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Pampa parks board seeks volunteer members

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY
Staff Writer

If you're looking for a way to get involved in the community in a leadership capacity ... look no further.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is seeking a new volunteer member with an interest in parks and recreation to serve on the committee.

The Board serves in an advisory capacity to the Pampa City Commission, said Director of

Parks Reed Kirkpatrick. However, the seven-member board is instrumental in evaluating key issues that pertain to the community.

A special 6 p.m. meeting is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 15, in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall for individuals interested in the board.

This week, the board will discuss the super playground, handicapped parking for Central Park, park donations and a water bill donation report.

The advisory board is also looking at a new park that could be developed with the possible donation of some land in southwest Pampa by the Robertson family, Kirkpatrick said.

Other projects include: the Dr. von Brunow park, hike and bike trail improvements and general new park development.

The position is a city-appointed one and the person chosen for the job will also be eligible to participate in the Texas Recreation and Parks Society

(TRAPS).

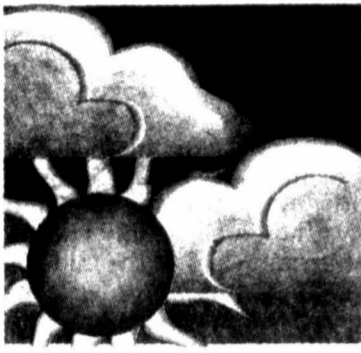
"The City Commission is providing the advisory board members with specialized training by providing membership to the Texas Recreation and Parks Society and funding a trip to the annual TRAPS conference which will be held this March in Corpus Christi," said Kirkpatrick.

"Again, we're looking for someone who is interested in parks and recreation and the betterment of our community," he

said.

The group meets the fourth Thursday of every month and the meetings usually last about an hour, although they have been known to last from one to three hours, he said.

Those interested in getting actively involved with the community by serving on the board should contact City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers. Applications can also be made available from Parks Director Reed Kirkpatrick at 669-5770.



High today 50.
Low in the lower 20s.
For weather details see Page 2.

PAMPA — Mary Ann Carpenter has announced that she has filed for re-election for Justice of the Peace, precinct #4.

PAMPA — Bob Munns has announced that he is filing for re-election as Justice of the Peace for precincts #1 and #3.

PAMPA — Volunteers are needed Monday morning starting at 10 to help The Salvation Army prepare Christmas food baskets. More volunteers will be needed starting at 10 Wednesday and Thursday mornings for distribution of food and toys. The Salvation Army is at 701 S. Cuyler. The number is 665-7233.

PARIS (AP) — The body of a Lamar County teen-ager who was missing since a party Saturday night has been found.

Authorities say the body of Monty Clark, 18, was discovered Thursday in the Chicota Bottoms, not far from the Red River. Chicota is an unincorporated area of Paris.

An autopsy was ordered. The Lamar County sheriff's department says the death possibly was due to hypothermia.

Alcohol also may have been a factor, officials said. Clark was last reported seen when he left a party, alone.

ROSENBERG (AP) — Fort Bend County's sheriff must remove his name from county patrol cars, according to a Texas attorney general's opinion.

County commissioners in the suburban Houston county sought the opinion after Sheriff Milton Wright, in office since January, had his name included in the decal on new patrol cars. They complained it violated their new generic sign policy for the county.

One commissioner also criticized it as a "rolling billboard" for Wright.

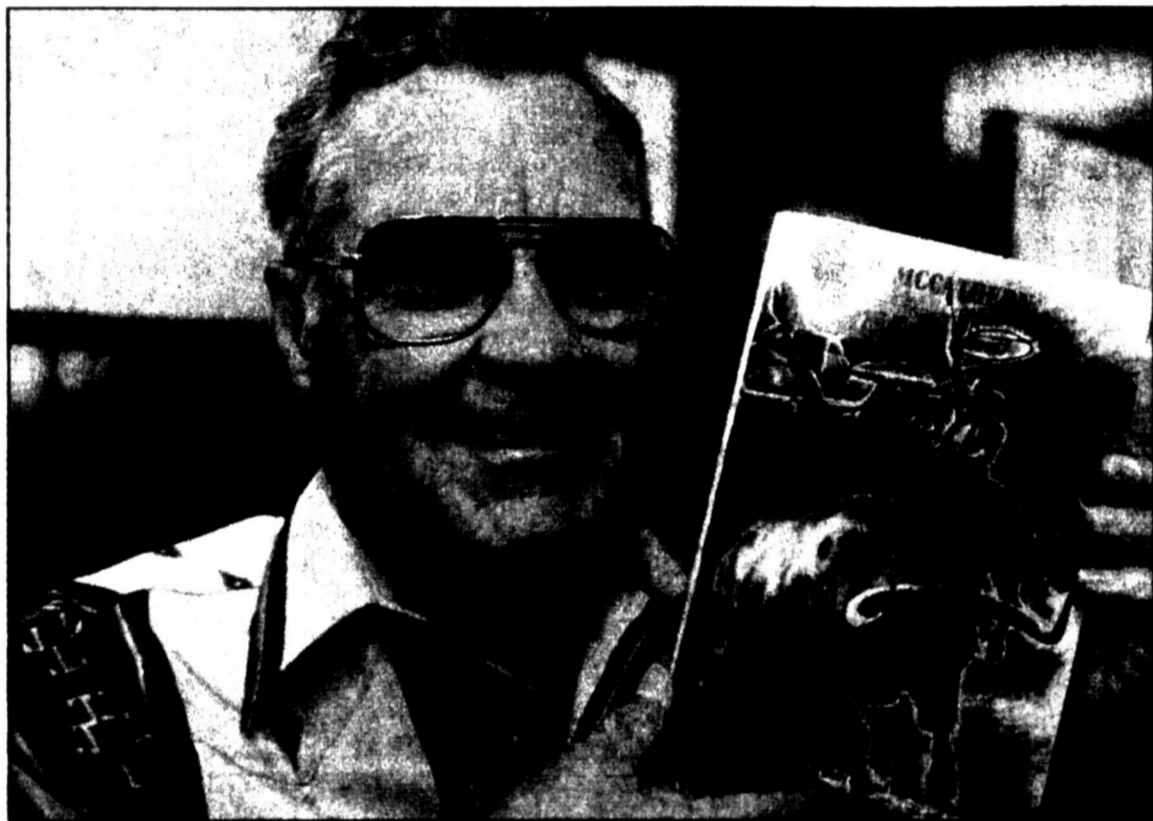
No big deal, the sheriff said after learning of the opinion Friday.

"Nothing to it. We'll take them off," he told the Houston Chronicle. "I'm not going to get in a fight with them about this."

• Viola Marie Cox Cooper, 70, a Wheeler resident since 1976.

• Sara Elsa Stalls, 103, a Pampa resident since 1926.

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Gerald McCathern will be in Pampa Saturday to autograph his new novel

Former Pampa resident authors novel

Former Pampa resident Gerald McCathern, author of the historical western novel, *Horns*, will be at Hastings Book Store from 4-9 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 20, to autograph copies of his book.

Horns is set in the Texas Panhandle during the 10-year period following the Civil War, 1865 to 1875, and tells the story of the hardships and problems confronted by the first cattle ranchers to set roots on the Llano Estacado during a time when the area was still controlled by the Comanche Indians. The fictional story is merged with actual historic events and characters of that time.

Making friends with half-white Comanche Chief Quannah Parker, McCathern's heroes,

ex-Colonel Jim Cole and his young side-kick, Ned Armstrong, trail five through head of Texas longhorns from Central Texas to the Panhandle. There they establish Ceebara, the first cattle ranch on the Llano Estacado. They battle the weather, buffalo hunters, the U.S. Cavalry and eventually the Plains Indian tribes during the Red River Wars in a valiant effort to protect their ranch lands and cattle herds.

McCathern, a graduate of Texas Tech, has farmed and ranched in the Texas Panhandle for the past 45 years and is now retired and lives in Hereford with his wife, Bonnie.

When he lived in Pampa during parts of the

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Blockbuster to close despite flood of calls

Despite the efforts of the citizens of Pampa, Sunday will be the last day that Blockbuster Video will be open. They will rent videos that day which can be returned in the drop box the next week at the normal rental time.

Lew Mollenkamp, executive director of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation said

the company told him that they may be back in town at some future date.

The company said that their phones were virtually flooded by calls about the store closure, according to Mollenkamp. He also said that the tremendous response that they got will be a determining factor in deciding to come back.

The company said that the company is changing its structure and marketing as some factors in the determination to close.

All of the employees have found other jobs in town except the manager who will be transferred to a South Texas Blockbuster after closing the store.

Tripplehorn announces for county clerk primary

Susan Tripplehorn is announcing her candidacy for county clerk in the Republican primary. Tripplehorn has been employed as project coordinator for the Pampa Economic Development Corporation for the past two years. Prior to this, she worked in accounting for 27 years. She was appointed county chair of the Gray County Republican Party in 1982 and served in that capacity until 1992. She and husband, John have one daughter, Kelly, who is a seventh grader at Pampa Middle School, and a son Jim, who is a sophomore at Texas Tech. She is a member of the First United Methodist Church.

"I look forward to the opportunity of serving the citizens of this county," Tripplehorn said. "We are fortunate to have had the professionalism and dedication of Wanda Carter over the past 27 years; and I look forward to providing the same courte-

ous service she has given us." "I know this job will require a lot of learning on my part, and I understand the importance of it.



Tripplehorn

In the early '70s I worked for a law firm researching abstracts of property, and as a result, I have first hand knowledge of the workings of the county clerks' office," she said. "Also, because of my experience as Republican Party chair, I know how to hold elections, purchase ballots and provide workers while complying with the Texas election code. I have always met challenges head-on, and I look forward to meeting this one with confidence and enthusiasm."

Touch of an angel...



Area law enforcement officers were angels this week when they donated toys for the Salvation Army Angel Tree. From left to right, Lt. John Goes, Cpl. Donny Brown, Det. Connie Lockridge and Kelly Kidwell present gifts to Lt. Matthew Branscum of the Salvation Army for the Angel Tree. The toys were donated by the Pampa Police officers Association. The association includes officers from state, county and city law enforcement groups.

Sunday snapshot



Name: Rick Pierce
Occupation/Activities: Teacher/preacher
Birth date and place: Wichita Falls, 7/30/60

Family: Wife, Tojuana, daughter, Brandie and son, Jeremy

If I had a different job, I'd be a: Meteorologist.

My personal hero: my son, Jeremy.

The best advice I ever got was: treat others like you want to be treated.

People who knew me in high school thought: I was a trouble-maker.

The best word or words to describe me: friendly, understanding (approachable), patriotic and funny.

My epitaph should read: R.I.P. ... my initials.

The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: Sam Houston, Martin Luther King Jr., President Reagan and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.

My hobbies are: Texas History, weather, fishing, collecting coffee mugs

My favorite sports team is: Cowboys.

My favorite author is: Edgar Allen Poe.

The last book I read was: "The Alamo Remembered: Tejano Accounts and Perspectives."

My favorite possession is: my college degree.

The biggest honor I've ever received is: baptizing my kids and future son-in-law.

My favorite performer is: actor, Dustin Hoffman.

I wish I knew how to: fry chicken.

My trademark cliché or expression is: Que pasa?

My worst habit is: procrastination.

I would never: tell a child he/she is worthless or stupid.

The last good movie I saw was: "Men in Black."

I stay home to watch: the news and weather.

Nobody knows: I have Elvis tied up in my garage.

I drive a: 1989 Buick.

My favorite junk food is: sunflower seeds.

My favorite beverage is: coffee.

My favorite restaurant is: Scotty's, downtown Pampa.

My favorite pet: Nala, my dog.

For my last meal, I would choose: fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn-on-the-cob and chocolate pie.

I wish I could sing like: the guy tied up in my garage.

I'm happiest when I'm: with my family.

I regret: dropping out of high school.

I'm tired of: negative attitudes/complaining.

I have a phobia about: heights.

The electrical device I couldn't live without is: my coffee maker.

The biggest waste of time is: having a migraine headache.

If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: I don't play.

If I had three wishes they would be: to know the truth about the Alamo; I could find someone who remembers Koogle peanut butter, I had more hair.

If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: open a Barnes and Nobles bookstore.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

Services today
COOPER, Viola Marie Cox — 2:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Wheeler. **Services tomorrow**
STALLS, Sara Elsa — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

Sheriff's Office

The following arrests were made by the Gray County Sheriff's Department during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
 Friday, Dec. 12
 Burl K. Scrogg, 1005 Ave. Q, was arrested for theft.

Obituaries

VIOLA MARIE COX COOPER
 WHEELER — Viola Marie Cox Cooper, 70, died Friday, Dec. 12, 1997. Services will be at 2:30 p.m. today in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Robert Lindley and Bill Morrison, minister of Wheeler Church of Christ, officiating. Arrangements will be under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler. Graveside services will be Thursday in Colusa Cemetery at Colusa, Calif.

Mrs. Cooper was born June 16, 1927, at Riverside, Calif. She married Jesse "Ted" Cooper, Sr., on Aug. 10, 1945, at Marysville, Calif. She was a graduate of Colusa High School and G.M.A.C. Business School. She moved from California to Texas in 1973 and had been a Wheeler resident since 1976.

She was a bookkeeper employed with Buck and Willoh Garage in Colusa and Cooper Union Station and Garage at Leggett, Calif. She later worked for Beef Cattle Company in Wheeler and operated Western Gift Store. She was a 50-year member of the Rebekah Lodge and was a member of First United Methodist Church of Wheeler and Native Daughters of the Golden West.

Survivors include her husband, Ted, of Wheeler; four daughters, Sharon Horton of Wheeler, Daren Miranda of Colusa, Pam Dearthoff of Willow Creek, Calif., and Denise Sledge of Yukon, Okla.; a son, Jesse T. Cooper of Wheeler; two sisters, Helen Bumpus of Pleasant Grove, Calif., and Harriet Moore of Sacramento, Calif.; a brother, Melvin "Happy" Cox of Colusa; 12 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, First Methodist Church of Wheeler or Hospice of the Panhandle.

SARA ELSA STALLS

McLean — Sara Elsa Stalls, 103, died Thursday, Dec. 11, 1997. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa with the Rev. Howard Childers, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church of Amarillo, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Stalls was born March 12, 1894, at Rockford, Lamar County, Texas. She moved to Clardy in 1902 and attended school at Bethel. She later attended Mary Canner College, a school of liberal arts in Paris, Texas. She taught school at Minter for three years. She married to Lundy L. Stalls on March 23, 1917; he died in 1957. The couple lived at Lone Oak prior to moving to Pampa in 1926 and to a farm near White Deer in 1931.

She moved from White Deer to Garretson's Retirement Center at Panhandle and currently resided at McLean Care Center.

Survivors include a daughter, Mary Helen Stalls Wooten of Baytown; two sons, James Lane Stalls of Amarillo and William Duncan Stalls of Albuquerque, N.M.; a sister, Gertrude Lynch of Paris; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department made the following arrests in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, Dec. 12
 Pete Vargas Perez, 19, 123 N. Nelson, arrested on a warrant and for resisting arrest.

Saturday, Dec. 13
 Michael Scott Rabel, 27, arrested in the 600 block of Brown on a warrant.

Alan William Broadbent, 34, 323 Baer, arrested for evading and unlawfully carrying a weapon.

Billy Joe Pierce, 31, arrested for failure to appear.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department investigated the following accidents in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Dec. 12
 Ernestina A. Villarreal suffered injuries about 8 a.m. Friday when the vehicle she was in was in collision with a car driven by Janet Gail Hancock, 44, of 1024 Mary Ellen at the intersection of 18th and Williston. Hancock received a citation for failure to yield.

A Chrysler driven by Marilyn Stephens, 33, of 1812 N. Faulkner, was in collision in the 2600 block of Perryton Parkway with a Jeep Cherokee driven by Martin Riphahn, 32 of 2131 Charles. Riphahn received a citation for failure to yield. Stephens received a citation for expired vehicle registration.

Icy streets were blamed for a collision Friday between two juveniles at the intersection of Banks and Randy Matson. Both vehicles were southbound on Banks and turning onto Randy Matson when they skidded on ice.

Calendar of events

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

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

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

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

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS
 The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights at Warren Chisum's Office, 100 N. Price Road. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session.

PAMPA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
 The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at Clarendon College. For a partner, or more information, please call Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

PAMPA CHESS CLUB
 The Pampa Chess Club invites you to a night of casual but competitive chess and instruction. We will meet at 1029 N. Dwight at 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday night. Beginners are very welcome! For more information contact James A. Shook at 669-0227.

PRESCHOOL HOUR
 The Lovett Memorial Library hosts the Preschool Hour every Tuesday morning from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. for children ages 3 through 5. The public is invited to participate.

NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY
 In light of the holidays approaching, New Life Assembly would like to help those less fortunate. The church will be accepting good used toys and coats at LeeAnn's Grooming, 420 W. Francis, Dec. 8 - 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at New Life Assembly, 1435 N. Sumner, from Dec. 12, 2 to 7 p.m. and Dec. 13, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

PAMPA RETIRED TEACHERS
 The Pampa Retired Teachers will have their annual Christmas party at 2 p.m., December 15, Lovett Library Auditorium.

VFW
 The VFW is preparing food baskets for 10 families in Gray County this holiday season. The veterans are asking the community to help out by bringing groceries to the Freedom Museum by Dec. 22. The food baskets will then be delivered on Dec. 23.

Railroads claim progress in grain shipments

By LIBBY QUAID
 Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Union Pacific railroad is awaiting the results of a survey before routing cars to critical areas to comply with a federal order to ship to market grain now spoiling on the ground.

The railroad told the federal Surface Transportation Board on Friday it should have the results of the survey by Tuesday. Meanwhile, the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corp. told regulators it has begun routing cars to comply with the government directive.

The board last week ordered the railroads to report this Friday with plans for making Midwestern grain shipments a top priority, then chronicle their progress weekly. The ruling was part of an emergency order requiring Union Pacific to continue cooperating with BNSF and other competitors to clear train congestion across the western United States.

Traffic snarls on Union Pacific's lines that forced elevators to

dump a record corn harvest on the ground also clogged California ports and stalled production at Northwest lumber yards and steel mills. The industry-regulating board acted last week to extend for three months an earlier emergency order.

Both railroads developed plans to find grain piles in danger of spoiling and place cars at those locations as quickly as possible. Union Pacific, the nation's largest railroad, said it expects to finish a survey developed by the National Grain and Feed Association by Tuesday and begin routing cars where the need is critical.

"Not all of the grain piles are the same; some may be in some risk because of exposure; in other cases, the owners don't have plans to move that grain because of market conditions," Union Pacific spokesman John Bromley said Friday.

BNSF, meanwhile, has contacted most of the elevators on its system and found only 14 with an immediate need. The railroad estimated it could handle all the grain ready for movement on its

system by late next week. The railroad said it has reduced its shipment cycles from 29 days on Nov. 21 to 22 days as of last week.

Burlington Northern spokesman Jim Sabourin said his company has moved about half the cars needed for shipping grain in immediate danger of spoilage.

Grain organizations have expressed fears that Union Pacific might take cars away from shippers who had already paid for and locked in their orders.

"We believe this plan should not favor those shippers who have either made bad business decisions or those who failed to plan ahead by rewarding them with car orders at the expense of all other grain shippers," said Joe N. Hampton of the Oklahoma Grain and Feed Association.

Hampton expressed doubts that Union Pacific could rely on the improved shipment speeds without reallocating cars to get the grain moved. The railroad's plan "fails to address the issue of how shippers will all of a sudden have access."

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'30s and '40s, McCathern worked from McCathern Brothers Boiler & Welding Works and also worked a time for City Services Gas Co. It was at the Pampa Air Base in 1944 that McCathern joined the military.

At Texas Tech, he became a petroleum geologist. But because he enjoyed English so much, McCathern said he took "extra courses" in that department.

"I had a professor tell me one time that I should write for a living," McCathern said during an interview recently at The Pampa News.

In 1967, McCathern was writing professionally for agricul-

ture-related publications while he continued to farm and ranch.

And while Horns just recently hit the bookshelves, it is a labor that took McCathern about "11 or 12 years" to complete as he worked on it in his spare time. "I wrote when I could find time...at 3 a.m. or whenever."

The author is quick to say that Horns "is not just a man's book" and says the fact-based story of the fictional ranch family who survived during the Indian wars has wide appeal.

Now that McCathern is retired, his writing has become more disciplined, and he spends about four hours a day in the office in

his home in Hereford.

"I am working on two books now," he said, describing one as a sequel to Horns. The other is a "current-time western mystery set in the Panhandle," he added. "It involves feedlots, murder, poisoning..."

A Panhandle native, the author draws on his upbringing for inspiration from the many hours spent arrowhead hunting to his love of studying Texas history as a schoolboy.

"I'm looking forward to coming to Hastings in Pampa," he said. "I hope I get to see some of my old friends and make some new ones."

Weather focus

Today, sunny with a high of 50 degrees and a Northwest wind 10 to 20 miles an hour. Low tonight will be 27 degrees with a Northwest wind five to 15 mph. Sunny Sunday with a high of 60 and a Northwest wind five to 15 mph. The overnight low was 21. The high Friday was 36 degrees.

REGIONAL FORECAST
WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Saturday night, clear. Low around 20-30. Northwest wind 5 to 15 mph. Sunday, sunny with a high 55 to 60. Northwest to west wind 5 to 15 mph. Sunday night, mostly clear. Low in the 20s. Extended forecast: Monday, mostly sunny. High 55 to 60. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Low 25 to 35. High in the upper 40s and lower 50s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Low in the upper 20s and lower 30s. High in the lower to mid-40s.

South Plains and Low Rolling Plains — Saturday night, clear. Lows in the lower to mid-20s. Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs mid-50s to near 60. Sunday night, fair. Lows near 30. Extended forecast: Monday, fair. Highs in the 60s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Highs in the mid-50s to lower 60s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Highs in the 50s.

Permian Basin-Upper Trans Pecos — Saturday night, clear. Lows in the lower to mid-20s. Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs 60-65. Sunday night, fair. Lows around 30. Extended forecast: Monday, fair. Highs in the mid- to upper 60s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Highs 60-65. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Highs 55-60.

Concho Valley-Edwards Plateau — Saturday night, clear. Lows in the lower to mid-20s. Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs 60-65. Sunday night, fair. Lows in the 30s.

Far West Texas — Saturday night, clear and cold. Lows near 20. Sunday, mostly sunny and warmer. Highs in the upper 50s. Sunday night, fair. Lows mid-20s to near 30.

BORDER STATES
New Mexico — Saturday night, clear and not quite as cold. Lows from near 5 below zero to the upper teens mountains with teens and 20s lower elevations. Sunday, sunny with some high clouds. Warmer, especially east. Highs mid-30s to mid-50s mountains and northwest with 50s to mid-60s lower elevations east and south. Sunday night, mostly fair skies. Lows from near zero to the low 20s mountains and northwest with mostly 20s lower elevations east and south.

Extended forecast: Monday, increasing clouds. Becoming breezy west. Highs upper 30s to mid-50s mountains and northwest with 50s to mid-60s east and south. Tuesday, mostly cloudy. A chance for rain and snow showers, mainly, north. Lows from near 8 to the mid-20s mountains, mid-20s to 30s elsewhere. Somewhat cooler with highs 30s to around 50 mountains and northwest and mid-40s to low 60s lowlands east and south. Wednesday, mostly cloudy north with a decreasing chance for rain and snow showers. Partly cloudy south. A little cooler most sections. Lows single digits to low 20s mountains, 20s to low 30s elsewhere. Highs upper 20s to mid-40s mountains and northwest and mostly 40s to 50s lowlands east and south.

Oklahoma — Saturday night, mostly clear. Lows in the lower and mid-20s. Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid- and upper 50s. Sunday night, mostly clear. Lows in the mid-20s to near 30. Extended forecast: Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid-50s to lower 60s. Tuesday, partly cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows in the lower and mid-30s. Highs in the 50s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid-20s to lower 30s. Highs in the 50s.

City briefs

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Presidential pets have front row seat for history

WASHINGTON (AP) — They sit in on White House meetings and are present when presidents make crucial decisions.

Presidential advisers? Chiefs of staff? Cabinet members? Nope, presidential pets.

From Martha Washington's parrot to President Clinton's new Labrador puppy, pets who have occupied the White House have helped their owners' images and eased diplomatic relations.

But more than anything else, they always have been a source of entertainment for the public, press and the first families.

Clinton's three-month-old chocolate Labrador retriever is just the latest in a long line of first pets that have, in their own way, helped shape history.

"I'm absolutely convinced that pets who lived in the White House helped our presidents win friends and ease tensions," said Ronnie Elmore, associate dean of Kansas State University's College of Veterinary Medicine. Elmore has been researching presidential pets for seven years and is planning a book on his findings.

Besides the obvious value of pets, some first pets have been helpful in more practical ways.

William Howard Taft owned a dairy cow, named Pauline Wayne, who provided milk for the White House.

Woodrow Wilson raised sheep, from which he harvested wool used to make clothes and sheets for soldiers during World War I.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt's beloved black Scottish terrier, Fala, may have helped the president win his fourth term.

In the campaign of 1944, Republicans spread the story that Fala had been left behind on an island in the Aleutians and that a destroyer had been sent back to retrieve the dog at the cost of millions of dollars.

In a September speech, Roosevelt took on his foes and ended with these words:

"These Republican leaders have not been content with attacks on me, or my wife, or on my sons. No, not content with that, they now include my little dog, Fala."

After that speech, Roosevelt's fortunes turned and he won.

One White House pet made an impromptu appearance at the side of his sick owner in an effort to cheer him up.

Theodore Roosevelt's son, Archie, was sick in bed, so his brothers, Kermit and Quentin, put the family pony, Algonquin, on the White House elevator for

transport to Archie's room on the second floor.

Legend has it that a faint hoof-print can still be detected in that elevator.

First pets have also caused their share of headaches for owners.

Dwight Eisenhower's Weimaraner, Heidi, was less than fond of photographers and would often attack them. Heidi was also scolded by first lady Mamie Eisenhower for urinating on a rug in the White House's Diplomatic Room.

Benjamin Harrison's goat, Whiskers, ran away, and passers-by were treated to the sight of the president chasing Whiskers down Pennsylvania Avenue.

Clinton's as-yet-unnamed puppy will join first cat Socks in the executive mansion, which has been occupied by such varied animals as John Quincy Adams' alligator; Abraham Lincoln's goat, Nanny; Rutherford B. Hayes' pedigreed Jersey cows; Theodore Roosevelt's snake, Emily Spinach; and Calvin Coolidge's two raccoons, Rebecca and Horace.

It is believed that Adams' alligator resided in a White House bathtub.

Today's White House pets are more active than ever. Socks has his own web page and Millie, George and Barbara Bush's brown-and-white springer

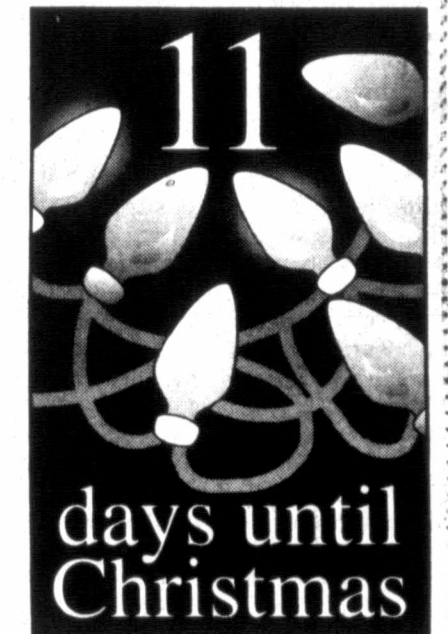
spaniel, wrote her own book.

It is fair to say that first pets always have been active.

Warren Harding's Airedale, Laddie Boy, had his own seat in the White House Cabinet Room and attended meetings.

Richard Nixon made a point of having foreign leaders meet his Irish Setter, King Timahoe.

Among the more recent White House pets were Ronald Reagan's sheep dog, Lucky; Amy Carter's cat, Misty Malarky Ying Yang; and Gerald Ford's golden retriever, Liberty.



Susan Tripplehorn of Sunflower Patch was among those with arts and crafts booths during the recent Head Start for the Holidays event at Lovett Memorial Library. Her booth featured herbs and herb vinegar blends.



Richelle Norris of Celebrations had some hand-made seasonal decorations and other Christmas goodies at her booth during the library event.

Larry McMurtry, professor, want to encourage reading

WICHITA FALLS, Texas (AP) — Novelist Larry McMurtry and a local university professor bemoan the fact that they didn't have access to creative writing training until they had left the Wichita Falls area for greener pastures.

McMurtry and Midwestern State University professor James Hoggard say the hope the McMurtry Center of the Arts and Humanities at MSU helps Texoma area students learn those skills here in Wichita Falls.

"I didn't even have one (writing class) in college, until my last year," McMurtry said at the center's grand opening Thursday. "I'd heard about creative writing courses, but didn't even think about it until

then. There was nothing like that here." Hoggard, named the first McMurtry Professor, said the center will help young people discover their muses, whether in writing, music or the arts. Workshops for students and high school teachers are part of the program.

The family of the late Wichita Falls philanthropist Bill Thomas funded the center.

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Opinion

Stats don't tell the whole story

The government keeps bombarding us with statistics that could make citizens feel as if crime is all but disappearing. The latest is an FBI report that showed declines of 9 percent in murder and robbery for the first six months of this year, with the overall crime rate down 6 percent in major cities.

Should Americans feel notably safer? Are there reasons to be dubious about all the political Pollyannism?

The short answer is to keep your skepticism active, especially about politicians who claim credit.

One might feel less uncertain if more politicians gave the same reasons for the supposed drop in crime. President Clinton has said that "with community policing at the center of our efforts, we have worked to give communities the tools they need." Republican politicians in California say it's because of Three Strikes and other tough sentencing laws. In other states, leaders will say it's because new laws have made it easier for ordinary citizens to get permits to carry concealed weapons.

What is striking is that academic experts on criminology agree that nobody really knows much about what makes crime rise or fall. Alan Abrahams of the Rand Corporation said that the only thing that seems certain is that males aged 18-25 are more prone to commit crimes than any other population group — and the FBI reports don't correct for the changing percentage of that demographic group in society. Otherwise, careful studies on stiffer sentencing, community policing and other approaches are remarkably inconclusive.

Another caution is the way the reports are compiled. Federal reports are based on state reports, which in turn are based on reports from local cities and communities. But not all cities report to the states, and the non-reporters vary from year to year. And victimization surveys — a cheery one was released about two weeks ago — note that only three in 10 crimes are ever reported to the police at all.

All that up-the-food-chain reporting takes time — several years, in fact. Figures for 1997 in the FBI preliminary report are based on sampling surveys, not actual comprehensive reports.

So is crime really down? We hope so. Most experts believe the murder statistics are fairly reliable, and those numbers show declines. But given all the confounding variables, it's impossible to be sure. It is reasonably certain that violent crime rates proportionate to the population are still higher than in the 1950s and the 1960s — and for the person who has been recently victimized, nationwide aggregate statistics don't mean a thing.

Whether or not the published statistics are wholly reliable and given that local officials in some cities and areas may have made a difference, you can be reasonably certain the state and national politicians rushing to claim credit don't deserve it.

—Odessa American

Thought for today

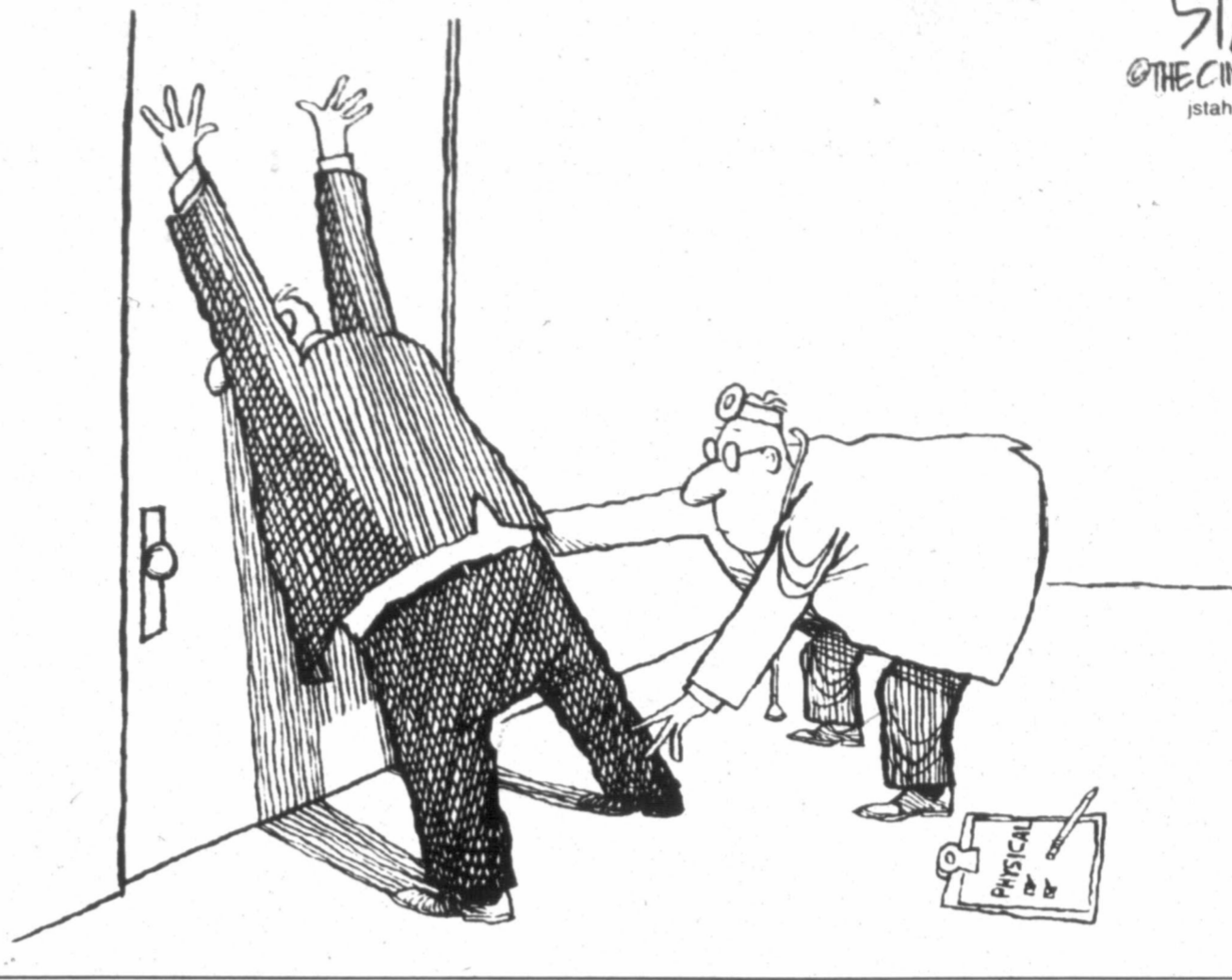
"They wonder much to hear that gold, which in itself is so useless a thing, should be everywhere so much esteemed, that even men for whom it was made, and by whom it has its value, should yet be thought of less value than it is."

Sir Thomas More

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Some teens complaints ring true

I've written a number of columns over the years about teen-related issues, but I really hadn't reflected on my own adolescence. That is, until recently, when I stopped at a traffic light next to a bright yellow school bus, which was ferrying a full load of youngsters.

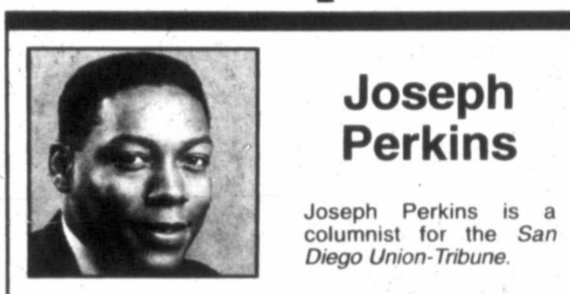
I thought back to my high-school days in Greensboro, N.C., when I rode a bus to school along with most of the kids in my neighborhood. I recalled that the bus drivers were high school students themselves: teenagers entrusted with the lives of 25 to 30 of their classmates.

Today, a grizzled thirtysomething years old, I am amazed that school systems in North Carolina gave teenagers so much responsibility. In 1997 there is less than zero possibility that any school system in America would dare allow teenage bus drivers to chauffeur fellow students to and from school.

But are teenagers today any less responsible than they were 15 or 20 years ago? I thought I would investigate this myself. So I took the time to talk to a number of teenagers, of various ethnicities and family income levels.

This exercise proved a revelation. First, I found the youths I spoke with to be no less or more responsible than the kids of my generation. I was also struck by their impressions of various measures that adults have either proposed or put in place to save teenagers from themselves.

Some of these measures, I was told, are



Joseph Perkins

Joseph Perkins is a columnist for the San Diego Union-Tribune.

totally ineffectual. Like the government crusade against teenage smoking, including bans on cigarette vending machines and regulation of advertising that supposedly is targeted to youths.

"I don't think people give us the credit we deserve," says 17-year-old Julie Moe. "I don't think we can be influenced by a couple of billboards. Like Joe Camel. Come on. I don't even know anyone who smokes Camel cigarettes. Joe Camel is not even a factor."

The teens had mixed feelings about efforts to reduce the amount of sex and violence to which they are exposed by way of music and television programming.

"My brother listens to some of it (gangsta rap)," said 16-year-old Steven Deineh. "It's about guns and gangs. I hate it." But he does not agree that teenagers should be restricted from buying such music. "That's like taking away our rights," he said.

The same goes for parental consent laws, said Deineh, like those requiring permission

before a minor can have his or her body pierced. "We should have the freedom to do what we want with our own bodies," he says, "like dying our hair."

Some teens would extend this to the thorny area of abortion. "My girlfriend is pregnant, and she's going to have an abortion," said 16-year-old "Junior" Hernandez. "Her parents don't know, and my parents don't know." Junior believes that he and his girlfriend have the right to make the decision without their parents' consent or even knowledge.

Now I must say that I did not entirely agree with the teens I talked to. Most important, I don't believe that the rights of parents should be subordinated to those of their teenage children. As long as youths live under their parents' roof, or as long as parents foot the bills of their teenage children, then parental advice and consent should be sought for every major decision these teenagers make.

Having said that, I do agree with the youths I talked to that adults have gone overboard with laws imposing teen curfews, dictating dress codes, cracking down (supposedly) on underage smoking and drinking, and enforcing "zero tolerance" in schools of even the most harmless so-called "weapons."

Such laws presume that teen behavior needs to be controlled by the government. But most teens exercise self-control. And at least some of them I met are responsible enough that I wouldn't even be afraid to see them behind the wheel of a school bus.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Dec. 14, the 348th day of 1997. There are 17 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 14, 1799, the first president of the United States, George Washington, died at his Mount Vernon, Va., home at age 67.

On this date:

In 1819, Alabama joined the Union as the 22nd state.

In 1911, Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen became the first man to reach the South Pole, beating an expedition led by Robert F. Scott.

In 1946, the United Nations General Assembly voted to establish the U.N. headquarters in New York City.

In 1985, Wilma Mankiller became the first woman to lead a major American Indian tribe as she took office as principal chief of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma.

In 1986, the experimental aircraft Voyager, piloted by Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager, took off from Edwards Air Force Base in California on the first non-stop, non-refueled flight around the world. (The trip took nine days.)

Ten years ago: Supreme Court nominee Anthony M. Kennedy told his confirmation hearing he had no hidden agenda for abortion and privacy cases. Chrysler pleaded no contest to federal charges of selling several thousand vehicles as new even though they'd been driven by employees with the odometer disconnected.

Five years ago: President-elect Clinton opened a two-day conference in Little Rock, Ark., on the nation's economic problems. Russian President Boris Yeltsin lost a battle with hard-liners as he was

forced to abandon his reformist prime minister, Yegor Gaidar, in favor of Communist-era technocrat Viktor Chernomyrdin.

One year ago: A freighter lost power on the Mississippi River and barreled into the Riverwalk complex in New Orleans. No one was killed. Teamsters President Ron Carey won election to a second term. Later, the results were overturned, and Carey was barred from a rerun vote by a court-appointed monitor who ruled that Carey had used union money for his campaign.

Curmudgeon's improvisation club

Welcome to the Curmudgeon's Improvisational Slam and Jam Club. You toss 'em up, and I'll stuff 'em through.

Who's going to start us off? Come on, challenge me.

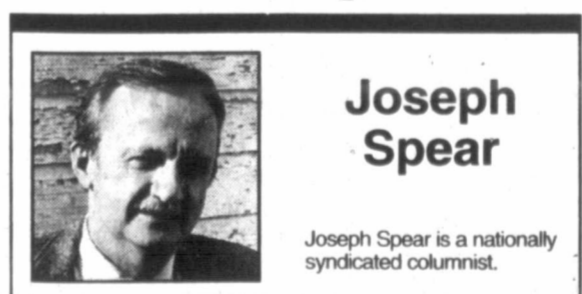
OK, the gentleman over there with the prodigious stogie. Excuse me, is there someone behind that cloud of smoke? What's that? You want to know what I think of Bill Clinton's mulligans? He's not talking about stew, folks. He's talking about golf. He wants to know what I think of Clinton's alleged cheating.

First of all, let me say that presidential cheating is a fine tradition. Richard Nixon hit perfect lobs from behind bushes. Lyndon Johnson threw down a bunch of balls and played his best hit. George Bush said his scores shot up after he returned to civilian life because his buddies quit conceding putts. So Clinton takes some strokes he doesn't count. Big deal.

It's a global thing. Once the dictator of North Korea played a round with his toadies and made five holes in one.

I say let 'em cheat. It's a privilege of high office. Better they cheat themselves than cheat us.

Yes, the vertically challenged gentleman standing on a chair. Will I participate in the Time 100 poll? Yes, I know what you mean. Time magazine is going to name the 100 most important people of the century. No, I will not participate. I hate asinine exercises like that. They always leave out the people who were most important to me. You watch. I bet they



Joseph Spear

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don't even mention Buddy Holly or Elmore Leonard.

Movies. Somebody said movies. The movies are really starting to suck how's that? There are so few human stories anymore. There's only blood and guts and hi-tech extravaganzas. I'm not alone in this opinion, either. The great Gregory Peck said he was turned off by the technology, too. He said the last movie he saw that he liked was *Babe*, which starred a pig.

Another wretched thing is this trend toward androgyny. Did you see Harrison Ford on the cover of *People* magazine wearing a by-damn-earring? Can you see Bogart wearing earrings? Give me attractive, intelligent women and tough guys who are tender but never show it. I used to think Harrison Ford would make a great Joe in my life story. Now he can play my sister.

Yes, the big guy over there with the scowl on his face and the tattoos and the rings in his ears and nose. Sorry, I didn't mean to offend you. Reporters in out! space. You'll have to tell me

what you're talking about. Quiet, please, I can't hear. You say CNN is negotiating with the Russians about sending a reporter to the Mir space station. What do I think about that?

I think it's a splendid idea. I can think of several TV noodleheads that I would like to volunteer for the assignment, and at least half of them work for CNN. In fact, maybe it would be a good investment to build a space station just for the media. Send up a bunch of 'em. "Earth to Cokie: Good news, your tour has just been extended. Say, how's Geraldo doing?"

Yes, the lady with the cigar ... you know, the air is getting pretty thick in this place. Condoms, you say. You want this old Curmudgeon to say something cute about condoms. When I was young, they kept the condoms behind the counter and you had to ask the pharmacist about them. Now they've got big baskets of the things in the cafeteria line. One more sign of senescence. No, I will not define it for you. Look it up.

OK, here we go: Did you hear about the New Jersey company that recalled 57 million condoms because they were breaking before their expiration dates? I repeat that figure: 57 million.

Suppose they had not been recalled. What would they have called the umpteen million babies that might've been born as a result? The accidental generation? I mean, we're boomers. Would they be Breakers? Busted? Ruptured? Just wondering.

The Curmudgeon's Improv. Come back and see us sometime.

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Letters to the editor

Let's cooperate with each other to better society

To the editor:
I have lived in Pampa since 1953. I have had good clean fun, no problems in school, and it was allowed for teachers and principals to discipline us in the way they chose. I see no wrong in what happened in Lefors. Our children have no respect for themselves or anyone else today. Lessons taught in the home reflect on how our children act in school.
The children have more rights than the parents or guardians. This is why Pampa has such a drug problem today, and you better believe there is a very serious drug problem. It didn't happen overnight, and it won't clear up overnight.

I believe the police department and sheriffs department are doing their best. It's going to take the citizens of Pampa to step forward and say I am not afraid of any of your drug lord pin heads.
Call Crime Stoppers or talk to the judges, chief of police, sheriffs department, probation department and whoever will listen to you. Teach your children to respect that blue uniform and badge at an early age. It doesn't mean they won't do drugs, but the parents and police can sure control them better.
We all have skeletons in our closets, but having your child tell you the truth, no matter how bad it is, and being there for your child when they need you is worth everything. Never disown your child.
God don't give up on us, and He hears when you call. I thank God for P.L.C. here in Pampa. All the good people who help all year and not just at Christmas time.
Please, let's get these drugs and dealers out of Pampa! We have

grandchildren growing up here, and the problem is getting worse. Let us all pray for a clean beautiful city. Let's bring the discipline rule back to the parents and the schools and our officials.
Norma Arnold Sandefur
Pampa

Traffic lights are a problem

To the editor:
I think Pampa needs to work on their traffic lights. You could be sitting at a light and no cars on the opposite light and the light will not change. I don't think other people like sitting at a light for a long time. If Pampa could fix their lights, then that would be great.
Shawn Boyd

Santa Letters

The Life of Jesus

Jesus, our Lord's Son,
was born in Bethlehem;
in a stable on hay, He lay!

Hearing of our new Savior's birth,
three wise men set out first!
They followed the North Star;
in distance, having to go far!
Many gifts were brought
for our new Savior being sought!

In a few days word came:
Newborn baby boys were being slain!
Joseph and Mary fled
with their child Baby Jesus they had!
The years passed for Jesus to grow;
in being a carpenter,
He became to know!

Then one day,
the Lord called Jesus to go away!
To preach and teach,
with hearts in need to be reached!
Jesus went near and far
for all ears to hear His call:
To begin making preparation
for souls saved in salvation!
In praying,
the sick were healed to reveal:
The power through this Man,
by our Lord in command!

The seasons came and went;
in years for preaching
while teaching Jesus had spent!
The high priest complained of His fame
and then all the soldier came!
That in his love for man:
Jesus was bound by His feet and hands!
He was quickly put on trial;
by His followers, to be denied!

The soldiers made fun and laughed
as they placed upon His head
a crown of thorns and said:
"Now you are a King!"
And in laughter, it ring.
As the thorns dug in, the blood began
running down His eyes to drain,
while in tears, feeling all the pain!

A cross was built:
Where love found guilt,
due to His fame, His guilt was pain,
in no one to feel their shame!
The soldiers led Jesus out
as His people fled about,
showing fear and in tears to cry!
While Jesus was dragging His cross,
I am certain for His thought:
To know with life, His flesh was lost!
Reaching the mountain top,
the soldiers made Jesus stop.
They laid Him on His cross:
As the spikes went deep
in both His palms and feet!
Feeling hurt and pain,
His tears and blood drained,
while proving His love remained!

The soldiers raised Him on His cross;
in Jesus looking up, He sought
unto His Father, He talked!
"Forgive them O' Lord,
for they know not what they do!"
The thunder roared
and the lightning cracked
turning day dark to night!
The soldiers ran in fright
of a sudden dark to sight!
Jesus spoke, "It is over," to be the end
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by BEN C. CROOK

To Santa Clause
North Pole 85921

Dear Santa,
My name is Taylor McNeely. I am three-years-old, and my mom is helping me because I'm only three. I really want a Barbie Jeep, but Mom say's I have to wait until I'm 16. (She is still waiting for hers!) I want some 101 Dalmations (three-year-old Lingo Dalmations), but I guess I will wait to see what you brought for me. Oh, yeah! My brother Hunter is only four-months-old, so he can't even say I want yet. So please bring him some bottles or something like that. My mom says I have to be nice!

Taylor Renne McNeely
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Taylor Garmon

Dear Santa,
My name is Bo Likes. I live at 1132 S. Sumner. For Christmas I would like a guitar, a piano, a type writer, a bicycle, clothes, shoes and some hot wheels. I have been a good boy this year. If you can't get what I asked for - what you can is fine. Thank you.
P.S. We will leave you milk and cookies.
Bo Likes

Dear Santa,
My name is Kayla Michelle Likes. I live at 1132 S. Sumner. I been a good girl for christmas. I want a tumble surprise and some fingernail polish. And a gold fish. And my sister wants some of the real Baby horse family. And I want a fake

puppy. And a reall cat with a cage.

Kayla Michelle Likes

Dear Santa,
My name is Michael Likes
I live at 1132 S. Sumner for Christmas I would like a three wheeler, a motorcycle a real race car a typewriter a real horse a cowboy hat and cowboy boots so mething for my mom and lohn Thank you
Michael Likes

Dear Santa,
My name is Keziah Nelson. I am five-years-old. For Christmas I want a pair of skates, a jump rope, a bike, a Barbie that kicks balls - soccer, a baby doll play house, a table. For or my mom, I want a musical angel and for my dad I want a little motorcycle. I also would like a Barbie for my

sister Loretta, for my brother Jacob, a motorcycle with Superman on it, and for my brother Roy, a Spiderman.

I will leave milk and cookies for you.
Keziah Nelson

Dear Santa,
My name is Roy Nelson. I live at 331 N Davis Pampa TX. This year I have very good. I would like to have a truck, phone so I can call you. And some clothes to. May be my list will be bigger next year.
Roy Nelson

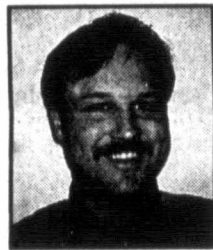
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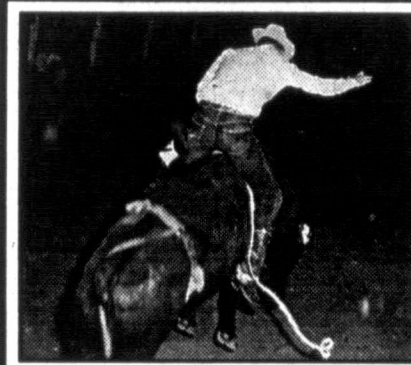
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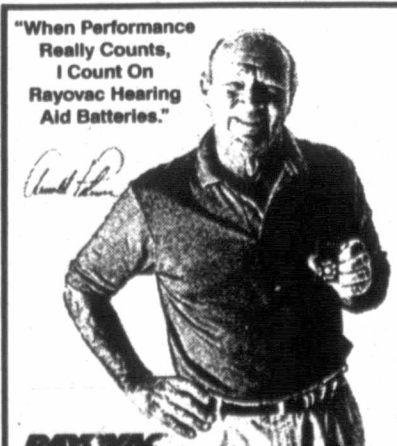
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Jury acquits former mayor of capital murder

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A jury today acquitted former Ingleside mayor Mark Crawford of capital murder after telling the judge that six hours of deliberations had not produced a verdict.

"We're having a pretty hard time of it," jury foreman Raul Martinez told state District Judge Ronald Yeager on Thursday.

Crawford was accused of kidnapping and gassing to death his Houston business partner, Nick Brueggen, 49, then burying him behind a building Crawford used near Aransas Pass.

This was his second trial on the charges. Crawford's first trial ended with a hung jury deadlocked at 10-2 in favor of conviction.


Before ending Thursday's deliberations, the jury requested transcripts of the testimony of Texas Ranger Oscar Rivera regarding a conversation in which Rivera said Crawford told him he was in Houston on the day police say Brueggen was killed.

The judge refused the jury's request for a portion of defense attorney Bill May's opening statement about Crawford being out of town on the murder date. During the trial, family members said he spent the day with them in the Ingleside area. Yeager ruled that opening statements are not evidence and cannot be brought into deliberations.

The state was not seeking the death penalty, so Crawford would have received an automatic life prison term if he had been convicted.

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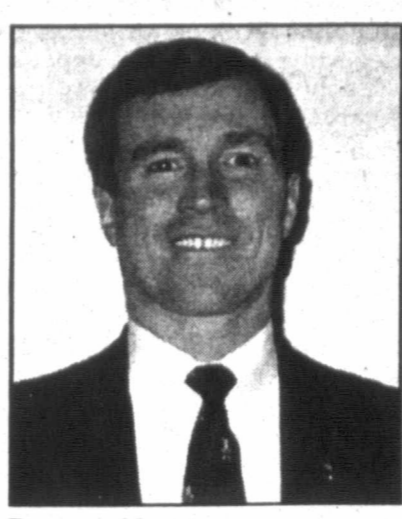
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Harp promotion told by FirstBank

FirstBank Southwest Chairman Carl W. Ellis has announced that Duane Harp, senior vice president of the bank in Pampa, will be retail banking manager for the company, effective Jan. 1, 1998. Harp will transfer to the main bank in Amarillo, where he will be responsible for the personal banking and teller functions, as well as product development and training for the bank's five locations. He will also be responsible for the construction and opening of a new Amarillo branch in 1998.



Duane Harp
seventh grader at Pampa Middle School. Harp will commute to the Amarillo location while the family completes the school year in Pampa.

Ellis commented, "We are pleased to have Duane assuming these new responsibilities. He has outstanding experience in banking — in Pampa and in Amarillo. He will enable us to provide even better services to our customers in Amarillo and at all five Panhandle locations."

Harp began his banking career in Amarillo with American National Bank in 1975. He has been in Pampa for the past 13 1/2 years, coming to Citizens Bank and Trust which became FirstBank Southwest in 1995. Harp has served in all major areas of the bank including operations, administration and lending.

Harp's wife, Anita, teaches kindergarten at Austin Elementary School. The couple has two sons; Matt, who will graduate from Pampa High School in May, and Joe Bob, a

Kevorkian associate assists woman's suicide

ROMULUS, Mich. (AP) — A retired psychiatrist who is an associate of Dr. Jack Kevorkian helped a woman with breast cancer kill herself in a hotel room, Kevorkian's lawyer said Friday.

The lawyer, Geoffrey Fieger, wouldn't say whether Kevorkian was present at the death Thursday of Rosaline Haas or how she committed suicide.

The suicide was assisted by Dr. Georges Reding, who helped an 82-year-old woman with a series of ailments kill herself at her Detroit home last week, Fieger said. Reding's telephone number is unlisted.

Ms. Haas, 59, was from Westminster, Calif. Police in Romulus, a Detroit suburb, said they received an anonymous call from a man Thursday night telling them where the body could be found.

"The caller also stated, 'Call Fieger,'" police said in a statement. Earlier this month, Fieger said Kevorkian has "decided that other doctors are going to be involved. There'll be more."

Last year, Kevorkian, Reding and another associate were charged in 10 deaths, but the charges were dropped when the prosecutor was voted out of office.

Fieger has said Kevorkian has taken part in close to 100 suicides.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Beef industry tries to better public image

By KATIE FAIRBANK
AP Business Writer

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The beef industry, concerned about public perception of beef safety, is trying to improve its image and disseminate the message that Americans should not fear eating meat.

The Beef Industry Food Safety Council met Thursday and Friday to figure out a way to solve the problems presented by E. coli and other food-borne pathogens.

"The problem is the occurrence of E.coli ... in ground beef," said Chuck Schroeder, chairman of the council and chief executive of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. "Even though it occurs rarely, we've determined that it is a top priority of the industry."

Tainted meat became a major concern this summer when a recall was issued for 25 million pounds of Hudson Food Co. hamburger that may have been contaminated with E. coli.

After that incident, the council, made up of ranchers, meat packers, processors and scientists, was organized.

Looking for a way to avoid headlines about sick consumers and the contamination altogether, the meat industry got approval from the Food and Drug Administration this month to use irradiation to zap beef with gamma rays.

Now, the council is trying to help disseminate information about the new technology and better handle similar "crisis situations" like the Hudson hamburger incident.

"We've found as these occurrences come to pass we're looking at each other wondering what to do. We're looking to limit the damage and work more cohesively with each other," said Schroeder, who described the current spokesmen for the industry as "cowboys, meat packers and restaurateurs."

The council is considering whether to hire a public relations firm to handle the news media and consumer questions.

Schroeder said those in the industry recognize that something needs to be done or "over the long haul, we'll lose the confidence of the customer."

Americans are eating 13 percent less beef than about 25 years ago, but it is still by far the nation's leading meat at about 64 pounds per person every year.

Secretary Albright tops role model list for girls

WASHINGTON (AP) — Atop the list of women serving as terrific role models for today's girls is Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, the Ms. Foundation said.

The foundation, which advocates for women's issues, said Thursday it planned to issue an annual list of top 10 women role models.

"Their achievements create new opportunities for today's girls," Ms. Foundation President Marie Wilson said in a statement.


The foundation noted that Albright is the highest ranking woman to serve in the U.S. government but said that was not enough. "The role model that's missing is a woman in the Oval Office," Wilson said.

The foundation's other role models include: Gen. Claudia Kennedy, the Army's first three-star general; Dee Kantner and Violet Palmer, the National Basketball Association's first female referees; Nobel Peace Prize winner Jody Williams, who led the campaign to ban land mines; Phile Chionese, a public-housing advocate who organized the Million Woman March; actress Ellen DeGeneres, who brought lesbian issues to the fore when she and her TV character said they were gay; and talk show host Oprah Winfrey, who encouraged the nation to read through her on-air book club.

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'I have to be happy' Partially paralyzed teen upbeat after shooting

By TED BRIDIS

Associated Press Writer
PADUCAH, Ky. (AP) — Melissa Jenkins spends her days in a hospital bed, hoping against all odds that she will walk again, chatting with her twin, Amanda, and reading the compassionate cards that keep coming.

Missy, as her friends call her, was paralyzed from the chest down in a shooting rampage that killed three of her high school classmates and injured five others, Missy the most seriously.

With her 16th birthday coming up on Christmas Eve, Missy appears faithfully optimistic about her future. But her doctor says it's unlikely she will walk again.

"She can live a normal life," Dr. Monte Rommelman said Thursday, "but it will be from a wheelchair."

Missy and seven other students were shot Dec. 1 at Heath High School after they ended an informal prayer gathering in the school lobby. A classmate, 14-year-old Michael Carneal, is expected to be indicted soon as an adult on murder, attempted murder and burglary charges.

One other student, Shelley Shaberg, 14, also remains hospitalized. Her family will say only that she is "fine" and recovering.

The bullet that struck Missy, one of 11 police say were fired into a crowd of about 50 students, entered her left shoulder and spiraled downward toward her spinal cord before exiting.

Her room at Lourdes Hospital is filled with balloons, flowers, stuffed animals — including a talking bear and a croaking felt

frog — and a message-of-hope poster from her church, 32nd Street Church of Christ. She talks with Amanda about friends at school and activities she's missing.

She misses her pet cat and the family dog.

"I feel good," Missy said. "I'm going to be determined. I'm going to keep saying I can, and I hope I will walk. I have to be happy. I'm a happy person."

Amanda, or Mandy, who Missy considers her best friend, already has returned to Heath High, whose principal visited the hospital Wednesday night. Bill Bond, who in the days after last week's shooting confessed to feeling that he somehow let down his community, delivered gifts with his wife, Linda.

"He came in all upset," Missy recalled, describing another visit by the principal days earlier. "I wasn't. I felt fine. That's just me. I think that's what made him feel a lot better."

Physicians had believed the bullet severed her spinal cord. Rommelman said recent tests show the cord itself intact, but with serious swelling and disruptions around it. Missy has no feeling or movement below her chest.

A family friend, Shawn Jones, described her as "unbelievably brave and courageous."

"It's incredibly difficult to come to terms with this type of devas-

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tating injury," he said. "She hopes against hope that things will get better, and in part it is that hope that's helping her carry through."

But Jones said: "In fact, there is little, if any, substantial probability or possibility that Missy

Jenkins will ever walk again."

Rommelman estimated Missy's medical care will cost \$500,000 to \$750,000 over her lifetime, including therapy and special equipment, such as wheelchairs and hand controls for a car.

"She can attain a life where she

is completely independent, with all the daily activities that we take for granted," Rommelman said. "But she will do those from a wheelchair."

William Jenkins, who is retired, didn't want to answer questions about the shooting or the family's feelings toward the young gunman. But he alluded to his daughter's feelings when he described her as "forgiving" and "a good Christian girl."

Missy has said being mad isn't going to make it any better.

Wayne Steger, whose daughter, Kayce, was killed, said his daughter also was forgiving.

"We're going to trust mainly in the Lord and the justice system," he told Fox News Channel on Wednesday. "We're going to let them take care of this. Kayce was a very forgiving person and I have anger in my heart, but I'm not going to let it destroy me."

Kayce's mother, Sabrina Steger, said she was searching for some meaning in the tragedy.

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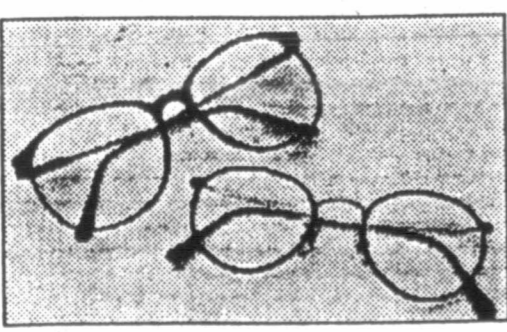
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For more information, please contact Shane Stokes at 669-5770 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

FOOTBALL

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Peyton Manning made a clean sweep of the college football awards not named the Heisman Trophy.

Manning, Tennessee's All-America quarterback who is the favorite to win the prestigious Heisman on Saturday, won three major awards Thursday.

Manning outpolled Michigan defensive back Charles Woodson for the Maxwell Award, which goes to the best all-around player, and also took the Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award and the Scholar-Athlete Award.

In the Maxwell balloting, Manning edged Woodson by 55 votes out of a total of 2,500 cast by the Football Writers' Association.

Bowling is right up Pampa youngster's alley

PAMPA — Question: What is born with sixty legs, as it gets older, loses forty legs and as it reaches its final hours only has ten legs?

Answer: A Young American Bowling Alliance Tournament with 30 participants. That's exactly what happened last Saturday and Sunday as 30 young bowlers ranging in age from 8 to 17 converged upon Eastridge Lanes in Amarillo from as far away as Lubbock.

One Pampa bowler, Christopher Moody entered this, his first, tournament representing Harvester Lanes with a 115 average, an 85 handicap and lots of butterflies. After the dust had settled and the last frame had been bowled, Christopher had placed third in the tournament earning him a plaque and a \$125 deposit in his scholarship account.

The winner of the tournament was 16 year old Chris Buenrostro of Lubbock South Plains Lanes with a final handicapped score of 245.

Chris bowled in the final game on Sunday against 11 year old Robyn Neal who scored a 243 to finish in second place. Robyn represented Amarillo's Eastridge Lanes, the sponsor of the event. The first place scholarship netted Chris \$500 in his account while Robyn earned \$250 in her account.

The money is held in an account to benefit each student bowler and may be withdrawn as each goes to the college of his/her choice.

When asked about the third place finish in his first tournament, Christopher stated, "It's pretty neat ... when's the next one?"

Christopher won't have to wait long. Although this tournament was not a qualifier for tournaments, he can look forward to having a pretty exciting Christmas as he goes to Las Vegas to participate in three separate tournaments over a three day period.

The first will be the Las Vegas Junior Invitational Tournament at the Showboat Hotel with at least \$30,000 in guaranteed scholarships.

The second will be the Las Vegas Junior National 9-Pin No-Tap Tournament to be held at Sam's Town Hotel and Bowling Center.

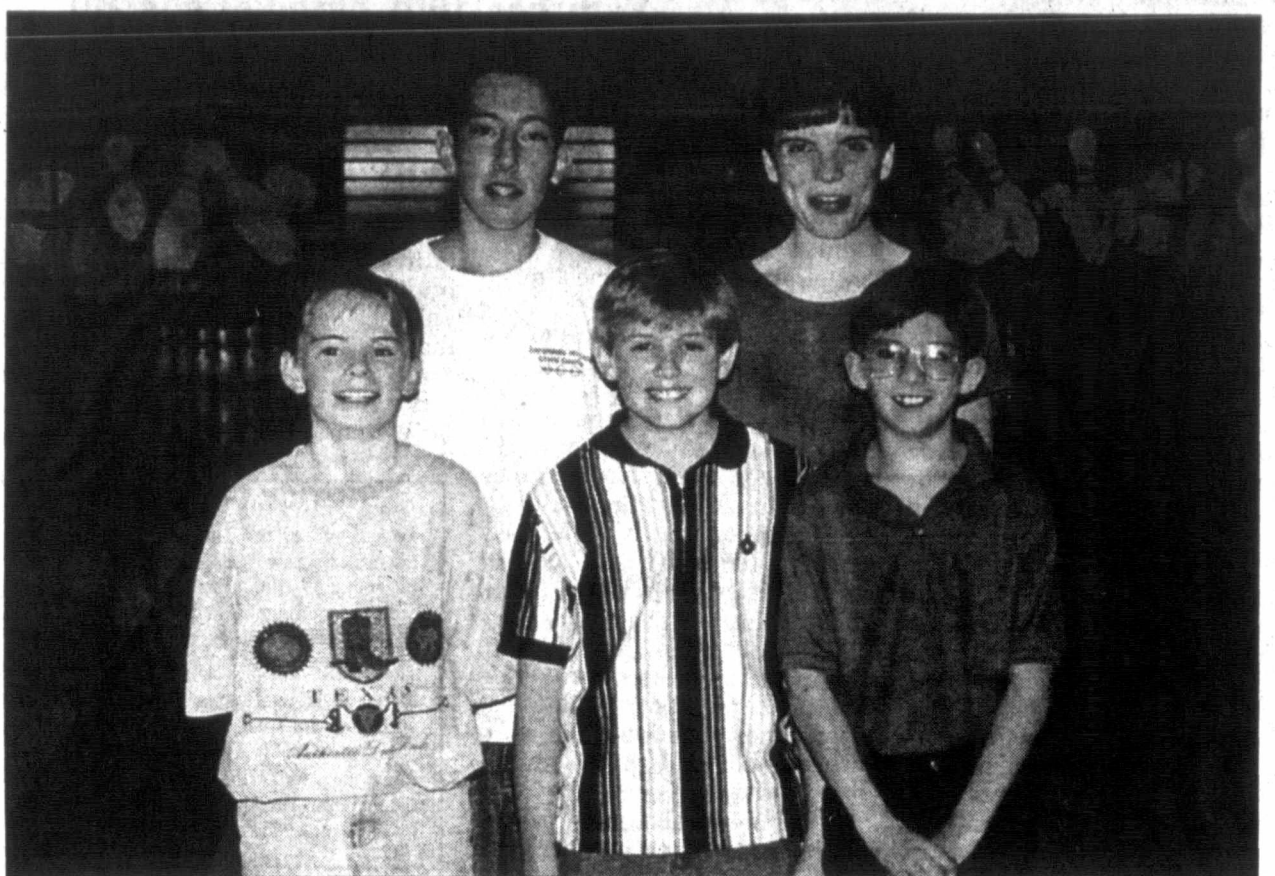
The third, and final, tournament will be a Wipe Out tournament to be held at The Orleans Hotel.

It is estimated that the total monies available for scholarships will be over \$50,000 in the three tournaments and there is expected to be over 2,500 participants.

"There is a big opportunity for youngsters to enjoy bowling and get large scholarship prizes to help them when they get ready to go to college", stated Brenda Moody, Christopher's mother and coach. "Christopher has been bowling in the local leagues for four years now, and we felt now was a good time to have him enter some of these tournaments. He is having lots of fun and we are meeting lots of new people. The bonus for Christopher is the ability to place or win in these tournaments which is a real confidence booster."

Bowling in sanctioned local leagues allows young bowlers to be registered with YABA and participate in tournaments held throughout the United States.

Christopher began the Amarillo tournament by placing third in the preliminary rounds with a total handicapped score of 923 in four games. By finishing in the top ten, he advanced to the semifinals and bowled two



(Special photo)

Young bowlers take time to have their picture taken at Eastridge Lanes in Amarillo. Front, l-r: Robyn Neal, Christopher Moody and Dustin Bowerman; Back, l-r: Chris Buenrostro and Rickki Woods.

games where he finished second with a handicapped score of 454.

The finals are bowled in a 4-game single elimination ladder format which includes the top five bowlers and placed Christopher just one game away from being in the final match. His opponent in the match was Robyn Neal and Christopher bowled 12 pins short as Robyn won the match 235 - 223.

"We are extremely happy about his first tournament experience", stated Coach Moody. "We've had a lot of help from Tony Treiber, Warren Dahn and the rest of the

folks out at Harvester Lanes. They are always willing to help teach someone how to improve their game and we have found that this is true with employees at many of the area bowling centers including those in Amarillo, Borger and Hereford.

Christopher is just getting started and we hope that it will be the beginning of a very enjoyable time in his life. If anyone else is interested in getting their son or daughter involved, I would encourage them to contact Tony or Warren at Harvester Lanes to get more information. The best

thing about these tournaments is the ability to go places year-round, meet new people and see new sights while participating in an activity that anyone from about age 6 to 106 can enjoy."

When asked about his pending trip to Las Vegas and what he was most looking forward to, Chris stated, "Seeing the sights and meeting new friends".

Well, hopefully, he can schedule some bowling between all the site-seeing, and video game rooms we're sure he will visit while he's there.
Good Luck Chris.

Michigan's Carr wins Bryant award

HOUSTON (AP) — Michigan coach Lloyd Carr credited his No. 1 Wolverines for putting him in position to win the 1997 Paul "Bear" Bryant Coach of the Year Award.

Carr, who received the award Thursday night, is the first Michigan coach to be named coach of the year since Bo Schembechler in 1969.

The Big Ten champion Wolverines are 11-0 and have a Rose Bowl game against Pac-10 champ Washington State of New Year's Day standing between them and a national championship.

The Wolverines have beaten six Top 25 teams this season. Their schedule was considered among the nation's toughest.

"I told the team at the beginning of the season that if you win, there's enough credit for everybody and the team deserves the credit for this award," Carr said.

"This has been a very special year for us, and this is a very special honor. This team went through a lot to make it to the Rose Bowl. A lot of people thought we wouldn't make it as far as we did, but this team believed and showed an ability to concentrate under difficult circumstances."

The coaching award has been given out annually since 1957. It was named after the legendary Texas A&M and Alabama coach in 1986.

Other finalists this year were Joe Tiller of Purdue, Jim Donnan of Georgia, Tom Osborne of Nebraska, Joe Paterno of Penn State and Mack Brown of North Carolina.

The award, voted on by the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association, was presented at a banquet benefiting the American Heart Association.

The third-year Wolverines coach took over the program in 1995 on an interim basis. He was given the job permanently midway through the season, and Michigan went on to finish 9-4.

His overall record as a Division I head coach is 28-8.

Fastpitch softball set to start next year at Pampa High School

PAMPA — Although Pampa girls have played fastpitch softball for many years through Optimist and select teams, 1998 will be the inaugural season for varsity fastpitch softball at Pampa High School.

Former PHS head baseball coach Rod Porter will be in charge of the new program. He will be assisted by Jamie Green.

"I am very excited about coaching softball at Pampa High School and feel we have a great pool of players to choose from. We will be competing in a non-district schedule, but I feel we can have a very challenging schedule ahead," Porter said. "We will be stressing fundamentals and an environment of competition. I am very committed to having a quality team both on and off the field."

Practice begins Feb. 2, Porter said. "The Optimist Club has graciously allowed us to use their facilities," Porter added.

Games will begin Feb. 26-April 14. After April 14, the regular fastpitch Pampa League will begin. This league will be the feeder program for the varsity level.

Pampa's first game is scheduled for Feb. 26 against Borger. The Lady Harvesters are also entered in a tournament at Midland in March.

Beginning in 1999, Pampa will compete in a district schedule and are hopeful of enhancing the program by adding a junior varsity team, Porter said.

Porter started his head baseball coaching career at Elk City, Okla. where he was the head coach from 1982-86. He coached the Harvesters from 1987-93, compiling a 92-48 record. Porter has the highest winning percentage among baseball coaches in school history and the second most wins behind Deck Woldt. He coached the Harvesters to District 1-4A championships in 1990 and 1991. He was named the district's coach of the year in 1991.

Porter also served as the Cleveland Indians Player-Scout from 1993-96.

1998 Softball Schedule

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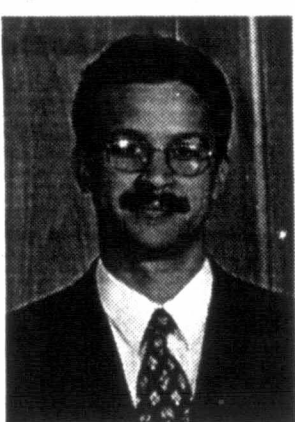
26 — Borger, 5 p.m. home; 28 — Frenship, 1 p.m. at Wolforth.

March

5 — Dumas, 5 p.m. home; 6-7—Midland Tournament, at Midland; 13 — Randall, at Canyon, time to be announced; 26 — Hereford, away, time to be announced.

April

2 — Randall, 5 p.m. home; 9 — Borger, away, time to be announced; 14 — Dumas, 5 p.m. away.



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Cowboys playing for pride against Cincy

CINCINNATI (AP) — Troy Aikman hasn't felt this way since he was a rookie.

With two games left in the season, the Dallas Cowboys (6-8) have virtually nothing at stake. Talk of the postseason has all but vanished; playing for pride is in.

It's quite a comedown for a team that's been to the playoffs every year since 1991 and won three Super Bowls.

"It's the first time that I've gone through it since my rookie year in 1989," Aikman said. "It's a different circumstance, no question about it, I think this is maybe one of the most difficult things to do, when you get towards the end of the season and for the most part your playoff hopes are gone."

They're not entirely gone, but close enough. In order for the Cowboys to get a wild-card berth, they have to beat the Cincinnati Bengals (5-9) on Sunday and the New York Giants a week later.

In addition, Washington, Detroit and Carolina have to lose their last two games, Philadelphia has to lose to Atlanta, and Atlanta has to lose to Arizona.

In effect, they have about as much chance of making the playoffs as Cincinnati, which has no chance at all.

"We're preparing for a team in the same situation — they're not playing for anything, except they're playing at home for their fans," coach Barry Switzer said. "They've been in this situation for a long time and they're probably better prepared to play in it than we are, psychologically."

He's right about that. Since 1991, the Bengals have become experts at playing their best when it no longer matters.

In the past seven years, the Bengals have gone 9-47 in the first half of the season and 26-28 over the final eight games. For the second consecutive year, they're finishing with an impressive rush.

Last year, they went 7-2 after Bruce Coslet replaced Dave Shula as head coach. This year, they started 1-7 and came together when the playoffs were out of the picture and Boomer Esiason replaced Jeff Blake as the starting quarterback.

Cincinnati has scored 114 points in the last three games, one of the best spurts in franchise history. The Bengals are coming off a 41-14 victory over the Tennessee Oilers that represented their biggest margin of victory in nearly seven years.

It was impressive by every measure. Corey Dillon set a rookie record by rushing for 246 yards and the Bengals piled up 515 total yards with Esiason running the show.

"You have what might be the best-functioning offense in football for the last four or five weeks," Esiason said.

The Bengals have been re-energized by Esiason's return and are looking forward to the Cowboys' visit.

"They're still Dallas," offensive tackle Willie Anderson said. "Everybody grew up wanting to play for Dallas or against Dallas. My family wants to see me play, but they also want to see Troy, Emmitt, Deion and the guys."

The fans are caught up as well. The game sold out on Aug. 21; the only other sellout this season was for a game against Pittsburgh.

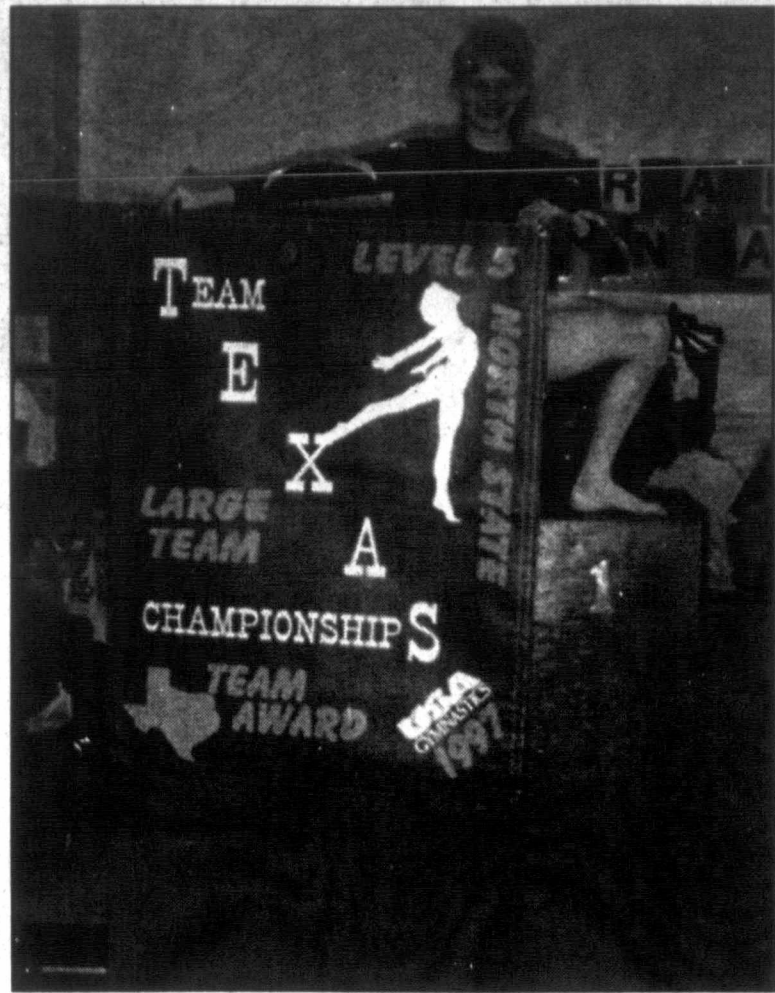
Some fans were looking forward to seeing Deion Sanders return to the stadium where he played baseball last summer for the Reds. But there will be no Deion on Sunday — at least, not in uniform. He's sidelined by a cracked rib.

His teammates aren't doing much better. Aikman was temporarily knocked out of a 23-13 loss to Carolina on Monday night, but plans to play on Sunday. The rest of the offense is one big wound — tight end Eric Bjornson is out with a broken shin, Emmitt Smith is severely limited by a shoulder injury, guard Nate Newton has a sprained knee and tackle Erik Williams has a rib injury.

"This is a team that's wounded in more ways than one," Coslet said. "I think they're physically wounded, their pride is wounded and they're dangerous."

"They've been champions for a long, long time, and we will not take that lightly."

Team award



Local gymnast Jennifer Hutchison holds the Team Award at the North State Semifinals in Tyler. Jennifer, Jaclyn Spearman and Alyssa Bromwell of Gymnastics of Pampa competed in the Texas State Championships today in Houston.

(Special photo)

Nebraska playing for more than shot at national crown

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Entering the Orange Bowl, Nebraska has a chance to finish unbeaten. If Washington State cooperates, the Cornhuskers might even win another national title.

But the Huskers insist they just want to win for one of the biggest names in college football history — retiring coach Tom Osborne.

"We want to send coach Osborne out on the right foot," offensive lineman Matt Hoskinson said. "We want to show him how much we care about him by giving him a great performance."

Osborne announced Wednesday

that the Orange Bowl against No. 3 Tennessee (11-1) would be his last game. The move gives No. 2 Nebraska (12-0) an added emotional springboard, and the Volunteers know what they're facing.

"It's going to be tough," Tennessee coach Phillip Fulmer said. "But then, it was going to be tough anyway."

The Huskers will need more than another win to claim their third national title in the last four years. Top-ranked Michigan also would have to lose to No. 8 Washington State in the Rose Bowl on Jan. 1.

Lots of new faces at Pro Bowl

NEW YORK (AP) — Who are these guys?

They're the new wave of stars in the NFL, and 25 of them are headed for their first Pro Bowl.

Ted Washington, Jimmy Smith, Jessie Armstead and rookie Warrick Dunn are going. So are Todd Stuessie, Dorsey Levens, Aaron Glenn and Tom Nalen.

Not many household names there.

"That's what winning will do for you," said Tampa Bay defensive tackle Warren Sapp, one of a league-high seven Buccaneers voted to the game Thursday by fans, coaches and players. "The more we win, the more people we'll take over there. Pretty soon, maybe we'll have 22

guys over there."

"I never imagined I would ever be a Pro Bowl player," said Smith, a Jaguars wide receiver. "I always thought the Pro Bowl players were the elite, like Jerry Rice and Michael Irvin. I never considered myself as being in the same class as those guys. My dreams came true."

There are plenty more like them who were selected for the Feb. 1 game at Aloha Stadium. The AFC has 13 first-timers, including starters Washington of Buffalo and Joel Steed of Pittsburgh at defensive tackle; linebacker Chris Slade of New England; tackle Jonathan Ogden of Baltimore; cornerback Glenn of the New York Jets; and free safety Darryl Williams of Seattle.

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Lady Harvesters roll past Caprock

AMARILLO — It was pay-back time for the Pampa Lady Harvesters.

After losing to Caprock, 54-49, in the Fantasy of Lights Tournament last month, the Lady Harvesters got their revenge Friday night with a 60-49 win over the Lady Longhorns in a District 1-4A game.

Pampa is now 6-5 overall and 1-1 in district play.

The Lady Harvesters jumped out to a 23-8 first-quarter lead and never trailed against Caprock.

Faustine Curry was high scorer for Pampa with 16 points while Jami Wells chipped in 11, including three 3-point goals in the first half.

The Lady Harvesters went into intermission with an 18-point bulge, 33-15.

Also scoring for Pampa were McKinley Quarles with 9, Yvette Brown 6, LaVonne Evans 5, LaShanna Holmes 4, Lisa Dwight 4, Heather Petty 3 and Jordanna Young 2.

Caprock cut Pampa's lead to six (45-39) going into the fourth quarter, but the Lady Harvesters scored seven unanswered points, including five by Curry, to extend the lead to 13.

Quarles and Curry had 5

rebounds each as Pampa claimed a 25-21 rebounding edge.

Pampa takes on Borger at 6 Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse. The Pampa-Borger boys play at 7:30 p.m.

In the junior varsity game, Pampa pushed its record to 10-1 win a 42-28 win over Caprock Friday night. Jennifer Ross led Pampa JV's with 18 points.

Freshmen drop tourney opener

AMARILLO — The Pampa freshmen team opened the Amarillo Tournament with a 55-31 loss Tascosa Thursday night.

The Lady Harvesters went into intermission with an 18-point bulge, 33-15.

In a regular-season game last week, Pampa lost to Borger. Kirk George was high scorer for Pampa with 9 points. Victor Brooks and Kevin Schaub added 7 points each.

Borger won the B team game, 48-28. Chad Khalouf had 6 points and Jeffrey Lofton 5 for Pampa.

Pampa A team has a 1-2 record and Pampa B is 0-3 in district.

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Experts say mysterious flash of light across Midwest was a meteor

By The Associated Press

A mysterious flash of light that prompted calls to authorities in four Midwestern states and led to a brief search for an overdue plane was probably caused by a meteor, experts said.

The light — described by many as a glowing orange or red — was seen about 8 p.m. CST Friday across hundreds of miles, from Minnesota and Wisconsin south into Iowa and northern Missouri.

"It was a good-sized red ball," said Wylie Peterson of Colfax, Wis. "It had a pretty good tail behind it. It was too big to be a flare."

A search was organized after a private airplane was reported

overdue at the Boyceville, Wis., airport. It was suspended after doubts were raised about whether the plane was missing and the meteor possibility was considered.

Astronomy experts at the

University of Minnesota and Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, said the phenomenon was best explained by a single meteor burning through the Earth's atmosphere.

Today marks the peak of the

annual Geminid meteor shower. "We are constantly bombarded by fragments of old comets," said Lawrence Staunton, a physics and astronomy professor at Drake. "They are mostly not seen."

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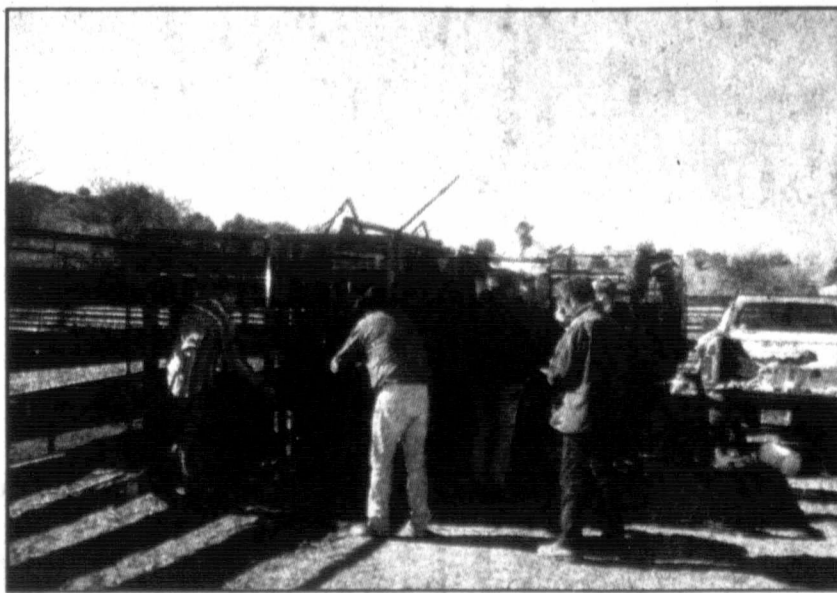


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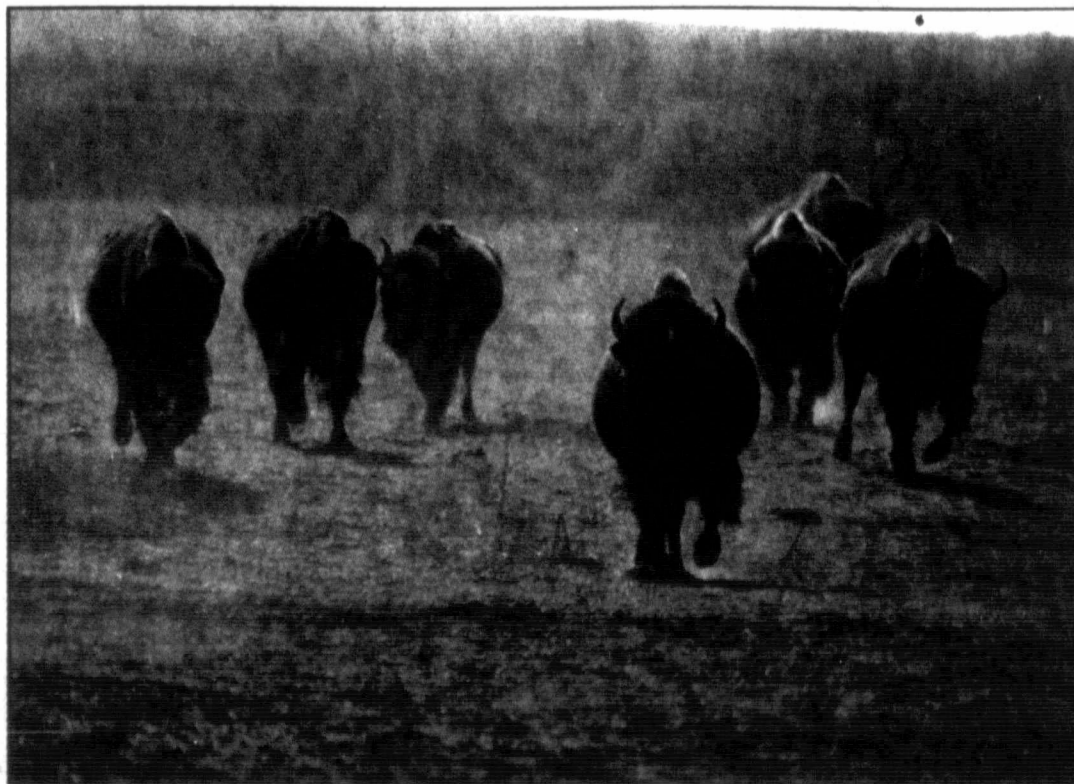
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Where the buffalo roam



Running their buffalo through the chutes, above, Oren and De Smedt and their crew have plans for the herd. Although bulls can weigh as much as 2,000 pounds, the bison look forward to being fed, right. They come running to the feed truck like hungry pets.



When Charlie Oren's grandfather came to establish his ranch along the 100th Meridian almost a century ago, the buffalo were gone.

John Oren came to Elm Creek to what had been the headquarters of the J Buckle Ranch in the 1870s. Later, it became part of the Rocking Chair Ranch. The Orens have ranched here straddling the Texas-Oklahoma line since Charlie Oren's grandfather arrived in 1902.

"We've been here ever since," Oren said. "I've got four other brothers that are ranchers here in the cattle business. I was born and raised right here. I went to school at Texola."

Today, Charlie Oren and his partner are expanding their herd of a 150 head of American bison with plans to market buffalo meat in Europe.

Oren's partner is Philippe De Smedt, an international lawyer from Belgium.

"I've been a lawyer for over 25 years," De Smedt said. "I married an American, also an international lawyer. We're based in Brussels."

The couple has a ranch near Durango, Colo., where De Smedt's wife is from. There was a family there that had a herd of buffalo.

"For my 50th birthday, my wife bought me three buffalo from that herd," De Smedt said. They later bought the rest of the herd.

The Belgian soon found that it is difficult to take care of a herd of buffalo, especially from 7,000 miles away.

Eventually, De Smedt partnered with Oren and moved the herd to Oren's ranch.

"I had a herd about the same size," Oren said. "We just put them together."

Oren says his dad, Herbert Oren, had always tried to get him to get some buffalo, but Oren didn't think they would be easy to handle. He said that if he'd listened to his father earlier, he would have been in the buffalo business 10 years sooner, and it would have cost a lot less.

"All the calves I've sold have been to individuals wanting to build their herds," Oren said.

But the two men eventually plan to raise the buffalo for meat. De Smedt, in particular, is interested in establishing a market in Europe.

"There are plenty of markets, especially in Eastern Europe," De Smedt says. "There's plenty of opportunity."

Oren said the key to raising and handling the shaggy beasts is gentle handling.

As Oren and De Smedt worked them this fall, most of the herd followed the feed truck to the pens.

"We move them with horses," he said. "You can handle them, but you've just got to handle them differently. Wild cowboys don't work. They'll run over everything and tear up everything. You can use horses to work them."

Oren said he is careful when is around bison cows with calves.

"You just leave them alone," he said. "They're not like a domestic cow. They'll hurt you when they've got that baby."

"They have a very strong sense of herd," De Smedt said. "They stick together so once you can attract one, you can get them all."

When they were driving them in on horseback, Oren said, some of the bison would split away from the herd. Oren told his cowboys to let them go. Soon the errant animals would come and join the herd again.

The bison don't like being penned, Oren admitted, but even though they fight the chute, as soon as they're released, they just walk away.

"They settle right down," he said. "There's not one of those buffalo out there that I'm afraid of."

The bison graze Oren's pastures, moving at their own pace.

"They like a big area to roam," Oren said. "They graze like horses. They'll graze one area a day or two, then they'll move. Since I've this wheat pasture over here, I've noticed they'll graze on that wheat a little bit then they get off of it. They balance their diet. They don't require as rich a food as cattle for some reason."

Both men say they're still learning. "I still raise cattle," Oren said. "It's pretty expensive to expand, but if we can, the cattle are going to go if it stays like this."

The most obvious change in the way the ranch is run has to do with the fencing. "You've got to rebuild your fences," Oren said. "You've got to have a little better fences. We're working on them all the time. We're upgrading them. The new fences I've built I'm making them five foot. They're six wire, five foot high, and we're not having any trouble with them. You can't hold them with hog wire. That won't work."



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Mr. and Mrs. John A. King

King anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John A. King celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary today. John A. King and Betty J. Parks were married Dec. 14, 1947, at First Christian Church of Pampa. The couple are Pampa residents and are members of First Christian Church. Mr. King owns John T. King and Sons. Mrs. King is a homemaker and a bookkeeper. Children of the couple are John H. King. They have three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Becca Kay Brinsfield and Rodney Wayne Blankenship

Brinsfield-Blankenship

Becca Kay Brinsfield and Rodney Wayne Blankenship, both of Houston, were wed Oct. 25, 1997, at the Gazebo on Lake Livingston, Texas, with Mary Placker, justice of the peace, officiating. The bride is the daughter of Frank and Janice Brinsfield of Spring. She is a 1992 Pampa High School graduate. She received degrees from both Texas Tech University and South Plains College. She is currently employed in accounting services at Donovan-Watkins. The groom is the son of Wayne Blankenship of Broken Arrow, Okla., and Terrie Clark of Goodrich. He is a 1986 graduate of Livingston High School. He is currently employed as an oil field mechanic with IRI International in Houston. The couple planned a honeymoon trip to the Riverwalk in San Antonio and intend to make their home in Houston.



Olivia Villalon and Robert J. Mendez

Villalon-Mendez

Olivia Villalon of Dallas and Robert J. Mendez of Houston plan to wed Jan. 31, 1998, at Skillman Church of Christ in Dallas. The bride-elect is the daughter of Alfredo and Simona Villalon of Pampa. She is a 1995 Pampa High School graduate and is currently pursuing a degree in education at Northlake College. She is presently employed at Stevenson and Associates in Dallas. The prospective groom is the son of Martin and Irene Leyva of Houston and Arnulfo and Pauline Mendez of Poteet. He graduated from Jourdanton High School in 1992 and is currently a sergeant in the United States Army stationed at Fort Hood.



Janet Christine Byrum and Gene Hurst

Byrum-Hurst

Janet Christine Byrum and Gene Hurst plan to wed March 21, 1998, at Miami Church of Christ in Miami. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Byrum of Miami. She will graduate from Abilene Christian University this fall with a bachelors degree in elementary education. The prospective groom is the son of Kim Hurst of Pampa and Earl Eugene Hurst, Jr., of Amarillo. He graduated from Miami High School in 1995 and is currently enrolled in the physical therapy assistant program at Amarillo College.



Tiffanie Ann Franks and Michael Scott Carothers

Franks-Carothers

Tiffanie Ann Franks of Lefors and Michael Scott Carothers of Pampa plan to wed Feb. 14, 1998, at Lefors First Baptist Church in Lefors. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Jay and Nora Franks of Lefors. She is a 1994 Pampa High School graduate and has attended Wayland Baptist University. She is currently employed with Lefors ISD and is actively involved in Lefors First Baptist Church. The prospective groom is the son of Alvin and Janie Carothers of Afton, Texas. He is a 1989 graduate of Patton Springs High School. He received a bachelors degree from Texas Tech University in 1993 and graduated from Lubbock Christian University in 1994 with a degree in education. He is currently employed with Lefors ISD and was formerly employed with Abernathy ISD. He is actively involved in Lefors First Baptist Church.

4-H Futures & Features

Stock Show Entry Deadline
All 4-Hers interested in entering either the Top of Texas or Gray County Stock shows must meet the 5 p.m. Dec. 18 deadline. Stock show dates are: 4-H Show - Jan. 3; Top of Texas - Jan. 10-11; and Gray County Stock Show - Jan. 17.

Horse Project
Horse project members will hold their annual family Christmas dinner at 1 p.m. Dec. 14 at the Annex.

Five Gray County 4-Hers compete in Food Show

Five Gray County 4-H members competed in District 4-H Food Show held recently in Amarillo. Angie Davenport earned first place honors in Senior Nutritious Snacks category. Davenport earned the right to represent District I at the State 4-H Food Show to be held in June at Texas A&M University. Earning a "Top 4" award in Junior Main Dish was Jennifer Myers of McLean. Other 4-Hers representing Gray County at the Food Show were: Cory Jackson and Drake Jackson, both of Lefors; and Sarah Myers of McLean.

Newsmakers

LIBERAL, Kan. - National Carriers, Inc., announced Richard Bentley of Shamrock recently completed five years of safe driving. National Carriers, Inc., is an owner/operator company based in Liberal which services all of the United States and Canada.

GREAT LAKES, Ill. - Navy Seaman Apprentice Scott D. Lovvorn, son of Kay L. and Terry J. Pittman of Pampa, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes. During the eight week program, Lovvorn completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs,

first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival and shipboard and aircraft safety with an emphasis placed on physical fitness. Lovvorn and other recruits also received instruction on the Navy's core values - honor, courage and commitment - and how to apply them in their military performance and personal conduct. Even as the naval service gets smaller over the next few years, highly motivated young people like Lovvorn are still finding an opportunity to improve their knowledge and education as they become part of the most highly technical naval force in history.

CANYON - Twenty-three West Texas A&M University students were recently inducted into WTAMU Delta Xi Chapter of Beta Beta Beta, the biological sciences honor society. Beta Beta Beta has three levels of membership - active, graduate and associate. Qualifications for active members include completion of four biology courses, 45 semester hours and a 3.0 grade point average. Graduate members must have six graduate level semester hours at WTAMU and a 3.0 GPA. Students applying for associate membership must be currently enrolled at the university and express interest in the biological sciences. Among the inductees were Stefan C. Bressler, a senior biology major from Pampa, and Stacy Jean Fields, a junior science composition major from Groom. Both students were inducted as an active members.

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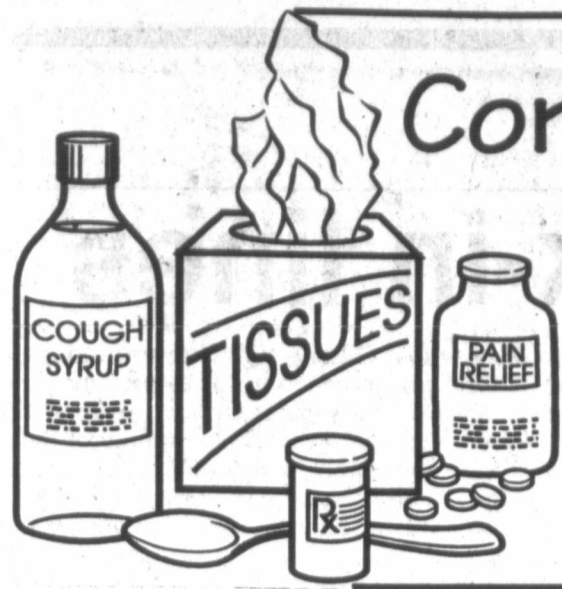


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Club News

Club news is published strictly on a first come first serve basis due to limited space. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. though this deadline does not guarantee publication. Thank you.

Heritage Art Club

Heritage Art Club met Dec. 1 at the Hughey House. Eleven members were present.

Christmas brunch was hosted by Polly Benton, Dianna Sanders and Janie Phillips. Christmas ornaments and Secret Pal gifts were exchanged.

Sharon Price won the door prize.

NARFE Chapter 1648

National Association of Retired Federal Employees Top-O-Texas Chapter 1648 met for a Christmas dinner recently at Sirlion Stockade. During the meeting, the following officers were installed by Area 12 director, Dean Caldwell, of Amarillo: Charles Henry, president; Charles George, first vice president; Brunetta Stewart, second vice president; Shirley Nicholson, secretary-treasurer.

Membership in NARFE is open to civilians with at least five years vested service in any agency of the federal or D.C. governments including retirees, current employees, spouses of current employees or retirees, and former employees eligible for deferred annuity or survivors of those eligible to join NARFE.

Twentieth Century Club

Twentieth Century Club met

Dec. 9 at the home of Nancy Coffee with President Maxine Freeman presiding. Eighteen members were present. Coffee served as hostess.

Chleo Worley presented the program on *The Best Christmas Pageant Year*, a comical story by Barbara Robinson.

Louise Richardson, accompanied by Myrna Orr on the piano, led members in singing Christmas carols.

Members exchanged gifts followed by a show-and-tell.

Donations were made to Tralee

Crisis Center Christmas project.

The next meeting will mark the club's 70th anniversary. Members will meet at 1:30 p.m. Jan. 13 at the White Deer Land Museum.

Pampa Art Club

Pampa Art Club met Dec. 2 at the home of Cile Taylor.

Leigh Chisum conducted a workshop on photosafe albums.

The next meeting will be a Christmas Party at 10:30 a.m. Dec. 16 at the home of Dona Cornutt, 1330 Duncan.

Lifestyles Policies

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing weddings, engagements or anniversaries. We reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.

2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday (12 noon before a holiday such as Thanksgiving or Christmas), prior to Sunday insertion.

3. Engagement, wedding and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.

4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at

least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

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

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

7. Information that appears on engagement, wedding and anniversary forms will be used at the discretion of the editor.

Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, or by sending a SASE to *The Pampa News*, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

Menus

Dec. 15-19

<p>Pampa Schools MONDAY Breakfast: Pancake and sausage on a stick. Lunch: Chicken fried steak, whipped potatoes, spinach, pineapple tidbits, hot rolls.</p> <p>TUESDAY Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, ham. Lunch: Meat nachos, pinto beans, spiced apples, cornbread.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Breakfast pocket. Lunch: Pigs in a blanket, broccoli with cheese, potato wedges, diced peaches.</p> <p>THURSDAY Breakfast: Cactus bread. Lunch: Beef tips and noodles, green beans, diced pears, hot rolls.</p> <p>FRIDAY Breakfast: Cereal, toast. Lunch: Hamburgers, French fries, burger salad, sliced pickles, cookies.</p> <p>Lefors Schools MONDAY Breakfast: Sausage on a stick, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Frito pie, cornbread, beans, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p>TUESDAY Breakfast: Biscuits, sausage, gravy, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets,</p>	<p>whipped potatoes, peas, rolls, fruit, milk.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Breakfast: French toast sticks, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Hot or cold ham sandwiches, cheese, tator tots, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p>THURSDAY Breakfast: Hot or cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Ham, turkey, dressing, potatoes, green beans, gravy, fruit, milk.</p> <p>FRIDAY Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza, corn, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p>Meals on Wheels MONDAY Impossible pie, okra and tomatoes, corn, plum cake.</p> <p>TUESDAY Sausage spaghetti, green beans, cauliflower, jello.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Barbecue beef, baked beans, potato salad, apricots.</p> <p>THURSDAY Baked ham, spinach, sweet potatoes, pineapple.</p> <p>FRIDAY Chicken patties, macaroni and cheese, pickled beets, applesauce.</p> <p>Senior Citizens MONDAY Chicken fried steak or</p>	<p>Chicken Louisiana, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, Northern beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, German chocolate cake or lemon creme pie, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>TUESDAY Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, green beans, carrots, butter beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, strawberry cake or bread pudding, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, green beans, carrots, butter beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, strawberry cake or bread pudding, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>THURSDAY Beef tips and noodles or baked chicken breasts or rice, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, lemon strusel cake or vanilla pudding cups, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>FRIDAY Fried cod fish or taco salad, potato wedges, cheese grits, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, brownies or tapioca, garlic breadsticks, hot rolls, cornbread.</p>
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6th Grade Girls
9:45 a.m. Grandview Hopkins
Elementary Choir
10:15 a.m. Pampa Middle School
7th and 8th Grade Boys
12:00 p.m. Pampa Middle School
8th Grade Girls
1:50 p.m. Pampa Middle School
7th Grade Girls
2:30 p.m. Austin Elementary
4th Grade

Friday, December 19th, 1997

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10:30 a.m. Pampa High School
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12:45 p.m. Pampa High School
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ENTERTAINMENT

Real jet-setters don't wait in check-in lines

LOS ANGELES (AP) — This holiday season, millions of us will squeeze into airplane seats that are too small, wait on tarmacs for inexplicable delays, and then, once aloft, be served food that's just this side of edible.

Millions of us, that is, except for the entertainment world's elite.

John Travolta, Tom Cruise, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Reba McEntire and Harrison Ford are just a few of the celebrities who avoid the headache of mass travel and take flight in their own planes.

Friendly skies mean different things to the flying public, but very specific things to celebrities and corporate America. Privacy, luxury and whenever-you're-ready are major advantages, but they come with a price.

The top-of-the-line personal jets that are the rage among moneyed travelers are the Gulfstream 5, already backlogged with 100 orders, and Bombardier's new Global Express, with more than 70 buyers. The planes are priced for competition: \$37.5 million a copy.

"We are head-to-head competitors," said Ahmed Galipeau, spokesman for the Montreal, Canada-based Bombardier Aerospace.

Demand for Gulfstream 5s has some people buy-

ing waiting list spots. Schwarzenegger and David Geffen are reportedly on the list; Seagram's Edgar Bronfman Jr. sold his place on the list to former ambassador Walter Annenberg, Vanity Fair reported.

"There's a caste system in jets. It's Van Halen uses G-5's, which one do you have?" explained Ken Curry, president of Petersen Aviation.

"To some people, it's an ego trip," says Daniel J. Phillips, publisher of Robb Report magazine. "But security is an issue. They don't have to worry about going through a crowded airport. And the paparazzi is a key thing."

"Whether you are a superstar or a corporate executive, you are a prime target for paparazzi."

And as with many things in the realm of celebrity, discretion is key. Confidentiality agreements prevent disclosure of buyer names.

"Certainly there are names you would recognize," Galipeau said. "We have three target customers: heads of state, multinational companies and very wealthy people. For those people, this plane is filling a need."

"They can sleep, eat, shower and shave while traveling the world. It's a real flying condo."

Avid pilot Travolta (he even named his son Jett) has three airplanes, including a Gulfstream 2.

Although he has a pilot's license, he also has a private pilot to fly him and his family from place to place, his spokesman Paul Bloch said.

Actors Patrick Swayze and Kurt Russell, country crooner Alan Jackson and designer Ralph Lauren also have airplanes. Singer Reba McEntire's fleet was christened Star-Struck Air Service.

"It's a convenience for her so she can be at home the next morning after her shows to be with her little boy," spokeswoman Darlene Bieber said.

Robb Report's 14th annual ultimate gift guide issue, on the stands in December, chose Global Express as the ultimate executive jet with a 6,700-mile range at Mach .85. There's room for dinner for six and a bedroom suite, living room and office.

"When you have this kind of money you can ask whatever you like and we will put it in," Galipeau said.

Mannheim Steamroller founder Chip Davis says he remains the unaffected small-town kid he has always been, even though he has his own plane.

"I never imagined in my wildest dreams that Chip Davis, bassoon player, would be flying in his own plane," Davis said.

There are also celebrity pilots who fly back and forth to work.

"I just can't hardly stand to drive anywhere," said

Mickey Gilley, whose Gilley's nightclub spurred the cowboy cultural phenomenon in the 1980s when it was the backdrop for Travolta's "Urban Cowboy."

Gilley, whose nightclub was the forerunner of the Hard Rock Cafe and Planet Hollywood chains, flies his twin-engine Baron each week from shows at Gilley's Theater in Branson, Mo., to his Pasadena, Texas, home.

"I enjoy flying. No, I love flying," said Gilley, who has 5,300 hours of flying time and has a commercial rating. He hopes to "move up to something pressurized," but the drool-factor stops there. No Travolta-style multimillion dollar jets for this cowpoke.

"When you're making the kind of money they make, you can afford those kinds of planes," Gilley said.

Country music entertainer Roy Clark also flies aircraft — piston and turbine — ranging from his beloved Stearman biplane to a Beechcraft jet.

"I was a kid born in the country, and when you'd hear a plane, you'd stop and look up at it until it was out of sight. It was really something. I was consumed by anything that had to do with flying," said the star of the old "Hee Haw" TV show.

"It's a love and a hobby that fortunately I could use in business. I couldn't have had these planes just for Sunday flying."

Weekly charts for the nation's most popular videos as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission:

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1. "The Lost World: Jurassic Park," (Universal)
 2. "Men In Black," (Columbia TriStar)
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 5. "Liar Liar," (Universal)
 6. "Batman & Robin," (Warner)
 7. "Jingle All The Way," (Fox)

8. "Hanson: Tulsa, Tokyo and the Middle of Nowhere," (PolyGram)
9. "The Jungle Book: 30th Anniversary," (Disney)
10. "Beavis & Butt-Head Do America," (Paramount)

- VIDEO RENTALS**
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1. "Face/Off," (Paramount)
 2. "Austin Powers," (New Line)
 3. "The Fifth Element," (Columbia TriStar)
 4. "The Lost World: Jurassic Park," (Universal)
 5. "Grosse Pointe Blank," (Hollywood)

That was the week that was

Entertainment highlights during the week of Dec. 14-20:

55 years ago: "Random Harvest" premiered at Radio City Music Hall. Greer Garson played a vivacious music-hall entertainer.

40 years ago: David Lean's "Bridge on the River Kwai" premiered in New York, after having its opening in Great Britain. The film won seven Oscars including best picture and

best director.

And Stanley Kubrick's "Paths of Glory" starred Kirk Douglas, Ralph Meeker and Adolphe Menjou.

30 years ago: "Valley of the Dolls" starred Sharon Tate, Barbara Parkins, Patty Duke and Susan Hayward. Based on the Jacqueline Susann novel about three women in show business, it was an instant camp classic.

And Dustin Hoffman and Anne Bancroft starred in Mike Nichols' "The Graduate." Simon and Garfunkel sang the title song, "Here's to You, Mrs. Robinson," which became a hit song. Nichols won an Oscar for best director.

20 years ago: "Saturday Night Fever," starring John Travolta, had its world premiere in New York. It was Travolta's first starring role. The Bee Gee's "How Deep Is Your Love?" hit the top of the charts, eventually selling over one million copies in the United States.

15 years ago: Sidney Pollack's

film, "Tootsie," starred Dustin Hoffman in drag.

And The Who played the last show of its North American farewell tour at Toronto's Maple Leaf Gardens in Canada.

10 years ago: "Broadcast News," a comedy about life in television journalism, won five New York Film Critics Circle movie awards for 1987, including best picture. James L. Brooks won for best director and best screenplay. Holly Hunter was named best actress for her role as a hard-driven television producer.

Five years ago: Barbra Streisand signed a music and movie deal with Sony USA, parent of both Sony Music and Columbia Pictures. Terms weren't disclosed, but the 10-year contract was estimated to be worth \$60 million.

One year ago: The National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences named Phil Collins the MusicCares Person of the Year for his philanthropy.

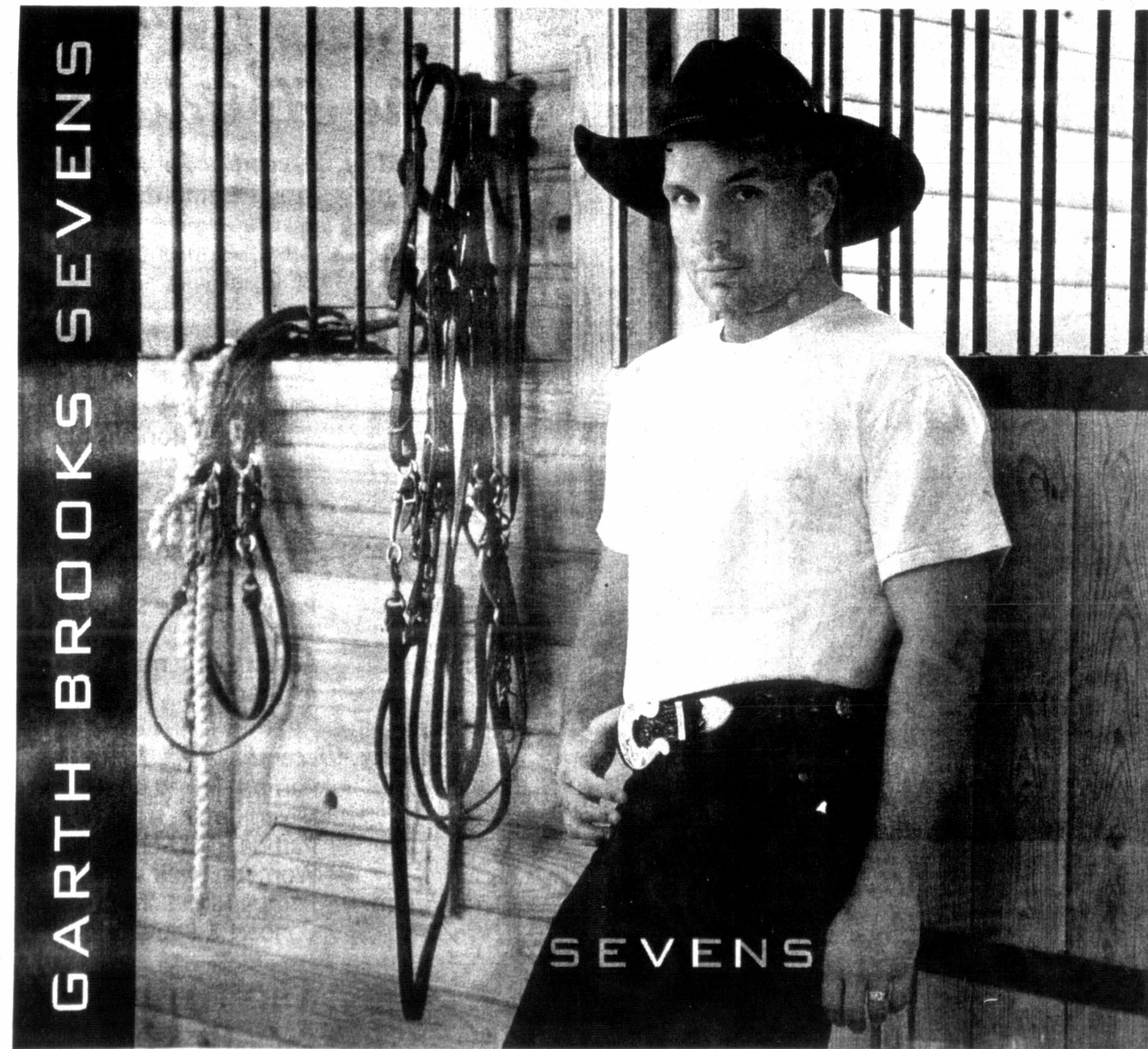
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VFW POST #1657, 105 S. Cuyler Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. Public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

VFW CREATIVE ARTISANS NETWORK will hold their monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Lovett Memorial Library Annex. For more information, contact Grant Johnson at 669-9887 or Kelly Ebel at 665-2825. **POST**

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THE ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP will have regularly scheduled meetings the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, Inc. For more information contact Chrys Smith at 665-0356.

PAMPA CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ASSOCIATION meets the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Caprock Apartments Office, 1601 W. Somerville, at 7 p.m. All graduates of the Pampa Citizens Police Academy are welcome. Dues are \$1 a month. For more information contact Corporal Donny Brown at 669-5700 or Jean at 669-6386.

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PAMPA CHESS CLUB meets every Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. Beginners are welcome! We offer casual but competitive games and free instruction by expert chess players. For more information contact James A. Shook at 669-0227.

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM (112-116 S. Cuyler) visiting hours are Tuesday-Sunday, 1 p.m.- 4 p.m. There will be history of the White Deer Land Co., and the early area settlers and outstanding arrowhead collection and art gallery. Elevator.

ing at 2:00 p.m. For more information call Nancy Coffee, 669-2144.

15 - PAMPA HIGH CHOIR Christmas Concert at the First Christian Church, 7:00 p.m.

15 - PAMPA RETIRED TEACHERS ASSN., Lovett Memorial Library, 2:00 p.m.

16 - PAMPA CHESS CLUB will meet at the Coronado Inn at 7:30 to discuss preparation for the First Annual Top of Texas Open tournament; followed by a group analysis session and challenge matches. Non members and novices are very welcome. For more information contact James A. Shook at 669-0227.

16 - CHAMBER MONTHLY LUNCHEON in the M.K. Brown of the Pampa Community Building, 200 North Ballard. Sponsored by Culberson-Stowers and catered by Peggy's Place. For reservations, call on or before 9:00 a.m. on the 16th, 669-3241.

18 - PAMPA AREA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP will hold its regular meeting from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Columbia Hospital Cafeteria. For more information, contact Kathy Gist at 665-4742.

18 - WILSON ELEMENTARY CHRISTMAS Program: 1:30 p.m.

18 - PANHANDLE SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS will be hosting their December '97 Session on Dec. 18th at the Borger Bank Building, 3rd Floor Conference Room. The speaker will be Jack Vloedman, Polybore, President on the topic of Polyethylene casting repair technology. The cost of admission is \$10 per person (lunch provided). For more information of RSVP please contact Cindy Boyer at (806) 275-3403.

19 - PAMPA AREA FOUNDATION FOR OUTDOOR ART deadline for Art Post Card at noon. For more information call Carlene Birkes, 665-2913.

20 - VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS deadline for collecting non-perishable food for their annual Christmas baskets. Items can be dropped off at the Freedom Museum between 12 and 4 p.m. Tuesday thru Saturday. For more information call Don Emmons, 669-3760.

22-31 - PAMPA SCHOOLS

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

22 - VFW is preparing food baskets for 10 families in Gray County this holiday season. The veterans are asking the community to help out by bringing groceries to the Freedom Museum by Dec. 22. The food baskets will then be delivered on Dec. 23.

23 - PAMPA CHESS CLUB will meet at the Coronado Inn at 7:30 to hold a group instruction session followed by a speed chess tournament. Non members and novices are very welcome. For more information contact James A. Shook at 669-0227.

25 - CHRISTMAS

27 - FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS AT 6:00 p.m. at Clyde Carruth Pavilion. Pot luck supper. For more information call 665-0190, 665-8067 or 665-7896.

30 - PAMPA CHESS CLUB will meet at the Coronado Inn to finalize preparations for the First Annual Top of Texas Open tournament; followed by group discussion and challenge matches. Non members and novices are very welcome. For more information contact James A. Shook at 669-0227.

DECEMBER

15 - PAMPA RETIRED TEACHERS "Christmas Party" will be at Lovett Library Auditorium start-

"HE THAT WOULD LOVE LIFE AND SEE GOOD DAYS"

"For he that would love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and lips that they speak no guile: and let him turn away from evil, and do good; let him seek peace and pursue it. For the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and His ears unto their supplication: but the face of the Lord is upon them that do evil." (1 Pet. 3:10-12.)

To many, the way to "love life and see good days" is to spend every energy in the pursuit of earthly wealth and possessions. Still others might consider that the enjoyment of every available earthly pleasure would be the way to "love life and see good days." But our Lord Jesus Christ assures us that "treasures upon the earth" cannot be as secure as "treasures in heaven" (Matt. 6:19-20.) And we know that the fleshly gratification of worldly pleasures is short-lived and fleeting.

so dear to our hearts are those enhanced by words and deeds of kindness and goodness. The "good days" to be enjoyed are those filled with the doing of the will of God and those things which please Him. When we become His children by purifying our hearts in obeying the truth (1 Pet. 1:22), then we are at peace with Him and that is something worth far more than silver and gold. Paul notes: "Being therefore justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." (Rom. 5:1.) This is the "peace" we should constantly seek and pursue.

But the "good days" can only be realized through following the instruction of the inspired scriptures (2 Tim. 3:16-17.) The faith made complete through works of obedience can realize the good life and good days (Jas. 2:18-24; Gal. 5:6.)

- Billy T. Jones

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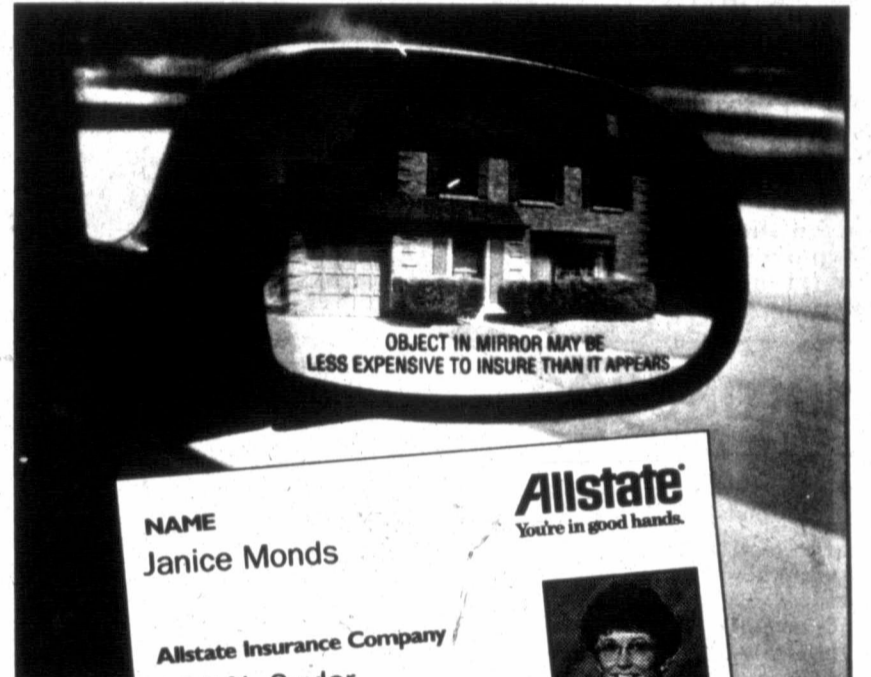
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It is reasonably clear that individually and corporately Pampa joined forces to accomplish this goal. What may not be so obvious is the magnitude of the volunteer effort which made this possible.

Risking the possibility that some individuals may be missing from this list, we nevertheless enthusiastically thank these volunteers who made the 1997 United Way campaign a success:

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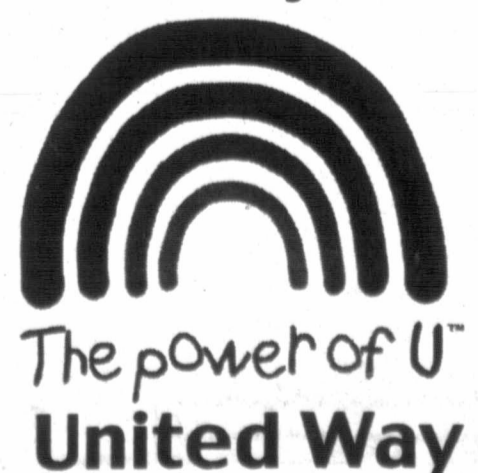
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Single Father Strives To Avoid Conduct Unbecoming A Dad

DEAR ABBY: I am a single father with primary custody of my 11-year-old daughter, "Nadine." She and I are very close. She lives with her mother on weekends. However, since her mother works out of state, on some weekends she doesn't make it home to be with Nadine.

Abby, I have a rule that my daughter cannot have her girlfriends spend the night at our home. It's because I'm afraid of being accused of misconduct with her friends. I would never behave inappropriately, but today, men must be careful that there is no possibility of suspicion. I would not feel comfortable with Nadine spending the night at the home of a friend who lived alone with her father, and I think most parents probably would feel the same way.

Am I cheating my daughter by not allowing her friends to sleep over? Am I wrong to protect myself from the possibility of accusations? Or am I being paranoid?

'OVERLY CAUTIOUS' OR 'RIGHT ON?' TAMPA, FLA.

DEAR RIGHT ON: In light of the social climate today, your caution probably is wise. However, explain to Nadine why you have the rule. She is old enough to understand.

Your daughter need not miss out on the girlhood ritual of sleep-overs — she could have her friends spend the night when she is with her mother.



Abigail Van Buren
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: As a public service, please print my letter. If you put an ad in the lost-and-found section of the newspaper, chances are it will end up on the Internet. When it does, rest assured someone will contact you and offer to return your lost item — if you wire money to pay for the shipping costs.

Do not, I repeat, do not fall for this scam! Chances are, the crooks do not have the item and never did. They see an opportunity to cheat you. They are counting on your emotional attachment to the lost item. They'll rip you off and laugh all the way to the bank.

How do I know? Our daughter lost her beloved dog. She was ripe for this scam, and fell for it.

If people get a response to their lost-and-found ad, they should "accept" the offer, obtain the name and location of where the crook will claim the money, then notify police.

At the very least, the police should be asked for advice. These people must be stopped.

VICTIM'S MOM,
SUN CITY WEST, ARIZ.

DEAR VICTIM'S MOM: Thanks for the warning. It seems that we must all be on our toes these days to protect ourselves.

DEAR ABBY: I want a new bicycle, but my mother says I will have to earn it. I am too young to get a job. Can you tell me how to get some money for a new bike?

YOUNG READER
IN NORFOLK, VA.

DEAR YOUNG READER: You may be too young for a grown-up job, but you are not too young to earn money by doing chores and odd jobs for neighbors.

Talk to your mother about taking on some of the chores at home. For example, ask her if she will pay you for sweeping the driveway or the kitchen, or taking the trash out every day. You could also ask your neighbors to hire you for such things as raking leaves, walking their dog, sweeping their sidewalks or pulling weeds. There are always small jobs for which people would be happy to pay you.

Small, thorny issues between you and your mate mustn't be allowed to fester into something larger today. You would be wise to leave the battlefield.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your powers of concentration might lose much of their vigor today, so take extra care when working on a complex and detailed matter.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your optimism could make you vulnerable in your commercial dealings today. Do not kid yourself into thinking you'll get a sweetheart deal.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Before making any major decisions that affect your family, you'd be wise to hold an open forum to determine whether everyone is in accord.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) This might be one of those strange days in which you start a bunch of assignments simultaneously, but not see any of them through to completion.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Being wasteful with your resources today would be a strike against you; helping

another mismanage his or her funds would be inexcusable.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Today if you compare a family member's abilities against those of an outsider, it will provoke discontent. Do not judge your clan harshly.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Tensions of the day might make you feel stressed out and restless. Improve your disposition by dedicating yourself to productive endeavors.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Do not respond impulsively to a friend's tale of woe today. Before opening your heart and your purse, do some investigating to verify his or her story.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do not fool yourself into imagining that associates will drop everything to assist you today. Success may slip past you if fail to do the job yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be very careful today that you don't project the impression you're better than friends or co-workers. Their response could deflate your ego.

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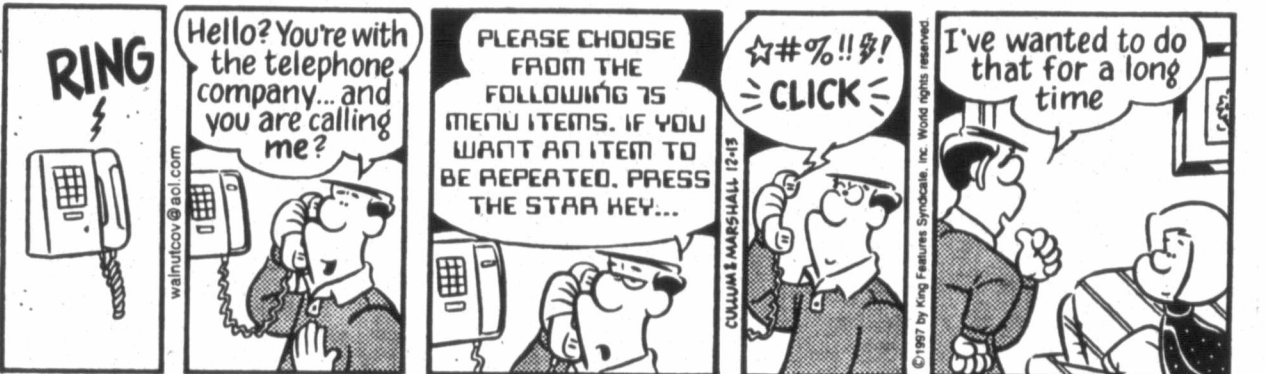
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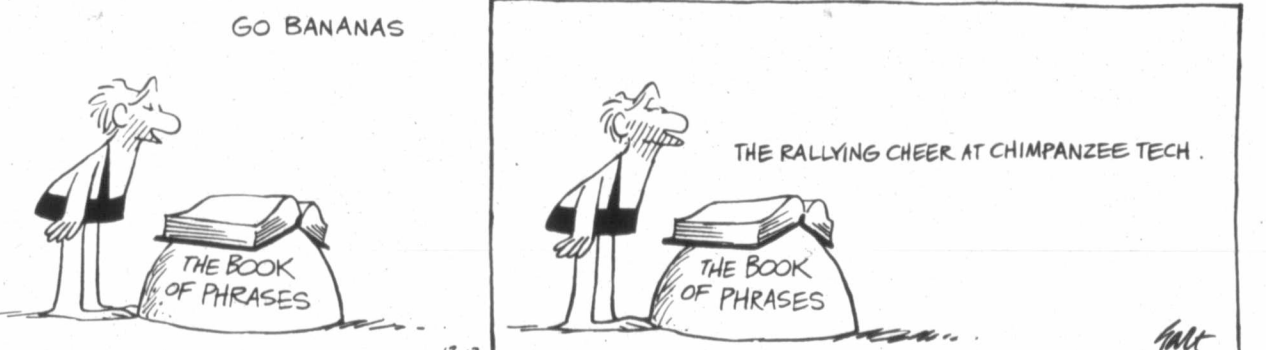
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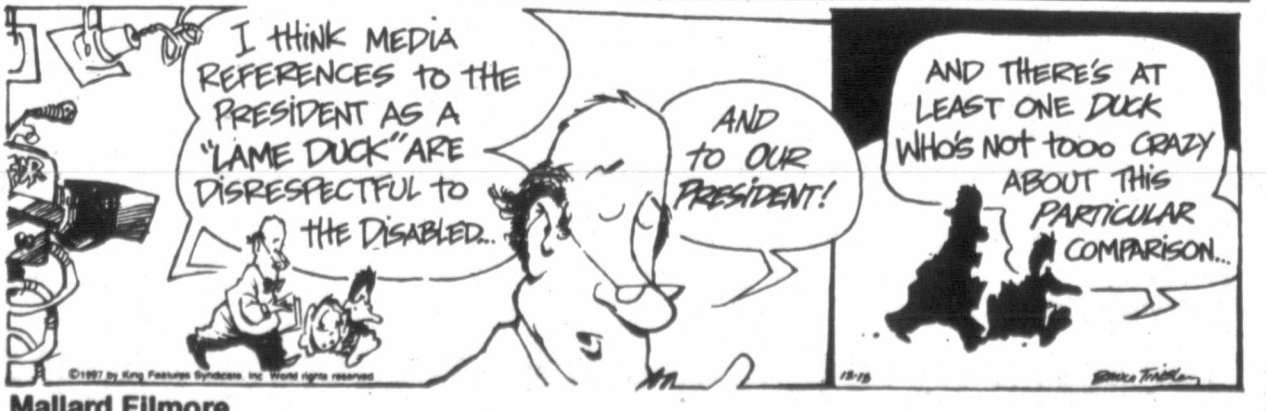
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The Born Loser



Frank And Ernest



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Horoscope

Monday, Dec. 15, 1997

In the year ahead, exciting social and commercial involvements could develop for you with a new set of friends and associates in each category. The events will seem like they are automatic.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) This could be a day when emotions won't fit too well into your commercial arrangements. Think twice before bringing friends into a business involvement. Astro-Graph year-ahead predictions make great Christmas stocking stuffers for all signs of the zodiac. Mail \$2 for each to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state the zodiac signs you desire.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)



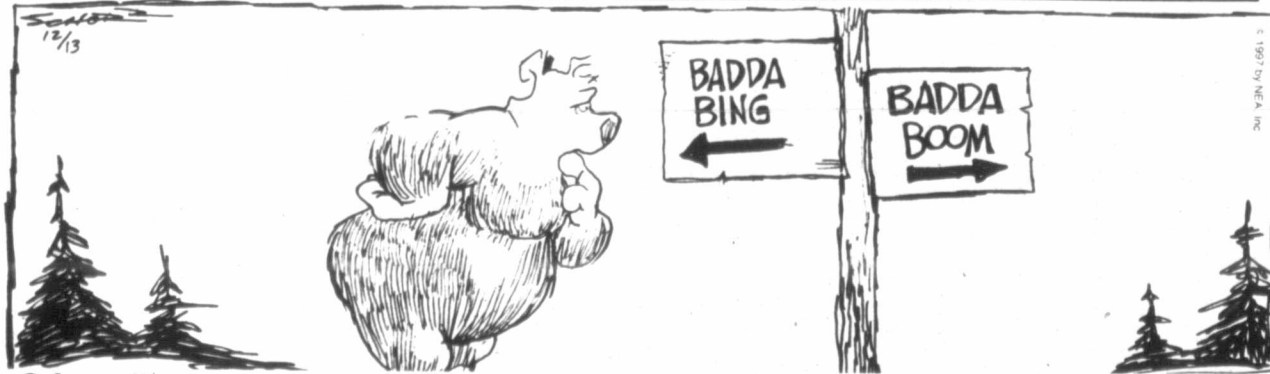
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NBC announces retirement, promotion

The Board of Directors of the National Bank of Commerce is announcing the retirement of Ben Shakelford and the promotion of Jerry Foote to president.

Shakelford will retire the end of the month. He began working for NBC in 1988 and was promoted to president in Oct. of 1991. During his tenure as president, the bank has grown to total assets in excess of \$60,000,000 and loans exceeding \$42,000,000. Stockholder is now in excess of \$4,600,000.

Shakelford began his banking career in 1964 as a Loan Officer for the First National Bank in Pampa. He also served as vice president and director of First State Bank in Bishop, president and director of Walters Band & Trust Co. in Walters, Okla., and president and director of Farmers and Merchants National Bank in Nocona.

He is also a past president and director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce and a past director of the Coronado Hospital Board. Ben and his wife, JoAnn, are members of the First Christian Church. After retirement, he will continue to serve as a director of National Bank of Commerce.

Jerry Foote will be promoted to president as of Jan. 1, 1998. He is one of the founding officers of the bank and is a graduate of West Texas State University and the National Commercial Lending School. He currently serves on the board of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation, Genesis House, Top of Texas Rodeo Association and Clarendon College Pampa Center Foundation.

He is also a member of the Downtown Kiwanis and serves as a Chamber Gold Coat. He and his wife Connie, who is a teacher in the Pampa ISD, are members of the First Methodist Church. They have two sons, Michael and Brian.

"We are proud of the accomplishments of Mr. Foote and Mr. Shakelford. They are both a credit to Pampa and National Bank of Commerce," said Archie Overby, chairman of the board.



(Special photo) Reed Horton of Pampa gives proof to the saying that one is never too old to sit on Santa's knee. Horton paid a visit to Santa at Coronado Center.

Last Gallipoli landing survivor dies

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Gallipoli with orders to advance on Turkish positions in hills above. Ted Matthews, the last survivor of the original landing at Gallipoli, the site of a World War I battle that helped define Australia's national character, died Tuesday. He was 101. For eight months, the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, commanded by British officers, were slaughtered in a futile battle up muddy cliffs against entrenched Turkish machine gun positions. Matthews was among the first 16,000 servicemen who landed before dawn on April 25, 1915, on a strip of beach at

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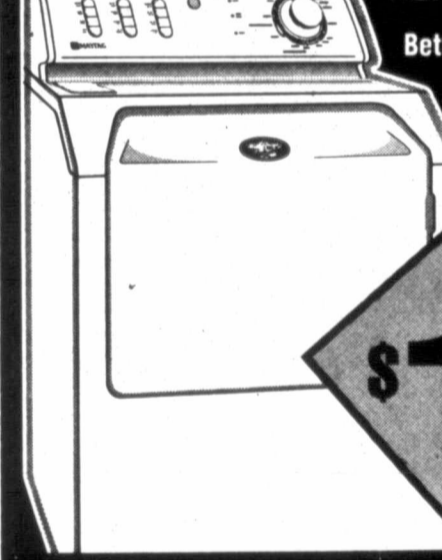
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The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

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Wheat (Bull/Bear)

Outlook: Demand looks to be picking up. This is what I believe will stabilize wheat prices at current values. Notable in recent days, has been interest by two of the biggest wheat customers in the world today, Egypt and China. What is even more interesting is their interest for relatively near term delivery, as close as two weeks away. They must not have very much in reserve. The world knows there remains competition in the export market with the U.S., Argentina, Europe and Australia in the race. For this reason, prices may not move up all that much; however, it is hard for me to envision much additional weakness from current levels.

Strategy: Hedgers: To repeat what has generally been good advice since harvest, we continue to recommend farmers not own cash wheat. With stored grain, your risk is not predetermined, plus there are opportunity costs lost. Rather, maintain ownership of wheat on paper using call options. Farmers who did this have suffered little dur-

under 381. Be prepared to risk at least 15 cents a bushel and leave the upside objective open at this time.

Corn (Bull/Bear)

Outlook: I continue to look for a trading range affair in corn between about 270 on the low side and 295 on the top end (March futures.) Until the January crop report, in which I think there could be a production reduction, there is no reason for corn to surge higher. I El Nino does eventually cause crop problems, it is probably will not be a market moving factor until next year. On the other hand, lower prices stimulate demand, we learned that in Economics 101. So look for exports to pick up on significant price dips. At some point, China will cease to be a corn exporter in Asia, and when this finally happens I believe it will signify the bottom!

Strategy: Hedgers: Our hedging advice is the same as in wheat, that is to maintain ownership of this year's production using March at the money call options. If prices fall further, your risk is limited to, never more than, the cost of the options. You can use

Soybeans (Bull)

Outlook: If weather problems develop in South America in the coming months, prices will soar like the eagle. A word about El Nino might be of interest here. The data is now out on the November El Nino readings. October was the second month in a row that an El Nino record was established. The water temperature in the Pacific band was up a remarkable 8°F, which was the most dramatic reading to date and the highest since the 1982-83 El Nino. Now there is a new record reading, up 8.8°F for November. This is the strongest deviation in history. Recall, in the last El Nino, 1982-83, the South American and South African crops were hurt. In that year, it was in January that the weather started to turn strange, world crops were adversely affected and prices soared. There was a drought in the summer in North America. Stay tuned, this crop year is young.

Strategy: Hedgers: We have suggested selling all cash beans, and (this is important) maintaining ownership after you sell your crop via the simultaneous purchase of March call options. This way you can benefit if prices go up but have a predetermined risk if prices don't.

Traders: We remain long the January futures at 632. The stop remains 680 which locks in a profit (worst case). If the market traders under 700, I do not see it remaining there for long. Continue to leave the upside profit objective open at this time.

Cattle (Bull/Bear)

Outlook: There is an interesting historically reliable seasonal tendency I would like to share with you here. If a speculator had purchased April Live Cattle futures on the second Monday after Thanksgiving (this year Dec. 8) and sold the ninth Thursday after this date (this year Feb. 5), he would have made money most years. My

research shows he would have profited 11 of the past 15 years. The average profit was over \$1,000 per contract, with a peak of over \$3,000. If a two cent stop was used (\$800/contract) the stop was only hit two times in 15 years. While there is risk in any futures trade, I see no reason as a trader why this might not work again this year.

Strategy: Feeders: At current oversold price levels in the futures, I still do not recommend hedge protection at this time.

Cow/calf operators: We are out of all short feeder futures. The trend in the feeders has turned up for now due to stagnant feed prices.

Traders: If you took our last recommendation to purchase February futures under 6850, you were stopped out at a 100 point loss, about \$400 per contract. I would like to try picking a bottom again based on the seasonal tendency outlined above. Buy April Live Cattle futures at the open Monday, Dec. 8, or anywhere under this price. Risk 200 points. We will try to hold until the close Feb. 5 of next year.

Grain drain?

World grain harvested area, 1950-95

Year	Per Capita (hectares)	Total (mill. hectares)
1950	0.23	587
1960	0.21	639
1970	0.18	663
1980	0.16	722
1990	0.13	693
1995*	0.12	666

*preliminary
Source: USDA, ERS, "Production, Supply, and Demand View" (electronic database), January 1996. USDA, Grain: World Markets and Trade, January 1996.



While the amount of grain harvested worldwide increased between 1950 and 1980, the trend has been downward in the last 15 years.

New agriculture website available

TEMPLE — In order to provide agriculture producers and landowners with information on how to address potential agricultural and silvicultural (forestry) related water pollution problems, the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board has established a site on the World Wide Web. The address of the new site is <http://waterhome.tamu.edu/tsswcb>.

"We are excited about the opportunities that the site offers in broadening our message to agricultural and silvicultural producers about new and innovative techniques designed to control and prevent non point source pollution," said Bryon Spoons, statewide management program director. "We want producers to know we have a voluntary program designed to assist them in determining which conservation practices will best benefit them, their operations, and their management objectives, while at the same time protecting the state's water quality standards."

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ing the price weakness because their downside risk was strictly limited. If you previously sold cash wheat and have not yet bought options, now could be a particularly good time to do this.

Traders: Look to bottom pick March Chicago futures if they trade under 351, or Minneapolis

the cash received from the sale of your crop now to pay down debt or earn interest income. Your upside potential remains open for the longer term.

Traders: Look to buy March futures under 272, and/or go short above 290. Risk 11 cents for 15 cent profit objectives.

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Under baking sun... Texas' children pick, perspire

By KATIE FAIRBANK
AP Business Writer

PLAINVIEW, Texas (AP) — Every summer day, Angela Mujica awakens in the darkness and prepares for back-aching work in the sun-baked fields of West Texas.

She knows each minute she's not working can make a difference whether, between harvests, her family will eat.

Angela has picked chili peppers since she was "six years young" — more than half her life. Now 11, she is one of the invisible children providing cheap labor to feed and clothe America. In September, Angela works in the windswept fields as Tejano music blares from a boombox.

"I hate peppers," she says, wiggling her aching body and talking of her mother. "She gets tired here every day. I don't like it here and neither does she."

Angela pulls each pepper from its plant, jerking off chili stems with blistered thumbs. She dumps 10-pound bucketfuls into burlap sacks, then heaves full bags to a foreman who gives her a metal chit worth \$1.20 for each satchel. On a good day, she and her mother earn \$60.

Such operations are rarely monitored.

Texas labor laws are weaker than federal statutes, and they allow children under 11 to work in agriculture. State officials say they will not enforce the federal law because the U.S. Labor Department hasn't specifically authorized them to do so. And, they said, the federal government won't reimburse expenses.

"When we see potential problems, we notify the federal government," said David Beshear, a spokesman for the Texas Workforce Commission, which investigates child labor complaints.

Still, the state and federal agencies could find no evidence of referrals of child labor cases in agriculture.

"They can't verify we've ever found any potential federal violation to notify them about," Beshear said of the state's investigators.

Added another spokesman, Paul Sherr: "Our enforcement efforts are woefully inadequate."

Working with an annual budget of \$780,000, the commission's eight investigators and one supervisor handled more than 1,700 cases so far this year. And though about 50 employers were fined, not one involved child labor. From 1990 through 1996, the state pursued 10,547 labor cases involving children, but only 93 in agriculture.

The commission shies away from agriculture because of the exemptions state law allows. For example, the state allows a 5-year-old to work in the fields if school is not in session.

Field workers often need their children's hands — and income.

"There are laws. But when you enforce them, you're hurting the family," said Joaquin Amaya Jr., an attorney with Texas Rural Legal Aid. "For the kids, it's bad. They spend their childhood working."

Many infants and toddlers spend summers in vans parked in shade at field's edge. Others commonly hoe, pick crops or just play in the fields while parents work.

"It's hard to have them in the fields because of the sun and pesticide. Migrant work is a long day," said Aracely Gonzalez, a contractor for Jones Produce of Lubbock.

So babies as young as 3 months may accompany parents. "We don't have anywhere to put the children," said Ms. Gonzalez, speaking at a watermelon packing plant in Lubbock. "Day care is too expensive."

Roger Rosenthal, executive director of the Migrant Legal Action Program in Washington, D.C., called lack of day care for infants and toddlers the real problem.

"They don't want their little kids in the fields," he said, "but they don't have a choice."

Much of the state's agriculture labor, and some of the nation's, comes from the Rio Grande Valley. In Hidalgo County, four of 10 county residents live in poverty, and one in four is unemployed. During harvests, they work hard.

"People don't appreciate (that) these people drive thousands of miles to do farm work rather than stay at home and collect welfare," Amaya said. "Their labor puts our food on our table, and we treat them the worst of any labor."

When the harvest is over, workers return home. There, when no work is available, they apply for unemployment insurance and their children attend school.

"I like the food they give us in the cafeteria, and when we finish eating we can go play outside," said Anabel Quinones, 8, waiting with three siblings as her parents hoed sorghum fields near Lubbock.

Anabel and her older sister Marisol, 11, frequently work in the vegetable fields helping their parents pick or wielding scissors to cut onions. "When I pick up the onions, my back hurts," Anabel said.

The Quinones family owns a home in the Valley, where they return when school begins. Their concrete-block home is far better than where Angela lives with her mother while picking. Normally, they live in Edinburg, where Angela spends her school year, 500 miles from the fields.

Their housing in Lubbock, provided by farmer Martin Tune, is stuccoed adobe without heat or air conditioning. There is little furniture beyond beds on cinder blocks, but those are free.

"I've seen migrant housing that makes you puke," said Rosenthal of Migrant Aid. "But if you complain, the farmer can then close the housing. Then what do they do?"

Tune refused comment. Unlike most other children, these kids look forward to Monday — and school. On weekends, they work to earn money for the family.

"We buy things we need. Clothes, things for school, books, notebooks, pens, pencils," said Jessica Ledezma, who spent part of the summer hoeing sorghum plants near Lubbock. For each hour worked, she and her 11-year-old brother earned less than half the minimum wage.

But they have hope for the future. Jessica studies hard, and her brother dreams of becoming a policeman. At day's end, they ride in a van with a stickered back window. It proclaims: "I believe in America."

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(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)
Dennis Godwin with First American Bank makes one last donation to the Lynda Duncan, chair of the Children's Shopping Tour. One hundred children were able to shop for their families' Christmas yesterday.

People in the news...

LONDON (AP) — Crime writer Ruth Rendell, literary authority on the corpus delicti, wants to see some live bodies in England's libraries.

Making her first speech to Parliament on Thursday as the new Baroness Rendell, the writer made a plea for literacy.

Books should not be crowded out by computer technology and viewed as "curiosities from a former age," Rendell said. "To be literate is to turn the soul's eye towards the light."

"I have to express an interest because I have written many books with bodies in libraries or less salubrious places," she joked.

Rendell is the author of the Inspector Wexford novels. She also writes psychological suspense stories under the name Barbara Vine.

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Feeling sorry for yourself because you're far from home this holiday season? Think of David Wolf, up on Mir.

"We'll enjoy the light show on the Earth instead of our own Christmas light," Wolf said Friday from the Russian space station. "Actually, our consoles here look a lot like Christmas lights a lot of the time."

Wolf, who is Jewish, received a menorah as a Hanukkah gift from his sister. The menorah and gelt, holiday candy in the shape of coins, were delivered by a Russian supply ship in October.

After nearly three months in space, the 41-year-old doctor and engineer said he's feeling extremely good but craves "those sweet potatoes with the marshmallows on top that my mom makes."

He said he'd also like a good pizza.

OWENSBORO, Ky. (AP) — Bob Dylan may be entering his bluegrass phase.

The singer, who has gone through folk, country, rock, gospel and pop phases over the years, is collaborating with bluegrass musician Ralph Stanley, said Day Hays, executive director of the International Bluegrass Music Association.

"Bob Dylan went in the studio with Ralph

Stanley last week," Hays said. "Several artists not normally associated with bluegrass are performing bluegrass tunes these days."

They include country stars Vince Gill and Garth Brooks.

NEW YORK (AP) — Women may think "Today," show co-anchor Matt Lauer is a hunk, but he doesn't.

"I'm a guy who is about to turn 40, who has a large nose and an overbite, whose hairline in the front is receding, whose hair in the back is disappearing, who's losing his butt," Lauer said in the latest People magazine.

Lauer "always paid attention to his clothing," said his sister, April Stone. "Even as a child of 7 or 8."

Lauer took over as co-host of the show nearly a year ago, Jan. 6, after Bryant Gumbel left, and ratings are up 12 percent.

While Lauer said he has "the best job in television," he has other visions for the future.

"Great kids, great wife, own a bed-and-breakfast," he said. "Fish in the morning, golf in the afternoon."

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Former NBC reporter Lucky Severson is challenging an airport search of his baggage that turned up more than an ounce of marijuana.

Defense attorney James Bradshaw asked that the results of the search Aug. 14 be thrown out, saying security officers can look for weapons but may not conduct "general searches for criminal activity."

Severson, 53, is charged with misdemeanor marijuana possession, punishable by up to six months in jail. A hearing is scheduled for Wednesday.

The reporter, who now works as a free-lancer, was passing through a security checkpoint when the X-ray indicated a dark mass in his bag.

He was detained after a security officer asked to search the bag and Severson refused. A manager of the airport's private security company searched the bag over Severson's objections.

Mexican border towns deleted from new S. Texas phone books

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — South Texas who want to let their fingers do the walking can't head south of the border.

The new Southwestern Bell phone books delivered this week have dropped telephone listings for the border cities of Matamoros, Reynosa, Nuevo Laredo and Ciudad Juarez.

Phone company officials say they made the decision after a survey showed 82 percent of their customers used the Mexican listings only one to five times per year. "With that small

number, it didn't warrant having the extra 100 pages or so in every book," Southwestern Bell spokesman Steve Kaufmann in San Antonio said.

But business leaders on both sides of the border are now concerned. Matamoros merchants fear Southwestern Bell's decision will cost them U.S. customers.

The phone company has an answer to the problem.

Tear out those pages. The section comes out easily," Kaufmann told The Brownsville Herald.

But Eva Garza, owner of Garmevic's, a hair styling salon, worried about not having a current listing. Business leaders in Matamoros hope to draw telephone inquiries from Winter Texans or Brownsville residents — and visitors from across the Rio Grande.

"Having a telephone number printed in the (telephone) directory increases sales," she said. "If (U.S. residents) don't have a telephone number to call, they might go to the nearest place across the bridge."

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<p>1 Public Notice</p> <p>CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: GAVIN MILLS, Defendant. Greeting: YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 223rd District Court of Gray County, at the Courthouse being located at 200 N. Russell in the City of Pampa, Gray County Texas, by filing a written answer, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of issuance of this citation the date for answer being the 19th day of January, A.D. 1997, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court on the 17th day of September, 1997, in this cause, #30693 and styled JOHN THOMAS BOWERS, JR. AND WIFE SANDRA BOWERS, Plaintiff vs. GAVIN MILLS, Defendant.</p> <p>A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: SUIT FOR DEBT.</p> <p>The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.</p> <p>Witness, Yvonne Moler, Clerk of the 223rd District Court of Gray County, Texas.</p> <p>Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office this 1st day of December, A.D. 1997.</p> <p>YVONNE MOLER CLERK, 223rd District Court Gray County, Texas</p>	<p>1 Public Notice</p> <p>P.O. Box 1139 Pampa, TX. 79066-1139</p> <p>By Sandra Burkett Deputy</p> <p>IMPORTANT NOTICE</p> <p>YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. YOU MAY EMPLOY AN ATTORNEY. IF YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY DO NOT FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER BY 10:00 A.M. FOLLOWING THE EXPIRATION OF FORTY-TWO DAYS AFTER YOU WERE SERVED THIS CITATION AND PETITION, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU.</p> <p>ATTORNEY</p> <p>ROBERT L. FINNEY P.O. BOX 645 PAMPA, TEXAS 79066-0645 D-19 Dec. 14, 21, 28, 1997 Jan. 4, 1998</p> <p>NOTICE TO BIDDERS</p> <p>The City of Pampa, Texas will receive bids for the following until 11:00 A.M., December 30, 1997 at which time they will be opened and read publicly in the City Finance Conference Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall, Pampa, Texas:</p> <p>POLICE PACKAGE VEHICLES Bid Packets may be obtained from the Office of the City Purchasing Agent, City Hall, Pampa, Texas, Phone 806/669-5736. Sales Tax Exemption Certificates shall be furnished upon request.</p> <p>Bids may be delivered to the City Secretary's Office, City Hall, Pampa, Texas or mailed to P.O.</p>	<p>1 Public Notice</p> <p>Box 2499, Pampa, Texas 79066-2499. Sealed envelope should be plainly marked "POLICE VEHICLES BID ENCLOSED. BID NO. 97.04.A" and show date and time of bid opening. Fascimile bids will not be accepted.</p> <p>The City of Pampa reserved the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted and to waive any formalities or technicalities.</p> <p>The City Commission will consider bids for award at the January 13, 1998 Commission Meeting.</p> <p>Phyllis Jeffers City Secretary D-21 Dec. 14, 21, 1997</p> <p>NOTICE TO BIDDERS</p> <p>The Commissioners Court of Gray County will accept proposals for the annual independent audit of Gray County for the ending December 31, 1997. Detailed specifications may be obtained from the County Judge's office at the Courthouse (806) 669-8007 or the County Auditor's office (806) 669-8060. The proposals should be presented on or before 10:00 a.m. on December 31, 1997 to the Gray County Judge, Gray County Courthouse, 205 N. Russell, Pampa, Texas 79065.</p> <p>The County reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive objections based on failure to comply with formalities, and to allow correction of obvious or patent errors.</p> <p>Richard Peet County Judge Gray County, Texas Dec. 14, 21, 1997 D-22</p>	<p>1 Public Notice</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>The Pampa Independent School District, Pampa, Texas will receive proposals for the following insurance policies until 3:00 p.m., February 5, 1998 at which time they will be opened and read publicly in the Board Room at Carver Center, 321 W. Albert, Pampa, Texas:</p> <p>Property and Contents General Risk Boiler and Machinery Band and Choir Equipment Contractors Equipment</p> <p>Proposals, specifications, or additional information may be obtained from Mark McVay, Business Manager, 321 W. Albert, Pampa, Texas 79065, phone (806-669-4705).</p> <p>Proposals may be delivered or mailed to 321 W. Albert, Pampa, Texas 79065 - Attention: Mark McVay, Business Manager. Sealed envelope should be plainly marked "INSURANCE PROPOSAL".</p> <p>The school district reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals submitted and waive formalities and technicalities.</p> <p>The Board of Education will consider proposals for award at a scheduled meeting in February, 1998.</p> <p>D-26 Dec. 14, 21, 1997</p>
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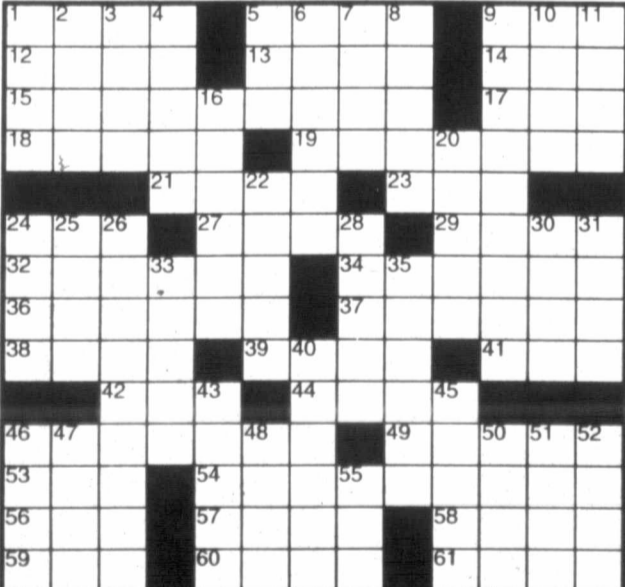
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