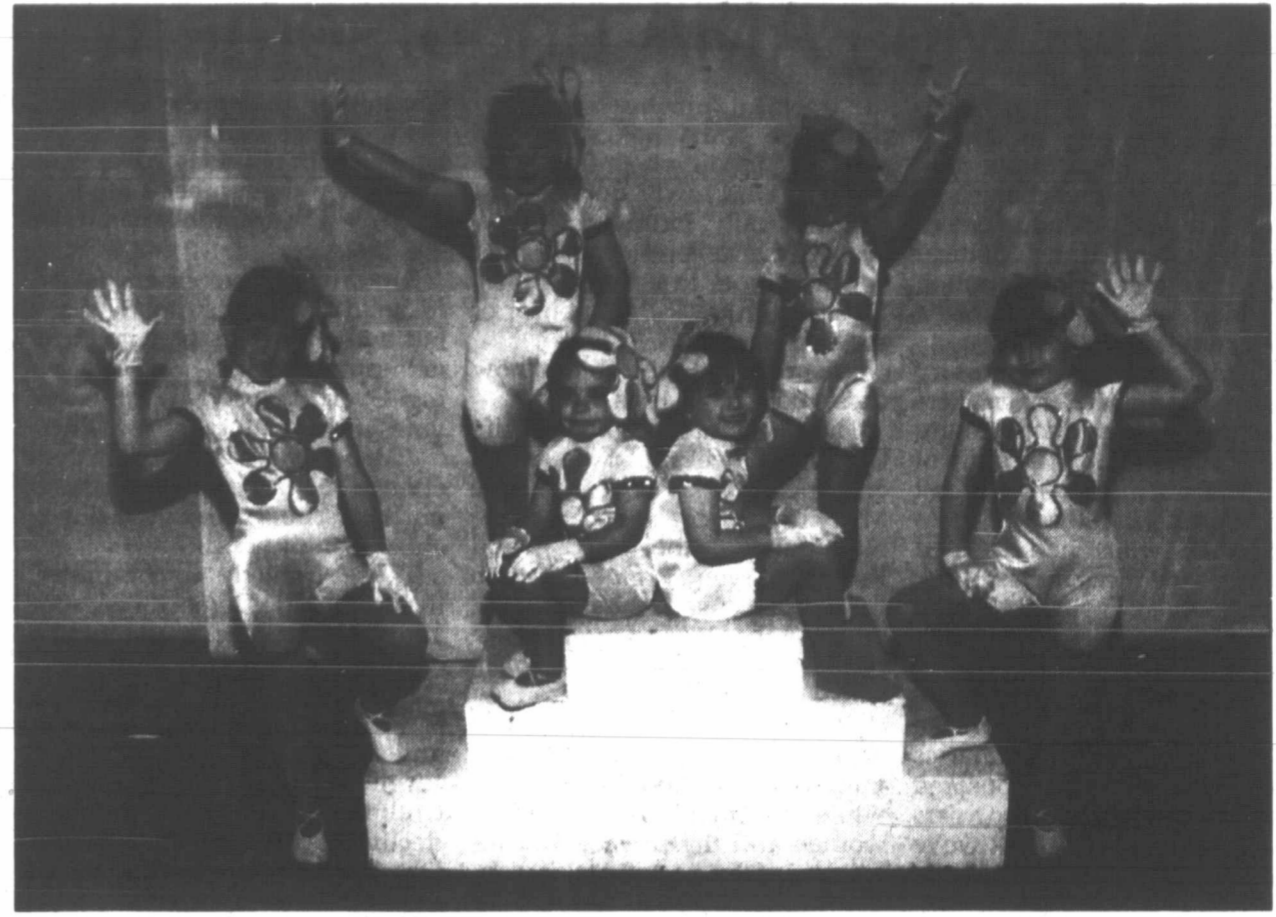
The program will include classical ballet, lyrical ballet, tap, acrobatics and jazz.

Also, the Pampa Civic Ballet will present *Raymonda* with music by Glazunov. The choreography is after the original by Petipa.

There will be 85 students performing in the dance recital. They are:

Carrie Angel, Mollie Baker, Maurey Bell, Camber Biehler, Claire Elizabeth Boyd, Abby Bradley, Kirby Broadus, Helen Brooks, Erin Buck, Beth Buzzard, Nichole Cagle, Katy Cavalier, Brooke Colton, Tara Coffee and Megan David.

Erika Dodge, Jordan Dodge, Casey Dunham, Teri Beth Dunham, Cara East, Allison Eatmon, Deborah Ferrell, Shauna



Getting ready to perform in 'Tumble Dolls' for the revue are, standing from left, Alex Hutto, Rachel Heuston, Erica Dodge and Andi Hutto, and, sitting, NaKayla Hardman and Halie Wells.

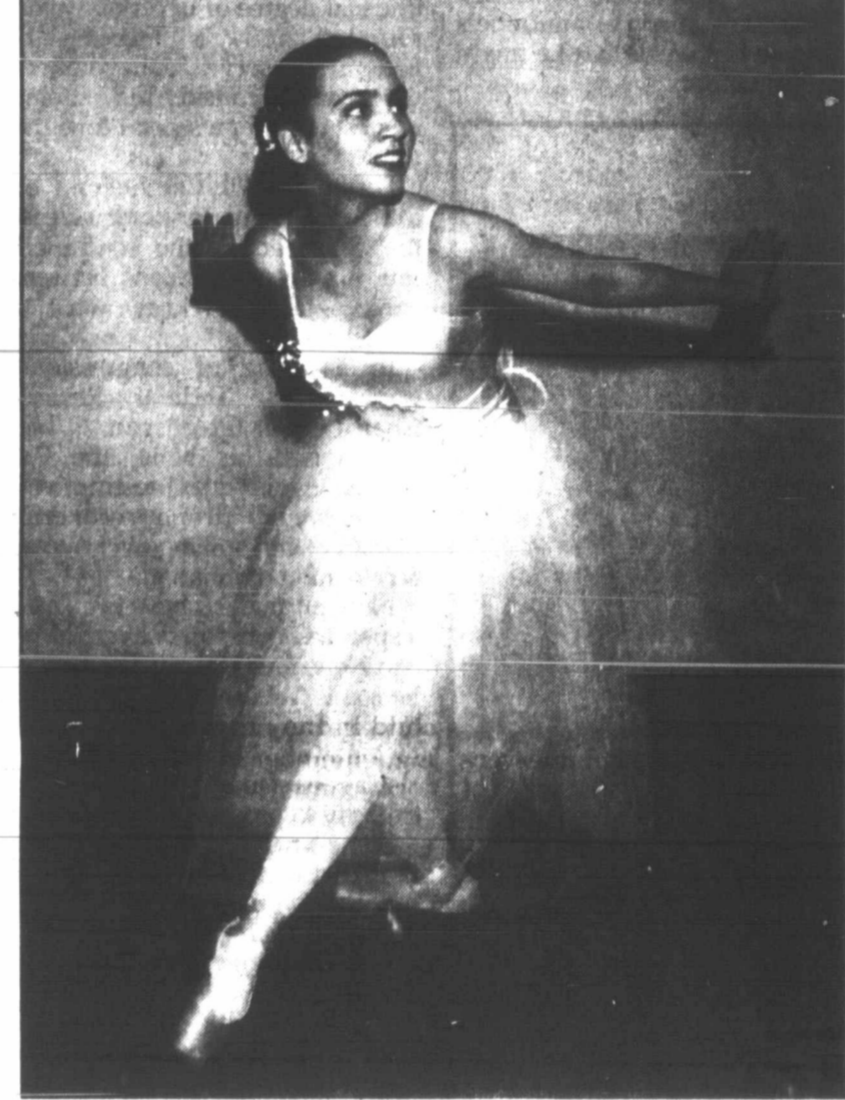
Friend, Glennette Goode, Alyne Grantham, Delia Grantham, Sofia Gruszecki, Kristen Hagerman and Nakayla Hardman.
Joy Hart, Shelby Hawkins, Meredith Hendricks-Young,

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Britney Reagans, Laura Reynolds, David Richards, Eleya Richards, Courtney Ritchey, Heather Robben, Brianna Roberts, Shauna Salazar, Anna Schafer, Katie Shaffer, Kaylee Shank and Shannon Smith.

Kara Stephens, Kristen Stephens, Sara Swan, Lindsay Tidwell, Elizabeth Thomas, Hilary Thomas, Robyn Thomas, Danielle Wall, Halie Wells, Ashley Wheeler, Maegan Wheeler, Morgan White and Carla Wood.



Jennie Rapstine of White Deer will be doing a ballet number, a waltz from 'Les Sylphides' by Chopin.



Dancing in a jazz routine to 'You're the One I Want' will be Brandy Kempf, left, and Amanda Jacobs.

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BBBS pleased with Bowl for Kids' Sake success

The First Annual Bowl For Kids' Sake was a huge success thanks to the wonderful people in Pampa, according to Denise Winegeart, president of the Pampa Chapter of Big Brothers Big Sisters.

This event gives Big Brothers Big Sisters the opportunity to continue matching children in Pampa, she said.

The event, held April 5 at Harvester Lanes, had approximately 60 people who participated.

In addition to the April 5 Party Day, Bowl For Kids' Sake included "walking the lanes." Advisory Committee members attended evening league bowling sessions asking bowlers to raise contributions as part Bowl For Kids' Sake. League bowler Belinda Edwards raised the most contributions which earned her a bowling ball provided by Harvester Lanes.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle Inc. is a volunteer driven organization dedicated to matching children ages six to 14 from single-parent homes with qualified mentors for the development of positive life skills and social values.

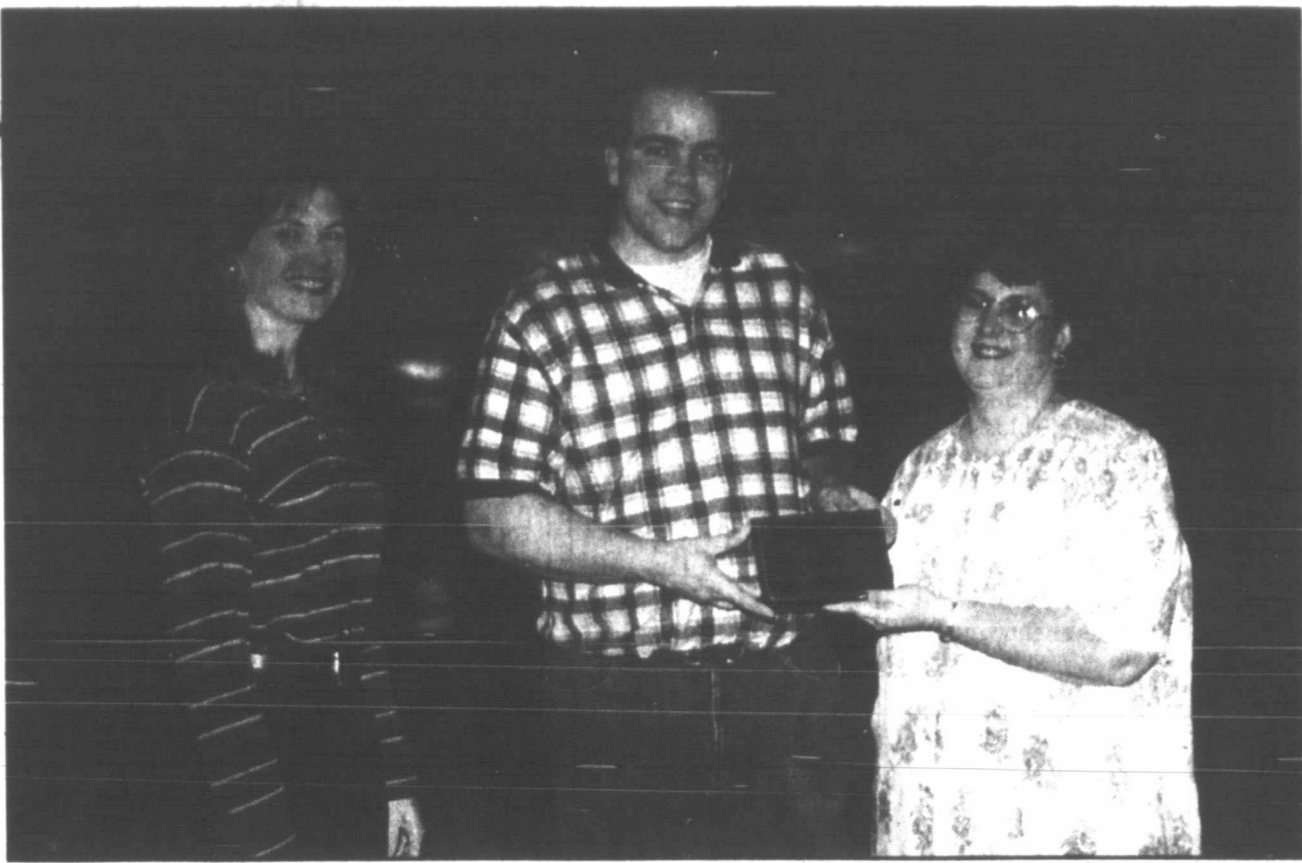
"Results of the Big Brothers Big Sisters Impact Study recently completed by the Public/Private Venture Group (P/PV) shows that children with a one-to-one mentor were 46 percent less likely to start using illegal drugs and 27 percent less likely to start drinking. They were 52 percent less likely than their peers to skip a day of school and 37 percent less likely to skip a class," Jelaine Workman, executive director for Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle, reported.

Workman goes on to say, "this proves that our program does have an impact on children."

Big Brothers Big Sisters of America was organized in 1904 by Ernest E. Coulter of New York City, who recognized the need of young boys who were without a positive male influence due to divorce, desertion or death. The merger with the Big Sisters organization took place in 1977 to form a federation of over 516 Big Brothers Big Sisters agencies throughout the United States and Canada. More than 65,000 children today are matched in a one-to-one relationship with an adult volunteer.

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

To meet minimum requirements for the program, a volunteer must be at least 18 years of age and have a full-time job or be



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Barbara Mamoullides, case manager for Big Brothers Big Sisters, and Denise Winegeart, president of the Pampa Chapter BBBS, present Tony Treiber, manager of Harvester Lanes, a plaque for his recent contributions to the program. BBBS matches youngsters aged 6-14 from single-parent families with an older individual with like interests to give youths a positive role model. For more information about Big Brothers Big Sisters contact 665-1211 or 665-2525.

a full-time college student. They must have lived in the service area for the past six months, have access to a motor vehicle, hold a valid driver's license and the minimum required liability insurance required by law. Volunteers should have at least two to four hours per week to spend with a child and make a one year commitment to the program.

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

"It takes about six to eight weeks to complete a Big's processing," explained Workman. "Of the many requirements it takes to be a Big Brother Big Sister, the major one is simply a genuine desire to assume complete responsibility for the child while he or she is entrusted to their care. Along with this comes a real commitment to another human being. Their word must be dependable and the example they set must be straightforward."

Big Brothers Big Sisters of American Standards and Procedures serve as a guideline to ensure the safety of child participants by thoroughly screening

applicants and by providing professional "high-caliber" supervision and support of the match.

"The requirements for a child to begin the process include being between the ages of six and 14, being from a single-parent or extended family home, have been living in the service area with an adult volunteer and can make a one year commitment to the program," Mrs. Workman said.

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

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

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

Members of the Big Brothers Big Sisters Pampa Advisory

Council include Dr. Greg Kelly, Dr. Jack Albracht, Denise Winegeart, Chris Mitchell, Nancy Shaffer, Doug Ware, Bob Marx, Carol Ziegelgruber and Dr. Byron Wilkenfeld. New members are being recruited to help move to the next level.

Sponsors who made Bowl For Kids' Sake successful include Culberson Stowers, Harold Cree, Hi-Plains Printing and Hoechst Celanese. Food and beverage sponsors were Mr. Gatti's Pizza, Subway, Peggy's Place, Albertson's and Coca-Cola.

"The people in this area really pulled through for Big Brothers Big Sisters and we will be able to pull through for the kids in this area," said Winegeart, Advisory Council chair. "We can't mention everyone who pledged money or bowled, but please know we thank you and appreciate your support of Big Brothers Big Sisters."

For more information about becoming a Big, enrolling your child in the program or becoming a member of the local advisory committee, call 665-1211 or the regional office at 1-800-687-8282.

Nation briefs

Millie, 'first dog' of Bush White House, dies at age 12

HOUSTON (AP) — Millie, a springer spaniel who was "first dog" in the Bush White House and namesake of a book that offered a dog's-eye view of the presidency, has died at the Bush summer home in Maine. She was 12.

Bush spokesman Jim McGrath said the dog was taken to a veterinarian in Kennebunkport, Maine, on Sunday because of stomach problems. The dog died Monday. A diagnosis was not available.

"President and Mrs. Bush are somewhat in a state of shock because it happened so quickly," McGrath said.

Mildred Kerr, the Bushes' long-time friend and Houston neighbor who was Millie's namesake, said the dog "was loved so much by Mrs. Bush and the whole family."

Hand-washing detection system in commercial use

NEW YORK (AP) — Restaurants now have a way to nab employees who don't stop by the sink and lather up before leaving the bathroom.

An infrared detection system that alerts employers when workers leave the restroom without washing up will be tested at the Tropicana Hotel in Atlantic City, N.J., and the William Beaumont Army Medical Center in El Paso, Texas.

The device, on display Monday at a restaurant trade show in Chicago, works like this: Employees wear a badge that triggers an infrared sensor whenever they enter the restroom. A second sensor at the soap dispenser activates if they remain at the sink for at least 15 seconds.

An electronic record is kept each time an employee uses the rest room, noting whether each worker stopped at the sink. Hand-washing scofflaws also bear a blinking badge if they skip the soap.

Dirty hands have become a national health threat, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. More than 40 million

Americans get sick and about 80,000 die each year from hand- and air-borne bacteria, such as hepatitis. The agency puts the cost of treating infected patients at \$4.5 billion each year.

Woman loses finger when beeper blows up

NEW YORK (AP) — A woman lost a finger when a beeper that had been delivered to her at a Mexican restaurant where she worked as a waitress exploded.

Tara Zukas, 25, was inside the Five Burro Cafe in Queens when the explosion occurred about 7 p.m. Monday after she activated the beeper, said Officer Valerie St. Rose, a department spokeswoman.

Zukas, who lost her pinky, was taken to Bellevue Hospital where she was listed in stable condition.

No one else was injured. The bomb squad was dispatched and was investigating. No suspects were in custody.

Police weren't sure exactly when the beeper had been delivered.

'Scarlet Letter' approach cleans up town

FRAMINGHAM, Mass. (AP) — For years, Ginny Marino watched in disgust as homeless people and drug users climbed through a nearby vacant house — its windows smashed, front door crooked, garbage strewn on the ground.

Then they decided to take a page out of the book *The Scarlet Letter*, the Nathaniel Hawthorne story of guilt and shame in Puritan New England.

Armed with stacks of plywood painted the brightest red they could find, contractors working for the town boarded the home up and hung a big, white banner advertising the name of the property owner.

Like the preacher who eventually owns up to being the father of Hester Prynne's child, the owners eventually owned up to their responsibilities. All 52 buildings have been renovated, sold or demolished by the city.

Retailer pulls item with offensive slogan

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A maker of in-line skating equipment thought it could attract aggressive young male buyers with a simple slogan: "Destroy all girls."

"The tag was supposed to say, 'Kill your parents,' but some people thought that was too extreme. Go figure," said Arlo Eisenberg, part-owner of Senate, the clothing and equipment company that put the slogan on its clothing's laundry tags.

Eisenberg was being flip, and some in the business say Senate's sales pitch works wonders with the kids. But retailers and parents were not pleased when they spotted the slogan.

Galyan's Trading Co. announced Monday it sent back the fall line of T-shirts, sweatshirts, pants and boxer shorts made by the company in Huntington Beach, Calif.

The store said it also is returning Senate's wheels, bearings and other skating gear carried at its nine sporting goods stores in

Indiana, Ohio, Minnesota and Kansas.

A Galyan's customer in Minnesota was preparing to wash a T-shirt when she saw the slogan and called to complain.

"We will not have that in our stores. It's counter to the culture we have at Galyan's," said Joan Hurley, director of marketing for Galyan's in Plainfield, Ind.

Senate has gotten other complaints. As a result, it has decided not to include the tags on any new items. But it has no plans to voluntarily pull back the offending items, which have been on shelves only a few weeks.

"The stuff isn't literal. I don't expect anyone to go out and destroy all girls," Eisenberg said. "It's a niche market, so there's a lot of people that aren't going to get it."

Senate sold about \$10 million in goods last year, primarily to teenage boys who skate aggressively, he said.

Eisenberg said he adopted the

"destroy all girls" line from an alternative rock group called Scraping Fetus Off The Wheel. Senate also has put out shirts that say "Kill" in bold letters and another that said "Sinner" and showed a youth on roller skates with a shaved head and a bloody baseball bat in his hands.

Not everyone might take it as a joke, said Kurt Barnard, president of Barnard's Retail Marketing Report industry newsletter in New Jersey.

"There are enough sick minds around that take this sufficiently seriously," Barnard said. "I think that it's just about the worst, God-awful idea I have ever heard. That company deserves to be put out of business."

Such aggressive tactics are to be expected from Senate, said Chris Wiggins, a salesman for Sitzmark, a sporting goods store in the Indianapolis suburb of Carmel that stocks a large line of Senate merchandise.

CAP cadets plan special Memorial Day tribute

AMARILLO — Amarillo's Civil Air Patrol unit, the Tigershark Composite Squadron, will be conducting a patriotic tribute to the nation's veterans this Memorial Day on May 26.

The special memorial ceremony, the second annual, will be presented by cadets (ages 12-18) at Llano Cemetery East in Amarillo.

The cadets of the squadron will pay tribute to the men and women who gave so much for freedom's sake. The ceremony will begin at 6:30 a.m. with the raising of our nation's flag to half-mast.

The cadets, in dress uniform, will then begin their day-long vigil at the memorial. The flag will be raised to full-staff at noon.

and then retired at 6:30 p.m. This memorial is planned and executed by the cadets themselves. It is especially fitting for the unit to conduct the event this year, the 50th anniversary of the U.S. Air Force.

For further information, contact Lt. Jeanine Markus at work (373-3303, ext. 501) or at home (335-1163).

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Great Lovers Know When To Try A Little Tenderness

DEAR ABBY: I'm sure you opened the floodgates when you asked your readers for their definition of either a lousy or a great lover. I have always thought there should be a school to teach people how to be great lovers. There are so few of them around. A lady is lucky indeed to run into one, and truly blessed to be married to one.

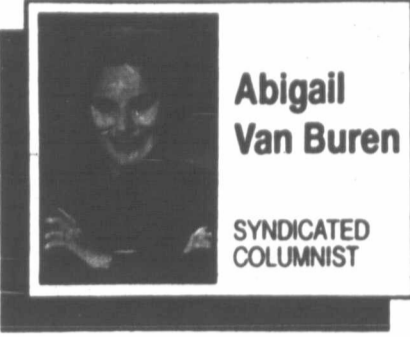
Your definition that a lousy lover is hurried, selfish and inconsiderate was right on, but the list also should include being insensitive, having poor hygiene, poor verbal skills, and unwilling to give more than he gets, etc. I hope you print some of the responses you get. It will be interesting to see what your readers have to say on the subject.

BEBE IN LA MIRADA, CALIF

DEAR BEBE: I certainly hit a nerve when I asked the question, because the responses are still pouring in. I had no idea so many women (and men) would have so much to say on the subject. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: A good lover, male or female, is one who is teachable.
SUZANNE IN PHOENIX

DEAR ABBY: In an interview, the actor Ricardo Montalban was asked, "What is a great lover?" He replied, "A great lover is someone who can satisfy one woman her entire lifetime and be satisfied with one woman his entire lifetime. It is



Abigail Van Buren

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not someone who goes from woman to woman; any dog can do that."
PATRICK IN NASHVILLE

DEAR ABBY: Great lovers have the same qualities both in and out of bed — they just manifest them differently in public (fortunately). They are chronically kind, have an incredible memory for what you like, touch you often, aren't in a rush, welcome new ideas, never fall asleep without saying, "I love you," and treat you like the most beautiful woman in the world, even if in reality you're 49 and porky.
STEVE'S INCREDIBLY LUCKY WIFE IN LA JOLLA

DEAR ABBY: A good lover is a person who takes into consideration the needs of the other person. He is unselfish and wants to satisfy his partner. He's always patient and takes his time when he is making love. A good lover makes every effort

to find out what his partner wants and then he fulfills those needs. A good lover is gentle and caring with his partner. He gives soft touches, gentle caresses and sweet kisses in all the right spots. He also is passionate and honest. I was very fortunate to fall in love with a fabulous lover.
CRAZY IN LOVE IN RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA

DEAR ABBY: I never thought I'd ever have a chance at a great lover. However, at 65 I've been lucky enough to meet him. He is trustworthy in all things, not just sex; he wants to please and provide happiness in my life; he's able to control his own sexuality and bring us ultimately to even higher heights. By the way, my guy is in his late 70s.
P.S. I completely agree with your definition of a lousy lover. Been there — had that!

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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Horoscope



Wednesday, May 21, 1997

Improvements in material conditions are indicated for the year ahead. Conversely however, your extravagant inclinations may also be stronger.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Strong self-motivation is required today if you hope to be successful. Lady Luck might not play a leading role at this point in time, so tend for yourself. Gemini, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead 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 date your zodiac sign.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Today, if

you feel compelled to take a chance, gamble on your own abilities and not on another's. Betting blind could be disappointing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you're anxious to keep your household budget in line today, maintain control over your credit cards and ask your mate to reduce charging as well.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Results could be gratifying today, provided that a surrogate carries out your ideas. You may not be inclined to do much about them yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Little financial surpluses you've accumulated could go out the window today if you go on a shopping spree. Keep this in mind before starting your trek.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Usually, you're a goal-oriented person who is tenacious in pursuing your objectives. Today, however, if things don't go easy, you might back off.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Associates will cooperate today if there's something in it for them. They won't put them-

selves out, though if you're the only one who benefits.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Before making any large purchases today, give the matter much thought. Take care that your other expenditures don't get you in over your head.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You will have to exert a bit more conscientious effort than usual today if you hope to make the most of your areas of immediate advantage.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A carefully thought-out decision might not go as anticipated today if you begin making little last minute changes. Be consistent.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be very selective in choosing your business involvements at this time. Do not plunge into deals before investigating everything thoroughly.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Do not expect too much today business-wise from someone you know on a purely social basis. Try to keep your two worlds divided.

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"Either we're missing a cake, or that dog is wearing a hat with cream cheese frosting."

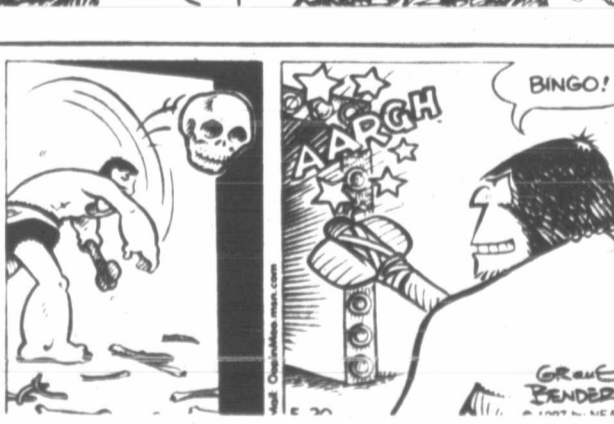
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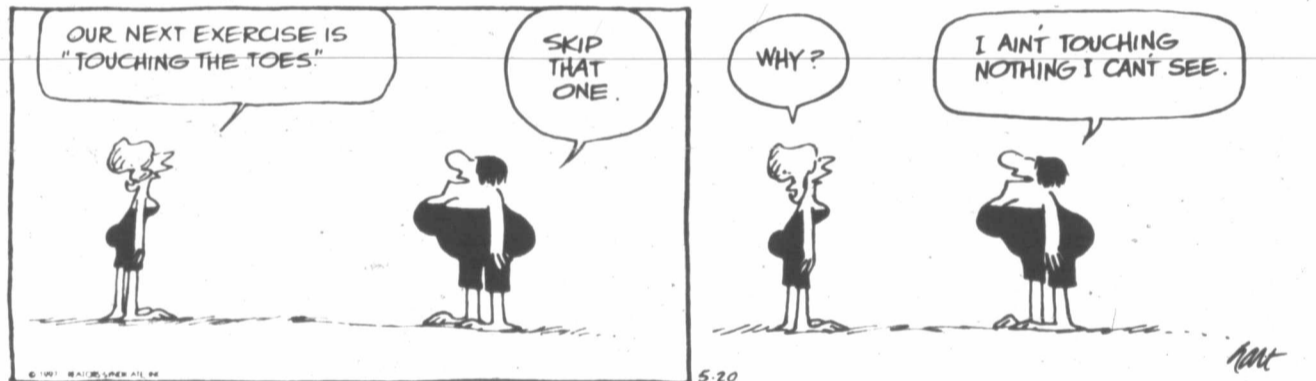
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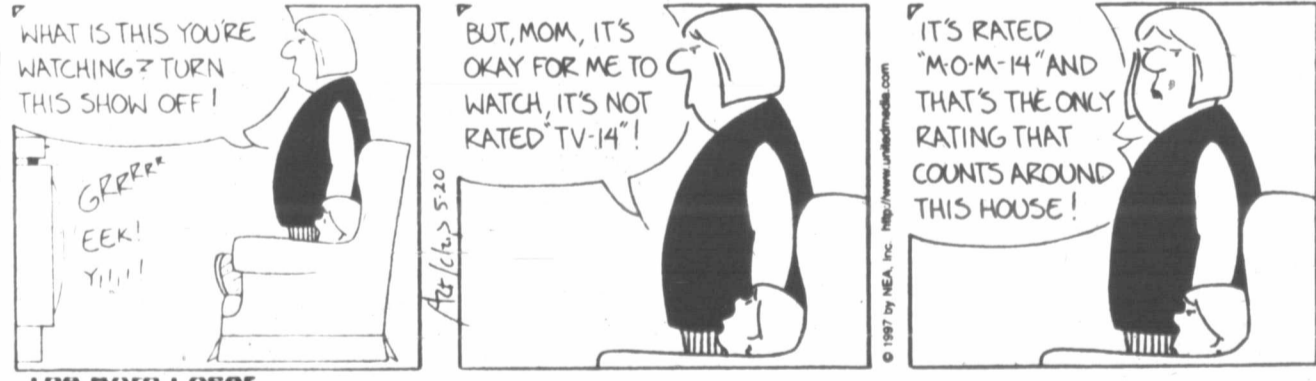
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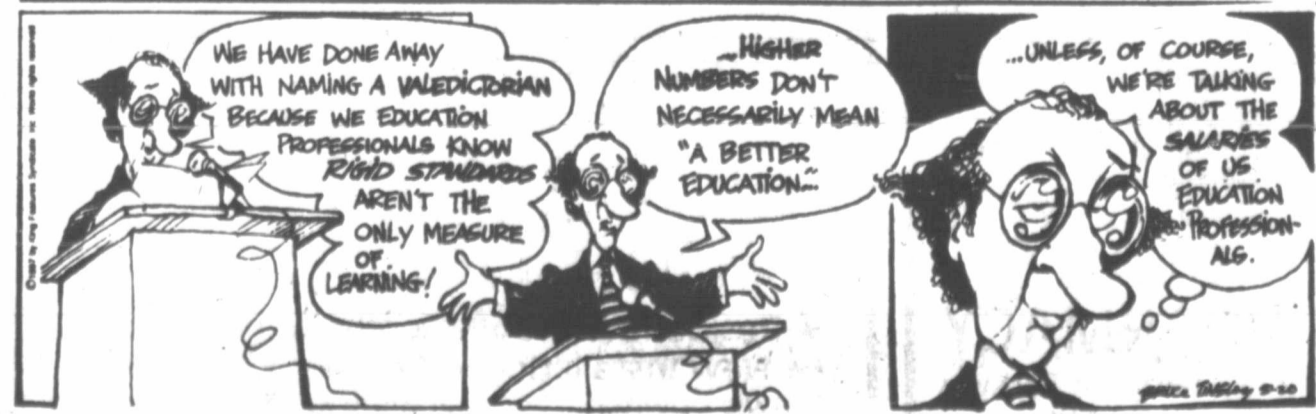
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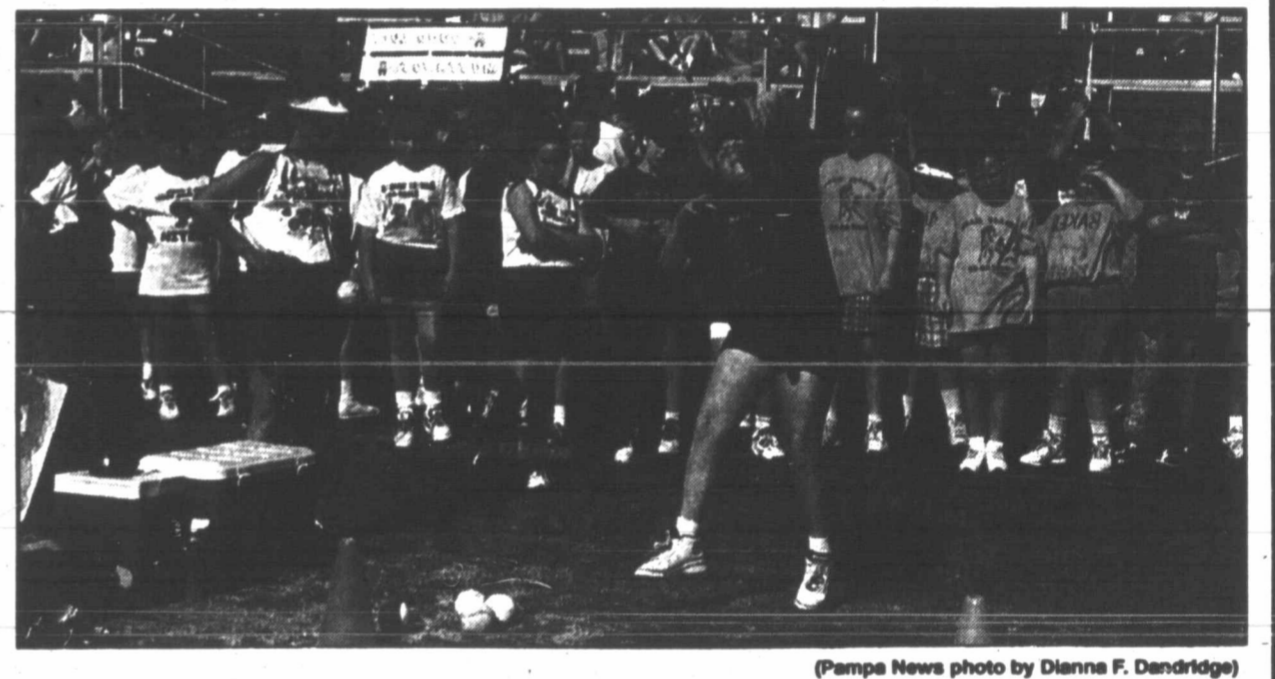
Big 12 basketball moves to ESPN

DALLAS (AP) — The Big 12 championship basketball game in Kansas City will move from CBS to ESPN television next March, league officials said Monday at their spring meeting.

Missouri's Joe Castiglione, chairman of the athletic directors committee, also said the "Big Monday" pairing of Big 12 teams will be on ESPN again because the network declared the games had the highest rankings since 1994 in the 8:30 p.m. time slot.

Football coaches and athletic directors gathered the first two days to discuss the Big 12's first year. The Big 12 had two football teams that made Bowl Alliance appearances, four teams which made the NCAA men's basketball playoffs, and six women's basketball teams that received NCAA Tournament bids.

Softball throw



Students from all the local elementary schools met at the Randy Matson Track at Pampa High School for their annual Junior Olympics track and field day on Friday. Students participated in such events as softball throw, long jump, tug of war and different running events.

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State briefs

Court orders church to vote on controversial minister

HOUSTON (AP) — A judge has ordered a small Houston church to hold an election Sunday concerning whether to keep or replace its pastor.

Some church members claim that the Rev. Willie Dunham is hostile and has driven parishioners away from New Corinth Baptist Church.

Monday, District Judge Katie Kennedy ordered the church to hold an election at 11 a.m. Sunday.

Court-appointed officials will prepare the ballots, conduct the election and count the votes.

About 30 church members came to a court hearing to air their complaints that Dunham did not win election in a fair vote last November to determine whether he should be pastor.

Teenager survives 26 hours trapped in car

WACO (AP) — Suspended upside-down from a seatbelt of her overturned car, Alicia Jenkins was trapped — hidden from anxious parents and other searchers on the road above for more than 24 hours.

One of Ms. Jenkins' arms was pinned behind her back and the roof of her car was crushed. She was rescued after a passing letter carrier spotted the wreckage beside a creek.

The 16-year-old is in serious condition today at Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center's intensive care unit.

"I guess God was just smiling

down on that little gal," postal worker Ron Smith told the *Waco Tribune-Herald*. "I'm just glad I could help."

Smith alerted authorities Monday and watched as McLennan County sheriff's deputies and county constable Dewey Holze pulled the Waco Midway High junior to safety.

Cancer doctor to be retried on single contempt charge

HOUSTON (AP) — After 14 years of investigating a cancer doctor for violating Food and Drug Administration rules, the federal government was headed to the courthouse today armed with a single contempt charge.

The case against Dr Stanislaw Burzynski was suddenly and dramatically slimmed down Monday when U.S. District Judge Sim Lake granted an unusual request from prosecutors and dropped 40 of 41 counts against the physician.

It was a surprise move, considering the federal government's relentless pursuit of Burzynski that began shortly after the Polish-born doctor opened his Houston-area clinic in 1983.

The remaining count accuses Burzynski of disobeying 1983 and 1984 federal court orders that forbade him from moving his unproven antineoplastons treatment across state lines.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Mike Clark, whose first attempt to convict Burzynski resulted in a hung jury and mistrial in March, refused to say why he wanted the 40 counts dropped.

Deadlines put state legislative bills in jeopardy

AUSTIN (AP) — With two weeks left in this year's legislative session, bill deadlines are forcing lawmakers to find any way possible, including deception, to get their legislation passed.

Even the biggest issue of the session, the reduction of local property taxes by expanding other state taxes, is coming down to the wire as the center of a contentious debate between Senate and House members.

The outcome of that debate will be a measure of Gov. George W. Bush's effectiveness. The Republican governor started the debate more than a year ago, saying local school property taxes are rising at alarming rates.

Oddly enough, the Democrat-controlled House gave the governor more of what he wanted in a bill that called for \$5 billion in property tax cuts over two years, while expanding taxes on services and increasing other state taxes.

The Republican-controlled Senate scaled that plan back to a \$2.5 billion property tax cut over two years.

With the bill now in a conference committee of House and Senate members, Bush has refused to characterize the Senate's scaleback, saying only that he wants "substantial" property tax relief.

The House plan would raise \$3.8 billion in

new taxes and increase the state's share of public school funding to nearly 80 percent. The Senate plan would raise \$800 million in new taxes and put the state's share of school funding at 53 percent. Currently, the state pays 47 percent and property taxes pay the rest.

Texans would save roughly 2 percent in taxes under both plans.

Most political insiders agree that Bush took a risk by driving an issue that involves raising taxes, something most Republicans don't like to be associated with.

Bush has been denounced by the head of the Texas Republican Party for pushing the issue.

But Capitol observers seem to think the governor will accept whatever plan the Legislature gives him and claim victory for getting a bill passed.

If the bill dies, lawmakers could be spending the summer in a special session working on the issue at the governor's request.

All other legislation has played a distant second to property taxes and time deadlines for bills to be approved in both chambers are forcing lawmakers pull out their best tricks to keep a bill alive.

"This is where political gamesmanship will be the rule," said Sen. Ken Armbrister, D-Victoria.

One of the more notable maneuvers so far belongs to state Rep. Ron Wilson, who took a bill no one thought would survive and put it within a couple votes of going to the governor's desk.

His bill would require student athletes on scholarship to meet the same academic standards as regular students. University of Texas coaches and administrators say the bill would be the death of Big 12 sports in Texas and would hurt academic opportunities for minorities.


Chances for the measure looked gloomy when Senate Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, said last week there weren't enough votes on his panel to send the bill to the full Senate.

But Wilson, D-Houston, a UT alum, made an end run.

He rewrote a Senate bill pending in the House Higher Education Committee to match his original bill. That amended measure now is headed to the full House, which approved Wilson's earlier bill. If the House passes the amended Senate bill, it will return to the full Senate and bypass Bivins' committee.

Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, who supports Wilson's bill, said the knowledge needed to make such a move "comes with experience."

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Former cadets: Citadel placed four women in 'Nazi' company

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — Of the four women admitted to The Citadel last year, three were placed in a company where swastikas were displayed on T-shirts and other Nazi symbols were glorified, two former male cadets say.

In federal court documents filed Monday, Craig Belsole and Dan Eggars said Echo Company called itself the "Stalag" and members used the phrase "Echo Uber Alles," a variation of a German slogan.

Inside a metal file locker of the company, they claim, was a picture of a young man giving a Nazi salute.

"The cadet chain of command in Echo Company has for many years provided leadership positions to cadets who proudly displayed Nazi symbols," said Belsole and Eggars, both former members of the company.

Two of the three women assigned to Echo Company later left the strict military college, claiming they had been fiercely hazed but they did not publicly mention Nazi emblems.

"I haven't seen a swastika," Citadel spokesman Terry Leedom said. "I believe I have been in every company in the place and I have never seen a swastika."

Until now, allegations surrounding The Citadel had involved brutal hazing and sexual harassment of female cadets.

Belsole and Eggars are in court to fight the school's request for all the information the two cadets gave to the FBI, which is investigating the hazing charges.

The former cadets said they provided the FBI with photos and videotapes of Nazi symbols at The Citadel, and tape recordings illustrating how college officials tried to retaliate against them for going public with their charges.

The school denied comment on the claims, but has said Belsole and Eggars actually were disciplined for failing to report the hazing because neither came forward until after the issue surfaced last December. Both cadets graduated on Saturday.

The Citadel dropped its male-only admissions policy after a U.S. Supreme Court ruling that a similar policy at Virginia Military Institute was unconstitutional. In August 1995, Shannon Faulkner became the first woman to enroll. She dropped out after less than a week, citing stress and her isolation as the only woman in the corps.

The Citadel admitted four more women last year, but Jeanie Mentavlos and Kim Messer left in January amid highly publicized claims that they had been hazed and harassed. They said their clothes were set afire with nail polish remover, cleanser was put on their heads and they were forced to stand in a closet while being shoved and kicked.

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