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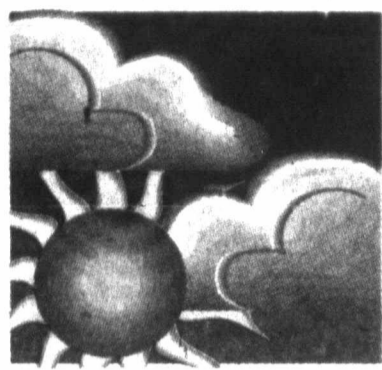
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PAMPA — The Trinity Fellowship Church is sponsoring a back-to-school supply outreach program for families needing assistance providing school supplies for children in grades kindergarten through 12.

To participate, children must register between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. August 4-8 at 1215 S. Nelson in the church gym.

A birth certificate or a Social Security Card is required at the time of registration.

Supplies will be distributed on August 16 at the area schools.

PAMPA — A dance and hamburger cookout to benefit the Emergency Siren Replacement Fund will be Friday night from 7 p.m. to midnight at the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Tickets for the dance can be purchased in advance for \$9 at Pampa City Hall Room 204, Pampa Fire Department, Pampa Police Department, American Red Cross Office, Rural/Metro Ambulance Service office and Pampa Chamber of Commerce. Tickets at the door are \$10.

Dinner will be served from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. and will be followed by a dance from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Entertainment will be provided by local country and western group, Indian Summer.

PAMPA — All new students entering the sixth, seventh and eighth grade can enroll now at Pampa Middle School, 2401 Charles, between 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

Parents should come by the main office at the middle school with required documentation (birth certificates, previous school records and proof of required immunizations).

Student schedules can be picked up at Pampa Middle School Aug. 7 and 8.

For more information, parents should call 669-4900.

DEATHS

• **Morgan C. "Bog" Holder, 86**, driller and pusher and World War II U.S. Navy veteran.

• **Bessie Loraine Kennedy, 80**, homemaker, member Pentecostal Holiness Church.

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City adds 39 parking spaces by high school

By LAURA HALEY
Staff Writer

City commissioners reluctantly approved an ordinance Tuesday evening adding about 39 parking spaces along streets surrounding Pampa High School.

The changes are a quick fix to the decreasing number of parking spaces available to students and faculty due to construction of a state-of-the-art \$500,000 multipurpose gym. The new gym is being built on a former parking area west of the football stadium.

And, although the loss of parking spaces is a concern, the school district had no other options on locations for the new gym because of the dangers of underground pipes, said City Commissioner Faustina Curry. The construction will cost the high school about 89 parking spaces.

One high school student, Senior Matt Hutchinson, is not worried about parking; his spot, and those for other seniors, is reserved in the Senior Horseshoe lot. However, other students will probably have difficulty finding spaces, he said.

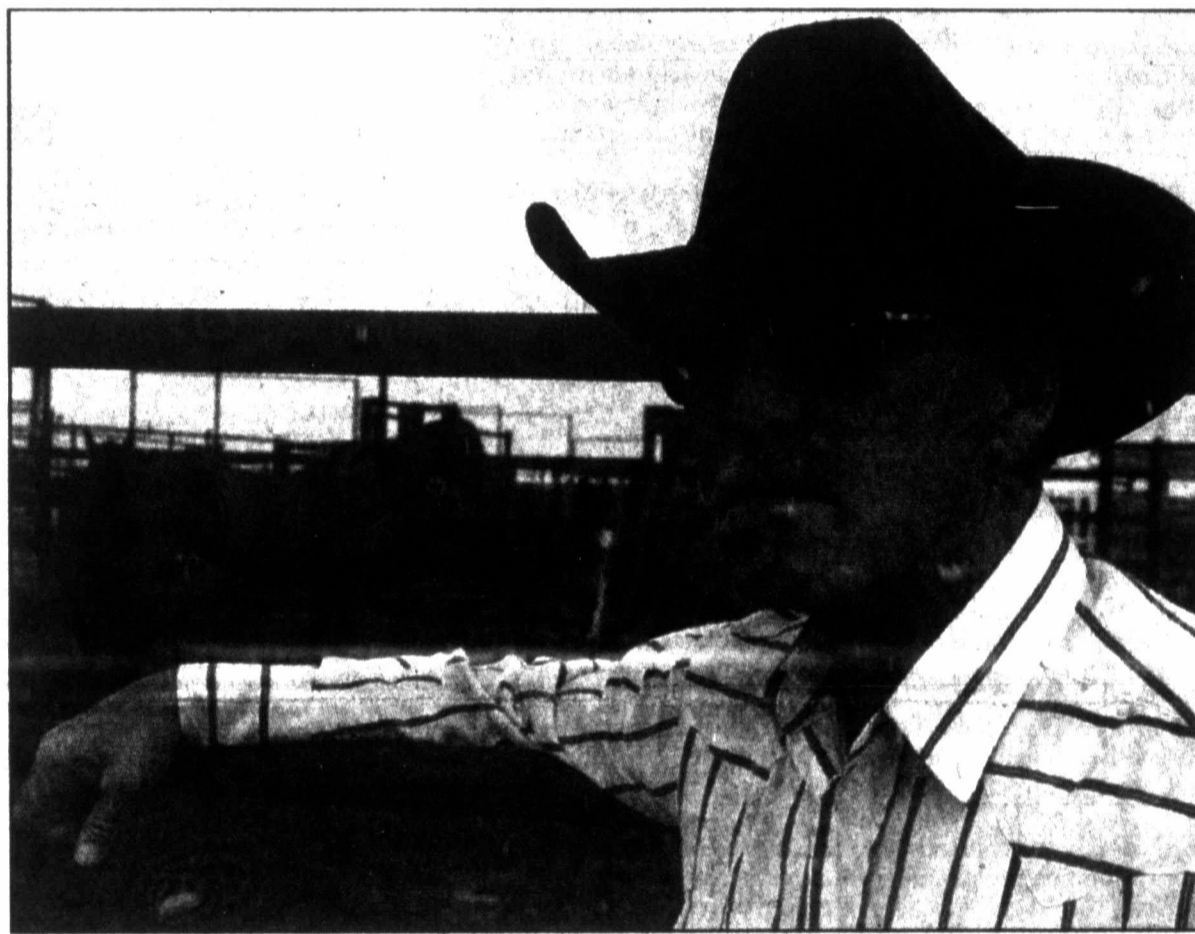
The changes will result in the replacement of about 39 of the 89 lost spaces.

Under the new ordinance, one-hour parking in front of the high school will be changed to allow about 25 vehicles to parallel park during school hours. Six additional parallel parking spaces will be allowed on Charles Street along the south side of the school. And, another six angled spaces will be opened in front of the ticket booths on Randy Matson.

But, the city is not the only entity trying to make parking accommodations. In an effort to regain parking spaces, the school

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It is mainly the parallel parking that concerns City Commissioner Jeff Andrews, who believes the number of traffic accidents could rise from the situation. Andrews asked Police Chief Charlie Morris to observe the area once school begins and report any problems.



Rodeo producer Allen McCloy of Morse will furnish the stock for the 38th Annual White Deer Rodeo Friday and Saturday. Performances are at 8 both nights; junior calf riding is at 7:30 Saturday night.

Feedlot business keeps up rodeo life

By Dave Bowser
Staff Writer

WHITE DEER, Tex. — Most feedlots discourage roping cattle. Horses that don't like riders are traded off. But the man behind the pens at this year's White Deer Rodeo isn't like most feedlot operators.

Allen McCloy claims he runs his family-owned feedlot near Morse to support his rodeo interests. In addition to the cattle feeding operation, McCloy is also a rodeo producer.

Growing up on a ranch in New Mexico, McCloy, like others that attended the one-room school house at Rosebud, was familiar with horses and cattle. He got a graduate degree from a university that had a larger enrollment than the population of the county where he spent his youth. Along the way, he

worked for a rodeo contractor, fell in love with the man's daughter and moved to Texas to take over a cattle feeding operation.

Today, a string of bucking horses grazes next to the feedlot, his cowboys are encouraged to rope the calves that are sorted out to be trucked to the next rodeo performance and friends stop by to bull-dog a few steers. It is not unusual to see a pen of corrientes in the feedyard after their retirement from the rodeo and roping circuit.

McCloy's father, Wilson McCloy, and his brothers started the feedlot in 1953. The feedlot, 25 miles north of Borger, has grown over the years, but McCloy was raised on a ranch in northeastern New Mexico.

"We grew up southwest of Haydn, N.M.," he says. "We moved to Morse in 1960."

His father had grown up at Morse and

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Road easements approved to facilitate water project

PANHANDLE — The Carson County Commissioner's Court, met in regular session Monday to review the proposed Canadian River Municipal Water Authority - Conjective Use Project.

The project will establish a 54-inch aqueduct system to carry water from Roberts County to an existing aqueduct south of Fritch in Hutchinson County.

The court approved the crossing of county road easements in the northwest portion of Roberts County for the purpose of building the system.

In unrelated business, the court also reviewed the recent jail inspection conducted by the Texas Commission on jail standards. The facility passed the inspection earning favorable marks in all areas.

In general business, the court released a safe-keeping receipt pledged by the Groom State National Bank, requested by the bank board of directors, in the amount of \$200,000.

A letter from the Texas Department of Transportation allowing an increase in automobile registration fees was considered but the court chose to remain at the current \$5 fee.

As a final item, the court established regulations governing the possession, harboring or ownership of wild animals in the county. From the discussion, a court order was approved to control lions, tigers, ocelots, cougars, leopards, cheetahs or any other wild animals in the county.

Buckler, Gray stop sign ok'd After citizens' request

By LAURA HALEY
Staff Writer

Residents living near the intersection of Buckler and Gray streets will have to stop every time the travel through that intersection, but some don't mind saying they are relieved city commissioners approved stop signs at the bisecting streets.

Doug and Jennifer Evans, who live in the 400 block of Gray Street, asked the traffic commission earlier this month for the stop signs. For additional clout, the Evans brought a list of four other families who also asked for the stop signs.

Because of the offset intersection, cars traveling on Gray often can't see children playing in the street. Residents living in the area have reported several "close calls" and told traffic commissioners they believed the stop signs would slow traffic and force drivers to be more cautious.

Traffic commissioners agreed and made the necessary recommendations to the city commissioners, who approved installation of the stop signs Tuesday night.

The new ordinance must be approved once more by commis-

sioners at the Aug. 12 meeting before going into effect. It is estimated that the new stop signs will be in place by the end of August.

Other items approved by the commissioners during Tuesday night's regular meeting include:

- a disbursement to Four R Industrial in the amount of \$4,177.60 (Commissioner Faustina Curry abstained from the vote);

- a disbursement to Pampa Concrete Co. in the amount of \$220 (Mayor Bob Neslage abstained from the vote);

- a bid to Roberts Truck Center in the amount of \$79,675 for a 26,000-pound and a 56,000-pound chassis and cab;

- a list of surplus items from the city to be sold during the Aug. 2 auction;

- and, the consent agenda. Items on the consent agenda included minutes of the June 26 special meeting and the July 8 work session and regular meeting, and ordinance naming a portion of park area as Red Deer Park, excusing the absence of Commissioner Jeff Andrews from the July 8 City Commission meeting and a list of disbursements in the amount of \$897,907.94.

Assuring safe rental housing

By Dianna F. Dandridge
Staff Writer

Renting housing is a choice many people make based upon a number of variables, but anyone making this choice should be aware of local and state regulations which guarantee the dwelling is safe, secure and sanitary.

Panhandle Community Services Regional Manager, Margo Stanley said, "Renters have a certain number of shopping dollars to use and they can use those dollars for a good or bad house, in a good or bad neighborhood."

"Our office encourages renters to use their money for good housing in good neighborhoods, if for no other reason than the sake of the children," she said.

Panhandle Community Services, commonly known as HUD, is responsible for the contracts between a property owner and the federal and state agencies which will provide a percentage of the rent income.

"HUD does not condemn properties," said Stanley. "We don't manage properties. We work with the contracts and do inspections which guarantee contracted properties meet our standards."

"Our standards are not the same as the city housing codes. Many people are confused about this," said Stanley.

She said that HUD specifies the number of electrical outlets, the appropriate plumbing fixtures, safe walls and foundation and a durable roof.

"A basic rule for HUD to accept a dwelling on contract is, 'it has to work,'" she said.

The furnace has to work properly, no exposed electrical wiring, windows must open and close and the dwelling must be able to be secured with acceptable locks.

Building inspector and officer Danny Winborne said that his office

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Services tomorrow

KENNEDY, Bessie Loraine - 11 a.m., Mulkey-Mason Funeral Home Chapel, Denton, Texas. Graveside services, 3 p.m., Petrolia Cemetery, Petrolia, Texas.

Obituaries

MORGAN C. 'BOG' HOLDER
HEALDTON, Okla. - Morgan C. "Bog" Holder, 86, died Wednesday, July 30, 1997, at the Oklahoma Veterans Center in Ardmore, Okla. Graveside services were to be at 10 a.m. today in Mount Olive Cemetery with the Rev. Mike Williams officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Reser Funeral Home of Healdton.

Mr. Holder was born Aug. 25, 1910, at Marietta, Okla., to Gilbert and Abbie Holder. As a youth, he worked in his father's dray yard at Marietta. The family later moved to Ragtown, and he attended school at Dundee. He worked in the oil fields as a driller and a pusher and in various other capacities. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during World War II.

He was a Baptist.
Survivors include his wife, Rhea, of the home; a son, Donald Lee Holder of Lone Grove, Okla.; a stepdaughter, Monna Rhea Fullerton of Dallas; three stepsons, Ronald Charles Quick of Willis, Okla., James Quincy Wilkinson and Jon Dee Wilkinson, both of Lawton, Okla.; two grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren; and nine step-great-grandchildren.

BESSIE LORAIN KENNEDY
Bessie Loraine Kennedy, 80, of Pampa, died Tuesday, July 29, 1997.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Mulkey-Mason Funeral Home Chapel at Denton with the Rev. Dorrance Manning, pastor of Lynn Avenue Pentecostal Holiness Church of Oklahoma City, Okla., officiating. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. in Petrolia Cemetery at Petrolia. Burial will be under the direction of Mulkey-Mason Funeral Directors. Local arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Kennedy was born Oct. 31, 1916, in Denton County, where she was raised. She married the Rev. Ben Mitchell Kennedy on June 24, 1931, in Love County, Okla.; he died Sept. 10, 1989. She had been a Pampa resident for the past three years, moving from Crowell. She was a member of Pentecostal Holiness Church.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Roxie Martin, on July 22, 1997.

Survivors include four daughters, Dorothy Morgan of Crowell, Georgia VonKanel and Annie Jean Conner, both of Pampa, and Venita Kennemer of Visalia, Calif.; three sons, Mitchell Kennedy of Fort Worth, Phanis Kennedy of Pampa and Doyle Kennedy of Sacramento, Calif.; a sister, Beatrice Waver of Aubrey, Texas; a sister-in-law, Audrey Stewart of Pampa; 29 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Sheltered Workshop, P.O. Box 2808, Pampa, TX 79066-2808; or American Cancer Society, c/o Essie Mae Walters, 1418 N. Dwight, Pampa, TX 79065-3905.



Police report

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

THURSDAY, July 31
Disorderly conduct was reported at 201 W. Kingsmill.

Arrest
George Ruiz, 39, 608 Wynn, was arrested on charges of simple assault, no insurance, no valid driver's license and failure to appear.

Sheriff's report

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

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William Clark, 33, Lefors, was arrested on charges of non-payment of child support.

Duane Curtis King, 18, 412 Juniper, was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance.

Cody LeWallen, 18, 816, Bradley Dr., was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance.

Ambulance

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

WEDNESDAY, July 30
12:05 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility for a patient transfer to Columbia Medical Center.

1:47 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to US Highway 60 west of Pampa one mile east of Gray/Carson County Line on a motor vehicle accident rollover and one patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

4:03 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to 1300 block of N. Russell.

10:27 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home.

1:00 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to 700 E. Frederick for standby.

11:53 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center to a local nursing home.

THURSDAY, July 31
10:16 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Browning and Loop 171 on a car fire. Two patients transported to Columbia Medical Center.

3:18 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to 2200 block of Duncan on a motor vehicle accident. One patient transported to Columbia Medical Center.

6:25 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center for one patient transfer.

9:35 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of N. Hobart on a motor vehicle accident. One patient transported to Columbia Medical Center.

1:00 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center for one patient transfer to Baptist St. Anthony's West.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	3.25	Chevron	79 5/8	up 1/8
Milo	4.24	Coca Cola	68 7/8	dn 1
Corn	4.86	Columbia/HCA	32 13/16	dn 1/8
		Enron	37 11/16	dn 1/8
		Halliburton	45 11/16	NC
		Ingersoll Rand	67 15/16	dn 1/4
		KNE	41 3/4	up 1/8
		Kerr-McGee	63	NC
		Limited	22 3/8	up 7/16
		Mapco	30 7/8	NC
		McDonald's	54 3/16	dn 1/2
		Mobil	75 1/2	dn 3/16
		New Atmos	24 1/16	up 1/16
		Parker & Parsley	37 1/2	dn 1/4
		Phillips	46 1/16	dn 13/16
		SLB	75 5/16	up 3/8
		SPS	39 1/2	dn 1/16
		Tenneco	46 11/16	NC
		Texasco	115 5/16	up 7/16
		Ultramar	33 5/16	up 1/16
		Wal-Mart	37 11/16	dn 3/16
		New York Gold		326.10
		Silver		4.40
		West Texas Crude		20.30

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

Magellan	98 3/8
Parratt	20 3/4

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Edwards	95
Arco	73
Cabot	28 9/16
Cabot O&G	20 5/8

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	669-7432
Water	669-5830

RODEO

partnered with his brothers and his mother in a cattle operation that included a farm at Morse and the ranch in New Mexico. In 1960, they bought a ranch in Colorado.

"My wife's from Colorado," he says. "Karen Ward, her dad, L.D. Ward, was in the rodeo business in Trinidad for 50 years. That's kind of how I got started in the rodeo business."

After high school, McCloy headed for the Oklahoma Panhandle and Panhandle State University at Goodwell.

"I graduated from Panhandle State in 1969, then I went to Lubbock, to Tech," he says. "I finished work on my masters and moved back to the feedyard in the fall of 1970."

While feeding cattle was a business, rodeoing was a way of life.

"I rodeoed when I was a kid," he says. "I started out in the junior rodeo. Then I rodeoed in college. When I graduated from college, I rodeoed just on the amateur circuit or open circuit."

McCloy met a couple of people on the rodeo circuit that were to have a lasting effect on his life, his wife and her father.

"I was going to a lot of L.D.'s rodeos, and I met Karen or Shorty," McCloy says. "Everybody calls her Shorty. We were married in '68. I helped her father off and on. We were living at the feedyard, and I was working, but on the weekends, we'd help him put on rodeos. I've really been involved in rodeo nearly all my life."

Even while he was feeding cattle, he was thinking about rodeoing.

"Somebody'd bring a bucking horse by or we'd have a horse that bucked," he says. "I leased some stock to L.D. for a while. It just kind of started growing."

McCloy began building up his own string of rough stock.

"In 1993, I bought the rest of L.D.'s horses," McCloy says. "He had a few horses left. We'd been helping him put on his rodeos for four or five years. In 1993, I bought the remainder of his horses and with that deal was able to negotiate for his contracts. He had three rodeos left, and I got those contracts. We had already been building on that business. We had probably eight or ten contracts in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. Then we picked up those Colorado rodeos when I bought L.D.'s horses."

Although a lot of his stock today comes from trades and purchases, McCloy has instituted a breeding program at the family operation near the feedyard.

"We've got our own breeding program on a small scale," he says. "We're breeding some horses now. I've got a brother that's breeding some bulls. Most of our stock is local. People that have got an old

saddle horse or colt that they're having trouble breaking, we try 'em. If they buck, we keep them. If they don't, we resell them."

But some of his best horses, he says, have come from the National Finals Rodeo Sale in Las Vegas.

"I've got a horse that I bought out there a few years ago that came out of Wyoming," McCloy says. "I call him Jackson Hole. He was the 1994 TCRA Saddle Bronc of the Year."

Another one, Salty, the 1993 Texas Cowboy Rodeo Association Bareback Horse of the Year in 1993, came from McCloy's father-in-law's string.

"A roan mare that we call Len, she was branded with that brand when L.D. bought her, she was 1993 Saddle Bronc of the Year in the TCRA," McCloy says.

He says that he keeps his eye open for good horses, bulls and steers.

There are as many facets to rodeo stock contracting as there are to feeding cattle.

"You have to sort calves," he says. "You can't bring a set of calves to a rodeo that hadn't been roped and tied down. It's a lot more fair."

While McCloy keeps his eye open for bucking stock where ever he can find them, he buys his corrientes steers out of Mexico.

"I usually buy a few corriente steers every year," he says.

PARKING

district is constructing a 30-space parking area between the east side of the football stadium, the athletic building and Randy Matson. This will decrease the total number of spaces lost to 20.

Construction is currently underway at the site and should be finished by the first day of school, said Pampa High School Principal John Kenball.

Kenball is grateful for the ordinance changes and the new parking lot. And, although others have voiced concerns about traffic and safety, Kenball does not think the traffic situation around the high school will worsen.

"We're not expecting any problems," he said, adding that a new three-way stop at the Russell and Randy Matson intersection will also help with traffic problems.

But, at least one city commissioner and some students disagree.

It is mainly the parallel parking that concerns

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Standing next to a sculpture of Texas at the state line, Dumas native Bill Thorpe poses with Amarillo Red, a Texas Longhorn Thorpe uses in his rodeo specialty act. Thorpe will appear at the 38th annual White Deer Rodeo this weekend.

"Normally, they're pretty well used up by the end of a year."

He gets his corrientes through a friend that lives in El Paso.

"We've been real fortunate," he says. "We've got the same set of cattle off the same ranch for the last several years. They're real good-horned cattle."

He admits that they are not particularly good beef animals, but then that is not what they are bred for.

"They're bred for big horns and for rodeo use," he says. "They weigh about 300 pounds when I get them. They'll be calfsized, but those cattle will be probably be from 12 to 24 months old."

McCloy says he uses them for a year, then feeds them out.

"We put them on feed," he says. "They don't feed very well, but that's one way of getting rid of them."

While they grade well at the packing plant, they are not efficient in a feedyard.

"Of course, corrientes are not produced for the gainability," he says. "They're bred for a purpose, and that purpose is rodeo. It's the production of horns, not beef. You take a \$500 steer and break a horn on him, and he's worth about \$200 on the feeder market. I guess you'd call them \$300 horns."

But then when you're in the rodeo business and the feeding business, it could be termed having your cattle and eating them, too.

"It'll probably cause more accidents," he said.

Despite the concerns, city commissioners noted the time constraint on the ordinance and approved the traffic changes unanimously. The ordinance must be approved on a second reading at the Aug. 12 regular meeting before the changes become law, leaving only a few days to prepare and install signs with the new parking restrictions at the high school.

City Commissioner Jeff Andrews, who believes the number of traffic accidents could rise from the situation. Andrews asked Police Chief Charlie Morris to observe the area along Harvester once school begins and report any problems to the commission.

"Before an accident happens, we need to undo that," said Andrews.

The commissioner is not the only one voicing safety concerns. Hutchinson, who will begin attending classes Aug. 18 with fellow students, also believes parallel parking could become a precarious situation.

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City briefs

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HOUSING

primarily inspects all new buildings, and seldom finds major problems because the building contractors know the codes and follow them closely.

He said his office does inspect older buildings, but the office has to be notified of problems which would possibly pose a health or safety hazard.

"We do inspect housing, when notified and we do intervene when necessary," said Winborne.

Stanley said the best advice she can give renters, those seeking private housing as well as public assisted housing, is to do a personal inspection of

the house, talk to the landlord about possible problems and see if he is willing to make repairs.

If not, don't rent from them, she said. Refuse to rent from bad landlords.

If you are living in a house with problems, "Raise a fuss about things the landlords needs to fix. Go to the city, the utilities offices, the fire marshal or anyone else who might be able to convince an owner to bring the building up to local codes," said Stanley.

Whether a person rents for economic reasons, or because they don't want to deal with the upkeep of a house or for any other reason, Stanley says the renter always has a choice. Safe, secure property is available and no one should accept anything less.

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Shop Pampa first - it's worth it

Goldcoats welcome new Chamber member



(Special photo)

Gold Coats Dana Terry, Daisy Bennett and Mike Keagy welcome owner, stylist and consultant Mary Denman of Beauty 2000 as a new Chamber member. The shop, located at 329 N. Hobart, has been remodeled to include a Beauty Salon, full line of beauty and hair supplies, featuring Luzier Cosmetics and a Toning Salon. Staff members include: Phyllis Beckran, stylist/consultant; Carmen Alderson, stylist/consultant; (first row) Amanda Wolfe, fitness tech; Kathy Freeman, stylist/consultant; Alicia Parker, barber/consultant; Cynthia Malone, fitness/consultant; and Valarie Dickinson, stylist/consultant.

Ex-employee alleges sexual harassment

HOUSTON (AP) — A 24-year-old former employee of state Rep. Al Edwards has sued him for \$150,000 on charges of sexual harassment.

Tranita Carroll of Houston, who worked as a constituent representative, said in the lawsuit filed Monday that Edwards fired her in April 1996 after she refused to go along with his conduct and reported it to her office supervisor.

Edwards, 59, denied the allegations. "None of that is true," Edwards said Monday. "There was no sexual harassment — period. I will vigorously defend myself against these allegations."

The lawsuit, filed in the court of state District Judge William

Bell, alleges that Edwards petted Ms. Carroll on her lower back, caressed her legs, forcibly tried to kiss her while holding her in a tight embrace, and told her to "wear shorter skirts so I can see those legs."

She accuses the lawmaker of constant cursing and says he called her an "ignorant heifer." During one rage, the suit states, she was forced to back away because she was afraid he was going to strike her.

The suit seeks at least \$75,000 for actual damages and at least \$75,000 for punitive damages. It alleges Edwards committed sexual discrimination and harassment, retaliation, assault and battery and intentional infliction of emotional distress.

Edwards' attorney, Paul

Nugent, described Ms. Carroll as bitter and vengeful after Edwards fired her for "substandard performance."

"She's made these false allegations before. She's trying to 'cash in' with a large settlement," Nugent said.

Ms. Carroll's attorney, Richard London, said she is a brave person who is standing up for herself and who does not want others to suffer similar harassment. He said she also filed state and federal complaints concerning the legislator's conduct.

The lawsuit said that shortly before Ms. Carroll reported Edwards' conduct to her supervisor, Claudia Jenkins, the supervisor had promised her a raise. Instead of a raise, she was told there was no longer money in the

budget to pay for her salary, the suit said.

London said Ms. Carroll's job performance had not been questioned before she complained to Edwards about his conduct.

"She was told she was doing so well (that) they had big plans ahead for her," London said.

Don Harrington Discovery Center director named

The board of trustees of the Don Harrington Discovery Center is proud to announce the appointment of Thomas C. Halliday as the new executive director. Halliday, formerly with Battelle, will take charge of the Discovery Center on August 1, 1997.

"Through my long history with Battelle, I have cultivated a strong sense of the importance of science and technology education for the children of this community and their parents," says Halliday. "Battelle is a leading scientific research and technology developer for both government and industry and I think my experience there will add to

the already positive qualities of the Discovery Center," he says. Battelle has been a strong supporter of the Discovery Center.

Tom has an extensive background in marketing and business development, technical program management and assessment and general line, program and project management and is well versed in the fields of computers, nuclear energy, transportation, environmental sciences, renewable energy and aerospace science.

"Tom's strong scientific background and enthusiasm for this community made him the perfect candidate for the job. We feel that the Discovery Center

deserves someone as dedicated and competent as Tom," says Laura Street, president of the Discovery Center board of trustees.

Originally from Cleveland, Ohio, Halliday graduated from BaldwinWallace College in Berea, Ohio with a degree in chemistry. Upon graduation Halliday accepted a job with Battelle in Columbus, Ohio and has pursued a dedicated career with Battelle for 34 years. Halliday came to Amarillo in 1993 to accept the position of Department Manager with Battelle Pantex Advanced Technology Office. Since that time he has become a stellar member of our community.

Halliday serves as an active board member for numerous Amarillo non-profit organizations including, Don Harrington Discovery Center, Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, Amarillo Public Library, Texas Alliance for Minorities in Engineering, Leadership Amarillo, United Way and Amarillo Area Center for Advanced Learning. Halliday has also been involved with The Amarillo Little Theatre, Panhandle 2000, Amarillo Opera, Rotary, Junior League Advisory Board and Citizens for Kids Committee.

Halliday and his wife, Debra, have four grown children. Hobbies and interests include acting, magic, antique toys and children's science fiction books.

Cigarette City: Researcher wages war on nicotine in shadow of city ...

By GARY D. ROBERTSON
Associated Press Writer

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — At a school and in a city built on the country's appetite for cigarettes, a researcher is unlocking the secrets needed to wean smokers off tobacco.

Dr. Jed Rose of Duke University runs one of the country's leading laboratories designed to learn exactly how nicotine grips most of the nation's 46 million smokers. Government figures indicate that 419,000 people die annually from smoking-related illnesses.

The hows and whys of nicotine addiction intrigue the lanky 45-year-old psychiatrist and impel the research at the Nicotine Research Center. "The basic question is why people want the things they want. Why do people really pursue them," Rose said. "I got hooked on nicotine research."

Rose works at an office just a short drive from the headquarters of cigarette maker Liggett Group and for a university founded on tobacco money.

His patients are tested as they use patches and inhalers to help stop the urge to smoke. Some experiments use resolution imaging of brain receptors to determine where nicotine spreads with each puff. Rose is also working on a promising patch-and-pill combination.

"He's absolutely at the forefront of using medication to help people quit smoking," said Dr. Jaylan Turkkan, chief of the behavioral sciences research branch at the National Institute on Drug Abuse in Rockville, Md.

Even with all the medicines and tests, most patients don't succeed. Ernie Smith of Raleigh started a cessation program seven weeks ago in hopes of ending a 50-year habit. He made it to four weeks, until he and his wife separated.

At his weekly test, the retired IBM employee blows into the smoker's equivalent of a lie detector: a machine showing the amount of carbon monoxide in the lungs. He admits to smoking a few cigarettes a day.

"It's kind of hard to give up an old friend," a frustrated 65-year-old Smith told Rose.

If the recent \$368 billion tobacco settlement is approved and provides smokers with money for programs to kick the habit, the center's findings on nicotine and the smoking ritual will help determine ways to use the funding wisely.

"My worry is always that people make the false assumption that somehow we have the answers and that we have the treatment," Rose said.

The truth, Rose says, is that while much is known about nicotine, the active chemical that gives cigarettes their power is still a mystery.

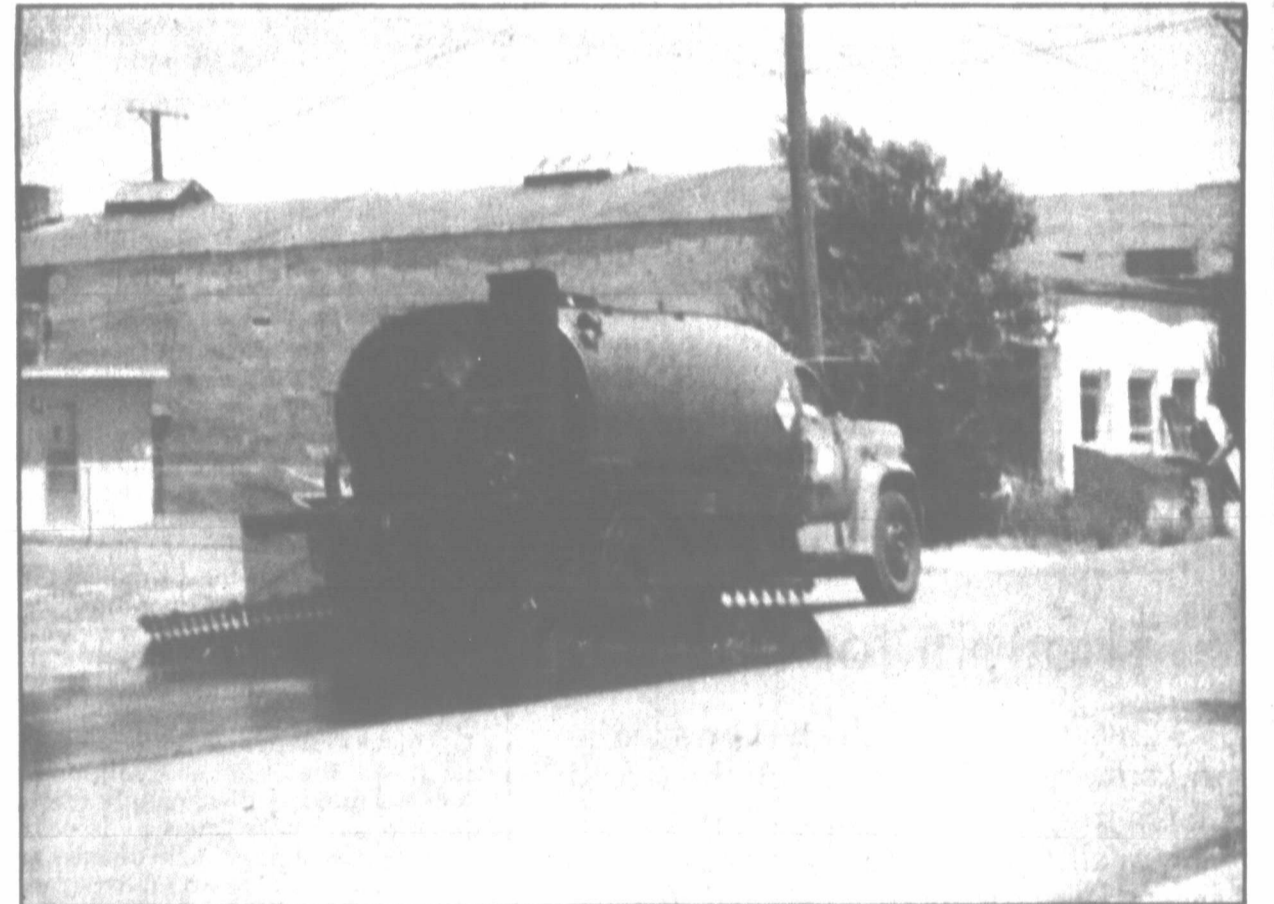
"It's a hard habit to break," said grocery clerk Brian Tapp of Raleigh, dragging on a Basic cigarette while taking a break from his job. "I've tried the chewing gum, and that didn't work. And I've tried the patch, and that kept falling off, so I quit that, too."

Answers are being found with patients like Tony Micale, a Cary accountant who smoked his first cigarette at age 8. He and 400 others are part of a study combining nicotine patches and a medication called mecamylamine designed as a blood pressure controller. The drug has shown promise in reducing the satisfaction of smoking.

Micale, 41, says he hasn't lit up since the therapy began last September. "I think I've got this thing licked."

The body absorbs nicotine through receptors in places like the brain and lungs. A nicotine patch provides that chemical to the receptors without the tar and smoke of cigarettes. And according to an earlier, smaller study, mecamylamine actually blocks receptors, thereby reducing the craving to light up.

Seal coating project



(Pampa News photo by Laura Hefner)

Even Atchison Street in front of *The Pampa News* got a facelift as part of the street seal coating project. Last week, workers blocked off the street to make the necessary repairs.

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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 coveting commandment.

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Opinion

Mexicans opted
for democracy

For seven decades, the Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, has ruled Mexico, controlling the presidency and commanding the legislature. Finally, it lost its monopoly on power — in a historic election. For the first time since 1929, the party failed to win a majority in the lower house of the legislature.

Now the PRI must share power. It must also cope with the election of its longtime critic, Cuauhtemoc Cardenas, to the influential post of mayor of Mexico City. For years, the party appointed the leader of the sprawling metropolis. Given the chance finally to elect a mayor, the city's voters delivered a landslide to Cardenas and a clear repudiation of the ruling party.

Clearly, the PRI invited its troubles. If it has done much to modernize Mexico, it has also engaged in widespread corruption, repression and brutality. It has become accepted that in 1988, the party stole the presidential election from Cardenas, delivering victory to Carlos Salinas. That was hardly the only vote it has fixed.

The Salinas administration showed the PRI at its best and its worst. Salinas brought needed market reforms to the economy. At the same time, corruption was rampant. Political killings rocked the country. The sway of drug lords increased. In 1994, near the end of his term, Salinas botched the devaluation of the peso and sent the Mexican economy into a dive.

The resulting misery for many in the emerging middle class has fueled the growing discontent with the PRI, even as the economy has slightly improved. It should be no surprise then that voters would take authority away from the party.

What is surprising is that the PRI would give voters the chance. It did so reluctantly. Still, the role of Ernesto Zedillo, who followed Salinas into the presidency, shouldn't be underestimated. Zedillo is routinely criticized for his unsteady leadership. In this case, he pushed through ambitious reforms that created an independent election system and leveled the playing field for the opposition.

In his way, Zedillo has presided over a revolution, and he reached out impressively in defeat, appearing on national television to congratulate Cardenas. Mexico will need to ignore such gestures of conciliation. If the opposition united against the PRI and pledged congressional investigations of government corruption, it is divided over the direction of the country.

Cardenas and his Party of Democratic Revolution support a major role for the government in the economy and express skepticism about close relations with the United States. The National Action Party, or PAN, takes the opposite tack on both counts.

Suddenly, Mexican leaders must find ways to govern together and to build the institutions, from courts to schools, required to support a robust democracy. The task will be difficult. It also holds much promise, and not simply for Mexicans but for Americans and others with a deepening interest in the country. A truly democratic Mexico will demand accountability from its elected leaders.

—Odessa American

Thought for today

"Manners must adorn knowledge, and smooth its way through the world. Like a great rough diamond, it may do very well in a closet by way of curiosity, and also for its intrinsic value."

Philip Dormer Stanhope, Earl of
Chesterfield

Berry's World

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Festival is closest thing to heaven

I hate Eddie Maxwell. I never even knew him before the Mobeetie Bluegrass Festival, but I hate him.

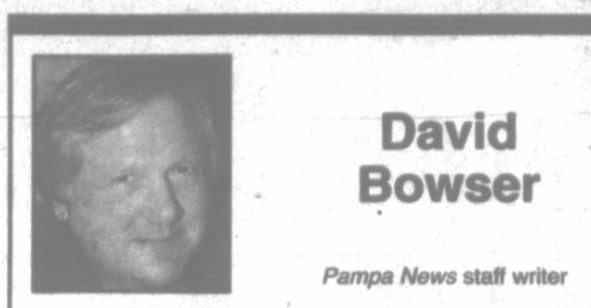
Maxwell is a banjo player with the Tri-State Bluegrass Express. He was one of the people responsible for establishing the Mobeetie Bluegrass Festival. It was Maxwell who researched the weather patterns in Wheeler County going back to 1870. He found that the best time for an outdoor celebration in Old Mobeetie was the fourth weekend in July. Historically, that weekend is the least likely to experience bad weather. It is the least likely date throughout the entire year to be rained out.

Let me back up for a minute and explain. The Mobeetie Bluegrass Festival was an outgrowth of the Panhandle Bluegrass and Ole Tyme Music Association. The association was established in 1979.

According to Eudell Gifford of Lefors, Dave LaCraze and Hugh Coder went over to Groom where Eudell and a group were playing at the high school auditorium and came back stage after the performance. The pair asked if the band would be interested in forming a bluegrass association.

Jody Grubb, the banjo player, thought it was a great idea, but Eudell wanted to know what those two Yankees knew about bluegrass. Eudell said he and the fiddle player just walked off. He also admitted that he ended up eating his words because LaCraze turned out to be really a great guy, even if he was from Pennsylvania. LaCraze lives in Oklahoma now. He went from being a Yankee to being an Okie, but he's still a good guy.

Anyway, they all teamed up and contacted Wayne Tolbert, Bill Smith and Eddie Maxwell with the Tri-State Bluegrass Express and established a bluegrass music association. The Tri-State Bluegrass Express predates the association by at least a good five years. I can remember going out to the Pop-a-Top Bar on Amarillo Boulevard on Sunday afternoon and listening to

David
Bowser

Pampa News staff writer

them in the mid-1970s.

But after they formed the Panhandle Bluegrass and Ole Tyme Music Association, they were looking for a place to hold an annual festival for the local pickers.

It was about this time that Jack Selby of Pampa was in Earth playing with a group, and he got to talking to Jeff Caldwell about the problem. Caldwell's father, Austin Caldwell, lived in Mobeetie, and Jeff thought that would be a good place to have a bluegrass festival. The rest is history.

But back to my first statement. I really hate Eddie Maxwell.

I didn't realize it until the Mobeetie music festival, but while we were sitting in the grass late that Saturday afternoon listening to Eddie, Eudell and Bill Smith and Jim Holmes loosen up before their performance (the festival organizers saved the best for last), I hit me that I really hated Maxwell.

He is a fantastic banjo player. I always wanted to play the banjo. Ever since I heard my first Eddie Peabody record, I wanted to play the banjo. My grandfather played the banjo...and the guitar and the mandolin. My grandfather couldn't read a lick of music, but he could make a banjo or just about any stringed instrument ring. My father was also an accomplished musician. My son played bass in a rock band. I had trouble getting a tune out of my grandmother's old play-

er piano. My musical ability is so limited that my ex-wife wouldn't even let me sing during church services. I had to just stand there and mouth the words. If I uttered a note, I got an elbow in the ribs.

I did take guitar lessons when I was a kid. Growing up, I took guitar lessons every Saturday morning for a week.

But I always wanted to play the banjo. If I could be blessed with just one talent in my life, it would be the ability to pick up a banjo and make that sucker sing. There's just something happy about a banjo. Bag pipes can raise the hair on the back of your neck. Bugles can make you want to go to war. Drums can set your feet a pounding. But a banjo makes you happy. Have you ever heard a sad banjo song? It's like a rinky-tink piano. Happy just swells up inside you 'til you think you're going to bust.

Well, there we were. Sitting in the grass listening Eddie and Eudell and Bill and Jim. It was like I'd died and gone to heaven.

Then after several songs, Eudell asked Eddie to tune up another guitar. Maxwell didn't just strum the thing and tinker with the strings. He set down his banjo, picked up the guitar and he and Eudell took off on their own — and keeping up with Eudell is no small feat!

That's when it hit me. That's when I really started to hate Eddie Maxwell. Not only was he good, he had the impudence to make it look easy!

After he finished with the guitar, he went back to his banjo. He lit a cigarette, took one drag then stuck it up between the strings and let the sound ripple out like a mountain stream beating its way down a long green valley. Like a good two-stepper on a dance floor, he didn't move a muscle except for his fingers. That cigarette sat there and burned down, and he never knocked an ash off of it.

I was so happy sitting there listening, I forgot to hate him. Now that's pickin'!

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, July 31, the 212th day of 1997. There are 153 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 31, 1777, the Marquis de Lafayette, a 19-year-old French nobleman, was made a major-general in the American Continental Army.

On this date:

In 1556, St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus, the Jesuit order of Catholic priests and brothers, died in Rome.

In 1875, the 17th president of the United States, Andrew Johnson, died in Carter Station, Tenn., at age 66.

In 1919, Germany's Weimar Constitution was adopted.

In 1948, President Truman helped dedicate New York International Airport (later John F. Kennedy International Airport) at Idlewild Field.

In 1953, Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio, known as "Mr. Republican," died in New York at age 63.

In 1964, the American space probe

Ranger 7 transmitted pictures of the moon's surface.

In 1972, Democratic vice-presidential candidate Thomas Eagleton withdrew from the ticket with George McGovern following disclosures Eagleton had once undergone psychiatric treatment.

In 1989, a pro-Iranian group in Lebanon released a grisly videotape purportedly showing the hanged body of American hostage William R. Higgins.

In 1995, the Walt Disney Company agreed to acquire Capital

Cities-ABC Inc. in a \$19 billion deal.

Ten years ago: Iranian pilgrims and riot police clashed in the Muslim holy city of Mecca in Saudi Arabia. The Saudi government blamed Iranians for the resulting 400 deaths.

Five years ago: The space shuttle Atlantis blasted off from Cape Canaveral, Fla., on a problem-plagued scientific mission. Summer Sanders became the first American athlete to win four medals at the Barcelona Olympics as she won the gold in the women's 200-meter butterfly.

Christian Coalition changes guard

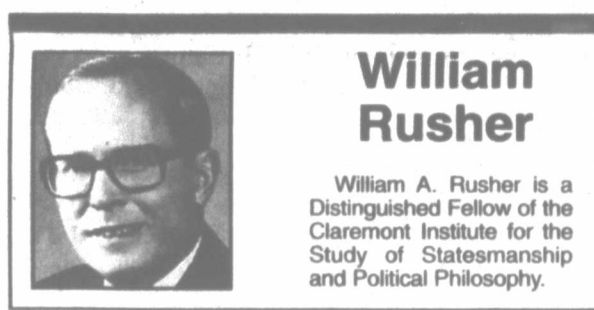
People may disagree about whether the Christian Coalition is a good or a bad thing, but nobody in his senses denies that it is an immensely important presence in American politics.

The liberals have just about talked themselves into believing that devout Christians have no business involving themselves in politics — forgetting all those years when they thought God was a liberal, represented here on earth by Martin Luther King Jr., Rev. William Sloan Coffin, Bishop Gumbleton, and the Berrigan brothers.

But since the Christian Coalition was founded in 1989, God seems to have moved sharply to the right. The so-called "religious right," a term including not only the Christian Coalition but other conservative Protestant, Catholic and Jewish organizations as well, is incontestably a major force in the Republican Party — indeed, in many states the dominant force.

The founder of the Christian Coalition was Pat Robertson, but its operating head and chief spokesman has been Executive Director Ralph Reed, a deceptively baby-faced man in his 30s.

Reed quickly turned out to be not only an excellent organizer but a superb spokesman. Cool and unflappable, with an engaging smile, he guided the Christian Coalition into what its foes regarded as disarmingly reasonable positions on a whole series of issues. Thanks to Reed, it was impossible to dismiss the Coalition as a bunch of obsessed fanatics out to shove their moral opinions down the throats of the

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rest of the American people. When Reed announced he would retire on June 16 to go into business as a political consultant, the organization's prospects suddenly looked much less bright.

Robertson replaced Reed with Randy Tate, a feisty young (31) Christian conservative who was elected in 1994 from suburban Seattle as one of the famous 72 Republican freshmen in the 104th Congress. There Tate promptly racked up a dauntingly conservative voting record, thereby enraging the AFL-CIO, which spent a young fortune to ensure his defeat in 1996.

As the new executive director, Tate is the perfect man to run the day-to-day affairs of the Coalition and do battle for its causes on Washington's wilder and woollier talk shows. But Robertson shrewdly realized that the Coalition would also need a highly experienced hand on the tiller, to steer it through the shoals of national politics and

still further enhance its power in the GOP.

So Robertson stepped still deeper into the background, assuming the newly created post of chairman of the board, and turned over the presidency of the Christian Coalition to Don Hodel (62), secretary of first Energy and then the Interior in the Cabinet of Ronald Reagan.

As it happens, I have known Don Hodel since he was an undergraduate at Harvard in the mid-1950s. (I had founded the Young Republican Club there in 1947, and was still in touch with it when Hodel became its president. We chestily called the club "the Republican West Point," with Hodel ultimately becoming Exhibit A.) He is such an impressive human being, and such a rock-solid conservative, that in 1988 I joined a small, mostly Western group of Republicans (Hodel hails from Oregon) who believed he would make a superb vice president for George Bush. It was not to be, however; and, moving to Colorado, Hodel became a consultant on energy matters.

Don had always been seriously religious, but the tragic death of a teenage son made born-again Christians of him and his wife Barbara. Since then, they have traveled many thousands of miles together to witness to their faith.

Hodel recently completed a year and a half as interim vice president of Focus on the Family, reorganizing that important organization. Now the Christian Coalition, in tapping him to become its new president, has ensured the continued growth of both its political wisdom and its clout.

In praise of First Amendment rights

In 1973, Justice William O. Douglas attacked the very idea of politicians having a say in what we hear and see. Said Douglas:

"It puts the head of the camel inside the tent and enables administration after administration to toy with TV or radio in order to serve its sordid or its benevolent ends."

The camel has come bestride the tent now that the television industry — except for NBC — has allowed itself to be coerced into a new "voluntary" rating system for its programs.

While various groups of parents and educators are among the ground troops for this assault on the First Amendment rights of broadcasters and unorganized viewers — the command force consists of a cadre of members of Congress.

As Paul Farhi has reported in the *Washington Post*, "Several members have introduced bills that would all but force" compliance "with a rating system that is supposed to be voluntary." Such bills included "denying noncomplying TV stations renewal of their broadcast licenses."

In television interviews, the purifying politicians stoutly claimed that their pressure was solely aimed at providing sufficient program information to parents so they could prevent their children from being exposed to violence and worse.

For example, one of the leaders of the enforcers, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., assured us on MSNBC that the new rating system "is in no way designed to affect the content of programs."

But Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., the Torquemada of this censoring operation, could not restrain himself in a statement issued by his office:

"We've tried to explain that you can put a label

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on garbage, but it's still garbage, and while tools like the V-chip and ratings will help parents gain more control over the message reaching their kids, what these families truly want is better television."

Also, Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., another member of the content police, insists: "Television content is the problem — not whether or not parents are provided with warning labels on bad programs."

Starting Oct. 1, those families will get what they consider "better" television as the slippery ratings onscreen — "suggestive dialogue," "vulgar language" — easily provide the lowest common denominator for offense. And on a national scale. The standards for Salt Lake City and New York are the same.

While this incremental attack on the First Amendment was being heralded, Vice President Al Gore crowed that "Today, America's parents have won back their living rooms."

The only invaders my wife and I and our children have repelled from our living room are politicians and apparatchiks who have tried to tell us what we could not see or hear.

It is dismaying to see only one network, NBC,

with the courage to expose the Liebermans and Brownbacks.

NBC says accurately that "the ultimate aim ... is to dictate program content. NBC has consistently stated that as a matter of principle, there is no place for government involvement in what people watch on television."

As for children, there is an illuminating new book — *Rationales & Revelations: Regulating the Electronic Media*, published by the Media Institute in Washington — that should be read by anyone concerned with freeing television of the Anthony Comstocks in public office.

In one chapter, "Children Are Not a Constitutional Blank Check," Laurence Winer, a law professor at Arizona State University, makes a point that the Supreme Court has also underlined: "Children are not a universal First Amendment solvent immediately dissolving vital constitutional restraints on government interference with freedom of expression."

The crude undercutting of the First Amendment by these congressmen has escaped many Americans. Even Daniel Schorr, the sage of National Public Radio, said with self-satisfied irony: "Censorship? First Amendment violation? The First Amendment, it seems to me, was designed to protect the press from government, not from angry parents."

But leading those angry parents are senators wielding the power of punitive legislation. Most have now agreed to wait three years to see if the networks have learned to be good soldiers under the new ratings. But Sen. Lieberman said he will not wait that long. He wants the garbage out before then, and he is not alone in including the First Amendment among the garbage.

Camp life a lot of fun



(Special photo)

Jonathan Jones, of First Baptist Church, and Derek Lewis were among 180 boys attending Boy's Camp at Pan Fork Baptist encampment. Lewis waits for a big fish to bite his hook while Jones shows off the fish or possibly the bait that he caught. His bait — or fish — measures 2 1/2 inches long. Some of the activities the boys enjoyed were fishing, swimming, paddle boating, Bible stories, crafts and recreation.

Museum exhibit spotlights XIT Ranch

XIT Ranch of Texas, which was the largest fenced cattle ranch in the world, will come alive again when the exhibit, "XIT: The Ranch That Built the Texas Capitol" opens Aug. 8, 1997, at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon. The exhibit will remain on display there until January 1998. The exhibit first was displayed at the Capitol Complex Visitors Center in Austin.

The creation of the XIT Ranch resulted from a bargain made in 1882 by the State of Texas with a Chicago firm that agreed to build the present Texas Capitol in exchange for three million acres of land in the Texas Panhandle. This unique arrangement resulted because Texas had little cash but much public land in the 1880s and needed a new, larger Capitol building. The Chicago company, better known as the Capitol Syndicate, initially consisted of Abner Taylor, Amos C. Babcock, Charles B. Farwell and John V. Farwell.

In 1885, the Syndicate established a ranch on the land, which was located along the Texas-New Mexico boundary in a strip about 200 miles long and 25 to 30 miles wide. The Farwells later purchased Babcock's and Taylor's interests in the ranch and continued to operate it until 1912.

To raise money to operate the ranch and complete the Texas Capitol, John V. Farwell went to England and established the Capitol Freehold Land & Investment Company, Ltd., in 1885. The joint stock company sold bonds to borrow money for the Texas projects.

Beginning in 1901, the XIT lands were sold to ranchmen and farmers for money to redeem the bonds. The

debt finally was paid off in 1909 and the British company liquidated in 1915.

The Farwells operated one of the largest wholesale dry goods firms in Chicago and operated the XIT Ranch in strict accordance with business methods of the period. The XIT became one of the first ranches to adopt scientific practices and raised various agricultural crops annually in addition to raising cattle.

The XIT Records, more than 200 linear feet of documents relating to the operation of the ranch, are preserved in the archives of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum. The papers were donated to the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society by the Farwell family in 1928. Items from this collection comprise a major portion of the exhibit.

The exhibit will feature XIT documents concerning the construction of the Texas Capitol, the operation of the ranch and the sale of ranch lands from 1901 to 1963.

Photographs, sculpture and artifacts relating to the ranch and the building of the Texas Capitol also will be on display.

Among the artifacts will be chaps, spurs and other cowboy items typical of the period 1885-1912; surveying instruments of the type used to survey the Capitol lands that became the XIT Ranch; and a scale model of the Buffalo Springs Division Headquarters of the XIT Ranch in Dallam County north of Dalhart made by Garrett Hall of Amarillo.

A short video production will spotlight the activities of the Farwell brothers and the history of the XIT.

Club news

Altrusa

Altrusa International, Inc., of Pampa met July 29 at the Pampa Country Club with President Jeanne Mitchell presiding. Thirty-two members and three guests were present.

The following announcements were made:

—Karen Bridges, co-chair of the annual Style Show, discussed plans for the show including decorating, door prizes and food. The event is slated for Aug. 16 and will kick-off with a brunch at 9:30 a.m. at the M.K. Brown Heritage Room.

—Louise Bailey presented the accent on the Tralee Resale Shop which helps support the Tralee Crisis Center.

Daisy Bennett and Doria McAndrews served as greeters for the evening and presented Becky Holmes and Nancy Coffee with special birthday wishes.

Leona Willis introduced Tralee Crisis Center staff members Linda Town, Stephanie Raymond and Ann Hamilton who spoke about the shelter for abused women.

Willis also recognized Altrusa members Bailey and Joyce Simon who serve, along with Willis, as Tralee board members.

The meeting was adjourned with the Altrusa benediction. The next meeting will be at noon Aug. 12 at the Pampa Country Club.

Booth space available for Chautauqua

Booth space is still available for Pampa's 16th annual Chautauqua celebration Labor Day, Sept. 1, in Central Park. Sponsored by Pampa Fine Arts Association, the event will feature a free stage from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. that will include soloists, bands, dance, acrobatic groups and storytelling.

The 5K (\$9) and Fun Runs (\$4) will begin at 8 a.m., sponsored by Columbia Medical Center. For entry forms contact Terry Barnes, 669-0924. All proceeds go to United Way, and all registered runners receive a free T-shirt.

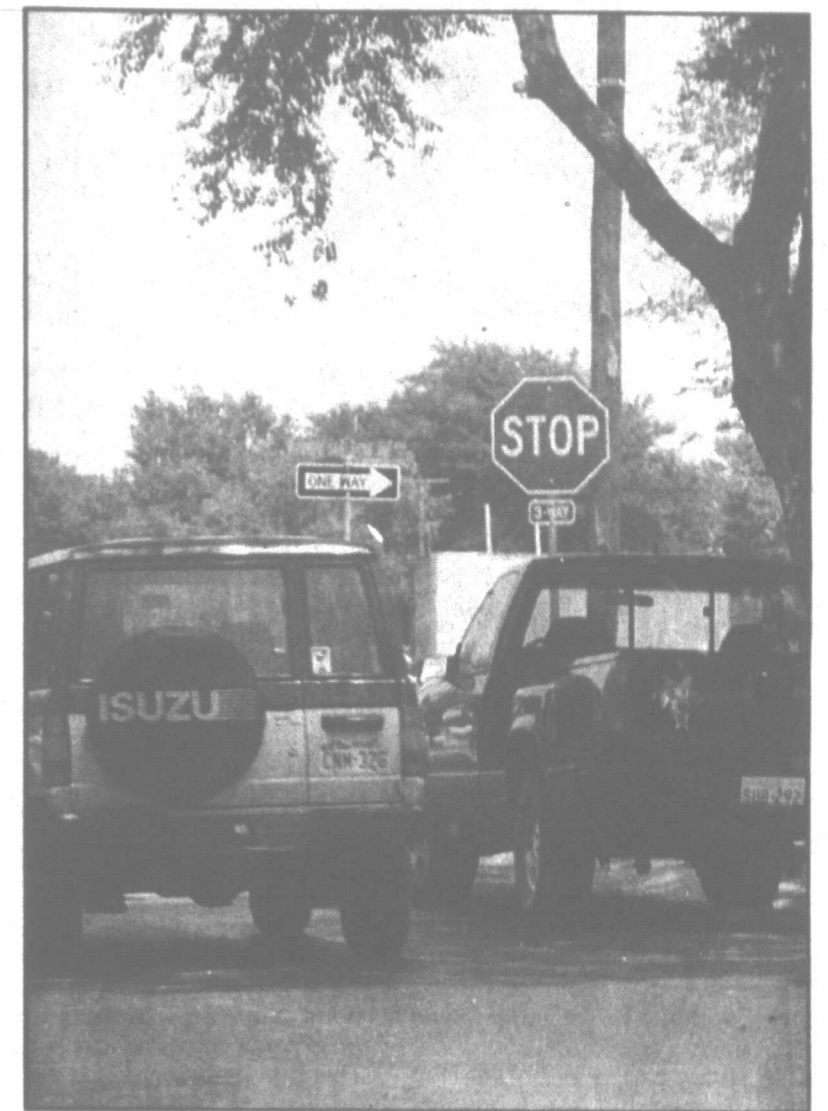
Those manning arts and craft booths where items are sold must pay \$25 and mail fee with full name, address, telephone number and brief description to Chautauqua, Pampa Fine Arts, P.O. Box 818, Pampa, 79066-0818. For inquiries, call the PFAA office at 665-0343.

Visual artists and exhibitors who are not selling items will not pay a booth fee. The food booths are limited to non-profit organizations, with returning organizations having first option. Food booths are limited to 20, and there is no duplication.

Visual artists and crafts people are encouraged to demonstrate their work, in keeping with the original educational purpose of the first Chautauquas, begun before the turn of the century at Chautauqua, N.Y.

Booths should be set up by 9 a.m., with the exception of the pancake breakfast, which begins at 7 a.m.

New stop sign goes up



(Pampa News photo by Laura Haley)

Pampa citizens are adjusting to the new stop signs in place at the intersection of Russell and Randy Matson. As of Monday, traffic traveling north and south on Russell must stop at the intersection, making the area a three-way stop. City Commissioners approved an ordinance to allow the stop signs at the recommendation of residents and the traffic commission earlier this month.

Boy Scouts participate in jamboree

The Golden Spread Boy Scout Council announces its participation in the 1997 National Boy Scout Jamboree slated for July 28 at Fort A.P. Hill, Va. The boys will join an estimated 30,000 other Boy Scouts from across the nation and around the world at the Jamboree.

The troop of 36 area Boy Scouts and four adult scout leaders met at 5 a.m. July 25, at Amarillo International Airport to depart for Washington, D.C. The scouts will tour the Capitol area as well as participate in Jamboree.

Scoutmaster Vic Shrock and assistant scoutmasters Byron Burkhard, Pat Phelps and Read Pierce will lead

the local troop. According to Shrock, the boys will experience a chance of a lifetime while visiting scouts from all over the world and while viewing their nation's Capitol firsthand.

The troop will return to Amarillo Aug. 6 on the 8 p.m. American flight.

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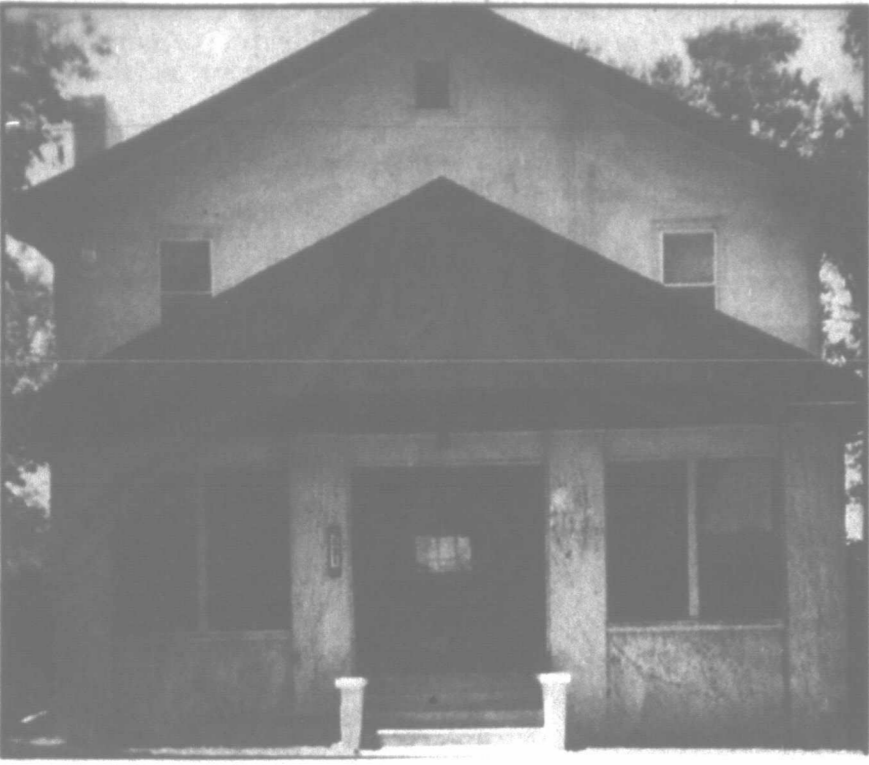
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White Deer Land Museum: Local museum houses boards from early headquarters



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Photograph of house at 521 N. Somerville taken around 1925.

Museum Mementos

Eloise Lane
White Deer Land Museum



In 1910, Harry Byers Price, a banker and rancher in Reading, Kan., bought 33 sections of land from the White Deer Land Company and an additional eleven sections in the summer of 1911, making a total of 44 sections. H. B., who had a good eye for land, mapped out the land and made his bid of \$6 an acre to T. D. Hobart, manager of the land company from 1903 to 1924. Hobart, referring to the land company, said emphatically, "They won't take it!"

H.B. was vacationing in Colorado when he was notified that the land company had accepted his bid. He took possession in 1911 and sent his son, Willis Davidson Price Sr. to Hutchinson County to oversee the ranch.

The purchase included the old headquarters of the White Deer Lands - a log house on White Deer Creek built in the early 1880s by Harrison Groom. After W. D. Price Sr. and Margaret Chatterton were married on Oct. 15, 1915, 'at



(photo courtesy of White Deer Land Museum)

Boards from the White Deer Land Company's first headquarters show initials and other graffiti.

Reading, they lived in a two-room frame house next to the old log house headquarters. W.D. Sr. acquired land to the west on his own, and in 1928 built Breezy Point, headquarters for the Flying W Ranch.

About 1925, W.D. Sr. built a house at 521 N. Somerville, so that the Price children could attend

school in Pampa. W.D. Price Jr. (known as Buddy) was born in that house on April 30, 1928. His sisters were Mary, Martha, Harriett and Margaret.

Buddy often left from the back door of the Price home at 521 N. Somerville and walked only a few steps to enter the back door of the C. P. Buckler home at 410 W.

Buckler. Frequently M. K. Brown was there to play the piano while the people present sang for hours.

Buddy's first job was doing yard work for Mrs. Buckler, for which he was paid 50 cents an hour at first and later 50 cents an hour. He also did yard work at 423 N. Somerville for Mrs. A.B. McAfee who kept teachers, including Madge Rusk and Florence Jones.

Ida Ruth Taylor spent many hours at the Price home while visiting her best friend, Buddy's younger sister Margaret. Ida Ruth, born Dec. 29, 1929, was the youngest child of Homer B. Sr. and Edna Young Taylor. Her paternal grandparents were William and Ida Wilkes Taylor who came to Pampa in 1912. Her maternal grandparents were Edgar Feodore and Dulcie Faulkner Young who came to Pampa in 1907 when there were only 75 buildings in town and the only water well was just west of Lovett Memorial Library where the foundation is still standing.

Beth Buddy and Ida Ruth attended school in Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School. Buddy attended Texas Tech University and Ida Ruth attended West Texas State University.

Buddy and Ida Ruth were married on July 7, 1951, and moved to the Flying W Ranch headquarters on White Deer Creek. Their children are Mary, Jane and Willis III. When Mary was old enough to go to school, the family moved to 1806 Fir in Pampa. After Mary obtained her driver's license and could drive Jane, Willis and herself to school, the family moved back to the ranch where all of them loved to live.

Buddy and Ida Ruth, who love

trees and flowers, have made their home a beautiful place enjoyed by all of their family. They receive inspiration from the scenic view of the lovely Texas Panhandle sunrises and the even lovelier sunsets.

Many people travel regularly on Price Road which begins on the west side of Pampa at SH 60 and leads north and west to the Flying W Ranch. The first seven miles of Price Road is also FM 282 which turns east to intersect SH 70 and continue on to Miami.

The old log house on White Deer Creek was washed away when the creek rose after a heavy rain in the 1930s. All that remained of the first White Deer Lands headquarters were a few boards and part of a grayish adobe wall about two or three feet high. W.D. Price Sr. treasured the boards and stored them for safekeeping.

In January 1986, Buddy and Ida Ruth gave the boards to the White Deer Land Museum where they are on display. It seems appropriate that the boards from the first headquarters building of the White Deer Land Company are housed in the last company headquarters building which is now the White Deer Land Museum.

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Gray County Association of Retarded Citizens to hold annual trail ride

It's time for the Gray County Association of Retarded Citizens trail ride. The ride will once again be at the Reynold's ranches north of Pampa starting at 9 a.m. Sept. 20. A minimum of \$15 is needed to ride, and each rider can get as many sponsors as they want with each sponsor giving a one time donation.

The riders will sign up at 8 a.m. and must

have a current negative coggins original certificate in order to ride. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided for the riders. A barbecue lunch will be served at noon. The ride will then continue until 4 p.m. Cookies and drinks will be provided at this time, and all prizes will be awarded.

The rider raising the most money over \$500 will win a saddle. Second prize for the most

money over \$250 is a pick-up load of feed and third prize for the most money over \$100 is three round bales of hay delivered. All riders raising \$35 will receive a T-shirt. Many other prizes have been donated by area businesses.

For more information or entry forms, call Sharon Williams at 669-0176 or Sherry Carlson at 669-7171.

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Political socials 'Pachanga' cements political relationships in South Texas

By KIMBERLY DURMAN
The Monitor

MISSION, Texas — The scene in a Guadalupe Street backyard repeats itself every Thursday — a pot of beans, chicken on the grill, beer on ice and a bevy of Hidalgo County's political leaders, hopefuls and has-beens.

The informal gathering started about three years ago, when Roel Riviera, otherwise known as "The Wizard," invited about six "compadres" (best pals) to a backyard cookout to discuss local politics.

Since then, the party has grown and, depending on the political season, as few as 25 people or as many as 150 attend the weekly ritual.

"Judge Juan Partida, (former county judge) J. Edgar Ruiz, (County Clerk) Eloy Pulido and even (state Sen.) Eddie Lucio has been here. You name them and they've been here," Riviera boasted as he stirred the beans for a recent gathering. "They just come for the bean soup with bacon in it. It's my speciality and everybody at the courthouse knows it."

Of course, others say the food may be good, but it's not the main reason to attend. This is the place to see and be seen if you have political aspirations. The gathering gives those thinking about running for office a chance to take the pulse of voters and weigh a variety of opinions on controversial issues.

The Wizard's weekly party is "pachanga" politics in full swing. Sometimes subtle, sometimes not, this sort of politicking is as famous as fajitas in the Rio Grande Valley. It is history and lore — the essence of the way things are done here.

For instance, Eloy Pulido frequents meetings to measure reaction as to whether he should run again for county clerk or vie for the county judge seat. Making a good impression at the gathering

rates high, he said.

"What's so important about these functions is that these people bring out real concerns," Pulido said between games of pool. "Some good ideas come out of these barbecues. These people have deep roots in the Valley, and extended family, so they carry back the news."

Earlier in the night, former state Rep. Sergio Munoz arrived with a contribution of tortilla chips and some tomatillos. He said he plans to be the next mayor of Palmview.

"A lot of my friends are here, and you get a glimpse of what's going on socially, politically and economically," Munoz said. "It's very down-to-earth. It's not one of those deals where you have to wear a coat and tie."

Although county elections are in March 1998, potential candidates already have begun to jockey for position in the following races: county judge, district attorney, district clerk, county clerk, commissioners in precincts 2 and 4, judges for the 206th, 275th and 370th district courts, and judges for all four county courts-of-law.

Candidates must file between Dec. 3, 1997 and Jan. 2, 1998. Elections are March 10.

Bumper stickers on the wooden fence around the backyard already reveal probable candidates such as McAllen attorneys Ana Saenz and Rose Guerra Reyna for 206th district court judge, as well as a vague message from the Pulido camp that simply states "Pulido '98."

Saenz said she has not announced her candidacy formally. Pulido said he will make his announcement Jan. 2, 1998.

Whether running for office or just interested in local politics, no one is turned away from the weekly meetings — even rival candidates, Riviera said. Instead, friendly people and a relaxing atmosphere make the event accessible to anyone who wants to meet and greet possible candidates or constituents.



(Special photo)

Local American Cancer Society volunteer, Pam Dalton, attends Leadership Summit in Austin recently.

Making a difference: Cornerstone of American Cancer Society is volunteer effort at community level

AUSTIN — According to a recent study, over 48 percent of Americans volunteer for community causes. On July 19 in Austin, the American Cancer Society hosted more than 60 volunteer leaders from throughout Texas during its third annual Leadership Summit.

Pam Dalton of Pampa attended the summit meeting and participated in discussions concerning how best to involve new volunteers in the American Cancer Society's efforts to offer more local programs and services that benefit communities.

"People volunteer for different reasons," Gaylene Freeman, chairman of the board of the American Cancer Society, Texas Division, said. "For some it is the desire to help others. It's also a compassion toward people in need, wanting to do something for a cause that is important, and enjoying the volunteer work."

The American Cancer Society brings together its volunteer leaders like Dalton on an annual basis to get their advice and to coordinate volunteer involvement activities for communities across the state. The American Cancer Society is a community based organization fighting cancer through the efforts of thousands of dedicated volunteers.

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DEAR ABBY: My sister calls me a "party pooper" because I seldom attend our family's social gatherings, of which there are many. If a fly dies, they throw a party.

My family think of themselves as "fun people," but the truth is, they'll use any excuse to drink. This is their choice, but it's not mine.

I don't enjoy Mom and Dad's slurred attempts at conversation during these get-togethers. Nor do I like watching Aunt Millie trip over herself on the dance floor, Uncle Jim telling off-color jokes or his wife laughing like a hyena.

It was bad enough when I had to observe this behavior when I was growing up, but I have drawn the line at having my children witness this disgraceful conduct.

Am I wrong in trying to protect my children from these scenes?
**EMBARRASSED
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DEAR EMBARRASSED: No. Not only are you protecting your children, you are also sparing your relatives from embarrassing themselves in front of the children, with whom they may wish to have a relationship in the future. Should any of them sober up someday, they may thank you.

DEAR ABBY: The letter written by "Been There in Florida," the mother who was concerned that her son might inherit his father's abu-



Abigail Van Buren

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siveness, was right on the money. I am a mother who stayed in an abusive marriage "for the sake of the children."

Finally, after 23 years, I left that marriage when I realized that my life was at stake. I left when the children went off to college, and I started over with no financial help from my husband. I was still too emotionally involved to see the damage it had done to the children.

I now realize staying in the abusive marriage did not benefit my children. My son has spent time in prison for his aggressive behavior toward his girlfriend and now must attend anger management counseling for three years. My son and former husband are master manipulators. Both father and son can be charming, and then on a moment's notice and without any provocation turn into angry, aggressive, abusive monsters.

My daughter is afraid she will marry someone like her father. She has no faith in her ability to judge

people; she doesn't stand up for herself and tends to minimize abusive behavior. She will do anything to keep the peace. Her low self-esteem is due to the abuse she received from her father and brother while she was growing up.

Living in an abusive marriage is also very lonely. My definition of loneliness is being in the company of someone, yet feeling entirely alone because no intimacy exists.

I have now built a new life, and although it is filled with peace, tranquility, honesty and happiness, I'm sad to say it is without my son and the financial advantages I once had. We make our own quality of life when we leave an abusive situation. Perhaps it's not as comfortable financially, but it's far more gratifying, and definitely more peaceful.
L.P. IN WRIGHTWOOD, CALIF.

DEAR L.P.: Congratulations on having built a new life. Children benefit from living in an emotionally nourishing environment. It's easy to say that children need a two-parent household in order to become healthy adults; however, evidence has shown that children raised in an environment of tension, conflict and abuse often repeat these behaviors in adulthood, or become withdrawn and depressed and take on the role of victim.

Horoscope



Your Birthday

Friday, Aug. 1, 1997

Probabilities for success look very encouraging for the year ahead, provided you're methodical and organized. Focus on your greatest and most meaningful objectives first.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You might not be too lucky today in getting others to go out of their way to help you, however, they might be fortunate in getting you to bear their burdens. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to

state your zodiac sign.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A misunderstanding you had with an old friend isn't totally resolved yet. Be diplomatic if you encounter this individual today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do not be abrasive or demanding in a matter where you need another's cooperation. You will be left to fend for yourself if you act like a wise guy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A heated discussion could result today if you try to force your opinions on one who has told you that he or she doesn't endorse your thinking.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Proceed cautiously in your financial affairs today. Do not take risks, even if encouraged to do so by someone who was right previously.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Do not let anyone put you in a position today where you feel compelled to make a decision under pressure. You need time to study your alternatives.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Take safety precautions when working with unfa-

miliar tools today. Do not attempt to do something on your own that needs an experienced assistant.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Guard against inclinations today to take seriously things that should be treated lightly. Laugh along with the crowd, even if you are the butt of a joke.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Associates, as well yourself, might have low kinking points today. You can't control their growths, but you can contain yours. Smile and be cool.

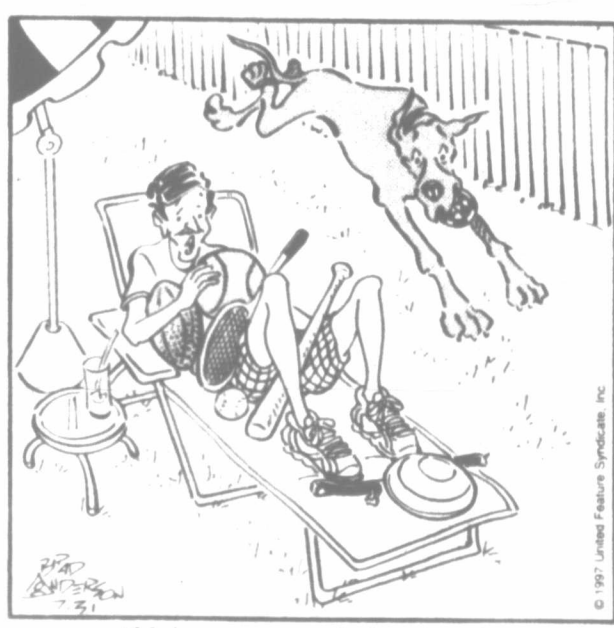
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A disturbing matter cannot be resolved if you don't bring it out into the open. Your friends want to be helpful, so don't restrict their intentions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you have an outstanding financial obligation, try to pay at least a portion of it today instead of letting it fester on the balance sheet.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you feel a bit feisty and assertive today, push for everyone's collective benefit and not just what serves your interests alone.
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"I turned the TV off while I went to the bathroom, but the show didn't stop and wait!"



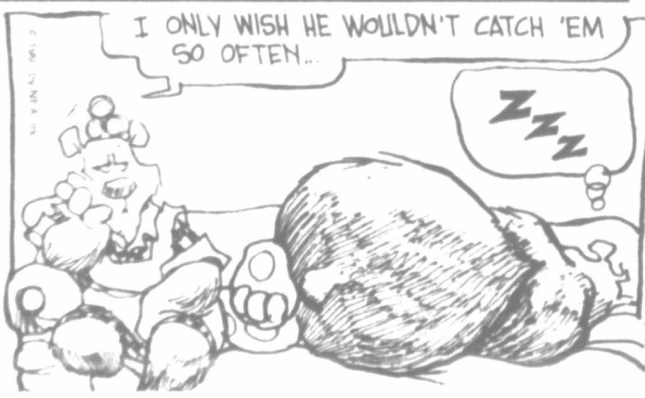
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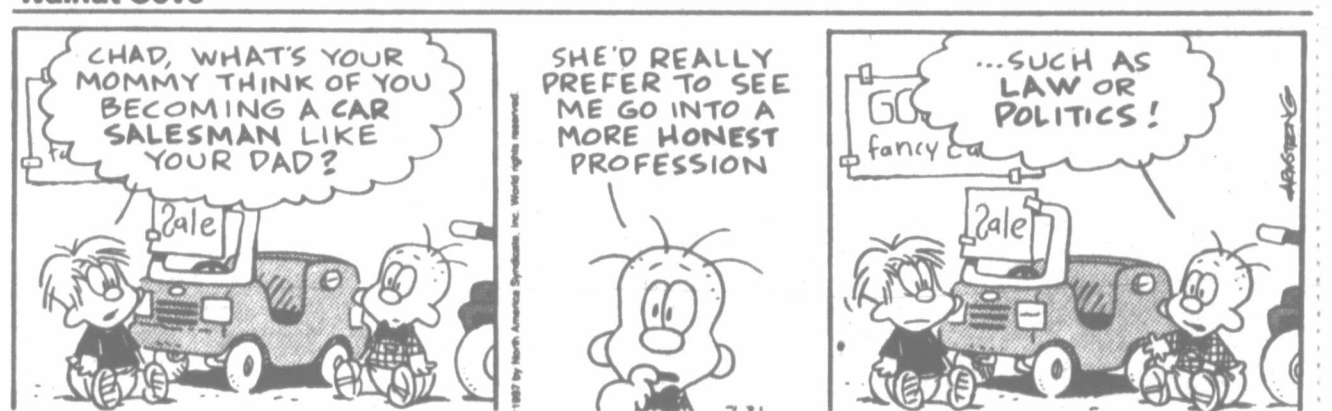
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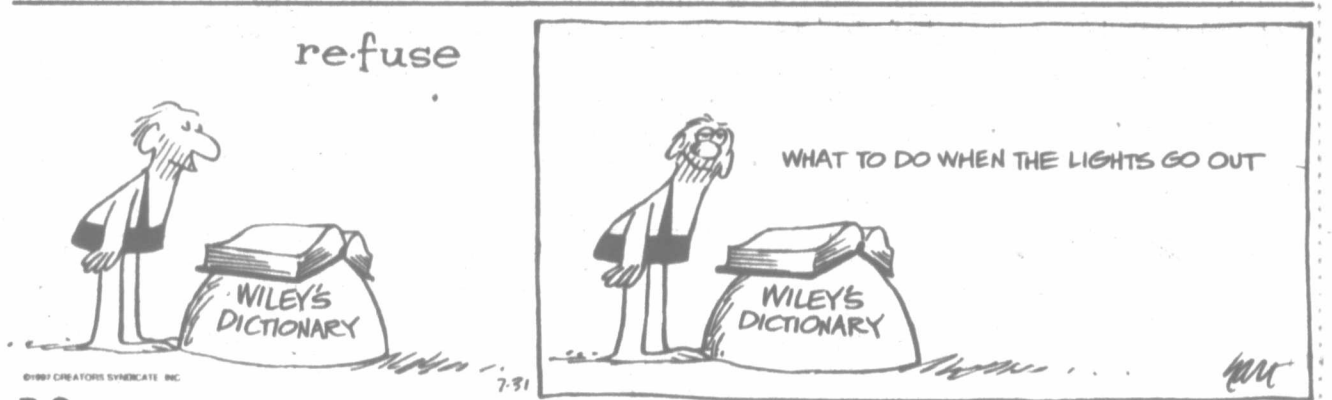
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Rodeo

SANTA ROSA, Calif. — The husband and wife team of John W. and Sherrie Jones of Morro Bay, Calif., took the steer wrestling and barrel racing titles at the \$18,830 Sonoma County Fair Rodeo, July 25-26 in Santa Rosa, Calif.

John W. Jones, a three-time world champion and ProRodeo Hall of Fame inductee, downed his steer in 4.1 seconds to earn \$1,106. He is currently ranked first in the Sierra ProRodeo Circuit steer wrestling standings.

Sherrie Jones rounded the barrels in 17.41 seconds to claim the barrel racing title and earn \$525.

Jones said that, although he and his wife are not retired, they are "tired."

"We kind of have fun with it (rodeo)," he said. "Go hang around California on the weekends and work during the week."

Other winners in Santa Rosa were Marv Hurley (Bakersfield, Calif.), bareback riding, 73 points on Western Rodeo's Blue Haze, \$900; Tim Bridwell (Fall River Mills, Calif.), bull riding, 72 points on Western Rodeo's T182, \$1,244; Rob Dugo (Escalon, Calif.), calf roping, 9.1 seconds, \$1,048; Ed Dufurrena (Fallon, Nev.), saddle bronc riding, 72 points on Western Rodeo's Jack Knife, \$869; and Steve Smith Jr. (South Lake Tahoe, Calif.) and Bob Brown (Lone Pine, Calif.), team roping, 6.5 seconds, \$718 each.

Baseball

West Texas A&M Baseball Coach **Todd Howey** announced Wednesday that a total of 14 players have signed letters of intent to play for the Buffs next season.

The Buffs have lost a total of 11 players, all of whom had starting experience, had to recruit vigorously to maintain a high-caliber winning program.

Six pitchers, all right-handed, are among the 14 signees. Last year's Buff pitching staff ranked fifth in the Lone Star conference, but graduation has hurt the Buffs bullpen, and the six pitchers recruited look to fill the gap left behind.

Of the fourteen total signees, 10 are transfer students, including Josh Redd from Tarleton State and a former Frank Phillips player, outfielder Heath Pipes.

In the third base spot left vacant by graduated LSC Player of the Year Tim Druble, two players will compete for time, Landry Schultz, a transfer out of Texas-San Antonio, and Steve Luda of Hill Junior College.

The Buffs recruiting staff hopes that their recent acquisitions will keep the Buff squad a competitive Lone Star Conference participant.

Tennis

MONTREAL — Alex O'Brien defeated Marcos Ondruska of South Africa 6-4, 7-6 (9-7) in the second round of the du Maurier Open Canadian Men's tennis championship in Montreal Wednesday.

O'Brien is a former Amarillo Tascosa High School student. O'Brien is slated to play the winner of the Michael Change vs. Sandon Stolle match.

Football

Pampa High School's football coaching staff has been on the road this past week speaking at clinics in both Texas and Oklahoma.

The coaching staff has been honored by being asked to speak at the Texas State Football Clinic as well as the Oklahoma State Football Clinic all in the same week.

The coaching staff will return in time for next week's first football practices. Practice for next season will begin August 6th for all high school participants.

BALTIMORE (AP) — Some games were close, others were blowouts. Sometimes the key contributor was an All-Star; other times a utility player delivered the crushing blow.

One way or another, the Baltimore Orioles found a way to beat the Texas Rangers this season.

Scott Kamieniecki won his first start in more than a month and Geronimo Berroa drove in two runs as Baltimore capped a three-game sweep of the Rangers with a 3-1 victory.

Baltimore has one five straight and eight of nine, including a three game sweep of Texas last week. The Orioles won the season series with the Rangers 10-1 after going 3-10 against them last year.

"What goes around comes around. Call it a payback," Baltimore manager Davey Johnson said. "Last year, our trademark was that we couldn't beat good clubs like New York or Texas. We did a good job during the offseason of putting together a team that could beat those good clubs."

Kamieniecki wasn't an Oriole last year. Neither was Berroa nor Jeff Reboulet, who went 3-for-4 with two dou-

bles and an RBI as a replacement for injured All-Star second baseman Roberto Alomar.

"When we're playing well, everybody is contributing. Today's a great example of that," Reboulet said.

The Orioles, who own the best record in the AL at 66-38, remain 5 1/2 games ahead of the Yankees in the AL East.

"That's why they're where they're at. When you're having a good season, those things become predictable," losing pitcher John Burkett said of the Orioles domination.

"That's how it goes when you're going good. When you're not, it goes the other way."

Texas has lost 12 of 17 and is 7-14 since the All-Star break. The Rangers didn't get a hit after the second inning.

"We move on - just like they were glad to see us out of here last year," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "I guess turnaround is fair play."

Despite losing Alomar, who was placed on the 15-day disabled list before the game with a pulled groin, the Orioles didn't miss a beat. Reboulet made several fine

defensive plays and drove in an insurance run with a seventh-inning double.

"He's no slouch," Johnson said. "I know he's wanted to play more, and that's a good opportunity for him."

Kamieniecki (7-5) allowed one run, three hits and four walks in 6 2-3 innings. The right hander was 0-2 in five starts since June 22.

"I had a little better control this time. I had an idea where the pitches were going," Kamieniecki said. "I walked four, but I still felt in control."

Jesse Orosco retired all three batters he faced, Armando Benitez got one out and Randy Meyers worked the ninth, completing the three hitter for his 30th save.

Burkett (7-10), vying for his 100th career win, gave up two runs and five hits in six innings. He is 0-3 with a 6.62 ERA against Baltimore this season.

"They're a good team. They've got every ingredient it takes to win," Burkett said.

The Rangers took a 1-0 lead in the second when Kamieniecki issued a two-out walk to Tom Goodwin with the bases loaded before striking out Mark McLemore.

Astros' Kile wins eighth consecutive

HOUSTON (AP) — Craig Biggio hit a bases-loaded triple in the eighth inning and Darryl Kile won his eighth straight decision as the Houston Astros beat the St. Louis Cardinals 7-4 Wednesday night.

After the Cardinals scored three times in the eighth to tie it at 4, Houston came back with three runs.

Tim Lincecum drew a leadoff walk from Tony Fossas (1-2) and Tony Eusebio singled. Reliever Mark Petkovsek walked pinch hitter Thomas Howard, and Biggio followed with a liner into the right-field corner.

The NL-Central-leading Astros are seven games ahead of St. Louis. Houston finished 9-3 against the Cardinals after going only 2-11 against them last year.

Kile (15-3) has won 14 of his last 15 decisions, including a 6-0 mark in July.

Kile allowed 10 hits and struck out seven in eight innings. Tom Martin pitched the ninth for his first career save.

The Astros took a 4-1 lead into the eighth, but a two-run single by Ron Gant and an RBI single by Gary Gaetti tied it.

Delino DeShields beat out an infield hit, Willie McGee singled and Ray Lankford walked to load the bases with one out. Gant and Gaetti then came through with singles.

The Astros took a 4-1 lead in the third, loading the bases against Alan Benes with no outs. After J.R. Phillips struck out, Luis Gonzalez had a sacrifice fly and Ricky Gutierrez hit a two-run triple.

Royce Clayton doubled in the third, went to third on Benes' grounder and scored on DeShields' infield hit.

Packsaddle project reveals quail patterns for hunters

Bobwhites in western Oklahoma can move large distances during the fall shuffle and spring breakup. Movements of almost 40 miles were documented during the fall. This surprising finding, along with other data that will help better manage quail populations in Oklahoma, is contained in a report released by officials with the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation.

"More than 1000 birds were trapped, fitted with radio transmitters and tracked, so the data we have obtained is pretty comprehensive," said Steve DeMaso, upland bird biologist for the Wildlife Department. "Some of the data yielded surprising results, while some confirmed what we had suspected for some time. The information we have obtained will be valuable in making management decisions for bobwhite quail; it will also be of great interest to hunters."

The study was conducted at Packsaddle Wildlife management Area in southern Ellis County in Western Oklahoma. Two study sites were used, each consisting of about 1,200 acres. Supplemental quail feeders were used in one of the areas, while birds on the other area did not have access to feeders. Management techniques such as routine strip discing, prescribed burning and seasonal cattle grazing were used on both areas.

DeMaso said data from the study provided the following key findings:

- Quail feeders did not increase bobwhite survival.
- Quail feeders did not increase bobwhite population numbers.

• Avian predation was higher on the portion of the study area which contained feeders.

• Avian predation was highest cause of quail mortality (40 percent), followed by mammalian predation (26 percent) and hunting (15 percent).

• None of the mortalities over the five year study were determined to be the direct results of diseases.

• Almost 24 percent of male bobwhites incubated nests.

• Five to 35 percent of bobwhite broods were raised by males annually.

• Around 24 percent of female bobwhites attempted second nests.

• The average brood-rearing period for chicks is 39 days.

• Bobwhite chick survival from hatching to 39 days was 37 percent.

• Adult bobwhites will adopt and abandon chicks.

• Almost 20 percent of bobwhite broods ended up with more chicks than were hatched from the nest.

"We know bobwhite populations are directly correlated to reproduction," DeMaso said.

"We have a lot of information from the first five years of the Packsaddle project, but many questions remain unanswered. We hope that will change with the addition of Oklahoma State University research personnel and the implementation of new micro-transmitters. The transmitters will allow us to follow chicks from the day they hatch to the day they die. Together with OSU researchers, we hope to start one of the most intensive quail reproduction studies ever attempted."



Miami Dolphins coach Don Schula is carried on his teams shoulders after his 325th victory at Philadelphia's Veterans Stadium on Nov. 14, 1993. Schula was recently inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame

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Rhubarb rules the recipe book!

Discovering rhubarb can give your summer recipes splendor, an added new zing ...

United Media columnist
By MARIALISA CALTA

I came to rhubarb late in life, when I moved to northern New England, where all my neighbors had HUGE stands of rhubarb (so big, I'm tempted to call them groves.) They cooked the stuff up in pies and chutneys and cobblers and sauces and jam. If you know anyone who grows rhubarb, you will doubtless get handouts (there's always plenty to go around.) If you don't, try growing some yourself (it's extremely hardy) or buy fresh rhubarb at your supermarket or farmer's market.

I've come to like my rhubarb pie plain, that is, not polluted with strawberries. (I have nothing against strawberries, and make a killer strawberry pie, but I like to give rhubarb the spotlight too.) And even though I've heard people say that they prefer the old fashioned, all-green, heirloom "pieplant" rhubarb to the red kind, I've decided I favor the red stuff, on the grounds that it's prettier.

Here's what you need to know about rhubarb: Look for thinner, tender stalks. Rinse them well, cut off and DISCARD the leaves (they contain oxalic acid and can be toxic) and use the stems as soon as possible. (Keep them refrigerated, tightly wrapped in plastic, up to three days.)

Here's what else you need: recipes. Two here are from neighbors: Debbie Clark and Cornelia Levin. The third, for a

rhubarb dessert pizza, is from the spectacularly beautiful new cookbook from Chef Patrick O'Connell of Virginia's spectacularly beautiful Inn at Little Washington.

Debbie Clark's All-Rhubarb Pie

4 cups chopped rhubarb stalk (pieces about 1-inch long)
Zest of 1 orange
1/3 cup flour
1/3 to 2/3 cup sugar (see note 1)

1 egg, slightly beaten
2 to 3 tablespoons orange-flavored liqueur, such as Grand Marnier, or orange juice
Unbaked crust for 2-crust, 8- or 9-inch pie (see note 2)

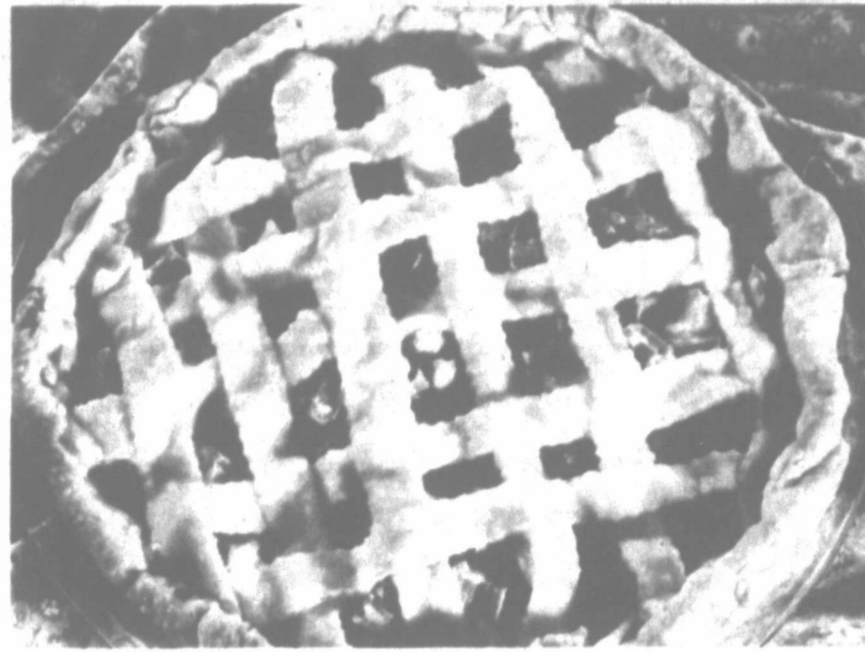
Vanilla ice cream, for serving
Center an oven rack, and preheat oven to 425 degrees.

In a bowl, toss rhubarb with orange zest. Toss with flour and sugar to coat well. Add egg and Grand Marnier and stir again, until all is coated.

Line pie plate with crust. Put rhubarb mixture into crust. Cut top crust into strips and make a lattice top.

Put the pie on the center rack and bake for 15 minutes. Reduce temperature to 350 degrees and bake for 30 to 45 minutes more, until crust is golden and rhubarb is bubbling. Remove from oven and allow to cool on a rack. Serve warm or at room temperature, with ice cream on side.

Note 1: I usually use about 1/2 cup sugar, and the larger amount (3 tablespoons) of the liqueur. This pie is still quite



(photo by Paul O. Boisvert for New England Culinary Institute)

All-rhubarb pie is a tart seasonal treat best enjoyed with a scoop of ice cream.

tart, which makes the sweet ice cream an essential accompaniment.

Note 2: This is a juicy pie, and an all-butter crust may be too delicate. Make your crust with some vegetable shortening or lard, and add an egg to toughen it. A prepared pie crust from the refrigerator case of your market also works well.

Yield: about 8 servings.
—Recipe from Debbie Clark, Calais, Vt.

Cornelia Levin's Rhubarb Torte
1 cup all-purpose flour

8 tablespoon margarine
5 tablespoons confectioner's sugar
2 large eggs, well beaten
1/4 teaspoon salt
3/4 teaspoon baking powder
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
3 cups diced rhubarb stalk
Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
Cream flour, margarine and confectioner's sugar. Press into an 8x8 inch pan. Bake 12 minutes.
Combine remaining ingredients and spread over the crust, return to oven and bake 30 min-

utes more. Serve warm or cold. Yield: 6 to 8 servings.

—Recipe from Cornelia Levin, Washington, D.C., and Calais, Vt.

Rhubarb Pizza

Pie dough for a 1-crust, 10-inch pie (puff pastry may be substituted)

3 pints fresh or frozen raspberries

1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
1-3/4 cups sugar, plus 3 to 4 extra tablespoons (for raspberries)

8 thick stalks red rhubarb, leaves removed, rinsed

1 quart water
Non-stick cooking spray

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
Vanilla ice cream

On a floured board, roll the dough to about 1/8 inch thick. Cut out six 5-inch circles. Place the pastry between pieces of waxed paper and refrigerate.

Make the raspberry puree: Puree berries in a food processor. Strain over a bowl through a fine sieve to remove seeds, pressing hard on the solids with a rubber spatula to extract as much liquid as possible. Add the lemon juice to the liquid and mix well. Add 3 to 4 tablespoons sugar, 1 spoonful at a time, tasting for sweetness between additions. (If you use frozen raspberries, you will probably need only 2 tablespoons sugar.) You will have 1 cup of raspberry puree.

Using a very sharp knife, cut six of the stalks on the bias about 1/8th inch thick. Roughly

chop the remaining two stalks and keep separate.

In a 4-quart saucepan, combine water, 1-1/2 cups sugar and raspberry puree. Bring to a boil.

Place the rhubarb slices in a stainless steel bowl and pour the hot liquid over them just to cover, leaving about 2 cups of the liquid in the saucepan. Add the chopped rhubarb to the liquid in the saucepan and simmer until very soft. Remove from heat. Strain the cooked chopped rhubarb, reserving the liquid, and puree in a food processor or blender until smooth. Return the liquid to the stove and simmer until reduced to a syrupy consistency.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Coat several baking sheets with cooking spray and layer the pastry on them. Spread about 1 tablespoon of the rhubarb puree over each round. Lift the rhubarb slices out of their liquid and arrange on top of puree in a single layer of concentric circles. Bake in lower half of oven 6 to 8 minutes, or until pastry is crisp and golden. Remove from oven and brush each pizza with the reduced rhubarb syrup.

To serve: Combine remaining 1/4 cup sugar with cinnamon and sprinkle each of six serving plates. Place a pizza on each plate and top with ice cream.

Yield: 6 servings.
—Recipe from *The Inn at Little Washington Cookbook*, by Patrick O'Connell (Random House, 1996.)

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