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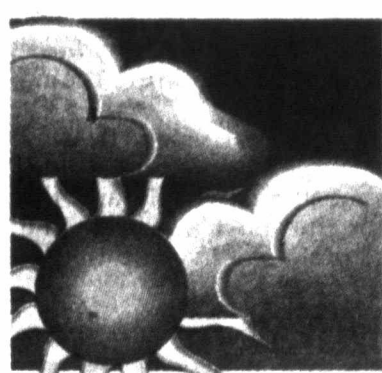
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**PAMPA** — Pampa/Gray County Crime Stoppers Most Wanted Fugitive this week is Betty Jacklyn Weatherwax Lee. She is charged with two counts of violation of probation (arson and aggravated assault) Crime Stoppers considers her armed and dangerous. She's described as a 36-year-old white female, 5'5" tall, who weighs 150 pounds and has brown hair and blue eyes.

Crime Stoppers may be reached at 669-2222. All callers remain anonymous and there is no Caller ID.

**HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP)** — Condemned murderer Benjamin Stone was getting his wish Thursday as Texas prison officials were set to execute him for killing his ex-wife and stepdaughter two years ago at their Corpus Christi home.

"It's going to be a fine day," Stone, 45, a former plumber, said in an interview a week ago. "I'll be there. 6 p.m. Hope they don't botch it."

Stone was set for lethal injection for the July 1, 1995 strangling of his ex-wife, Patsy, 34, and his stepdaughter, Keitha Lynn Van Coney, 12. The pair also had been raped.

A Nueces County jury took seven minutes to convict him and deliberated seven minutes to decide on the death sentence.

His 17 months on death row is the second-shortest time a condemned Texas inmate has waited between conviction and execution. Only convicted killer Joe Gonzales, imprisoned 252 days before execution last year, had a shorter death row stay. Gonzales, like Stone, volunteered for death.

The average time spent on death row in Texas is nine years before the sentence is carried out.

"It took me a while to figure out how to do this," Stone said. "I wrote a letter to the judge. I wrote a letter to the Court of Criminal Appeals. I wrote a letter to (Attorney General Dan) Morales. I went through all their games and here I am."

Stone refused legal help and refused to have appeals filed on his behalf.

"As far as I'm concerned, it's the only way I'll find peace of mind," he said.

• **R.E. 'Mac' McCain, 72**, former employee of Celanese and Pampa Independent School District.  
• **Ott Shewmaker, 87**, former teacher, insurance and real estate salesman.

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## Libel suit filed Roach sues former Pampa News owners

By **KATE B. DICKSON**  
Associate Publisher

News coverage leading up to the district attorney's election last year is at the heart of a libel suit filed by the losing candidate, Rick Roach, against the former owners and two former employees of The Pampa News.

Roach, of Miami, filed the suit Monday in Roberts County naming Freedom Newspapers, former publisher Wayland Thomas and former reporter Chip Chandler as defendants. The Pampa News was sold June 1 to PTS, Inc., a Fort Payne, Ala., newspaper management company. PTS is not named in the suit.

Roach, the county attorney in Roberts County, was defeated in the Nov. 5 District 31 contest by John Mann by a vote of 7,271 to 6,771.

While no specific amount of damages sought is spelled out in the complaint, Roach seeks punitive as well as actual and special damages. That's based upon the claim that some reporting related to Roach was "...done so with reckless and heedless disregard for the truth or falsity of those matters and in bad faith, without justification or excuse, in total and utter disregard of the rights of (Roach) and (his)

family."

Several articles are included with the suit as exhibits including a Sept. 22, 1996, news story. That article, the suit says, stated, in effect, that "an illegal gas tap" on a sales line belonging to Compressor Rental Service, Inc., was found "next to a lease" belonging to Roach.

Roach breaks out eight points regarding that story including one in which he says the article infers he "...was actually aware of an illegal gas tap and was actually engaged in unlawful appropriation of natural gas, i.e., guilty of a crime."

In the Oct. 4, issue, Roach said an article contained a false statement which inferred that he was guilty of a criminal offense by failing to place political disclaimers on campaign billboards located in Pampa.

Roach says in the Oct. 8, issue the defendants printed an article that contained a false statement which inferred he had lied or was deceptive with the newspaper regarding an arrest in 1975 on a DWI charge and was therefore a dishonest person.

It's Roach's position that the defendants published statements, pictures and innuendo knowing that they were false and/or with heedless and reckless disregard for

whether they were false and without any factual basis.

As a result, Roach says he has endured shame, embarrassment, humiliation and mental pain and anguish and says the articles and their dissemination both in and outside of Gray County cost him the election.

Additionally, Roach says he is now and will in the future be seriously injured in his good name and reputation...and exposed to hatred, contempt and ridicule. He says he has also suffered financial injury.

Former publisher Thomas said today the newspaper would "absolutely not" run an article knowing it was false. He said if information was misleading or inaccurate, a correction would have been published.

"We did run one correction on the billboard story," Thomas said. "We ran the correction on the front page."

Thomas is currently employed by Freedom Newspapers at the Portales News Tribune in Portales, New Mexico.

Chandler, who has declined comment, is a reporter with the Amarillo Daily News.

Texas law says defendants in suits have until 10 a.m. on the Monday following the expiration of 20 days from the time they were served to file a written answer with the clerk in the county in which the suit was filed.

### The circus is coming...



(Pampa News photo by Miranda Bailey)

In recognition of Shiner's Circus Week, Mayor Bob Neslage (seated) signed a proclamation this week with local shiners (from left) Tom Whitson, Jake Avery, James Washington and John Nuehouse. The Shiner's Circus will be here Friday, Oct. 3 at the rodeo grounds for one day with performances at 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Free tickets will be given to elementary school children and adult tickets are \$8 each. This year marks the 75th anniversary of the Shiner Hospital, a medical center for crippled children and child burn victims.

## Coronado Inn wage suit settled Another pay action pends in civil court

By **LAURA HALEY**  
Staff Writer

A small claims case against Coronado Inn was dismissed Wednesday after the plaintiff, Lisa Naccarati, and defendant, Lowell Beasley, reached an out-of-court settlement for an undisclosed amount.

The case was originally heard two weeks ago, but was rescheduled by Municipal Court Judge Bob Muns because both parties were unprepared to answer questions concerning Naccarati's salary and

hiring agreement. Beasley was also unavailable at the previous hearing.

Both Naccarati and Beasley were present for yesterday's hearing and said they were pleased with the dismissal.

"I'm not out for trouble and trying to ruin anyone's reputation... and mine," said Naccarati. "As far as personal feelings, there are absolutely no hard feelings."

Beasley agreed.

"We love Lisa and don't want there to be any hard feelings," he

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## Carson County ok's annual budget

By **MIRANDA G. BAILEY**  
Staff Writer

The Carson County 1997-98 fiscal year budget was approved after a hearing was held and the commissioner's court reviewed the proposed budget.

The expenses for the general fund came to \$2,052,624. Of that, \$989,024 is earmarked for the four precincts.

Approved were five percent pay raises for employees, three percent for elected officials and no increases for commissioners. In addition, the court set the tax rate.

After reviewing and discussing the amount needed, the court approved a tax rate of .3228 per \$100, which is a small savings of approximately three and 3/4 cents - less than the current tax rate of .3613 per \$100.

The court also amended the current budget in the amount of

\$15,250 to pay for the costs of an outside audit performed by Brown Graham and Company during this last current year.

In other matters, a county policy was approved to pay an additional \$35 a month to employees who have cellular phones and are authorized by their superiors to use these phones in the performance of their official duty.

The court also set the minimum salary for hourly employees at \$5.15 per hour, to stay in compliance with the minimum wage law.

The maximum hourly wage will be set at \$7.15 per hour.

Commissioners considered a request from Amarillo Natural Gas to install a gas line across County Road 11 in Precinct #2.

However, no action was taken and the court decided not to take a further action until more information concerning the request is received.

The court did, however, approve a request from K & N Energy to lay a gas gathering line across County Road 13 in precinct #4.

## UFO report It's really weather balloon

By **LAURA HALEY**  
Staff Writer

An alien UFO visited the skyline of Pampa yesterday evening; at least that's what a handful of residents reported to the Gray County Sheriff's Office.

Shelly McCarn, a dispatcher with the sheriff's office, said she received approximately 17 calls within a 15-minute period about a UFO hovering over the city.

A sheriff's deputy, armed with a pair of binoculars, identified the round, shiny object as a high-altitude weather balloon.

David Copley, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Amarillo, said the balloon was still visible in Pampa early this morning.

"There's no easy way to track down whose it is," said Copley, adding that high-altitude research is conducted by various government, military and university agencies.

Most likely the balloon came from an agency in New Mexico, he said.

Despite the extreme altitude of the balloon, it appears to be very large to residents gazing into the sky. The change in atmospheric pressure from the increasing altitude causes the balloon to expand, explained Copley.

In addition, the material is often a silvery color, reflecting both sun and moon light. This makes it appear to glow, especially at night, he said.

High-altitude research balloons are used to measure a variety of atmosphere changes, including ozone depletion, weather patterns and temperature changes.

This type of research is done often and occasionally one of these balloons will drift over the panhandle, leaving the Amarillo weather service office to field calls about an unidentified flying object, said Copley.

"For us it's a UFO - unidentified flying object," he joked. And, as far as spotting alien aircraft hovering over the panhandle, he said, "There's always wishful thinking."

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# Fund-raising breakfasts held as early as 1994

By JOHN SOLOMON  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Before Vice President Al Gore ever picked up a telephone in the White House to ask for contributions or the president entertained donors over coffee in his residence, there were breakfasts.

"BC will have breakfast — to raise \$," then-White House deputy chief of staff Harold Ickes wrote in notes of a May 9, 1994, meeting with the president that detail the earliest known effort by Clinton to use the White House for fund-raising.

Questioned about the document obtained by The Associated Press, the White House confirmed Wednesday that President and Mrs. Clinton hosted at least 10 breakfasts or lunches in 1994 in the executive residence.

The events were specifically designed to generate "both political and financial support" for the Democratic Party's ad campaign on behalf of the Clintons' ill-fated health care initiative, special counsel Lanny Davis said.

Their disclosure comes as Attorney General Janet Reno is weighing whether to appoint an

independent prosecutor to determine whether the president's and vice president's fund-raising from the White House violated a century-old prohibition on solicitations inside government buildings.

Several of the donors who attended the 1994 breakfasts gave five- and six-figure donations in the days after their visits, Federal Election Commission records show. Some attendees said Clinton did not specifically ask for donations at breakfast. One said solicitations would have occurred later.

"Absolutely not," Washington lawyer Gerald McGowan said when asked whether Clinton asked him for money during a June 22, 1994, breakfast.

Six days later, McGowan wrote a \$35,000 check that went to the Democratic National Committee's health care fund. He said he didn't even know his money had gone to the health care fund.

"I'm an old friend of the president's and I gave money and I was more than delighted to do it," he said.

The White House defended the breakfasts as legal. Moreover, they said the Clintons' goal wasn't to raise money for their own political use but

rather to air ads to repel special interest attacks against their plan seeking universal health care.

"This was a fight about securing health care for every American and competing with an avalanche that was being used to defeat the president's initiative," Davis said.

But internal White House documents reviewed by AP made no bones about the breakfasts being fund-raising events.

"We need to schedule several additional breakfasts with the President to facilitate the additional fund-raising for the health care media campaign," Ickes wrote then-Chief of Staff Mack McLarty on May 7, 1994, in a memo entitled "scheduling fund-raising events."

Davis said the president attended at least eight such breakfasts, the first on May 5, 1994, and the last on Aug. 23, 1994. Mrs. Clinton also hosted a luncheon in April and a breakfast in June for health care donors, officials said.

All of the events were in the residence portion of the White House — nine in the Map Room and one in the Family Dining Room, officials said.

"The purpose of the events was to generate support, both political and financial, for health care

reform and thank those supporters who had contributed to the Democratic National Committee national health care campaign," Davis said.

"Of course, the president and first lady asked for people's help in combatting the Harry and Louise ads and other ongoing efforts to undermine the health care initiatives. These events provided them with the chance to discuss the administration initiative and to seek their support."

Reno's current review is focused mostly on whether fund-raising calls from the White House in 1996 violate a prohibition on soliciting federal campaign contributions in government buildings.

Whether the earlier events will have much effect on those deliberations is not clear — donations to the DNC health care fund were mostly "soft money." The Justice Department has said it believes those donations — for party activities, not individual candidates — are exempt from the prohibition on solicitations on federal property.

An individual familiar with the breakfasts, who spoke only on condition of anonymity, said the events were designed to assist the party with raising money for a health care fund that was not a top priority for many big donors.

## Golf Shootout



(Special photo)

Pampa High School Choir Boosters will be sponsoring the annual Hole-In-One Golf Shootout Sept. 27. The preliminaries will be from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at Highland Park behind Clarendon College Pampa Center. Tickets are \$5 and are being sold by high school choir members. Ticketholders participating in the tournament are to receive a free pizza buffet from Yummie's Pizza. The top ten finalists will compete for a \$20,000 cash prize for a hole-in-one. Finals will be Sept. 28 at Hidden Hills Public Golf Course. Prizes will be awarded the top ten and are being donated by area merchants.

# IRS offering new dispute resolution aid, expresses intent to ban quota practice

WASHINGTON (AP) — With the IRS accused publicly of mistreating taxpayers, the agency's chief is ready to announce new efforts to resolve disputes and ban a practice blamed for pressuring managers to pursue collection quotas.

The Senate Finance Committee summoned Michael P. Dolan, acting commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service, as the final witness in three days of hearings into the conduct of the tax-collection agency. He planned to order hundreds of district directors and senior collections officials to Washington within 30 days to review allegations the committee heard about taxpayer abuse.

And IRS districts will begin holding new monthly "problem-solving days" in which taxpayers will have face-to-face meetings with IRS staff to resolve problems, said an IRS official, who declined to be identified further.

The IRS will quit ranking district offices based on tax collections. This change responds to repeated testimony that such rankings pressured IRS managers to quietly pursue collection quotas — outlawed in 1988 — so their district wouldn't be ranked last.

"I think we've heard valid criticism and we're ready to take action," the IRS official said.

Dolan's announcement was coming as the committee opened its third day of hearings with the witness table shielded by six large, beige partitions to conceal the five current IRS agents and one former agent from public view.

These people, in their prepared remarks, largely corroborated the whistle-blower testimony of Houston IRS agent Jennifer Long, who described a range of abuses in her public testimony on Wednesday.

The first concealed witness, identified as a longtime IRS employee, began testifying with his voice electronically scrambled in an eerie warbling tone.

"I have actually witnessed IRS management manipulate income-tax-return figures just to increase their office or division collection statistics," said Long, a 15-year IRS employee.

Ben and Patsy Stone married in 1985 when Keith was almost 3 and moved from Austin to Corpus Christi. Court records showed they separated in January 1994. Mrs. Stone filed for divorce, which was granted in December 1994.

Testifying under oath and with senior IRS officials watching, Long asserted that low-income taxpayers are being singled out for audits, for reasons she couldn't explain, while agents were told to steer clear of friends of agency managers.

... IRS districts will begin holding new monthly "problem-solving days" in which taxpayers will have face-to-face meetings with IRS staff to resolve problems, said an IRS official ...

Long said some of her colleagues "have been instructed by IRS management not to conduct audits of particular taxpayers who happen to be personal friends of someone in IRS management."

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said he wanted the agent's allegations investigated. "I think that's criminal activity and something should be done about it," he said.

IRS spokesman Frank Keith said he couldn't discuss Long's specific allegations but added that the alleged conduct "would be absolutely improper. That behavior should be reported to the inspectors."

Long initially was scheduled to testify with a panel of other IRS agents with their identities shielded by a screen. She decided to go public on advice of her attorney.

Several of those secret witnesses today corroborated parts of Long's testimony.

"Over my 20 years of service, I

have become painfully aware of the ability of the IRS to retaliate against employees who dare to speak out," said one witness, identified as an IRS criminal investigator.

This person, in prepared testimony, said the agency's "climate

and culture" often hinders investigations of employee wrongdoing. IRS managers have weakened administrative sanctions to the point "where they have no effect in controlling employee misconduct," the witness said.

Another secret witness, identified as a revenue officer with 35 years at the IRS, charged that his colleagues commonly pull up secret taxpayer records to check on "prospective boyfriends" or "even team coaches." Such illegal browsing was criminalized in a bill enacted earlier this year.

During Wednesday's testimony, the committee heard emotional accounts from taxpayers who alleged abuses from IRS auditors and serious billing errors that lingered for years.

Katherine Lund Hicks of Apple Valley, Calif., choked back tears at times as she described how she divorced her husband and filed for bankruptcy to protect her property from what she called a wrongful collection action.

## Inmate to get his wish — to be executed

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Benjamin Stone is about to have his wish fulfilled.

"From the day I turned myself in, I've said I wanted capital murder, I said I wanted the death penalty. I got it. And I said I wasn't going to fight it. I was going to push for execution. And I got it," Stone said from a cage in the visiting room outside the Texas death row.

Stone, 45, was set for lethal injection this evening for strangling his 34-year-old ex-wife, Patsy, and his 12-year-old stepdaughter, Keitha Lynn Van Coney, at their Corpus Christi home July 1, 1995.

His 17 months' on death row would be the second-shortest time on death row before a Texas inmate headed to the death chamber gurney. Only condemned killer Joe Gonzales, who was imprisoned 252 days before execution last year, had a shorter death row stay. Gonzales, like

Stone, volunteered for death. No appeals were pending in Stone's case. And that's just the way he wants it.

"I'm not appealing anything," he told The Associated Press in his first prison interview. "What's the point? I'm guilty. I feel like I'm doing the right thing. Why prolong it? It's going to happen any way. This has been the goal since the day I turned myself in, after I realized what happened."

Stone called police from a pay phone at a highway rest stop near Corpus Christi the afternoon of July 2, 1995.

"I killed my wife and my stepdaughter," he told a 911 dispatcher. When asked how, he replied: "With my hands."

He told the dispatcher he would be by his ex-wife's car, which is where three sheriff's deputies and four state troopers found him and arrested him.

Stone had a history of alcohol and drug abuse and received probation after being convicted of attempted sexual assault against his sister. At his capital murder trial, he stood mute, refusing to enter the innocent plea his attorneys preferred.

A chemical dependency counselor, testifying for Stone, said the ex-plumber had no ability to think rationally.

"I've been found competent three different times," Stone said in the days before his scheduled execution. "How many times does somebody need to be proven competent?"

"What's wrong with having my sentence carried out?"

Stone would say little about the murders.

"I'm not a violent person," he said. "I just snapped. There were a few things that happened. Things built up to a point and I just snapped."

Ben and Patsy Stone married in 1985 when Keitha was almost 3 and moved from Austin to Corpus Christi. Court records showed they separated in January 1994. Mrs. Stone filed for divorce, which was granted in December 1994.

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Opinion

IRS audits targets  
White House foes

Recently Paula Jones, who is suing President Clinton for alleged sexual harassment, rejected a settlement plan.

Five days later, she and her husband Stephen received word that they will be audited for their 1995 tax return.

Coincidence?  
It is a "certifiably crazy" idea to suggest anything else, according to White House Press Secretary Mike McCurry.

But Jones' spokesperson, Susan Carpenter McMillan, points out that the Clinton administration has not been above using federal agencies in suspect ways. When the Clintons wanted to dismiss White House travel office director Billy Dale in order to give the travel business to a group owned by some of their friends the FBI was called in to investigate Dale's handling of the office, and counts of financial misconduct were filed against him. A jury pronounced him innocent after deliberating a few hours.

It is still unclear how FBI background files on about 900 employees of Republican administrations got into the possession of White House officials during the early years of the Clinton administration.

Also, there have been charges for several years that the IRS has been conducting politically designed audits against conservative nonprofits. Joe Farah, head of the conservative Western Journalism Center in California, tells of an extended audit that his organization was subjected to after it was mentioned on an internal White House memo about how to deal with administration controversies and the groups investigating them. (The Western Journalism Center at the time was sponsoring inquiries into the death of White House Counsel Vincent Foster).

Montana-based attorney William Wewer, who specializes in representing nonprofit organizations and whose clients include groups across the philosophical spectrum, says he has seen a number of audits of conservative groups in the past few years, but none of any of the liberal organizations he represents or has contact with. "Many of these audits of conservative nonprofits don't make sense legally; they only make sense as an effort to harass," Wewer said.

While complaints have been raised on the right side of the political spectrum, there haven't been comparable public complaints about unwarranted audits by more liberal nonprofits.

To be sure, it may well be that what critics see as a sinister pattern is a series of coincidences and justified initiatives. But the credibility of the agency demands some rigorous review by Congress.

The Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation is conducting an inquiry into possible political abuses of the IRS, and the Senate Finance Committee is holding public hearings into IRS issues. The announced focus is IRS collection practices, but the panel would do a service by broadening that portfolio to include charges of politically motivated audits. Issues advocates of all political perspectives deserve to be made confident that tax machinery will not be used to retaliate for the exercise of free speech.

—Odessa American

Thought for today

"Great persons are able to do great kindnesses."

Miguel De Cervantes

Berry's World



Post marital last name syndrome

I doubt you've heard of it, but I suffer from "post-marital-missing-my-last-name-syndrome." The strange, married-woman sickness also known as "maiden-name envy."

I don't know about the rest of you married ladies, but I sometimes miss my real last name.

It's not to say that I don't like the last name I have. Bailey is a good name ... sounds good with Miranda.

As an added bonus, it's the name of the man I adore. It's unifying. So, I think it comes in handy. (Except when I do something stupid and then he wants to give me back my last name and keep his for himself.)

Still, I can't help but miss being a Frazier.

Miranda Gail Frazier.

Oh, the sound is sweet to my ears. You'd think I would be over it by now. I've been Miranda G. Bailey for three years and one month.

And why the G? Why not keep my maiden name as say, my middle name?

Well, I had a dilemma.

First of all, if I had chosen to be Miranda Frazier-Bailey, I really would have never heard from that "G" again. It's kind of hard to fit in a middle initial when you have two last names.

And the thing with the "G" is two-fold: G stands for a middle name that's been in my family for two generations before me. I like it for that reason. And also, my husband's initials are the exact same as mine now, M.G.B. ... which I think is kind of cool. But I'm telling you, I really am jealous of my sister-in-law to be. She gets to be a Frazier. It's so cool being a Frazier. No real reason why. Just



Miranda G. Bailey

Pampa News staff writer

is. You've heard blonds have more fun ... I don't know, maybe it's just that Fraziers do, too. (No offense to brunettes, Baileys or any others I may have offended.)

I mean, I don't have any awesome lineage ... it's not like I'm not related to the royal family; our Frazier blood is redder than all get out — no blue blood here.

But for goodness' sake, it was my name for 20 years.

It's a name that connects me to four of the coolest people I know — my brothers and my parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernie and Roxanne Frazier. (My dad is from Dalhart and my mom is from Amarillo and he thinks one of you people are somehow going to know him — so here is his name. Look him up in Albuquerque and give him plenty of grief.) Gosh darn it, I miss being a Frazier.

My dad still calls me Miranda Frazier sometimes. He forgets, bless his heart. But I'm kind of glad he does.

Because those moments when he says it, I am drawn back into my family, back into my worldly heritage, the network of people that are closest to me — the same people who saw

my ugly face when I rolled out of bed every morning for 20 years. (Saying I'm scary in the morning is an understatement according to my brother.)

But you know, the other day I read a column in the paper by some chick who was sad to hear when women give up their last names. And it made me really mad ... like taking my married name doesn't make me as much of a woman as her, or what?

All I know is that my mom wasn't born a Frazier. My grandma wasn't born into her last name. And my mother-in-law isn't even a true-blue-Bailey.

Giving up your last name isn't all that bad ... compared to say ... giving birth. (From what I hear.)

Good old Will said it nicely when he wrote, "A rose by any other name would still smell as sweet."

That's true, isn't it?

Besides, you know, my mom dyed her hair blond as a teenager and swears that blonds really don't have more fun.

So if nothing else, maybe one day I'll have a little girl.

She might have to give up her name.

Then I can at least say I can relate.

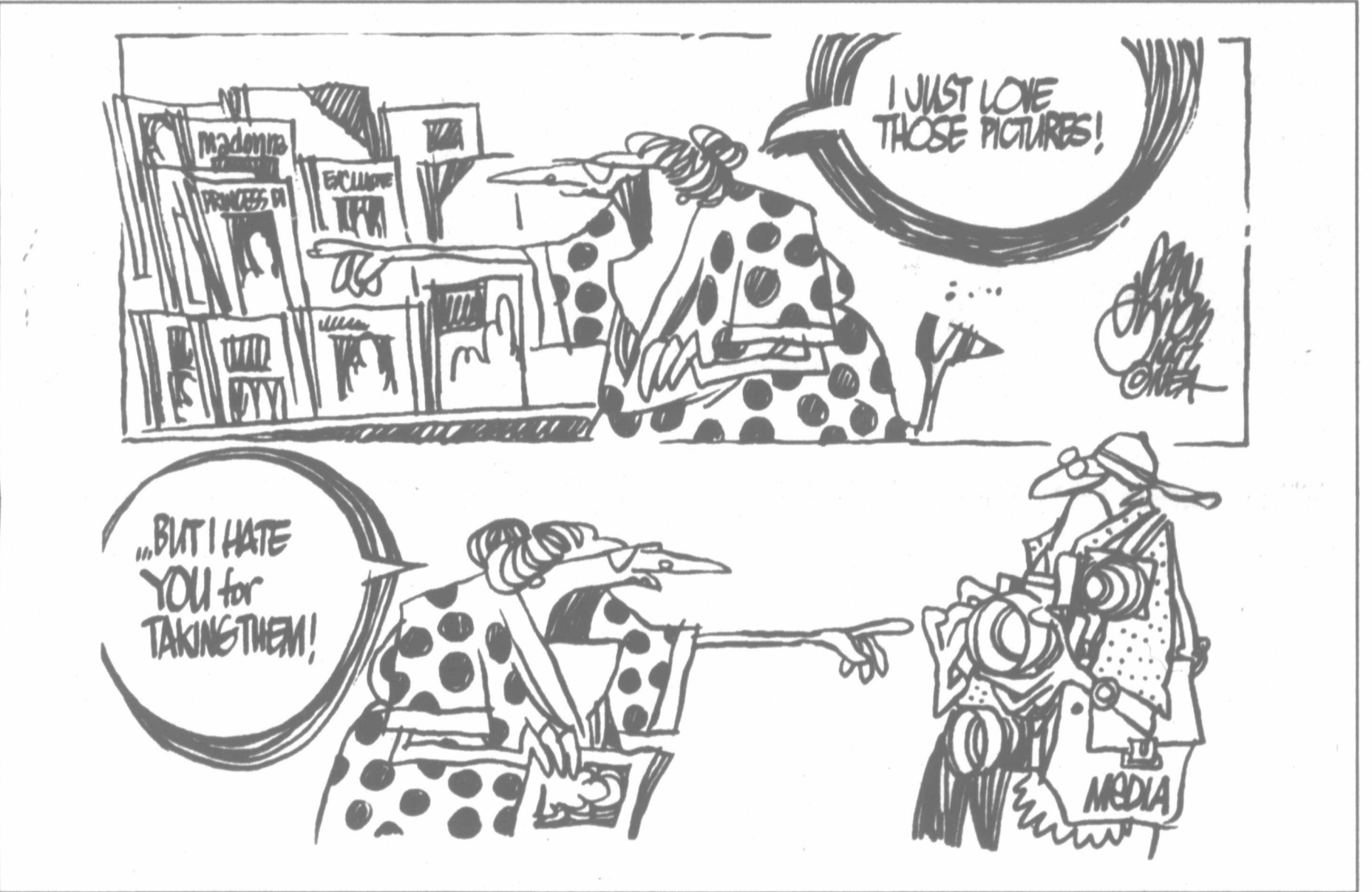
And when she says I don't — because we all know that parents just don't understand — then I'll pull out this column and I'll have you all as witnesses.

"See, I do understand what it's like," I'll say.

Or maybe I'll have a little boy. And I'll name him Frazier.

Frazier Bailey.

I suppose that would work, too.



Today in history

By The Associated Press  
Today is Thursday, Sept. 25, the 268th day of 1997. There are 97 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
One hundred years ago, on Sept. 25, 1897, American author William

Faulkner was born in New Albany, Miss.

On this date:  
In 1493, Christopher Columbus set sail from Cadiz, Spain, with a flotilla of 17 ships on his second voyage to the Western Hemisphere.

In 1513, Spanish explorer Vasco Nunez de Balboa crossed the Isthmus of Panama to reach the Pacific Ocean.

In 1775, American Revolutionary War hero Ethan Allen was captured by the British

as he led an attack on Montreal.

In 1789, the first United States Congress adopted 12 amendments to the Constitution and sent them to the states for ratification. (Ten of the amendments became the Bill of Rights.)

How far should the paparazzi go?

An aftermath of the car crash that killed Princess Diana, among others, has been an urgent call for laws to punish piranha-like photographers. In New York state, a coalition — including NOW and domestic violence groups — is supporting with renewed vigor a previously introduced anti-stalking bill that encompasses photographers.

California State Sen. Tom Hayden — a founder long ago of the free-spirited Students for a Democratic Society — has introduced legislation that would penalize photographers who do not stay 50 to 100 feet away from celebrities not taking part in public events. But celebrities, just by being, often create public events.

In an op-ed piece in the *New York Times*, Cass Sunstein, a law professor at the University of Chicago, has pressed for new laws to reinforce the walls of privacy. After his call for sanctions against the press because of the car crash that killed Princess Diana, the Paris police, in a 350-page report, said that the paparazzi had not been responsible for the death of the princess. The driver, they say, was responsible. But there are still insistent accusations against the photographers and those who employ them.

In any case, Professor Sunstein has not been worrying only about speeding paparazzi on motorcycles. For years he has been developing a subspecialty of finding ways to regulate the more offensive offshoots of free expression. Pornography, for one example.

As for offensive photographers, there are existing laws. Sunstein concedes, that can protect privacy statutes against trespassing, defamation and certain sanctions against electronic eavesdropping or wiretapping.

But Professor Sunstein says, "The time has come for some creative thinking about other



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Nat Hentoff is a nationally renowned authority on the First Amendment and the rest of the Bill of Rights.

possibilities." Why not, he says, "allow people to recover damages if they have been repeatedly harassed about a personal tragedy?"

There is no further definition of "harassed."

He also suggests that states "might try specifically forbidding photographers to invade a private domain through the use of long-distance photographic equipment." Except, of course, for FBI photographers.

However, with regard to long-distance picture taking, what if an elected official — who speaks often and ardently of his devotion to family values — is caught in a compromising long-distance shot with a woman who is not his wife? Is that harassment? Or if it's invasion of privacy, is it also a matter of public concern?

But Sunstein tells us that "a democracy is badly served when newspapers and television focus so intensely on the personal joys and tragedies of famous people. This kind of 'news' crowds out more serious issues."

What if readers and viewers want such photographs and stories? "There is an important difference," says Sunstein, "between the public interest and what interests the public."

Who defines "public interest"? Certainly not the government, although it might well like to. Should there be a board of private decision

makers, chaired by Sunstein, that would publicly admonish the press whenever it placed what interests the public over the public interest?

Chinese authorities have solved that problem. Writing from Beijing in the *New York Times*, Seth Faison notes that "editors knew that the Diana story would be one of the most closely read in the newspapers that day. But coverage was controlled, not because of what readers want, but because of what it was decided they should want."

Professor Sunstein warns that if new laws are not passed to control the press in privacy matters, ordinary people as well as celebrities will soon suffer. But pervasive invasions of privacy are primarily by the government and insurance and credit companies. All of us ordinary people leave extensive paper trails, none of which is tracked by photographers.

With regard to curbing the press, there is one form of "terminal silence that has nothing to do with the law. It was expressed most pertinently by A.J. Liebling's dictum that freedom of the press fundamentally belongs to those who own one.

Illustrating that adage, Martin Peretz, owner of the *New Republic*, has fired its editor, Michael Kelly, a journalist of uncommon insight, courage and integrity. Kelly had been insufficiently reverential toward Peretz's friend Al Gore and towards the Clintons.

There is some rough justice in this dismissal of Kelly. The credibility of the *New Republic* has now been so diminished that its honorary editor could be White House aide — and previous celebrator of the Clintons in various publications, including the *New Republic* — Sidney Blumenthal.

### St. Vincent de Paul students

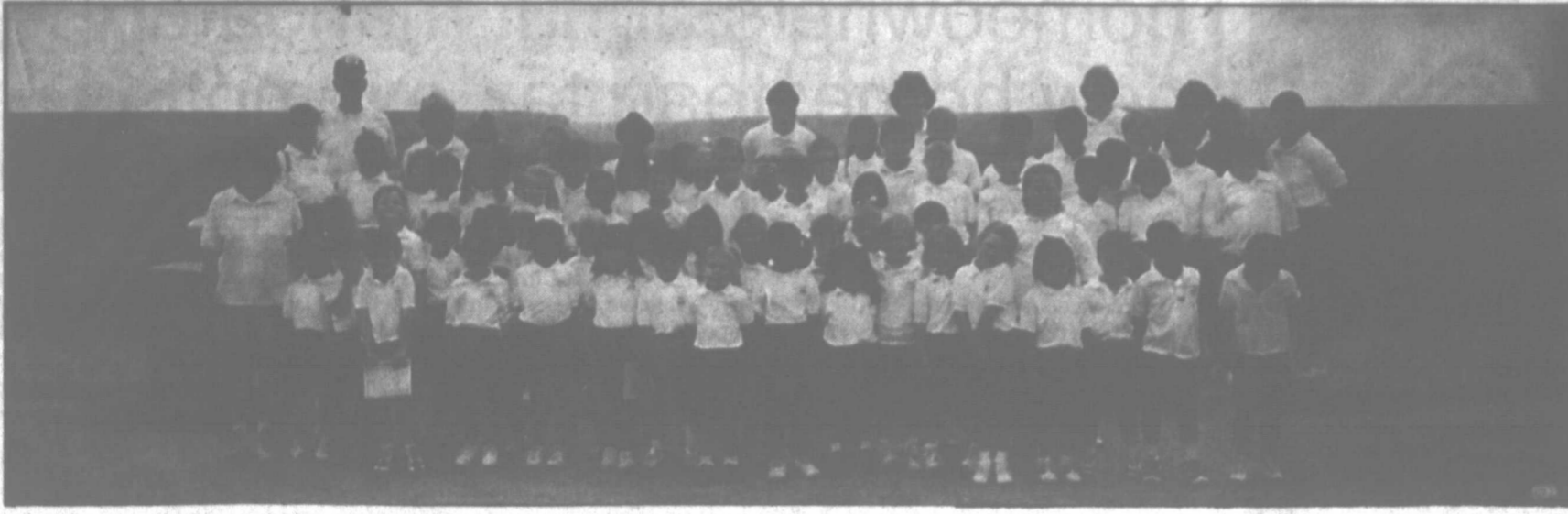


Photo at left: St. Vincent De Paul School K-5th students visited Palo Duro Park on Sept. 9. Photo at right: Bishop Yanta performed mass Sept. 5 and attended with St. Vincent De Paul students. (From left) Father John Valdez, Stephanie McVay, the recipient of student of the week for 3rd grade, Bishop John Yanta and Father Joe Bixenman.

## Texas politics: Resigning board member hints at state Senate race ...

AUSTIN (AP) — Donna Ballard is resigning from the State Board of Education, but the conservative lightning rod isn't through with politics.

She hinted Wednesday that she may challenge a fellow Republican: Texas Senate Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins of Amarillo.

Bivins' district includes Midland, Ms. Ballard's new home. She is leaving her East Texas education board district to join her husband, Mark, who has taken a job as a church pastor in the West Texas town.

"As strong an obligation as I feel toward the voters who elected me ... I know my friends and supporters in East Texas will agree with my decision to step aside and join my family," said Ms. Ballard, her husband by her side at a State Capitol news conference.

"I will be involved politically in West Texas."

Her resignation from the education board, her first elected post, is effective next Wednesday.

Elected to the education board from The Woodlands in 1994 with the backing of religious conservatives, Ms. Ballard has been labeled a leader of a six-member bloc of Republican social conservatives on the board.

While there are nine Republican members on the 15-member board, the other three regularly vote with the board's six Democrats.

Raising the hackles of some Republicans and Democrats alike, Ms. Ballard has taken strong stands on issues including "unwanted federal intrusion" into Texas education; legislative

restrictions on the board's power; and a massive school curriculum rewrite, which she termed mediocre and faulted. Republican Gov. George W. Bush for supporting.

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Rumors have been rampant that she is eyeing another race. While not announcing a decision, she said Wednesday she is seriously considering a run for the Legislature as soon as next year.

Asked if she sensed dissatisfaction with the current House and Senate members who represent Midland, Ms. Ballard said, "Not with the member of the House, no." That is Rep. Tom Craddick.

As for what concerns she's heard about Bivins, she said, "I think that'll wait for another time."

Bivins, a state senator since 1989, said he plans to seek reelection and to have a major fund-raiser in October.

"I'd rather not speculate on any potential opponent at this time," Bivins said. "I think I've been very fortunate and I enjoy a high level of support throughout Senate District 31."

Bush, who will appoint a replacement to serve out the remainder of Ms. Ballard's four-year board term, said he respected her strong opinions.

"I don't expect anyone to agree with me 100 percent. I do know that we had common ground when it came to be worried about making sure the school system of Texas did the very best job," Bush said.

In choosing her successor, the governor said, "I'll be looking for a conservative person who believes in local control of schools and a person who will be as dedicated to the school children of Texas as she was."

A potential Ballard-Bivins race is "a lot of speculation on your part, would be my guess," Bush told reporters. "I don't think she's announced for office."

## Plan to bring back grizzly bear sparks debate, public hearings

WASHINGTON (AP) — An unusual alliance of environmentalists and timber interests is trying to return the grizzly bear, among the most feared animals in the wild, to Idaho's Bitterroot Mountains.

And some people are worried. The Interior Department begins a series of public hearings next week on a plan that would reintroduce the first of about 20 grizzlies into 4 million roadless acres in central Idaho and western Montana, where the bear disappeared 50 years ago.

The plan has outraged politicians in Idaho and raised concerns about safety. But it also was praised by some environmentalists and timber industry officials as an example of how to manage endangered species.

"It shows that under the Endangered Species Act ... there is opportunity for flexibility and collaboration," said Tom France, an attorney for the National Wildlife Federation in Montana.

But along the Bitterroot River, less than 10 miles from the eastern edge of the wilderness area where the bears would be placed, Shirley Bugli hasn't been thinking about the Endangered Species Act. She and more than 5,000 other residents have signed a petition asking that the grizzlies be kept away.

She said more and more people were moving into the valley and she was worried the grizzlies would wander down from the Bitterroot Mountains in search of food.

The grizzly is the largest and most dangerous of the eight existing species of bear in North America.

"More people and bears are going to be forced

together," she said. "These encounters seldom have happy endings."

In Congress, an amendment added to an Interior Department spending bill by the Senate last week would block all money for the project. The impact of the one-year prohibition was unclear since the bears were not expected to be introduced before 1999.

Although still fairly numerous in Alaska, only about 800 grizzlies remain in the lower 48 states. Most of them are found in Yellowstone National Park and in northwestern Montana around Glacier National Park. They have been listed as a threatened species since 1975.

Under the five-year plan drafted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, three to five grizzlies would be moved each year from Canada to central Idaho.

A 15-member citizen panel would be given broad power to manage the bear reintroduction program, subject to override by the interior secretary. The aim is to avoid the bitter confrontations that arose from attempts to protect the Northern Spotted Owl. That fight pitted environmentalists against the timber industry and it resulted in a dramatic reduction in Northwest logging to protect the owl's habitat.

"The grizzly was going to become our spotted owl," said Phil Church, a Lewiston, Idaho, mill worker and co-chairman of a labor coalition that worked on the grizzly plan.

Like Church and other mill workers and loggers, Bill Mulligan, president of the Three River Timber Co., feared that the grizzly eventually would come back to the region anyway — either naturally or by edict from the federal government, but with no local say in their management.

### TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

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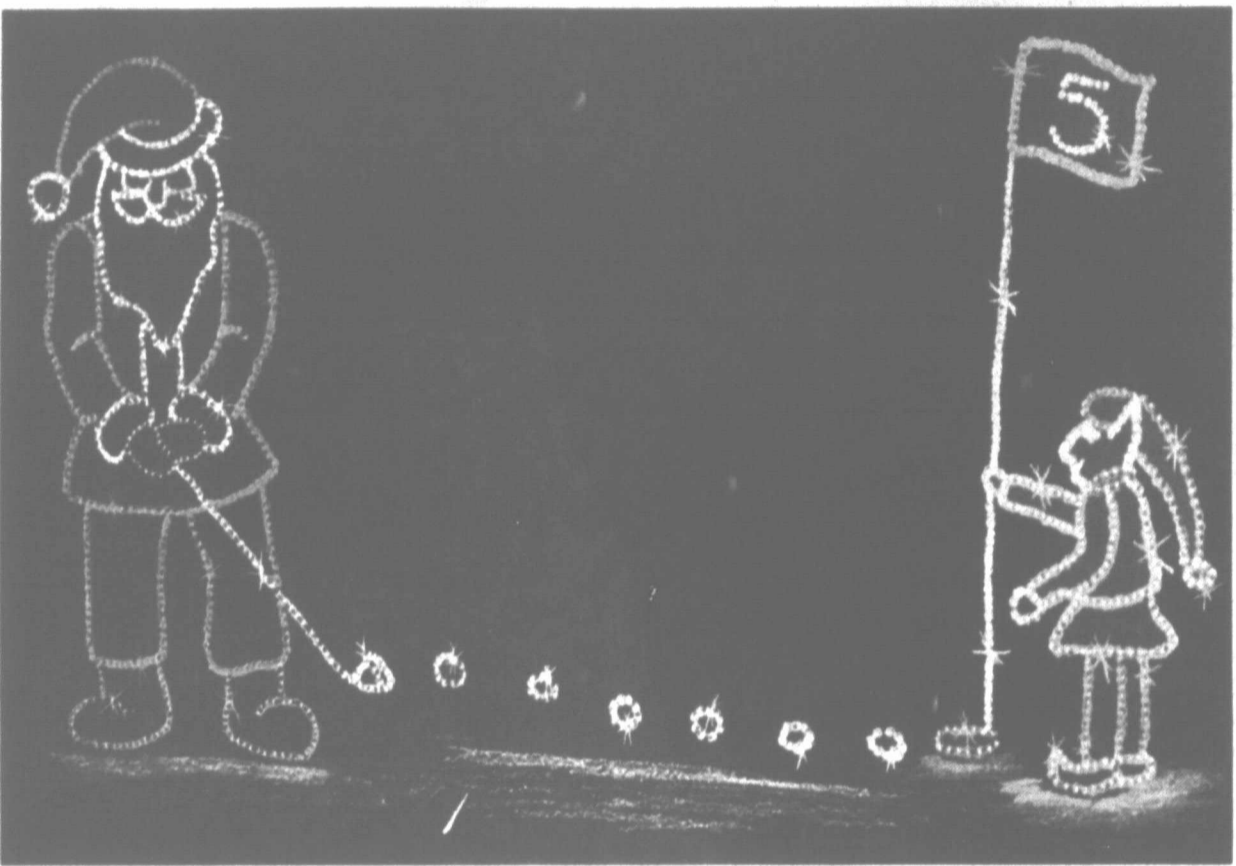
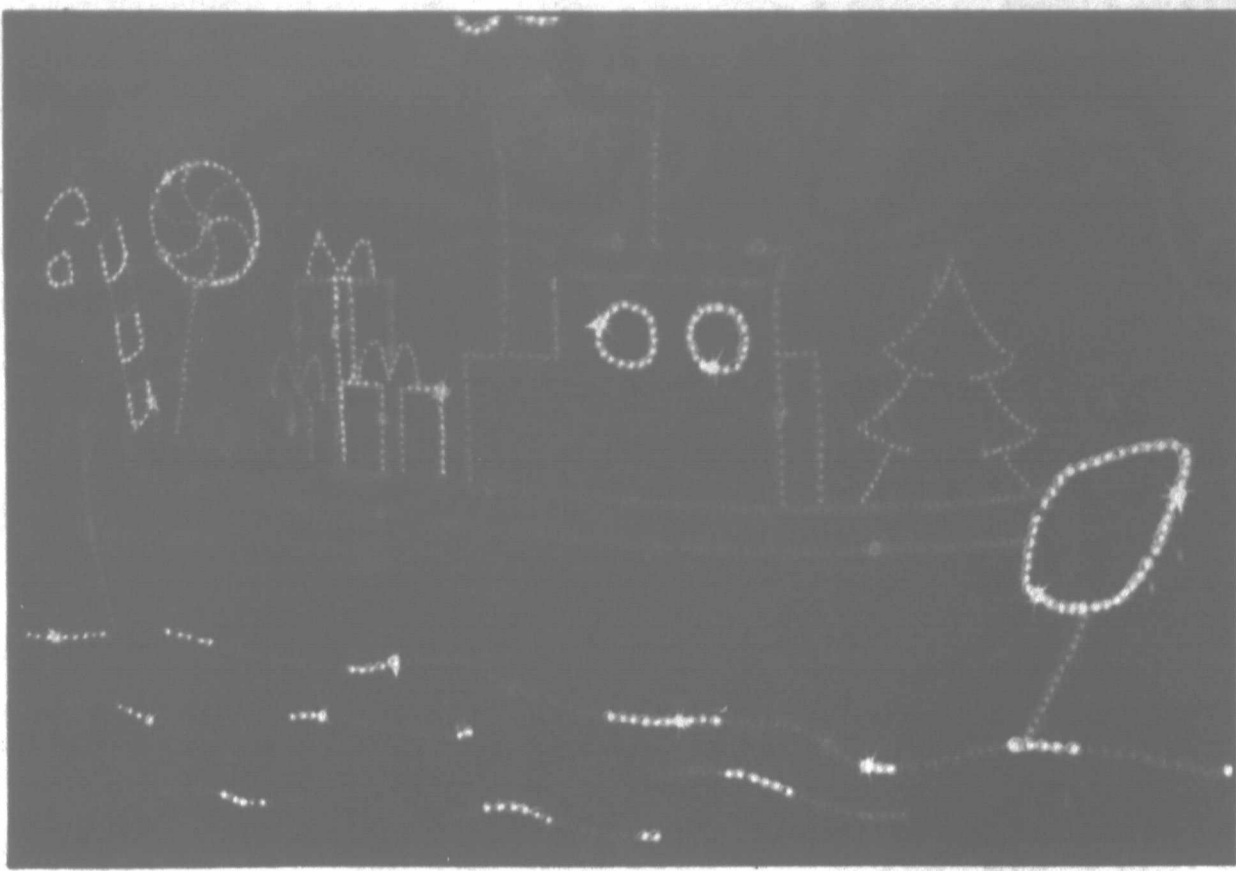
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## Celebration of Lights



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Examples of light displays ... The Celebration of Lights are looking for sponsorships for the various Christmas light displays at Recreation Park this year.

## Comptroller John Sharp reminds homeowners about mandatory new homestead tax exemption

AUSTIN — State Comptroller John Sharp advised Texas homeowners that the new \$15,000 mandatory homestead exemption on school property taxes will go into effect automatically for their 1997 property taxes.

Homestead exemptions reduce a property's taxable value, thus the homeowner pays less in property taxes. "If you've already claimed your homestead exemption, the county appraisal district will automatically increase the amount from \$5,000 to the full \$15,000," Sharp said. "But I encourage all homeowners to make sure they are claiming every exemption to which they are entitled."

Sharp said that homeowners who still need to claim their exemptions can obtain the application form from their county appraisal district office. The forms require only cursory information, such as a homeowner's name, address, the legal description of the property and a few other items to prove an applicant is entitled to the exemption.

Sharp also reminded Texans that filing for their homestead exemptions is easy and costs nothing. "From time to time, we see companies that offer to file a homestead exemption for homeowners, but only by charging them a fee for this service," Sharp said. "Homeowners should be aware that filing a homestead exemption is something they can do for themselves and that no fee is required."

In addition, Sharp said, exemptions are available for Texas homeowners over the age of 65 and for those with disabilities. The amount of these additional exemptions will vary according to the taxing unit, the Comptroller said.

Sharp also noted that some confusion may exist

about the difference between a homestead designation and a homestead exemption.

"Homestead designations protect homeowners in case they are sued," Sharp said. "This ensures that, regardless of the legal outcome, a homestead that has been designated will not be seized."

Such homestead designations are legal documents filed voluntarily with the deed of record in the county clerk's office, and the county clerk may charge a filing fee. Or a homeowner may claim the designated homestead during any court proceedings when being sued.

Sharp said that a general homestead exemption requires the homeowner to show proof of ownership and to designate the property as his or her principal residence.

General homestead exemptions are based on the home ownership and residency as of Jan. 1 of the tax year. The time to file for the exemption with the county appraisal district runs from that date through April 30 of each year, although exemptions can be filed for even after the taxes have been paid.

Filing for homestead exemptions is allowed up to one year after the taxes have been paid or the taxes became delinquent, whichever was earlier. A chief appraiser has the option of sending a new application and asking a homeowner to reapply. If the homeowner's status changes — such as turning 65, becoming disabled or moving to a new home the county appraisal district officials should be notified so that the exemption can be changed.

Sharp urged anyone with further questions about homestead exemptions to contact his Technical Assistance Hotline in the Comptroller's Property Tax Division at 1-800-252-9121.

## Museum exhibits: Square House offers three different temporary exhibits

PANHANDLE — During the months of September and October, the Square House Museum in Panhandle is offering visitors the unusual opportunity to see three different temporary exhibits.

*European Paintings of the 17th and 18th Centuries* is an exhibition of 15 Old Master oil paintings from the collection of the Sarah Campbell Blaffer Foundation of Houston. Artist nationalities include British, Dutch, Flemish, French and Italian.

Previous exhibitions of Blaffer Collection paintings at the Square House Museum have featured British, Italian, German and Dutch artists, but the French paintings have never been shown in the Texas Panhandle before. Moreover, this European art may never visit our region again. According to Dr. James Clifton, director of the Blaffer Foundation, the entire collection is being placed on permanent exhibition in the Houston Museum of Fine Arts, and its circulation will be very restricted in the future. "European Paintings" can be viewed in the Hazlewood Arts and Education Building from 9-5 Monday-Friday and on Sunday from 1-5 p.m.

*A Visual Legacy: The New Deal on the Texas Plains* is a freestanding exhibit produced by the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum. It includes photographs of buildings and other projects constructed by various New Deal agencies.

The Depression affected the Texas Panhandle-Southern Plains region just as it did other parts of the nation, but in our region a severe drought in the 1930's compounded the problem. As a result, the New Deal program in the Texas Plains was more extensive than in other parts of Texas.

A 20-minute videotape accompanies the exhibit. Supplementing the *New Deal* exhibit will be a selection of 40 black-and-white Dust Bowl and Depression Era photographs from the Square House permanent collection. Gathered by John C. Dawson while researching his book *High Plains Yesterdays from XII Days Through Drought and Depression*, these pictures were donated to the museum by his son Robbin and have not been exhibited before.

*Risque Business: Nose Art in the Pacific War* is a traveling exhibit from the Admiral Nimitz Museum, Fredericksburg, Texas. Popeye, pinups and Tojo were among the favorite subjects of GI artists in the Pacific during World War II when it came to decorating aircraft with what is now known as "nose art." Though this tradition of personalizing aircraft began before World War I, it was in World War II that it reached its zenith. This genre of art continues today. The exhibit is a photographic essay, but it includes two pieces of painted airplane fabric. It provides a fascinating glimpse at the morals, attitudes and patriotism of the past.

The *New Deal* and *Dust Bowl* photographic exhibits are in the Square House gallery, and *Risque Business* is in the Freedom Hall gallery. Both galleries are open to the public from 9-5 Monday-Saturday and 1-5 on Sunday.

The last day for viewing all three special exhibits will be Sunday, Nov. 2. Admission to all exhibits is free. The Square House Museum is located in Panhandle at the intersection of TX Hwy. 207 and Fifth Street. For more information about the exhibits and the museum, call (806) 537-3524.

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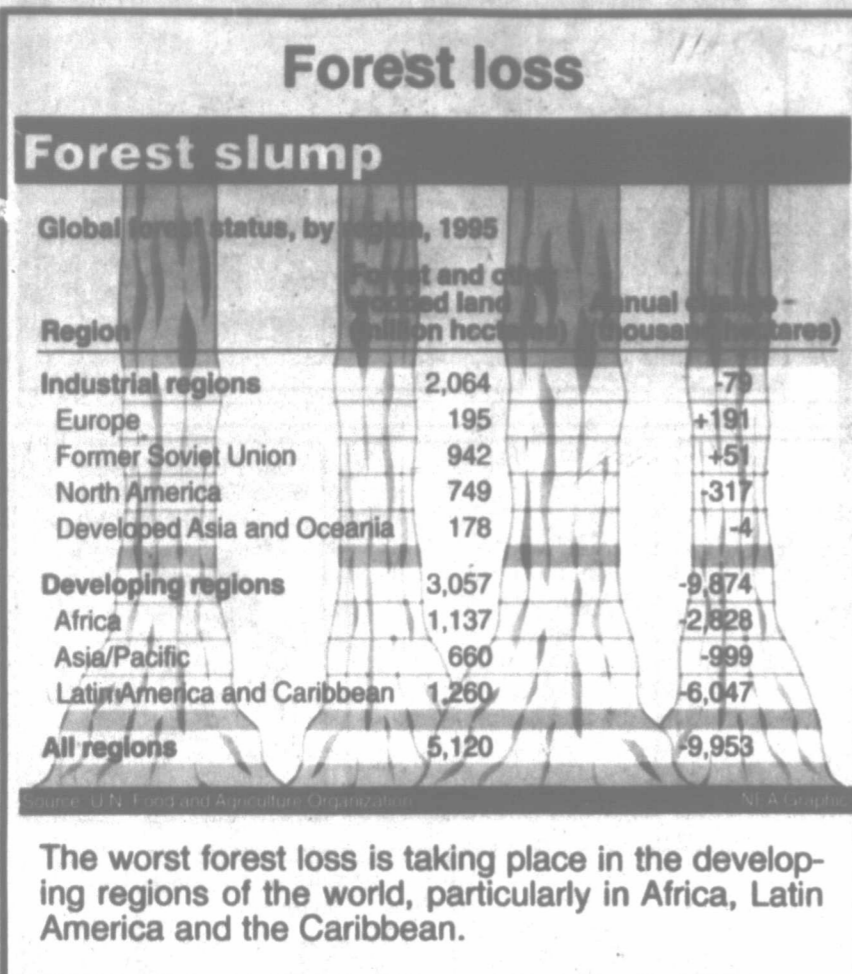
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# Meat contamination: Records show consumers not told about widespread meat-poultry recalls ...

WASHINGTON (AP) — Since 1990, as much as 20.2 million pounds of meat and poultry has been recalled because of contamination ranging from bacteria to bits of metal, and the public was never told, Agriculture Department records show.

In one nonpublic 1993 case, Quaker Oats Co. recalled more than 1.8 million pounds of chili because of potential contamination with sand. More than 400,000 pounds was not recovered, according to an Associated Press review of the records.

But consumer advocates say it is time for the Agriculture Department to rethink its policy, pointing out that someone could become ill from eating a bacteria-laced burger at a restaurant or a school cafeteria and never

we could do that would better protect the public health, we would certainly change our policy." Meat and poultry products involved in the unpublicized recalls had many problems, according to USDA records. Some were recalled because of

publicized, even those in which public health is not endangered. They said companies have every reason to work with government to remove the bad meat.

**Bil Mar Foods of Zeeland, Mich., recalled more than 1.2 million pounds of cooked beef because of possible bacteria problems in 1994. Almost 900,000 pounds of that beef was not recovered.**

know the product had been recalled.

"It is not enough to just tell the restaurant there's a problem. It does make sense for the public to be notified," said Caroline Smith DeWaal, food safety director at the Center for Science in the Public Interest. "Consumers need to know."

The Agriculture Department held a public meeting Wednesday to discuss its current recall policies and hear from advocates such as DeWaal, along with representatives of meat industry groups. Catherine Woteki, USDA's undersecretary for food safety, said the session would help the agency determine whether changes such as wider public notification are necessary.

"Our primary motivation for those policies is protecting the public health," Woteki said in an interview. "If there are things that

possible bacterial contamination, others because they contained small pieces of bone, metal or plastic. And others were improperly labeled or had defective containers, the USDA records show.

It is USDA policy not to issue a public recall notice unless consumers are likely to have purchased a meat product and might still have some on hand. That was the case last month when Hudson Foods Inc. recalled 25 million pounds of ground beef because of possible E. coli contamination. Some of that beef was sold at retail.

Instead, officials work privately within the food service industry to determine who has control of the bad product and to get it out of the system, said the USDA's Hollingsworth.

Industry officials said meat processors are the ones that would lose if all recalls were

## University to offer gifted and talented Super Saturdays

CANYON — Area students can learn more about animals, the Internet, clay building techniques, flying and self-confidence at the 1997 Super Saturday classes, a service of the West Texas A&M University Gifted and Talented Institute.

The activity-based programs for students in first through eighth grade will meet from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays, Oct. 25-Nov. 8 in Old Main on the WTAMU campus.

The Super Saturday classes have been restructured from previous years' five-week course to a more condensed three-week course with longer sessions.

Super Saturdays will offer five courses: Animals Inside and Out, Internet for Students, Adventures in Clay, Fun Aviation and Challenge.

Animals Inside and Out is open to students in first through third grades. Students will learn about animal habitats and environment through an introduction to animal classification. Students will also learn about clay modeling and drawings in this session.

The Internet for Students will be taught by WTAMU computer information systems professor, Dr. Terri Giddens. Students in second through fourth grades will learn more about how to "surf the Net."

Marissa Debord will teach interested fourth through sixth graders hand-building techniques with low-fire clay.

Students in fifth through seventh grades can learn more about aviation with Louis and Mindy Montano. Included in this class are some map-building exercises and a trip to the airport.

Donna Cunningham and Guy Giersch will offer students a Challenge. This program will help develop self-confidence, communication skills, decision making, leadership skills, trust, group cohesion and respect for individual differences. The first Challenge meeting will be at WTAMU with the two following meetings at Camp Don Harrington.

Cost of each course is \$60 per student. Lunch will be provided to students; however, students will need money for drinks and other vending machine items. The deadline for registration is Oct. 18.

For more information contact Brandi Parker, graduate assistant with the WTAMU Gifted and Talented Institute, at (806) 656-2910.

## Governor rejects pardons policy

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush says a Democratic lawmaker is wrong to suggest that he considers race when determining whether to grant pardons to convicted Texans.

"I don't make decisions based upon race. I have no idea the race of the people I pardon. ... Whoever made that suggestion doesn't know me or my heart and is wrong," the Republican governor said Wednesday.

Rep. Ruth Jones McClendon, D-San Antonio, on Tuesday called for a legislative inquiry into the factors Bush uses in determining pardons.

That came after the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported that Bush has issued only 14 pardons since taking office. Thirteen of those

pardons have gone to whites; one was granted for an Hispanic.

"Does this governor grant freedom to innocent Texans, unless, of course, they are African-American," Mrs. McClendon said in a one-page statement Tuesday.

## Nation's fourth largest school district approves drug testing

MIAMI (AP) — Dade County has become the nation's largest school district to approve random drug tests for high school students whose parents have agreed. The first tests are expected in January.

The school board of the 345,000-student district voted 6-3 on Wednesday to begin the biggest random drug testing program in the nation's schools. The aim is to deter drug use.

"The question is, are we doing everything we can within the legal limits to deter drug use in our schools? The answer is no, until now," said board member Renier Diaz de la Portilla, who proposed the program.

Parents of high school students will be offered consent forms allowing a private testing agency to pull students out of classes at random and test them for marijuana, cocaine, opiates, barbiturates and amphetamines.

Students whose parents don't sign the forms won't be tested.

Dade is the nation's fourth-largest district, behind New York City, Los Angeles and Chicago.

Diaz de la Portilla said the program was intended to help parents without stepping on anyone's constitutional rights.

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As people grow older, they are more likely to alphabetize their spices. More than one fifth of those 65 and older alphabetize their spices.

## Kids Who Exceed Expectations Are Not Too Good To Be True

DEAR ABBY: "Melissa in Sacramento" wrote that an 11-year-old was not articulate enough to have written the letter you published about his happiness as an adopted son of two fathers.

Her letter was an insult to the many children who are capable of achieving beyond the low expectations of many adults.

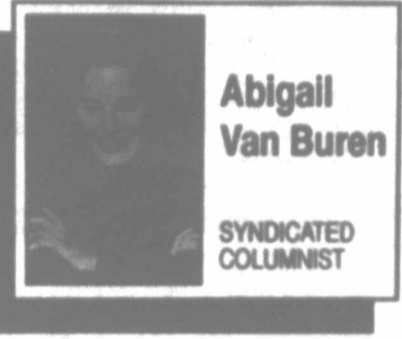
When my 15-year-old son was 11, his vocabulary, reading, writing and analytical skills tested out at college sophomore levels. This past school year, he took several college courses and aced them all. My son is no genius, but we care enough about his education to put it first.

None of our children fail to keep up with their homework. We read to them every night until they were at least 12 years old. We still insist that they read every day. We limit television to three hours a week, while providing them with access to bookstores and libraries.

If more parents insisted on high standards in the schools and by teachers, and maintained those same standards at home, more children would be as articulate as that 11-year-old boy.

PENNY IN VIRGINIA

DEAR PENNY: I agree that some students far exceed the norm, as your children do. And the ones who do have parents who are actively involved in their schooling, which reinforces the importance of education.



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"Melissa in Sacramento's" letter stimulated some strong responses from people who took exception. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: When I read the letter signed "Melissa in Sacramento," I was furious. Perhaps in Sacramento an 11-year-old student could not have written as well as the boy who expressed his happiness at being the adopted son of two fathers. However, my 11-year-old sister is capable of writing such a letter, as are many other children of that age whom I know.

I also was taken aback that Melissa called the boy's letter "whiny." If any letter was whiny, it was hers!

I applaud any two loving parents, heterosexual or homosexual, who teach their child the loving, caring, open-minded values this world needs to survive.

I wonder if Melissa is struggling with her own homophobia. Her letter appeared to reflect the anti-gay

movement sweeping our country. I hope she has not taught those hurtful, narrow-minded, prejudiced values to the fifth- and sixth-grade students with whom she works.

STRAIGHT BUT NOT NARROW IN COLORADO

DEAR STRAIGHT: So do I. When we finally learn to accept diversity and be less judgmental when dealing with others, ours will be a much more unified country.

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter about the woman whose purse was stolen in the Champs de Mars park in Paris, I had to write. You ended your response to her by saying, "Vive la France! And vive les touristes Americain!"

Well, Abby, as long as you throw around French phrases, you might go to the trouble of getting it right:

Vive la France et vive les touristes americains!

We are always first in line to ridicule the fractured English we see or read in foreign countries. Shame on you.

ERNESTINE BLOOMBERG, TIGARD, ORE.

DEAR ERNESTINE: Excusez mes fautes d'orthographe et de grammaire. I don't speak French, but thank heavens I have friends who do! Thanks for pointing out the errors.

## Horoscope



Friday, Sept. 26, 1997

Several major accomplishments could be in the offing for you in the year ahead. They are involvements at which you failed previously, but you'll be given a fresh start.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** In social involvements today, don't feel impelled to be the center of attention. You will gain a lot more notice if you're just a trifle laid back. 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.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** For the sake of your image today, don't brag about your accomplishments. Let someone else tout your horn regarding announcements of this nature.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Even if you secretly feel your ideas are superior today, don't start a debate about them. Others might see how little you really know.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** A joint endeavor which requires your financial backing must be analyzed thoroughly from every aspect. It may not be as good as it first sounded.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Forego taking it upon yourself today to make a major decision without consulting your mate. If it goes wrong, you may not hear the end of it.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Your workload can be lightened considerably today if you use your head along with your back. Be sensible when performing tasks that require both.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** It could prove wise to stay in the background

today if you encounter a domineering character in a social setting. Give him or her the stage.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** For the sake of harmony on the homefront today, let all voices be heard. The full mix could create a blend that produces a solution.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** A plan that is of significance to you could run into serious opposition today if it is presented prematurely. Be cognizant of proper timing.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** You will be adept at managing your own finances today, but avoid telling another how to handle his or her resources. Your counsel could be erroneous.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** When conversing with friends today, a topic might come up for discussion upon which you and your mate have opposing views. Do not argue them in public.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Opportunities will slip past you today if you take a laid-back approach. If something fortuitous presents itself, act upon it immediately.

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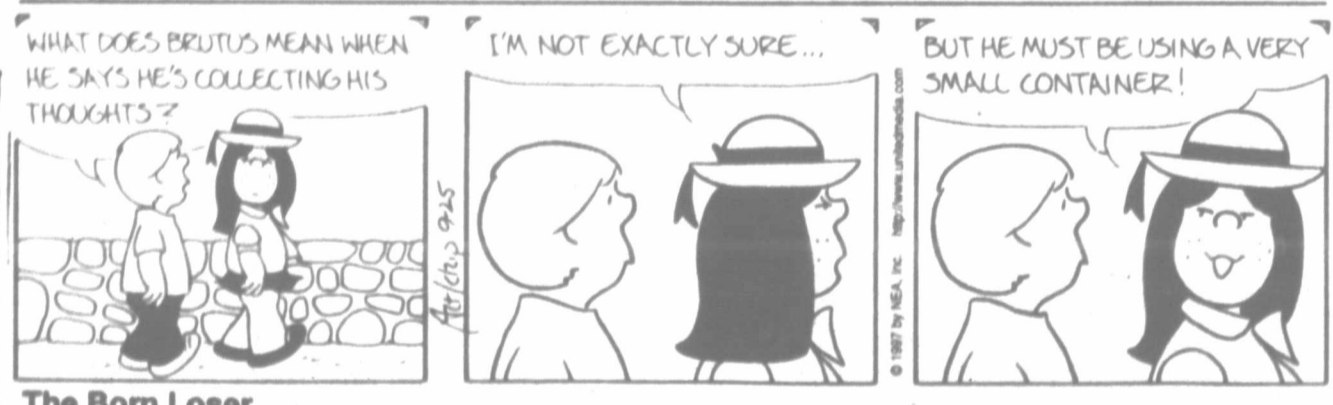
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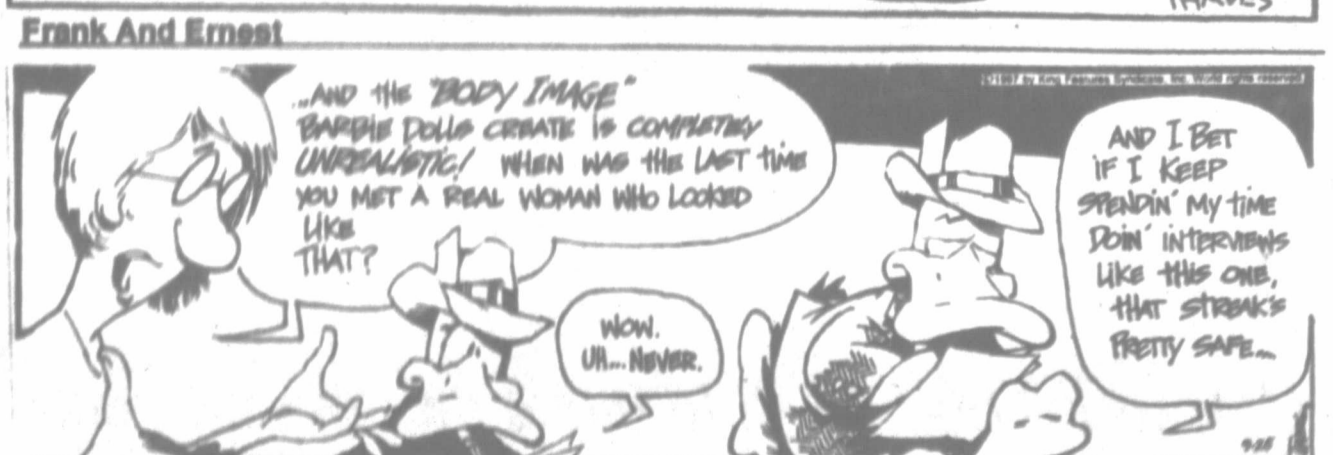
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The Born Loser



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Mallard Filmore



"That's our smoke alarm. It just means my dad's cookin' dinner tonight."



"You didn't get any? Well, I passed the gravy to somebody."

### The Family Circus



### Marmaduke



### Grizzwells



### Alley Oop



### Peanuts





# SPORTS

## Notebook

### BOWLING

**PAMPA** — Registration for the Harvester Lanes Youth Bowling League will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday at Harvester Lanes. Registration fee is \$6.00 and each bowler will receive a t-shirt.

The league will be divided into the Peewee-Bantam Division (5 to 10 years old) and the Junior-Senior Division (11-18 years old).

Every bowler who participates receives a trophy or award at the end of the season.

### TENNIS

**AMARILLO** — Pampa hosts Borger at 1 p.m. Saturday in a District 1-4A tennis match.

Pampa met Amarillo High in a non-district match Tuesday and lost by a 12-3 score.

Junior Mandy Wells and sophomore Emily Waters improved their doubles record to 11-1 with a victory in No. 2 girls' doubles. Juniors Valerie Lee and Kellen Waters also improved their doubles mark to 11-1 with by claiming the No. 3 girls' doubles match.

Lee also claimed victory in No. 4 girls' singles. Her singles record is now 8-3.

### WRESTLING

**PAMPA** — A local man is trying to organize a Texas Amateur Wrestling Association program in Pampa.

Rick Urquhart has scheduled a meeting at 6 p.m. tonight at Pampa Middle School gym for parents and youngsters interested in wrestling. The TAWA is for youngsters 4 to 15 years of age.

For questions, Urquhart can be contacted at 665-8321.

### FOOTBALL

**WHITE DEER** — White Deer hosts Vega at 7:30 Friday night in the Bucks' annual homecoming game.

White Deer has a 3-0 record while Vega is 0-3.

**PAMPA** — Pampa and Westover Park 7th grade teams fought to a 6-6 tie Tuesday.

Pampa's touchdown was scored by Andrew Cambern on a 55-yard pass from Max Simon.

Pampa's outstanding players were Cambern, Simon, Jack Curtis, Carlos Solis, Chris House, Luis Gonzales, Kirk Reed, Tristan Brown and Jordan Claus.

Pampa lost the B team game, 26-16. Earvin Parker scored all the Pampa points on touchdown runs of 55 and 45-yard runs, plus both conversion runs.

Parker, Tim Keftenring, Ben Frogge and Joel Botello played an outstanding game.

In the 8th grade division, Pampa lost to Valley View, 21-0. Pampa won the B team game, 7-0. Joel Dancel scored on a 60-yard TD run for Pampa. Ryan Nash kicked the extra point.

On Tuesday, Pampa plays Dumas. The 8th grade plays at Dumas while the 7th grade plays at Pampa. Gametime is 5 p.m. for the B games, followed by the A games around 6:30 p.m.

### BASEBALL

**TORONTO (AP)** — Players win games and managers lose them.

That's the message the Toronto Blue Jays sent Wednesday by firing Cito Gaston, and that's certainly what the players heard.

Gaston led Toronto to consecutive World Series victories in 1992 and 1993 — and four division championships.

He also became the only manager ever to follow a world championship trophy with four consecutive losing seasons with the same team.

"Sometimes you might be the best guy in the business, but if you don't have the support of the team, you look bad," pitcher Robert Person said.

# Kentucky's Couch is no armchair quarterback

By RICHARD ROSENBLATT  
AP Football Writer

Who has more fun than the guys who operate Florida's Fun 'N' Gun?

How about Tim Couch, Kentucky's quarterback who directs the most potent passing attack in the nation.

On Saturday, the Gators play their first game since replacing Penn State at No. 1 when they visit the Wildcats (3:30 p.m. EDT, CBS). It'll be the first time a top-ranked team has played at Commonwealth Stadium.

"We realize that Kentucky has the No. 1 pass offense and it will be a challenge for our defensive players," Gators coach Steve Spurrier said. "They are well coached and play extremely hard."

Especially Couch, the 6-foot-5 1/2, 225-pound sophomore who has thrived under new coach Hal Mumme's pass-happy approach.

## Herd defeats Pampa girls in vb action

**PAMPA** — Hereford defeated Pampa, 15-4, 15-3, in a District 1-4A volleyball match Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Katy Cavalier led the Pampa offense with 5 kills and was 5 of 5 in hitting while Tiffany McCullough followed with 3 kills (4 of 4 hitting). Lisa Dwight (13 of 15), Tandi Morton (8 of 9) and Lisa Kirkpatrick (7 of 8) had 2 kills each.

In serving, Pampa's April Lopez was 8 of 8 with 5 points. Cavalier was 5 of 6 in digs and Morton was 5 of 7.

Hereford also won the junior varsity match, 11-15, 15-5, 15-12.

Jessica Conner led Pampa JVs with 6 kills while teammate Mary Grace Fields led in service points.

Lindsey Earl and Courtney Lang had an outstanding match for Pampa.

Pampa travels to Canyon for another district contest at 2 p.m. Saturday.

## Fishing tourney slated Saturday

**PAMPA** — A fishing tournament will be held Saturday at Lake Greenbelt with proceeds going to benefit Act 1 Community Theater of Pampa.

The tournament begins at 7 a.m. at the south ramp and there will be a \$15 fee per person.

There will be a \$5 optional fee for big bass. Weigh-in will be at 3 p.m.

Interested persons can register at the lake the morning of the tournament or call 665-3710 for early registration.

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL PICKS

Couch, smothered by the Gators in his first start last season, has bounced back. Last week, he hit on 24 of 32 passes for 334 yards and a school-record seven TDs in a 49-7 win over Indiana. It was the most points scored by Kentucky (2-1) since 1978, a span of 203 games.

For the season, Couch is 99 of 143 for 1,081 yards and 15 TDs, while his counterpart, Doug Johnson, is 49-of-93 for 802 yards and 12 TDs, including three in Florida's 33-20 win over No. 9 Tennessee last week.

"We're probably not as good as everybody thinks," Spurrier said, "but good things seem to happen to the Gators."

Whether Couch can have success against a stingy Florida defense is the biggest question. With a stellar secondary of Eli

Williams and Fred Weary at the corners and Teako Brown and Tony George at the safeties, the Gators plan on adding to their interception total.

Florida (3-0) has a more balanced offense through three games — 103 running plays, 103 passing plays. And in the past three seasons, the Gators have overwhelmed the Wildcats, outscoring them 180-14, including last year's 65-0 rout in Gainesville.

At Ann Arbor, Mich., the No. 6 Wolverines face what looks like a sub-par Notre Dame team. The Irish (1-2), averaging just 13.7 points per game, barely beating Georgia Tech before losing to Purdue and No. 12 Michigan State.

Unless new coach Bob Davie comes up with a miracle cure for

Ron Powlus & Co., the Wolverines could make it an ugly day for the Irish.

"They are a very dangerous offensive team," Michigan coach Lloyd Carr warned.

To whom?

The picks: No. 1 Florida (minus 22) at Kentucky. Even with QB whiz Tim Couch, Wildcats have tough time hangin' with Gators. ... FLORIDA 42-17.

Virginia (plus 14 1/2) at No. 5 North Carolina. It's Oscar, Oscar, Oscar (as in QB Oscar Davernport). ... NORTH CAROLINA 35-14.

Notre Dame (plus 14) at No. 6 Michigan. It's going to get really bad before it gets better for Irish. ... MICHIGAN 31-14.

No. 7 Ohio State (minus 15 1/2) at Missouri. Watch out Buckeyes, of Mizouz can cause big problems. ... OHIO STATE 28-24.

Central Florida (plus 16 1/2) at No. 8 Auburn. Can the schedule get any tougher for Golden Knights? ... AUBURN 35-21.

Illinois (plus 28) at No. 11 Iowa. Iowa has nation's leading rusher in Tavien Banks. ... IOWA 42-20.

Akron (plus 42) at No. 13 LSU. Nice way for LSU to recover from Auburn loss. ... LSU 52-7.

Arkansas State (plus 39) at No. 14 Virginia Tech. Tech had trouble with Temple, but Indians offer little resistance. ... VIRGINIA TECH 35-0.

Boise State (plus 39) at No. 15 Washington State. Last week: 12-6 (straight), 12-6 (spread); Season: 54-13 (straight), 37-26 (spread).

## Starting flanker



Brian Waldrip, a 160-pound senior, will be starting at flanker for the Pampa Harvesters against the Dumas Demons. Gametime is 7:30 Friday night in Dumas.

## Troy says Chicago more than just paper Bears

**IRVING, Texas (AP)** — Troy Aikman says Chicago is no paper Bear.

He has seen the Bears on film and will testify they are better than their statistics, which rank among the lowest in the NFL.

"They have been playing teams tough," Aikman said Wednesday. "What I see is much better than what their stats show."

"They really came after Drew Bledsoe in the New England game last week with the blitz and gave him a lot of trouble. I expect we'll see some of that this week. They know we've been struggling."

The Bears and coach Dave Wannstedt come calling this week at Texas Stadium, where Wannstedt coached top-ranked defenses when he was with the Cowboys.

Dallas spent most of its bye week learning how to block the blitz, which was the primary defense of Arizona and Philadelphia. It gave Dallas fits and gummed up an offense that had looked so promising in a 37-7 season-opening victory over Pittsburgh.

"We've looked much better in practice against the blitz," Aikman said. "But that's practice. If we played only practice football we'd be 19-0 every season."

"I think we will be improved. We'll find out Sunday. We'll find

out the rest of the year."

The Cowboys tried a no-huddle offense as a countermeasure to the blitz in the second half against Philadelphia and had limited success.

Aikman said the Cowboys could use it again.

"You might see some of that (no-huddle) this week," Aikman said. "It can be effective. It doesn't give a defense a chance to huddle and call a play. We might use it to jump-start the offense. It used properly it can change the tempo of the game. How much we'll use it is hard to say."

Aikman knows one thing: The Bears will be blitzing a lot.

"I know Dave Wannstedt's style, and he likes to attack," Aikman said. "When a team hasn't been going well it's inclined to take chances."

Running back Emmitt Smith said the no-huddle works at times but also has a downside.

"It helps take the wind out of the (offensive) players," he said.

Fullback Daryl Johnston said the no-huddle works only against teams that change defenses a lot, such as the Eagles.

"We might not use it much against Chicago because the Bears don't send out as many players on second and third downs as some other teams," Johnston said. "I don't see it being a big part of our offense this week."

## Magic sends Scott to Mavs

**DALLAS (AP)** — Last week, Dallas Mavericks owner Ross Perot Jr. vetoed the idea of trading for troubled forward Dennis Scott.

This week, Perot shook Scott's hand and welcomed him to Dallas.

With that blessing Wednesday, the long-rumored trade between

Dallas and Orlando finally took place, with Scott coming to the Mavericks for point guard Derek Harper and forward Ed O'Bannon.

The Magic also sent the Mavericks \$500,000 in cash that will go to the team's charitable foundation.

# Orioles clinch first division crown in 14 years

By The Associated Press

From start to finish, the Baltimore Orioles were the leaders of the pack.

The Orioles, who moved into first place on opening day and stayed there the rest of the season, clinched their first AL East championship since 1983 by beating Toronto 9-3 Wednesday night.

Baltimore is only the sixth major-league team to hold first place every day of the season.

"Wire to wire. It's kind of mind-boggling," Cal Ripken said. "What it says is we played good at the start, good in the middle and good in the end."

Rafael Palmeiro hit his 38th homer and drove in four runs for the Orioles, who lead the New York Yankees by four games with four remaining. If the teams finish with the same record, Baltimore would be the division champion because it won the season series against the Yankees 8-4.

No division playoff would be necessary because both teams already have postseason berths.

The Orioles, who open their best-of-5 playoff series at AL West champion Seattle on Wednesday, celebrated their title

with a steady flow of champagne and beer.

"This celebration is going to be sweet, but it's also going to be short," Ripken said. "We've got to start thinking about Seattle, and anything can happen in a short series. Fortunately, the kind of season we had is something we can dwell on as we get ready

Seattle 3.

**Yankees 8, Indians 4** — At Cleveland, Dwight Gooden improved his career record against the Indians to 5-0. Gooden (9-5) allowed four runs and seven hits in seven innings.

A night after squandering a seven-run lead against the Indians, the Yankees erupted for

"Wire to wire. It's kind of mind-boggling. What it says is we played good at the start, good in the middle and good in the end."

— Cal Ripken

for the playoffs."

The Yankees, who beat Cleveland 8-4 Wednesday night, will be the AL's wild-card team. They will open their series against the Central champion Indians on Tuesday at Yankee Stadium.

Elsewhere in the AL, it was Boston 9, Detroit 2; Minnesota 7, Chicago 2; Milwaukee 4, Kansas City 3 in 15 innings; Texas 8, Oakland 4; and Anaheim 9,

seven runs in four innings against left-hander Brian Anderson.

Derek Jeter, Jorge Posada and Tim Lincecum homered for the defending World Series champions, who evened their season series with Cleveland at 5-5.

**Angels 9, Mariners 3** — Ken Griffey Jr., batting leadoff at his own request, failed to hit a home run in three at-bats before making an early exit.

Griffey, tied with Mark McGwire for the major league lead with 55 homers, grounded out in the first inning, was called out on strikes in the third and hit a drive to the warning track in right-center in the fifth.

Mike Blowers pinch-hit for Griffey in the eighth, and some of the fans at the Kingdom showed

Travis Fryman homered for the Tigers, who lost for only the second time in their last seven.

**Twins 7, White Sox 2**

Frank Rodriguez took a shutout into the eighth inning, and Matt Lawton and Marty Cardova each drove in two runs as Minnesota won at Chicago.

Rodriguez (3-6) pitched seven-plus innings, allowing five hits and two runs for his first win as a starter since April 18. Rick Aguilera got the final out for his 26th save.

AL batting leader Frank Thomas went 1-for-4, dropping his average to .351.

**Brewers 4, Royals 3**

At Milwaukee, Darrin Jackson's bases-loaded bunt with two outs in the 15th inning brought home the winning run.

Fernando Vina led off the 15th with a single off Jeff Montgomery (1-4), moved to second on Jeff Cirillo's ground-out and went to third on Gerald Williams' fly ball. After Julio Franco and Jeremy Burnitz walked, Darrin Jackson bunted down the third-base line and slid in safely at first ahead of Dean Palmer's throw as Vina scored.

Paul Wagner (1-0) picked up the win with a scoreless 15th.

their displeasure by booing.

**Red Sox 9, Tigers 2**

Tim Wakefield allowed four hits in seven-plus innings, and Mo Vaughn hit a two-run homer off the right-field roof at Tiger Stadium.

Scott Hatteberg and Darren Bragg each had three hits and two RBIs as Boston won for just the second time in five games. Detroit's three-game winning streak was stopped.

# Scoreboard

## BASEBALL

### National League Glance

#### At A Glance

#### All Times EDT

#### By The Associated Press

#### East Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Atlanta	99	.527	—
w-Florida	92	.582	7
New York	86	.541	13 1/2
Montreal	78	.481	23
Philadelphia	65	.411	34

#### Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	81	.77	.513
Pittsburgh	78	.81	3 1/2
Cincinnati	73	.85	4.82
St. Louis	71	.87	4.49
Chicago	67	.91	4.24

#### West Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	88	.71	.553
Los Angeles	85	.73	5.39
Colorado	82	.76	5.19
San Diego	75	.64	4.72

### American League Glance

#### At A Glance

#### All Times EDT

#### By The Associated Press

#### East Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Baltimore	96	.62	.508
w-New York	92	.66	.562
Detroit	79	.507	4
Boston	77	.61	.487
Toronto	72	.66	.456

#### Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Cleveland	84	.72	.538
Chicago	77	.80	.490
Milwaukee	77	.80	.490
Minnesota	66	.91	.420
Kansas City	65	.92	.414

#### West Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Seattle	89	.70	.560
Anaheim	83	.75	.525
Texas	74	.84	.468
Oakland	63	.96	.396

### SOCCER

#### Major League Soccer

#### At A Glance

#### All Times EDT

#### By The Associated Press

#### Eastern Conference

W	L	SOW	Pts	GF	GA
x-D.C.	20	10	4	52	64
w-Tampa Bay	17	13	3	45	53
Columbus	13	17	2	35	40
New England	14	17	4	34	38
NY-NJ	12	18	2	32	40

#### Western Conference

W	L	SOW	Pts	GF	GA
xy-Kansas City	20	10	7	48	52
w-Dallas	16	15	3	42	54
y-Los Angeles	15	16	2	41	53
y-Columbus	13	17	2	35	45
San Jose	12	19	3	30	54

### TRANSACTIONS

#### Wednesday's Sports Transactions

#### By The Associated Press

#### BASEBALL

#### National Basketball Association

#### DALLAS MAVERICKS—Traded G Derek Harper and F Ed O'Bannon to the Orlando Magic for G Dennis Scott and \$500,000 cash.

#### SEATTLE SUPERSONICS—Signed F Jerome Kersay to a one-year contract.

#### FOOTBALL

#### National Football League

#### ATLANTA FALCONS—Re-signed LB Jamal Fournette. Waived FS Chris Shelling.

#### CHICAGO BEARS—Signed OL Casey Wiegmann. Placed WR Marcus Robinson on injured reserve.

#### DENVER BRONCOS—Signed LB Hillary Butler to the practice squad. Waived S Cory Gilliard from the practice squad.

#### JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Re-signed RB Randy Jordan. Signed LB Tyrone Hines and WR Donnell Baker to the practice squad.

#### KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Signed DE Dexter Nottage to a two-year contract. Waived DE

## Depth makes a difference

### Depth makes a difference, especially in the fast-paced world of six-man football.

#### Last Friday night, the McLean Tigers took the field with 14 players against the Silverton Owls. That's a pretty good number for six-man, but Silverton suited up almost twice that many.

#### "We played well, but we just ran out of juice," said Sam Hankins, McLean's first-year coach. "Near the end of the game we got two guys injured and the heat and humidity just wore us down."

#### McLean ended up losing by a 74-40 score, but at one point the Tigers were leading 28-13. The Owls had more fresh legs to send in and scored 21 fourth-quarter points.

#### McLean has a 1-2 record after opening the season with a win over Amherst.

#### McLean had some outstanding individual efforts against Silverton.

#### Six-foot six Brett Montgomery snared three touchdown passes and had more than 140 receiving yards. Unfortunately, Montgomery

## Oliver pitches Rangers past Athletics

### OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) —

#### Though Darren Oliver fell three outs short of his fourth complete game of the year, he achieved a more significant personal goal — reaching 200 innings pitched.

#### Oliver pitched eight strong innings and Juan Gonzalez drove in a pair of runs as the Texas Rangers defeated the Oakland Athletics 8-4 Wednesday night.

## L.D. Strate

### Pampa News staff writer

#### was one of the injured players and was sidelined late in the game. Montgomery has an arm injury and is expected to arm from two to three weeks.

#### Quarterback Ike Hanes was the other injured player, but he's expected to return for Friday night's tilt with Lake View. Before he went out, Hanes threw two touchdown passes and ran for two more as the Tigers compiled 259 passing yards.

#### "When you lose a 6-6 player like Montgomery, it's definitely going to hurt your passing game," Hankins said. "We're going to regroup and keep working."

#### Coach Jim Reid's Groom Tigers will be regrouping after suffering a 42-26 setback to Chillicothe. It was Groom's first

## LOSS AFTER A PAIR OF VICTORIES.

### Groom also had some outstanding individual efforts in defeat.

#### Josh Evenson and Evan Crowell of Groom combined for a pair of touchdowns. Crowell caught TD passes of 46 and 19 yards from Evenson. Wade Ritter and Beau Fields each had a touchdown run.

#### It should be an interesting matchup when Groom and McLean met Oct. 3 in McLean.

#### Groom also has 14 players listed on its roster. That's still a pretty good number for six-man. The trick is to keep as many players healthy as possible and not go up against a team that has enough bodies for an 11-man program.

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<b>1 Public Notice</b> NOTICE OF APPLICATION Hochst Celanese Chemical Group, Inc., has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 5081A for the existing Pampa Plant boilers, ash handling, and coal handling facilities located on US Highway 60, West of Pampa, Gray County, Texas. The facility emits the following air contaminants: oxides of nitrogen, sulfur dioxide, volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, and particulate matter. A person who may be affected by air contaminants emitted from the existing facility may request a hearing. If the applicant demonstrates the existing facility will comply with all applicable air quality requirements, the applicant will qualify for issuance of a permit renewal. The subject of a hearing would be limited to applicable air quality requirements, which do not include issues such as water quality, noise, traffic safety, or zoning. If a hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to civil trials in state district court. To request a hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) the applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I request a public hearing." (4) a brief, specific statement of how and why emissions from the facility would adversely affect you in a way not common to members of the general public; and (5) the location of your property relative to the facility. Hearing requests or comments on the application must be received in writing at the Chief Clerk's Office, MC-105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, within 15 days after the second publication of this notice. This notice is to be published on September 25 and September 26, 1997. A copy of the registration is available for review and reproduction at the TNRCC Office of Air Quality, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Building C, Austin, Texas 78753. Registration documents and further information may be obtained from the TNRCC Amarillo Regional Office, Air Program located at 3918 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79109-6996, telephone (806) 353-9251. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, toll free, at 1-800-687-4040, C-28, Sept. 25, 26, 1997.	<b>1 Public Notice</b> THE STATE OF TEXAS County of Gray TO: SIDNEY (MORRIS) MCMAHON Respondent(s) GREETINGS YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable District Court, 23rd Judicial District, Gray County, Texas, at the Courthouse thereof, in Pampa, Texas, by filing a written answer, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of twenty days from the date of service of this citation and there to answer the Petition of LEO F. MCMAHON, JR. filed in said Court on the 5th day of May, 1997 against SIDNEY (MORRIS) MCMAHON Respondent (s) and said suit being numbered 30541 on the docket of said Court, and entitled, IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF LEO F. MCMAHON, JR. AND SIDNEY (MORRIS) MCMAHON the nature of which suit is a request to DIVORCE. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgement or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property, which will be binding on you. ISSUED AND GIVEN under my hand and seal of said Court at Pampa, Texas, this 23rd day of SEPTEMBER, 1997. /S/ W. MERER, Clerk 23rd District Court Gray County, Texas P.O. Box 1139 Pampa, TX 79066-1139 By: SANDRA BURKETT Deputy	<b>3 Personal</b> MARY Kay Cosmetics and Skin-care. Facials, supplies, call Deb Stapleton, 665-2095. BEAUTICONTROL Cosmetics and Skin Care sales, service, and makeovers. Lynn Allison 1304 Christine - 669-3848 MARY Kay Cosmetics, facials & supplies. Call Vijay Murgai at 669-6123.	<b>14d Carpentry</b> CARPENTRY work-remodeling, new construction, repairs. Call 669-2624. FOUNDATION Settling? Cracks in walls, ceilings, or brick? Doors won't close? Call Childers Brothers. Free estimates 1-800-299-9563. 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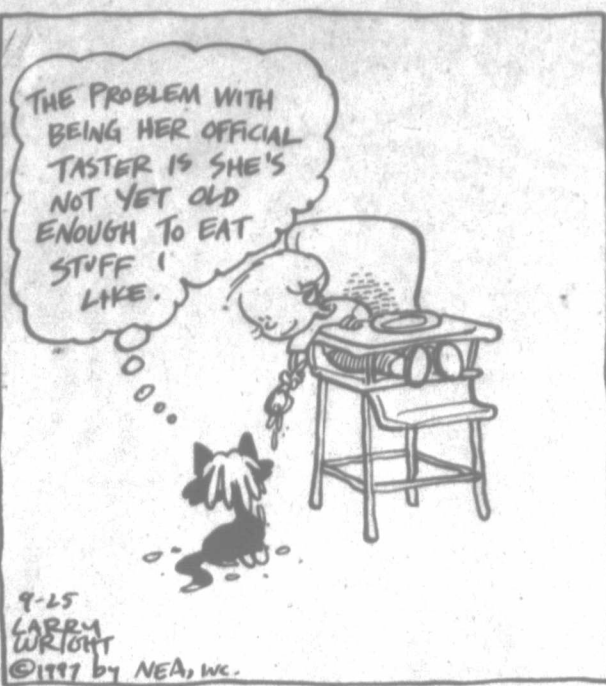
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4 — St  
8 Genus of maples  
12 Own (Scott.)  
13 An O'Neill  
14 Farm building  
15 Was introduced to  
16 Cafeteria employee  
18 Loved  
20 Uncle  
21 Plus  
23 Madrid museum  
27 Tops out  
30 Household appliance  
32 First-rate (2 wds.)  
33 Swimmer's spot  
34 — culpa  
35 Greek letter  
36 Conceited  
37 Cal. abbr.  
38 Without purpose  
40 Crowded  
41 Villain's expression  
42 Friends'

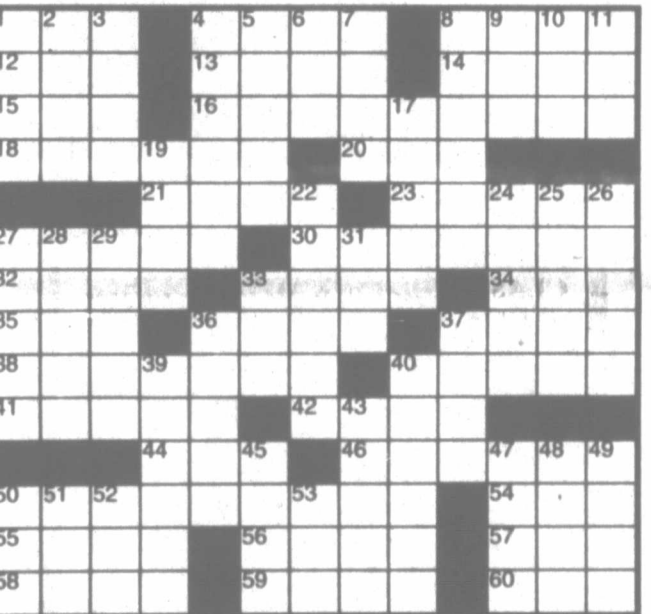
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46 Over there  
50 Unlimited  
54 From — Z  
55 Ms. Ono  
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57 Trim (the lawn)  
58 Legal claim  
59 Coast  
60 Printer's measures

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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NITH ADRENALIN  
URARI RODENT  
RAVE CUBS ENE  
SCABIOSA AKIN  
EEN ALEK MEET  
BRA MORK ERSE

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24 Some Madison Avenue workers  
25 Lowest of rank  
26 Expound  
27 Fathers  
28 Reddish dye  
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32 Chaney  
33 Dance  
34 Author  
35 Skip  
37 Looked at  
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