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Skate board park gets consideration

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY
Staff Writer

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board has not forgotten Pampa's skaters. Last night the board viewed a 45-minute video presentation on skateboard parks after the tape was requested of Recreation Director Shane Stokes.

Pampa Middle School seventh-grader Michael Mechler approached the board on behalf of interested skateboarders in the community, answering questions the board had concerning the extent of local interest in the sport.

Students now skate across from Austin Elementary in what they call "the bowl," where they use curbs to jump off of, Mechler said.

Board members Joe Martinez and Eileen Kludt said they have both seen groups of students gather at the Pampa High School parking lot to skate. No definitive numbers of interested skaters were suggested by anyone present.

The board confirmed that a project like this would take a well-organized group of skaters to voice their opinion and a group of parents willing to back the youth. "To get this kind of effort, it's going to take an organization other than us," Advisory Board President Judy Elliott said.

"But I don't think we can ignore this," said Advisory Board Secretary Kelly Keith.

Keith said he is very interested in pursuing the possibility of a skateboard park for Pampa.

The video presentation entitled, "S. Park Revolution," outlined many aspects of the process involved with the implementing of a community skate park. Over 50 city-

built skate parks exist across the country, the video revealed.

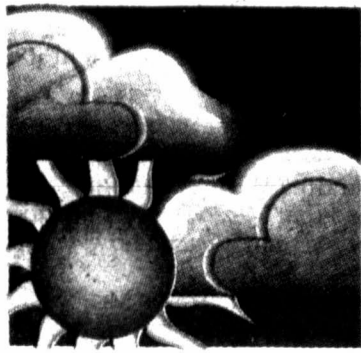
Recreation Director Shane Stokes compiled a list of statistics from the video:

- Skateboarding has been around for over 30 years
- There are over 6.2 million skateboarders in the U.S.
- Skateboarding generates over \$450 million in revenue each year
- There are over 100 skateboard product manufacturers in the U.S.

Most of the skate parks mentioned in the video were between 10,000 and 20,000 square feet. Funding for the parks was listed between \$50,000 and \$150,000.

Insurance for the parks was another issue covered in the film. Currently, Virginia, Colorado and Oregon have codes and statutes in place that specifically release the cities from liability resulting from the use of public recreational facilities provided that there is proper signage explaining that there is an inherent risk from using the facility and participants are skating "at their own risk"

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High today 60.
Low tonight 32.
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WHEELER — Sally Harris will be presented with the Pioneer Spirit Hall of Fame Award at this year's Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Banquet

Harris, who will be 94 on Feb. 22, was president of the Old Mobeetie Texas Association for 16 years. The association, which oversees the Old Mobeetie Jail Museum, was founded in 1972. Harris served as president from 1973 through 1989 when Ada Lester, Mobeetie's postmistress took over.

Lester will make the award to Harris at the banquet which is planned for 7 p.m., Feb. 7, in the cafeteria of Wheeler School.

PAMPA — The Christmas trees scheduled for chipping last week in the Warner parking lot across from Central Park was postponed to this Saturday at 9 a.m.

The wood chipping machine broke last week, said a spokesman from Clean Pampa Inc, who is sponsoring the event. Everyone is invited to bring their trees to be chipped and mulch will then be passed out to individuals on a donation basis.

HOUSTON (AP) — A former crack addict has been sentenced to death for strangulations of his wife and her two teen-age daughters.

James Jackson, 38, was accused of capital murder in the April 8 deaths of Sharon Jackson, 39, Ericka Mayes, 18, and Sonceria Mayes, 19.

- Dale Followell, 86, retired Cabot Corporation employee.
- Edna Leona Kirchoff, 96, retired teacher.
- Opal Mason, 74, Pampa resident since 1961.

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Pampa's grandchildren featured on Oprah's show

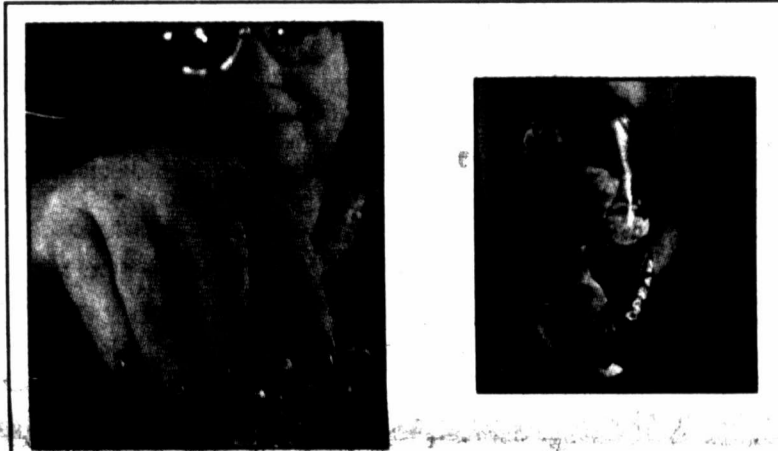
By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

AMARILLO — A Pampa woman watched in Amarillo Little Theater this week as her three baby grandchildren made a special appearance on the Oprah Winfrey Show.

Cheryl Ely, a special guest of a producer of the show, watched as her 14-month-old triplet grandchildren joined five other sets of triplets on stage at the Thursday night taping of the daytime television show.

The theme of the show was Celebration of Life. In addition to the triplets, the show featured B.B. King, a woman whose two little boys were killed in the Oklahoma City bombing and football player Reggie Brown from the Detroit Lions who suffered a neck injury.

The Oklahoma City woman had her tubes tied following the birth of her children, but after their deaths, had a rever-



Cheryl Ely had nails done especially for the show

sal, had gone through a divorce, remarried and appeared on the show with her 2-week-old son.

Football player Brown appeared in a halo brace.

Ely said the show also gave away a new F-150 Ford pickup truck. A lady from Amarillo won the drawing.

Since Thursday was Winfrey's 44th birthday, there

was a chocolate birthday cake that was shared with the audience. Each layer was decorated like a bunch of boxes. Everybody got a piece of cake and roses.

Ely said she never saw time pass so quickly as the time it took to tape the show. She said from her vantage point she had trouble seeing her grandchild-

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Local woman will compete for Miss Texas

Pampa's Laura Jaye Johnson, a Texas Tech junior, is headed to the Miss Texas pageant in Fort Worth, June 28 through July 4.

The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J.A. Johnson of Pampa recently won the 1998 Miss Lake Meredith pageant before a capacity crowd at Frank Phillips College Auditorium in Borger. The pageant was sponsored by the Borger Chamber of Commerce.

Her Miss Lake Meredith win marked only the second time Johnson has competed in a pageant.

Johnson, a 20-year-old public relations major at Tech, where she is a music minor, will present a vocal selection in the talent competition of the Miss Texas pageant.

At the Miss Lake Meredith scholarship pageant, the theme of the program was brought out by the contestants during the opening number, "Butterfly Kisses," when each title holder from 1997 was presented on stage by her father or grandfa-

ther. During the evening performance, Master of Ceremonies Joe Frank Wheeler announced the winners in the Youth Development Program. The title of Mini Miss Minnow was won by Jenna Munsell, the 4-year-old daughter of Shauna and Paul Munsell of Pampa.

Laura Gallard, 9-year-old



Laura Jaye Johnson

daughter of Robert and Sara Gallardo of Borger was crowned Miss Minnow 1998 and the new Junior Miss Lake Meredith is Summer James, 11-year-old daughter of Monty and Sunday James of Booker.

Another Pampa, Courtney Lang, 15-year-old sophomore at Pampa High School, brought home honors as she was crowned 1998 Teen Miss Lake Meredith. She is the daughter of Mark and Karen Lang of Pampa.

For Johnson, as Miss Lake Meredith, she received a \$1,000 cash scholarship from Borger merchants, plus \$7,105 in-kind college scholarships from six colleges. She also received over \$2,500 in gifts and services from Borger.

Need a truck? Use city's loan plan

For residents who still have dead and broken limbs around their houses and no way to haul them off the city is offering help.

Although the city has finished its removal of broken tree limbs from the December ice storm it is offering local residents a loan-a-truck program. To sign up for the program residents should go to the city warehouse behind Hobart Street Park just north of Highway 60. Kenny Stover can answer any questions concerning the program.

The sanitation department will pick up limbs from the alley, but no other debris will be picked up. The limbs should be three feet or less in length and no more than three inches in diameter. They must be stacked in the alley away from the dumpster and water meter. The sanitation department only has two people to pick up the limbs along with their other duties.

The city encourages citizens who can to use the loan-a-truck program.

Vegetarian activist urged to 'hammer home' his opinion

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer

AMARILLO (AP) — A vegetarian activist who raised warnings about the possibility of mad cow disease in U.S. beef was urged to "hammer home" his point by producers of the Oprah Winfrey Show, according to an associate producer of the show.

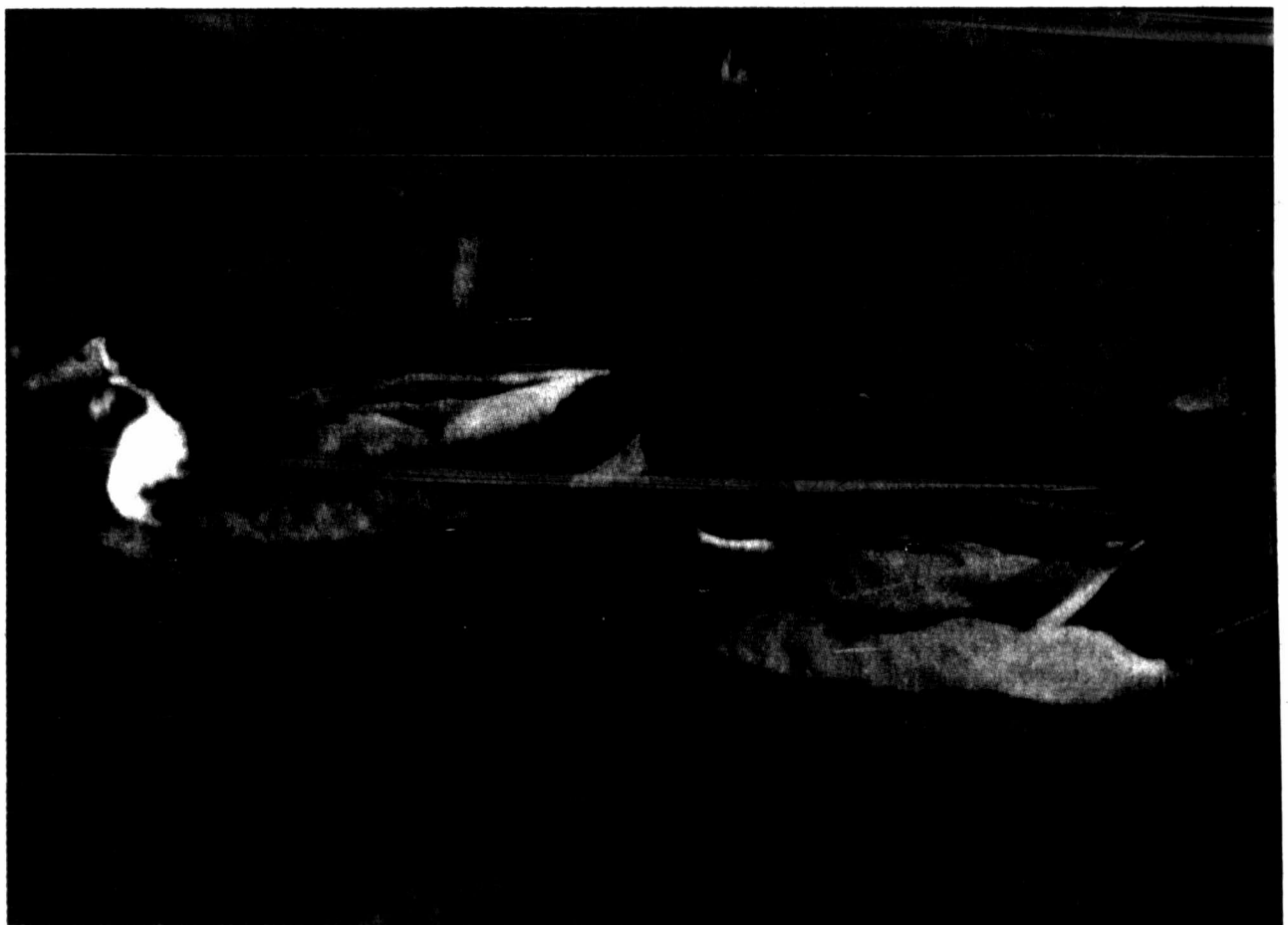
In videotaped testimony shown to jurors Thursday, associate producer Ray Dotch said notes had been made for Howard Lyman, a vocal opponent of beef, to "hammer home point. Need him to express opinion."

Texas cattlemen are suing Ms. Winfrey and Lyman, contending that already slumping beef prices hit 10-year lows within a week of an Oprah show titled "Dangerous Foods" on mad cow disease aired last April.

Dotch said the notes were made because Lyman was outnumbered in his opinion by guests speaking on behalf of the beef industry — Gary Weber, of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, and William Hueston, then an animal scientist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

"We wanted to make sure the show wasn't lopsided because there were two people with one opinion and Howard Lyman was alone with his opinion," Dotch said.

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(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)

Everything seemed to be just ducky at the Pampa Lake earlier this week. All the ducks were getting along swimmingly in some near spring-like weather.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

FOLLOWELL, Dale — Memorial services, 11 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Mertzon.
JOHNSON, Hubert Edgar — Mass, 10 a.m., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Pampa.
MASON, Opal — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

Obituaries

DALE FOLLOWELL

MERTZON — Dale Followell, 86, a former Pampa resident, died Wednesday, Jan. 28, 1998. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in First United Methodist Church with Sandy Robinson and Jim Burk officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home.

Mr. Followell was born Oct. 19, 1911, at Murphysboro, Ill., to Fred and Ellanora Followell. He married Dorothy Jane Adams on April 15, 1934, at Pampa. He worked for Cabot Corporation in Pampa prior to retiring in 1973. He was a member of First United Methodist Church of Mertzon.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy, of Mertzon; two daughters, Judy Wilkerson of Mertzon and Jodale Weatherbee of Odessa; a son, Robert Followell of Farmington, N.M.; two sisters, Marie Teeters of Napa, Calif., and Skeeter Harbough of Republic, Mo.; six grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church of Mertzon or Hospice of San Angelo.

EDNA LEONA KIRCHOFF

PLAINVIEW — Edna Leona Kirchoff, 96, mother of a Pampa resident, died Wednesday, Jan. 28, 1998. Services were to be at 11 a.m. today in First United Methodist Church Chapel with Dr. Max Browning officiating. Burial will be in Plainview Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home.

Mrs. Kirchoff was born at Edwardsport, Ind. She grew up and attended school at Freelandville, Ind., later teaching at Freelandville in a one-room school house. She married Hal W. Kirchoff in 1921 at Freelandville. The couple moved to Bicknell, Ind., and lived there for two years before relocating to Hale County in 1930, where they farmed.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church and had been active in the choir and in United Methodist Women of which she was a lifetime member. She was also a member of Woman's Club of Plainview and Travel Study Club, serving twice as president.

Survivors include two sons, George G. Kirchoff of Pampa and Robert E. Kirchoff of Plainview; two brothers, W.C. Seirp and Kenneth Seirp, both of Las Cruces, N.M.; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

OPAL MASON

Opal Mason, 74, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Jan. 28, 1998, at Amarillo. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Memory Gardens Cemetery with Doug Cullins of Jehovah's Witnesses officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Mason was born May 23, 1923, at Brownfield, Texas. She married Ervin Mason in 1940 in Gains County. She had been a Pampa resident since 1961, moving from Odessa. She was a Jehovah's Witness.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Grace Marie Sell, in 1995; and by two grandsons, Gary Bradley, in 1988, and Billy Sells, in 1993.

Survivors include her husband, Ervin, of the home; four daughters, Rebecca Bradley, Kathy Hatcher, Carolyn Sells and Rita Harris, all of Amarillo; five sons, Donald Mason, Garil Mason, Dewayne Mason and Jackie Mason, all of Amarillo, and Kenneth Mason of Newark; 31 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa

Wheat	3.00	up 1/8
Milo	4.28	up 1/8
Corn	4.79	dn 1/4
Soybeans	6.15	dn 1/8

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

Occidental	25 5/8	up 1/16
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The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Magellan	96.59	up 1/8
Puritan	19.59	up 1/8

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

Amoco	81 15/16	dn 1/16
Arco	74 1/16	up 1/8
Cabot	28 5/16	up 5/16
Cabot O&G	20 1/16	up 1/16

Chevron	76 13/16	dn 1/8
Coca-Cola	64 7/8	up 1/8
Columbia/HCA	25 3/8	dn 15/16
Enron	40 15/16	up 1/8
Halliburton	46 3/4	dn 1/2
IRI	12	dn 1/4
KNE	50 15/16	up 1/8
Kerr McGee	62 7/8	dn 5/16
Limited	26 11/16	dn 1/16
Mapco	47	up 1/3
McDonald's	47 9/16	dn 3/8
Mobil	69 1/8	dn 7/8
New Atmos	27 3/16	dn 1/16
NCE	45 7/16	up 1/16
Penney's	65 3/4	dn 1/4
Phillips	43 5/8	up 1/8
Pioneer Nat. Res.	21 3/4	dn 3/16
SLB	75 1/2	dn 9/16
Tenneco	40 1/8	up 3/16
Tetaco	52 3/8	dn 1/8
Ultramar	33 13/16	dn 1/8
Wal-Mart	39 15/16	dn 1/4
New York Gold	304.60	
Silver	6.07	
West Texas Crude	17.91	

Emergency numbers

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

Have a news tip or a feature idea? Give us a call at 669-2525.

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Police report

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

Thursday, January 29

Barbara Wine, 17, 112 Scirroco, was arrested on warrants.

John D. Coil, 33, Hcr 2 box 36-384, was arrested for no liability insurance and failure to appear.

Three Forgeries were reported at the Pampa Police Department

Friday, January 30

Daniel Vargas, 37, 201 E. Thut, was arrested for failure to drive in a single lane, improper use of a turn signal.

Lazano B. Rosalez, 43, 216 E. Tuke, was arrested for public intoxication.

Accidents

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

Thursday, January 29

No charges were reported when a white van being towed by Brooks E. Broggan, 50, Mississippi, turned a corner at 100 E. Kingsmill and struck a one-way sign.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, January 29

9:21 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of Jordan and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

10:34 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of 2nd Street in Lefors and transported one to a McLean nursing facility.

11:50 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo and transported one to a local nursing facility.

12:36 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of N. Sumner and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

2:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Baptist St. Anthony's and transported one to a local nursing facility.

5:20 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

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Fires

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Thursday, January 29

7:02 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to a medivac standby.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL
 Pampa Area Literacy Council office will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

THEE PLACE
 Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.

CLEAN AIR AL-ATEEN
 Clean Air Al-Ateen will hold weekly meetings on Mondays at 7 p.m. at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, contact 669-0407.

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP
 Efforts are under way to form a support group for parents of children with attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder or attention deficit disorder. Those interested are asked to call Connie at 665-1206, or after 6 p.m. and weekends, 669-9364.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH
 St. Mark's will host a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted.

ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW
 Pampa Fine Arts Association will present its annual "Art and Photography Show" from 2-6 p.m. on Feb. 7 and 8 at First Bank Southwest in Pampa. All artists in the area are invited to show up to three pieces of their own original artwork. The pieces will be accepted from noon to 4 p.m. Feb. 6 at the bank, 300 W. Kingsmill. Other arrangements may be made through either the Pampa Fine Arts Office (665-0343) or the bank (665-2341) for an alternate delivery time.

THE MAGIC PLAINS TOASTMASTERS CLUB

The Magic Plains Toastmasters Club will meet at the Borger Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, February 3 at 6:15 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Scheduled to speak are Mary Kay Ooley and Fjorrest Jones.

HONORING DEPUTY GRAND MATRON
 Pampa chapter No. 65, order of the Eastern Star, will honor Mrs. Linda Palmer, Deputy Grand Matron, on Tuesday, Feb. 3, with a covered dish dinner starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Pampa Masonic Lodge Hall, 420 W. Kingsmill. A stated meeting will follow at 7:30 p.m. when Mrs. Palmer will make her official visit to Pampa Chapter No. 65. Final plans will be made for the Valentine Banquet honoring all Masons and their family on Saturday, Feb. 14, at 6:00 p.m. For more information call 665-4880 or 665-2665.

OPEN HOUSE
 Monday night, Feb. 2, open house at the Pampa High School. 5:30 p.m. the State report card will be held in the auditorium followed by the open house at 6 p.m.

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SKATE BOARD

and should wear the proper protective gear." Other parks obtained special insurance and some hired supervision for the parks.

The board confirmed that a project like this would take a well-organized group of skaters to voice their opinion and a group of parents willing to back the youth.

"To get this kind of effort, it's going to take an organization other than us," Advisory Board President Judy Elliott said.

Kelly Keith closed the discussion and addressed Michael Mechlner:

"We want you to know you're not forgotten. We're trying to gather information. And if you can be an advocate, getting some information, come to us again with parental support and we'll try to get something together."

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ren, two girls and a boy, Jonathan, Jenna and Libby. They had been born prematurely at 26 weeks. The smallest one weighed one pound, 10 ounces, the largest weighed two pounds, two ounces, she said.

The babies parents, Jeff and Jill Gibson (Jeff is Ely's son), live in Amarillo where he works at Amarillo College. Both Jeff and Jill used to be

reporters at KAMR-TV, the NBC network affiliate in Amarillo.

The only disappointment Ely said she had was that her finger nails didn't make it on the national television show. She had her nails done Thursday morning just for the show. Traci Skinner of Hard Rock Nails in Pampa painted a cow with flowers around its neck and "Oprah We Love You."

The production staff loved it, Ely said, but it didn't make the show.

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ACTIVIST

Dotch said, however, that Lyman ended up with the prevailing opinion on the show.

"I think Howard Lyman is more TV savvy and speaks in TV language," Dotch said, adding that he believed the show was balanced.

Plaintiffs' attorneys asked Dotch if Lyman came across more strongly because statements by Hueston and Weber had been edited out.

"I understand the show was edited, but I don't know if it was quite a bit," Dotch said.

Attorneys for the cattlemen have been attempting to show that Ms. Winfrey edited the episode to take out reassuring pro-beef comments in favor of more ratings-grabbing, fear-raising discussion by Lyman about mad cow disease possibly infecting U.S. cattle.

Lyman said on the show that eating beef tainted with mad cow could spawn the human form of mad cow (creutzfeldt jakob disease), which he said would make AIDS seem like the common cold.

On Wednesday, attorneys for the cattlemen showed jurors portions of the April 16, 1996, show that were deleted before going on the air. In those segments, Hueston said there was almost no chance that mad cow disease was a threat to U.S. cattle.

Comments by Weber about a voluntary ban by cattlemen on feeding granulated cattle parts back to their herds also were deleted, according to unedited video shown to jurors.

Critics have said feeding ground up cattle parts to cattle is a possible way to spread mad cow, a degenerative brain disease.

Both Dotch and Andrea Wishom, another associate producer, testified that Ms. Winfrey's producers go to great lengths to research each show and provide balancing views.

"We have very high standards," Ms. Wishom said. "A guest has to be, depending on the topic, very knowledgeable about the topic, either from personal experience or academia."

"They have to have practical information ... and then they need to communicate all that to our viewers in a way they will understand."

Ms. Wishom said Lyman met the qualifications of appearing on the show because he was a former cattle rancher in Montana.

"He had practical experience. He had been a family farmer. He had owned cows and lived on a farm," she said.

Ms. Wishom testified on Wednesday that another vegetarian activist whom she had interviewed was ruled out as a candidate for the show.

"I didn't ask him (to be on the show) because I thought he might ... scare some of our viewers. He seemed a little extreme, and he had an agenda — that beef wasn't good — and I wasn't sure he saw a way for it to be good," she said.

Ms. Winfrey turned 44 on Thursday. As she walked into the federal courtroom wearing a black, double-breasted pinstripe dress, someone wished her a happy birthday.

"Yeah, ain't it though," she replied sarcastically with a smile. She was joined in the courtroom after lunch by her longtime boyfriend, businessman Stedman Graham.

The Texas cattlemen are suing under a state law that protects agricultural products from false and defamatory remarks.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Partly cloudy today with a high of 60 and winds from the south at 10-20 mph. Mostly cloudy tonight with a low of 32 and a 80 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms with winds from the southeast at 5-15. Tomorrow it will be cloudy and cooler with a high of 50 and a 50 percent chance of light showers. Winds will be from the north-northeast at 10-20 mph.

REGIONAL FORECAST

WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and possibly a thunderstorm. Low 30 to 35. Southeast wind 5 to 15 mph. Saturday, cloudy and cooler with a 50 percent chance of light rain. High around 50. North to northeast wind 10-20 mph. Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, mostly cloudy. Widely scattered to scattered showers and thunderstorms south plains, scattered to numerous low rolling plains. Lows 35-45. Saturday, a slight change of morning rain across low rolling plains, elsewhere partly cloudy. Highs 60-65.

SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, cloudy with a good chance of showers or thunderstorms, some possibly severe with locally heavy rainfall. Low in the upper 40s hill country to mid 50s south central. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers of thunderstorms, mainly in the morning. Partly cloudy west to mostly cloudy east by afternoon. High from the mid 60s east to lower 70s west.

NORTH TEXAS — Tonight, cloudy with a chance of rain and thunderstorms, some storms possibly severe and with heavy rain west and central. Lows 46 to 54. Saturday, cloudy with a chance of rain and thunderstorms. Highs 58 to 66.

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City briefs

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EMERGENCY JAIL Release. 24 hrs. Jack Ward, 669-9911. Adv.

PHS BAND Spaghetti Supper. Jan. 30th, 5-8 p.m. at PHS cafeteria. Tickets from band members or at door. Adv.

IMAGES SHOE Sale - up to 50% off on selected Brighton, Pappagallo & Cole Haan. 123 N. Cuyler, 669-1091. Adv.

SIDE POCKET Band from McLean at Holly's, Jan. 30, 31st, \$5 per person. Adv.

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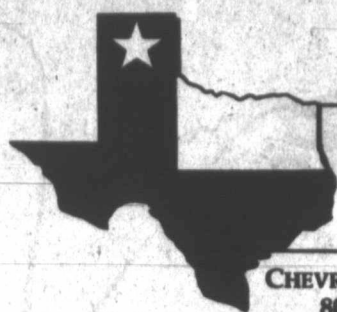
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Pampa students attending National Young Leaders Conference in D.C.

WASHINGTON — A pair of Pampa teens are in Washington through Feb. 1 participating in the National Young Leaders Conference sponsored by the Congressional Youth Leadership Council.

Jenny Fatheree and Valerie Lee, both juniors at Pampa High School, were selected to participate in the six-day leadership development program for students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit.

Fatheree is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Fatheree of Pampa. Lee is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. N.K. Lee of Pampa.

Highlights of the program include welcoming remarks from the floor of the United States House of Representatives and a panel discussion with journalists at the National Press Club. Students will visit foreign embassies and receive policy briefings from senior government officials.

Students will participate in leadership skill-building activities. In "If I Were President," students role play the president, members of his cabinet and representatives on Capitol Hill who must respond to an international crisis.

The conference ends with the "Model Congress" in which students assume the roles of United States



(Special photo)

Jenny Fatheree, left, and Valerie Lee were recently selected to attend National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C. The girls were chosen based on leadership ability and scholastic achievement.

Representatives by debating, amending and voting on proposed legislation dealing with juvenile justice.

Fatheree and Lee may also meet with Texas senators and representatives or a member of their staff to discuss issues facing the state and the nation.

Fatheree participates on the Pampa High School cross

country and girls track teams. She is a member of National Honor Society and serves on the PHS student council and D-FY-IT advisory board.

Lee is active in PHS choir and tennis team. She is a member of the National Honor Society and D-Fy-IT and is also an accomplished pianist.

Secretary of State Albright seeks results of overture

PARIS (AP) — Secretary of State Madeleine Albright is getting an update on Russian diplomatic efforts to open Iraq's suspect weapons sites while France edges closer to supporting a military attack as a last resort.

On the eve of today's meeting with Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov, Albright said, "We've all but exhausted our diplomatic options." But she and French Foreign Minister Hubert Vedrine said they were interested in knowing what the mission of a Russian diplomat, Viktor Posuvalyuk, to Baghdad may have achieved.

"We don't know exactly what Foreign Minister Primakov is bringing," Albright said before meeting Primakov in Madrid, Spain.

The aim is a formula for reopening Iraqi weapons sites to U.N. inspectors who suspect there are concealed caches that pose a danger to the Persian Gulf and Middle East regions.

In the meantime, Albright made headway in wearing down French resistance to the use of force against Iraq if diplomacy fails.

"At this stage all options remain open," Vedrine said at a

news conference with Albright. "When the French foreign minister says all options are open, we welcome that kind of support," she said.

"We are not eager to use military force, we are eager for a solution," Albright said in an ABC-TV "Nightline" interview. "There is light at the end of the tunnel, but it is (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein who controls the switch."

Agreeing with Albright that the situation was grave, Vedrine appealed to Iraq to open suspected weapon sites to unconditional U.N. inspection before time runs out.

A senior U.S. official said Albright was encouraged by what Vedrine told her at the French Foreign Ministry, and hoped "it would make clear to the world and to Saddam Hussein that we are united." The official spoke only on condition of anonymity.

France and Russia have been reluctant to use force against

Iraq, preferring that all avenues of diplomacy be attempted to overcome Saddam's resistance to inspection of sites that U.N. and U.S. officials believe may conceal biological and other dangerous weapons.

Primakov sent a deputy to Baghdad this week to try to persuade Saddam to go along with the U.N. inspectors. In November, the Iraqi president yielded to a Russian overture but subsequently blocked American inspectors and put presidential sites off limits to inspection.

"We discussed all the options, diplomatic and otherwise," Albright said. "I explained we've all but exhausted the diplomatic options, and the time is fast approaching for fundamental decisions."

Albright said she was issuing no ultimatum, but her position was tough. She said Iraqi intransigence would not be tolerated because "Saddam Hussein is thwarting the will of the world community."

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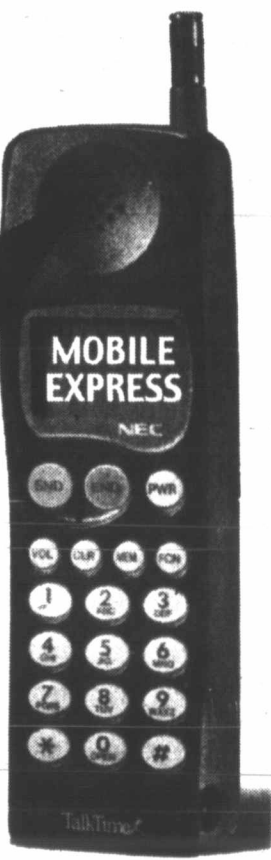
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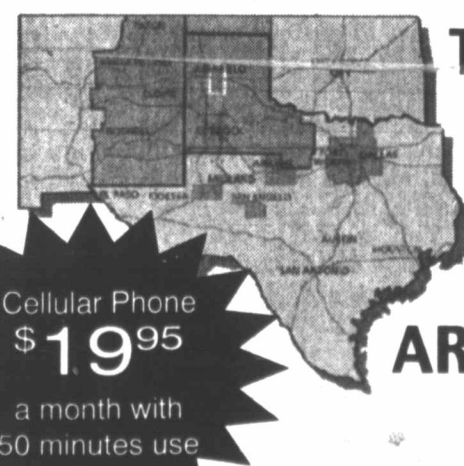
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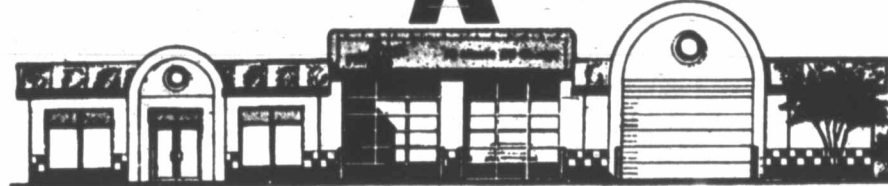
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Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from Texas newspapers: The Lufkin Daily News on Oprah beef lawsuit: "The cattlemen claim that people can't say anything falsely damaging about their industry. They point to a recent Texas law as proof.

Under a law punishing "false disparagement of perishable food products," the cattlemen claim Winfrey and a TV guest of hers are liable for their falling profits. The measure allows damages to be recovered from someone who disseminates untrue information that states or implies that the perishable food product is not safe for consumption by the public."

Obviously, the Texas cattlemen have never heard of the First Amendment.

But even without the right to free speech that law is so vague that even the Bible could be construed to contain passages that slander perishable Texas foods. The Bible lists as unfit for human consumption animals with cloven hoofs - pork - and meat from fish that don't have scales - Texas farm-raised catfish.

...If the cattle industry can be so devastated by disparaging remarks made on an hour-long daytime talk show, imagine the damage the industry will be dealt as court coverage airs nightly and appears on the front pages of newspapers everywhere...

Houston Chronicle on the tobacco settlement:

"Texas Attorney General Dan Morales' \$15.3 billion settlement with Big Tobacco, to be paid over 25 years, warrants criticism on two fronts: (1) It improperly specifies how the first year's \$1.2 billion payout will be spent, and (2) Morales negotiated unconscionable fees for the private lawyers he retained.

...There were no constitutional, legal or medical grounds for Morales to allocate specific amounts from the settlement. He would have garnered greater praise if he had properly left the decision on how to spend the money up to the Legislature when it meets next January.

...Finally, the 15 percent contingency fees, which Morales arranged for five outside lawyers are unconscionable.

Under the settlement, the tobacco companies would pay the outside lawyers - John O'Quinn and John Eddie Williams of Houston, Walter Umphrey and Wayne Reaud of Beaumont and Harold Nix of Daingerfield - \$2.3 billion over 25 years. If an arbitration panel awards the lawyers less money, the difference would be made up from Medicaid reimbursements paid by the state to the federal government.

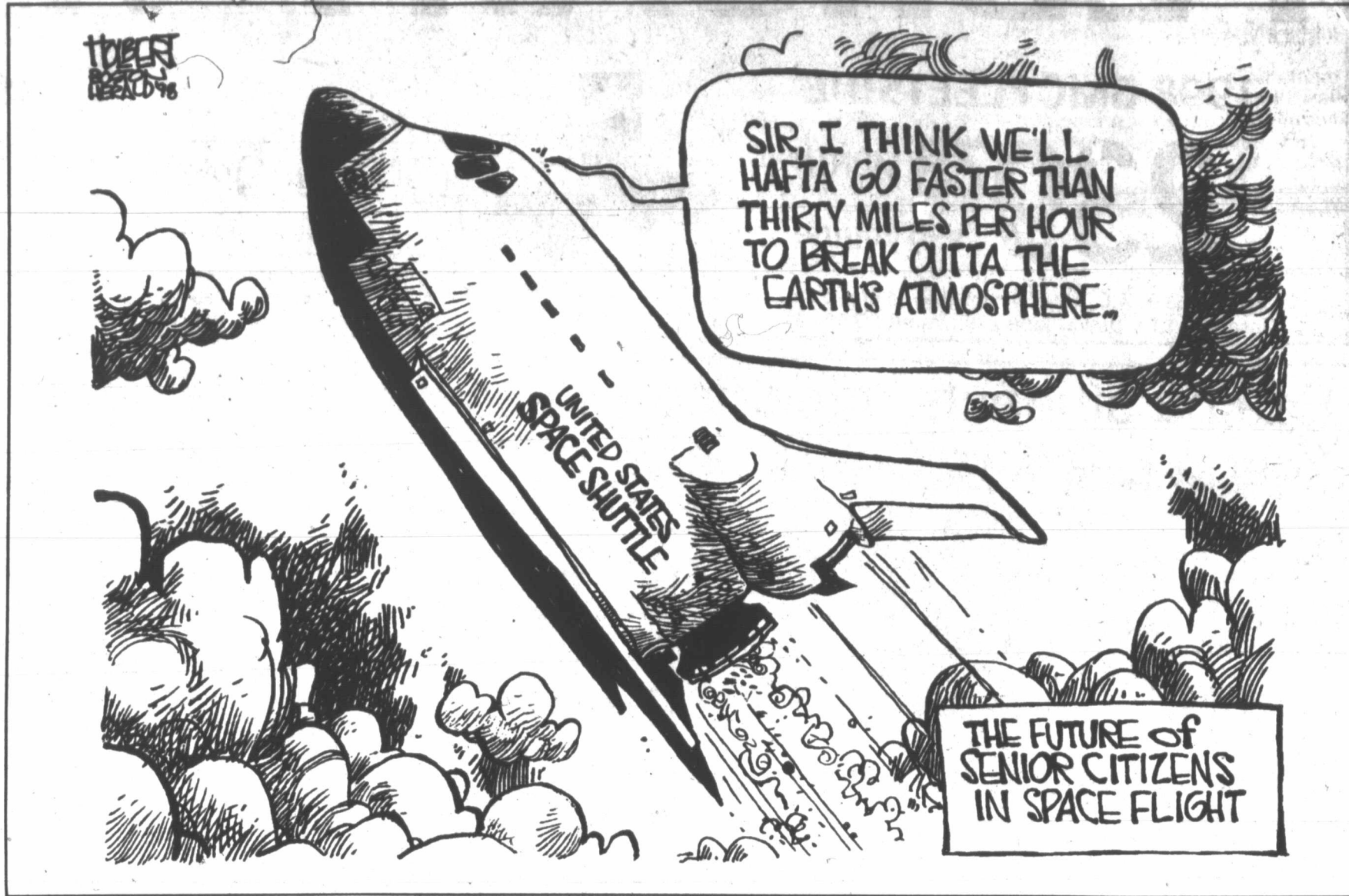
...Morales deserves credit for bringing the state's successful suit against the tobacco companies. But Morales is not a physician or public health specialist. It's a shame he made spending decisions he was not qualified or constitutionally entitled to make.

Austin American-Statesman about lawyers' overbilling:

Samuel Eliot Morison might have been writing about lawyers instead of Yankees when he penned the following description in his Maritime History of Massachusetts: "A race whose typical member is eternally torn between a passion for righteousness and a desire to get on in the world."

The Texas Supreme Court acknowledged a specific aspect of that dilemma - but did not satisfactorily resolve it - in Thursday's ruling in a case concerning overbilling. ... the court's decision boils down to this: Lawyers have a duty to report suspicions that their firm's clients are being over-billed - but that doesn't mean the whistleblowers can't be fired, whether or not the suspicions prove valid. ...

All we can suggest is that the Supreme Court revisit this issue and find a way to encourage rather than discourage ethical behavior.



Pity the heartbroken media

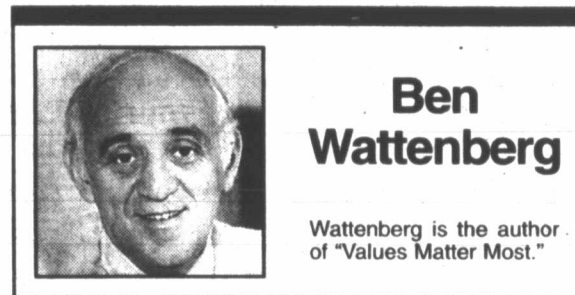
Et tu, ABC? Indeed. ABC News says it will no longer accept television commercials featuring their former star David Brinkley, and sponsored by controversial food giant Archer Daniels Midland.

The whole deal should go into journalism textbooks: a remarkable display of sanctimony, hypocrisy, gutlessness and, quite possibly, ideological bias.

The sanctimony and hypocrisy come principally from Brinkley's former colleagues in journalism whose sensibilities were ever-so-shocked. Among the words used to describe those sensibilities, and the actions of Brinkley, were: "heartbroken," "aghast," "outraged," "shameless," "noxious," "scandal," "sell-out," "tack," "huckster," "salesman," "shill," "scuzzy," "wallowing in the mud," "filthy lucre," and "buckraker."

At first, ABC stood firm when the Brinkley commercials aired on their Sunday program formerly called "This Week With David Brinkley." Then they turned tail, trailing a cowardly yellow flag draping a thin alibi. ABC spokesperson Eileen Murphy said they had been told that the ads would run on other networks as well as ABC. (ADM denies it.) Said ABC News President David Westin: "For David to be solely on our program could be a potential for confusion among our viewers." Lame. Misleading. The commercials have run regularly on CNN, on Washington NBC broadcasts of John McLaughlin's "One on One" and, for a week in some areas, on NBC's "Meet the Press."

What did Brinkley do that was so terrible? He participated in institutional advertising for a big-bucks food producer that has been deeply involved in Washington politics, with both political parties, and was recently heavily fined for an antitrust violation. What's the problem? Is journalism a lifetime priestly caste from which one may never, ever escape? Do journalists not seek to make money? Is exploiting a well-earned reputation a sin? If it is, don't buy Jane Fonda's



workout tapes, Paul Newman's salad dressing, Bob Dole's American Express card or Mario Cuomo's tortilla chips.

Is a relationship with big business bad? The media corporations are big businesses, making big profits. They make their money to pay their correspondents by selling advertising, for which they charge based on ratings or sales their journalists can produce, often by ginning up bad news hype and O.J. scandal.

Is it immoral to work Capitol Hill, hustling corporate welfare, as ADM does? Television and radio get huge legislative handouts, in the form of licenses to broadcast on public airwaves. Networks take ADM's money for other commercials. Is public relations a reprehensible trade? Smart journalists use public-relations people all the time, because they often know more about their fields than journalists do.

Were the ads below par? No. I suspect there is an ideological dimension (perhaps unwitting) to this spasm of retroactive media virginity. Brinkley has made some conservative noises. On Election Night of 1996, he said, on the air, that Bill Clinton's speech was "one of the worst things I have ever heard," and "He's a bore and will always be a bore." And in his memoir, Brinkley assailed "blue-suit rimless-glasses bureaucrats on the tax-writing committees," who get "pure sensual pleasure of taking still more money away from business people ... who produce wealth rather than consume it."

Today in history

By The Associated Press 335 days left in the year.
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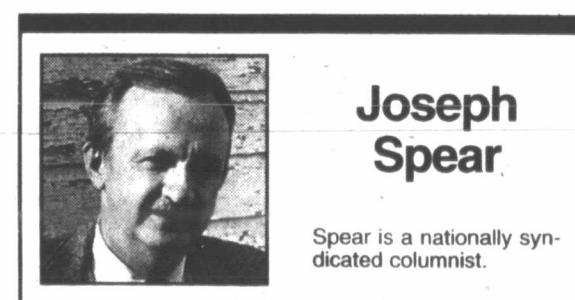
It is time for the truth to win out

The New York Times Magazine for Sunday, Jan. 18, carries an eloquent and - for me, at least - poignant article by A. Leon Higginbotham Jr. Judge Higginbotham is one of America's most distinguished black jurists, having served as Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals, and presently as Professor of Jurisprudence at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard.

Judge Higginbotham cites the University of Texas School of Law, which from the 1970s to 1992 "adopted various affirmative-action programs for minority students who could compete successfully." As a result, "about 10 percent of each entering class tended to be Mexican-American and 5 percent African-American." In 1996, however, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals held that it was unconstitutional for the law school to "use race as a factor in deciding which applicants to admit." Today, out of 468 first-year students enrolled there, only four are African-American. This, Judge Higginbotham regards as an unmitigated tragedy.

Now, no sensitive person can read those statistics without discomfort, and I certainly sympathize with the distress they cause Judge Higginbotham. The question, however, is what to do about the situation. And here I have to say that, over the years, the civil rights lobby has been less than candid with the American people. This is extremely dangerous, because unless we speak honestly to one another we can never hope to solve such thorny problems as the relations between the races.

Back in the 1950s, when the modern push for civil rights for African-Americans began, it was understood by everyone that what America's black citizens wanted was simply to be treated



like everyone else. The color of their skin was henceforth to be totally irrelevant. That was the message of the great Supreme Court decisions, of the various civil rights acts, and of such black leaders as Martin Luther King Jr., who famously demanded that blacks henceforth be judged, not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.

Thus put, the argument was unanswerable. To its eternal credit, America capitulated. Today, as a matter of law, no race-based distinction can be used in public contexts to disadvantage any American, regardless of his or her color.

But that soon turned out not to be the end of the problem. By the traditional test of academic merit, our Hispanic and African-American minorities quickly fell behind whites and Asians in qualifying for the top universities and professional schools. Beginning in the early 1970s, therefore, the term "affirmative action," which had previously been used to describe such uncontroversial programs as Head Start, remedial education, and "outreach," was quietly expanded to include the admission of minority students less qualified academically than the white and Asian applicants whose places they took.

Until very recently, this fact was widely and

serenely denied by the university admissions officers involved. Now that the practice has been exposed (as it was at the University of Texas), they appear to be falling back on the plea that "diversity" - i.e., having a specified mixture of ethnic types in the student body - is a goal so desirable that it ought to outweigh the conventional considerations of academic merit in a certain percentage of cases, even if better qualified applicants with the "wrong" skin color (white or yellow) suffer as a result.

But the defenders of race preferences must feel very uncomfortable about this proposition, because they almost never assert it openly. One can detect it in Harvard professor Glenn Loury's heartfelt pleas for a kinder approach to the continuing difficulties of many black Americans. And Judge Higginbotham, while never nailing it to his mast, insists that in the 1978 Bakke case the Supreme Court "maintained that student diversity, when properly devised, is a valid justification for racebased affirmative action." (Not quite so. The Bakke case permitted race to be taken into account in university admissions as one factor among many, but never as the exclusive determinant - which is precisely what it has so often become in recent years.)

But if the spokesmen for Hispanic-Americans and African-Americans truly intend to reverse the original philosophy of the civil rights movement and make skin color not only not totally irrelevant but on the contrary absolutely decisive, they owe it to the rest of us to say so. Then America can decide whether the much-vaunted "diversity" thus achieved is worth its heavy price, and determine exactly what percentage of better-qualified college applicants must pay it.

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Domestic oil and gas reserve values leaped during quarter, analysts say

Domestic oil and gas reserve values jumped \$0.52 during the fourth quarter 1997 to \$5.45/BOE, an 11% increase from the third quarter 1997 value of \$4.93/BOE. The fourth quarter median value is the highest since the fourth quarter of 1991 and is the second highest value this decade. Furthermore, this quarter saw the median \$/Mcf paid for gas dominated transactions increase 22% to \$0.959 - the highest value this decade.

Transaction activity during the fourth quarter remained lethargic as only 45 deals closed (compared to an average of 68 for the fourth quarters of 1995 and 1996). The majority of the deals for the fourth quarter were concentrated at the lower end, with 18 deals (of the 37 reporting dollar values) falling below \$25 million. Eight transactions were reported between \$25-\$50 million, and three in the \$50-\$100 million range. Due largely to Amco's divestiture activity this quarter, eight transactions were reported in the >\$100 million range, totaling \$1.72 billion (72% of the total). The average deal value was \$64.1 million, up sharply from third quarter 1997's revised average of \$29.2 million. Deals within the \$25-\$50 million range were heavily gas dominated and commanded a

premium compared to the other ranges. In Cornerstone Commentary, Hal Miller notes the recent drop in oil and gas prices and discuss the likely impact on upstream merger and Acquisition activity. Miller views this drop "as a short-term phenomenon, i.e., an overreaction which is not supported by the longer-term industry supply/demand fundamentals." He also adds that "for the most part, companies are viewing the lower prices as a short-term problem in much the same way they considered the \$21/barrel prices a short-term blessing. Our experience suggests that some sellers have, or will, put deals on hold due to the recent drop in prices for oil and gas, and that some buyers are taking a 'wait and see' approach. Nevertheless, we are still in a seller's market as underscored by the strong rise in the fourth quarter median price for gas-dominated transactions. On balance, we see no reason to expect any slackening in the fast pace of M&A activity."

For more information, please contact Hal Miller, Managing Partner, Clint Wetmore, Editor and Senior Energy Analyst, or Craig Lande, Analyst, at (713) 952-0186 or E-mail: craig@cornerstone.com.



Dr. Gerald Schultz demonstrates how paleontologists separate fossils from their matrices as Nathan McNutt and Katie Hefner look on.

Museum to host Dinosaur Day, hands-on activities on agenda

CANYON — Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum will host Dinosaur Day from noon until 4 p.m. Feb. 7 at the Museum in Canyon. The community is invited to participate in dinosaur-related activities at the one day event designed to increase and enhance knowledge about dinosaurs and paleontology through hands-on activities and game competitions.

Museum staff and community volunteers will operate the activity area located in the Natural History Gallery. Scheduled activities include: dinosaur films, puzzles and fossil rubbings; a scavenger hunt; Dino Data Quest; Dino Cliques; Volcano Walk; Dino Wheel; Dino Dig; Dino Dominoes; and create and paint a papier-mâché dinosaur.

An additional feature of Dinosaur Day will be a fossil works presentation by Dr. Gerald Schultz

from the Department of Biology and Geosciences at West Texas A&M University. Dr. Schultz will demonstrate how paleontologists separate fossils from their matrices and how to make fossil molds and casts.

After completing the activities participants will be able to identify the geological periods of dinosaurs and characterize the Triassic, Jurassic and Cretaceous periods. Participants will also discover various methods for classifying dinosaurs, define dinosaur vocabulary terms, and explain the research and work of paleontologists and archeologists.

Dinosaur Day guests may purchase an activity ticket for \$1. This ticket may be used to participate in all games and activities. Dinosaur-related prizes will be awarded to all participants in each game.

Cadet trial: Judge rules confession admissible

FORT WORTH (AP) — A judge decided an alleged confession by former Naval Academy midshipman Diane Zamora will be admissible in her capital murder trial, clearing the way for opening statements to begin Monday.

Ms. Zamora is accused of killing romantic rival, Adrienne Jones, in December 1995.

After a two-week jury selection and three days of evidentiary hearings, State District Judge Joe Drago cut short defense attempts to suppress prosecution evidence.

Drago ruled Thursday that Ms. Zamora's written confession to police was freely given and was not coerced, as defense attorneys had claimed. He would not elaborate on the ruling.

Ms. Zamora testified she gave her alleged confession only because police promised her a visit with her then-fiance, David Graham.

Graham is also charged with capital murder in Miss Jones' death.

She says a police officer read her Graham's statement and she repeated it, hoping to see Graham.

Ms. Zamora's statement appeared in Peter Meyer's recently published "Blind Love." Sources who spoke on condition of anonymity have confirmed its authenticity for The Associated Press.

"I think I got kind of hysterical, and I screamed, 'Just do it! Just do it!'" Ms. Zamora told investigators following her arrest.

She told investigators that she and Graham, who will be tried later this year, decided to kill Miss Jones after he admitted his brief fling with the younger woman.

"Now he was telling me the one thing I prized more than anything was taken away," Ms. Zamora said, according to the statement. "I screamed at him, 'Kill her! Kill her!' He was just so scared he wasn't about to say no to me."

According to alleged confessions by both former cadets, they lured Miss Jones to a secluded road. Ms. Zamora hit the girl with a dumbbell, then Graham shot her in the head when she tried to flee.

But officers Wednesday testified that they only read her parts of Graham's alleged confession and didn't tell her she could see Graham in exchange for testimony.

Thursday, Drago also declined to rule on a defense challenge of an oral statement given by Ms. Zamora when she was questioned by Mansfield Police at the Naval Academy in Annapolis. The interview occurred the day before she was arrested in her Fort Worth home on Sept. 6, 1996.

Prosecutors said they had no

plans to use the statement in her trial.

Defense attorneys contended that the lawyer represented the military academy and was not appointed to represent Ms. Zamora.

The judge also ruled that Ms. Zamora defense team could not contest the use of prosecution evidence taken from her dorm room because it belonged to the Navy, therefore nullifying her right to privacy.

Ms. Zamora said her room was searched without her permission on the day she was questioned by police at the academy.

"When I returned to my room, it was ransacked and the lock on my locker had been cut into two pieces ... some things were taken from my locker," Ms. Zamora said.

Prosecutors and defense attorneys both declined to list items taken because of a gag order on the case.

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Proposed ordinance sparks controversy

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Amid a storm of controversy, a city councilman has withdrawn from the council agenda a proposed ordinance that would have protected homosexuals from discrimination in city employment.

Councilman Roger Flores, sponsor of the measure, decided to remove it from consideration Thursday after City Attorney Frank Garza said the city charter already protects municipal employees and job applicants from discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Flores' decision came as about three dozen demonstrators against the ordinance gathered outside the City Council chambers and as council support for the measure waned.

Wearing big red buttons with a slash through the words "special rights," protesters circulated petitions that claimed a vote for the proposal would mean protecting criminals, including child molesters.

Councilman Robert Marbut, who opposed the ordinance, said it was unnecessary because in recent years there have been no complaints against the city alleging discrimination based on sexual orientation.

"We're not in the business of solving problems that don't exist," Marbut said. "This ordinance goes further than the authors say it does and creates future legal problems."

Pampa native named senior vice president of Texas Utilities Electric

DALLAS — John H. Carlson, a native of Pampa, has been elected senior vice president of Texas Utilities Electric, with responsibility for fossil generation. TU provides electricity to about one-third of Texas and is based in Dallas.

Carlson most recently served as vice president of fossil generation, gas and lignite plant operations for TU Electric. He has been with the utility since 1966, starting as a staff engineer at the Morgan Creek Plant.

Carlson has served as plant manager for the Big Brown and Martin Lake facilities, as well as manager of support services for the Dallas office, generating division.

Carlson is a 1961 Pampa High School graduate, and the 54-year-old's parents, Milo and Pauline Carlson, live in Pampa.

Carlson is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Texas Tech University.

Carlson and wife Sue have three children and eight grandchildren.



John H. Carlson

Consumers: TDI posts HMO info on Internet

The Texas Department of Insurance now provides profiles of the state's 70 health maintenance organizations on its Internet website at www.tdi.state.tx.us.

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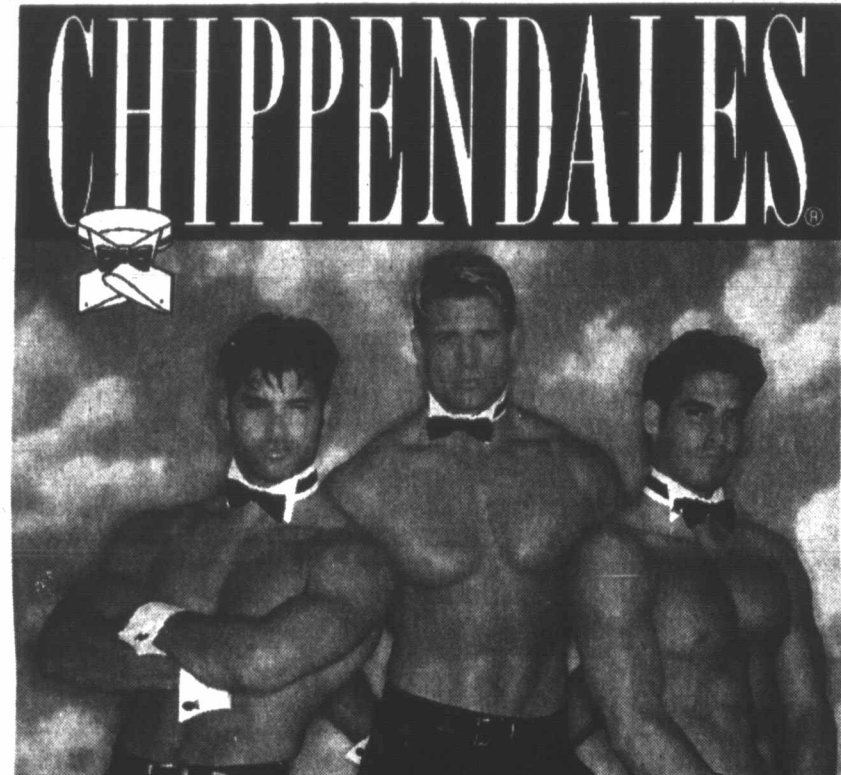
"As our reliance on managed care grows in Texas, it's more important than ever that individuals and businesses have access to quality information about HMOs," Commissioner of Insurance Elton Bomer said. "These profiles, as well as our consumer guides, give the public information it needs to make more informed choices."

Another helpful publication in the works is an HMO "report card" being produced by the state's Office of Public Insurance Counsel. It will be available from TDI's website when ready.

TDI's HMO profiles give consumers and businesses a way to compare basic complaint and financial data as they shop for HMO coverage. As an example, consumers can use the profiles to check complaint numbers or compare administrative and medical costs. Both are helpful in determining how an HMO may be handling members' medical needs.

Each profile includes a service territory map, a list of counties served, contact information, enrollment figures and an Internet link to HMO accreditation rankings by the National Committee for Quality Assurance, an independent, not-for-profit group that assesses and reports on the quality of managed care plans. HMOs are not required to go through the NCQA accrediting process, however.

TDI's profiles are updated quarterly with information from the HMOs. Since the information can change between updates, consumers should verify important details with each HMO before making health plan changes.



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Registrar reports rise in enrollment

CLARENDON — Enrollment for credit students at Clarendon College for the Spring 1998 semester is up approximately eight percent over last spring, according to College Registrar Beth Johnston.

The college has enrolled a total of 857 credit students this spring, an increase of 66 students in headcount over last spring, Johnston noted.

The college's overall enrollment, Johnston explained, is calculated by adding semester hour students to those in clock hour programs. Thus far that total is 1,028 students over last spring's total of 910 — or an 11 percent increase so far.

Of particular note is the college's academic enrollment is at its highest level for the spring term since 1990, and its total spring headcount the highest since 1993.

"We don't report clock hour

enrollment to the state until November," Johnston said, "but so far our enrollment in clock hour programs is up to 171 students, versus 119 last year. We're hoping things look even brighter by the final reporting date."

College President Scott Elliott attributed the increase to the quality of the faculty and staff and the continued success of the institution's outreach programs.

"I think things are looking up," Johnston said. "We have formulated an excellent recruiting plan for this spring, and I'm confident that our enrollment will continue to rise."

One of the college's goals for this year, Elliott noted, was to improve retention in the residence halls from fall to spring. Last year the college's residence hall count fell as low as 153 (or 70 percent occupancy.) This spring the residence hall count is at 180 (or 82 percent occupancy.)

"You're always going to suffer attrition from fall to spring," Elliott said. "We'd like to maintain 100 percent occupancy in the residence halls at all times; however, I'm still pleased that we improved over last spring in that

regard."

Elliott credited Renessa Klink, Wellington, and James Anglin, Childress, with doing a particularly fine job in administering off-campus sites and said Dr. Myrna Cassel has also done an outstanding job in helping to increase enrollment at the Jordan Unit in Pampa.

The key to our future growth is to build the new center in Pampa and establish some new industrial-based program in Pampa," Elliott continued. "I'm told Pampa is the second largest city in the Texas Panhandle (behind only Amarillo.) Therefore, it remains Clarendon College's best opportunity for growth. And as I've said many times, growth in Pampa will be good for the college overall, and, therefore, good for Clarendon."

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Abortion clinic bombing:

Police search for killer after nation's first fatal abortion clinic bombing ...

By **RUSS BYNUM**
Associated Press Writer

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — In all the violence at American abortion clinics, no one had ever been killed by a bomb.

But a week after the 25th anniversary of the court ruling that legalized abortion, a homemade device exploded outside the New Woman All Women Clinic in this northern Alabama city Thursday, killing a security guard and critically injuring a clinic employee.

"This was a vicious, wicked and diabolical act," said Jim Cavanaugh, special agent with the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. "It was a smaller device intended to kill or injure."

Authorities were searching for a man in a wig seen fleeing the area after the explosion, The Birmingham News reported today. A witness told police the man removed the wig as he ran and dropped it into a blue bag.

Police declined to comment when contacted by The Associated Press.

Among those questioned by authorities was a anti-abortion protester who was across the street when the blast occurred, said David Lackey, an anti-abortion leader who called the explosion a "heinous act." The protester was often outside the clinic.

FBI Agent Joseph Lewis said the bomb apparently was in a package. It went off about 7:30 a.m. just outside the main clinic entrance, rocking nearby buildings and leaving a large hole outside the black-

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ened, wrecked entryway.

Killed was Robert Sanderson, 35, a Birmingham police officer who moonlighted as a guard at the clinic near the University of Alabama at Birmingham campus. He had just arrived for his shift when the bomb went off.

Sanderson is the sixth person killed in abortion clinic violence since March 1993, when a Florida doctor was shot to death during a demonstration outside a Pensacola clinic. The other four deaths were also shootings.

Both the ATF and the National Abortion

Federation said the death was the first from a clinic bombing.

Emily Lyons, 41, a nurse and counselor at the clinic, suffered extensive injuries to her legs, abdomen and face, including the loss of an eye. She was in critical condition after undergoing 10 hours of surgery.

The bomb exploded about a half-hour before the clinic usually opened.

Terry Hermes was taking his wife, Lisa, to her counseling job at the clinic when the bomb detonated.

"We were shaking. We were 30 seconds away from being in that parking lot," he said. "There was a huge crater in the yard, and there were dirt clods scattered everywhere. All the windows were just totally gone."

Mrs. Hermes, who has worked at several clinics, added: "I hope I can retain the belief that what I'm doing is right and not be scared off. After this, I don't know."

A year ago, two bombs went off an hour apart at an abortion clinic in Atlanta, injuring seven, all in the second blast. That bombing, 150 miles from Birmingham, remains unsolved.

Members of a task force investigating the

Atlanta clinic case as well as bombings at the 1996 Olympics and a gay nightclub headed to Birmingham to see if there was a connection.

No other bombs were found Thursday. Authorities sealed off several blocks for hours, evacuating two college dormitories and a nearby day care center.

Clinic workers said a lack of security can't be blamed for the bombing.

"You can't imagine more security-conscious people than the clinic people," said Michele Wilson, a volunteer at the nearby Summit Women's Clinic. "You don't get in there without them knowing who you are."

The New Woman clinic is one of four in Alabama challenging new state laws barring a certain type of late-term abortions. Anti-abortion protesters marched outside the clinic Saturday to mark the anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's Roe vs. Wade decision, which legalized abortion.

Gov. Fob James, a Republican who opposes abortion, offered full state support in the investigation, saying, "I cannot think of any more cowardly and reprehensible act." He said those responsible should be "tracked down, indicted, convicted and executed."

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RELIGION

Minister's musings...

If you have ever traveled with children, you have heard the age old question: "How much farther?" or "Are we there yet?" Sometimes when someone has been on an especially good trip they may say to a friend, "Wish you could have been there." or "Have you ever been there?"

Of course we all know that "there" is the place of destination or the place of a significant visit or experience. The dictionary says it is used as an adverb to mean "at that point" or a noun to designate a particular place. Both of those understandings are important when we seek to understand God's use of the word. When God desires for us to be "there", He wants us to have arrived at a certain point in our life and to be in the place of His desire for us.

"There" is the place of God's will. When we are "there" we again understand of God's purpose, we witness the illustration of God's power and we experience God's provision. This is illustrated in the life of the prophet Elijah. The application applies to all who place their life in God through Christ.

God has divine purposes. Within those purposes He has a purpose for your life. Until you yield to that purpose you will never be fully and truly happy. You may do

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Monday
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some lovely things with your life and even be considered a "success" by many, but there will always be a haunting sense of something missing.

"There" in the place of God's purpose is to be yielded to the will of God. It is to act in obedience. It is to fully surrender to God's design for your life. It does not mean understanding, but knowing God's ways are not yours and His thoughts are not yours, you respond in faith and obedience knowing His will is always right and best.

The demonstration of God's wondrous power is given in the places of obedience to His purposes. The power of God exhibited in Elijah's life was only shown when Elijah was in the place God directed him; when he was "there". Oh, but when he was "there", what mighty things God did! Too often we strike

bargains and offer compromises and hard work, but refuse to enter into the place God called us in our relationship with Him and thus miss the power available. The lack of power often indicates an unwillingness to be "there" where God would have us.

God is responsible for providing all things necessary to accomplish His purposes in our lives when we follow His directions. He never ask anything of us that He is not willing to empower us to accomplish and provide us with all necessary to achieve that which has been asked. God gives what is needed, not necessarily extra. Our dependence and trust must always be in Him and upon His provision. To be "there" is to experience the provision of God in the midst of His work in and through our lives.

As we examine our lives and yield our hearts to God's searching, many of us find we are here among the many, but we are not "there" in the place of God's choosing. Yet, the need is truly great for us to surrender ourselves to being "there". When that happens, we will realize God's purposes, witness God's power and experience God's provision. It can happen to any one of us or to all of us, but it will only happen as we choose to place ourselves "there".

Religion briefs...

Teens sponsor hamburger-hot dog fundraiser

On Saturday, Jan. 31 from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. the teens from First Church of the Nazarene will be having a hamburger/hot dog fundraiser. The public is invited to come by the Nazarene Family Life Center at the corner of Buckler and West for lunch. Cost of lunch is a donation to the youth ministry of the church.

Youth ministries plan Bed and Breakfast giveaways

Revolution youth ministries of First Assembly of God will be giving away three separate Bed and Breakfast packages on Friday, Feb. 13, at 9 a.m. You do not need to be present to win. They will be selling tickets for the drawing at Wal-Mart on Saturday, Jan. 31, beginning at 9 a.m. Tickets may be bought from any youth group member or at the church office, 500 S. Cuyler. A \$2 donation will purchase one ticket for the drawing, a \$3 donation will purchase two tickets for the drawing.

The Bed and Breakfast packages include dinner for two, and the winners for each package will be given a choice of calendar dates to select from. The Bed and Breakfast packages are: Auntie's in Amarillo, plus dinner certificate. The Emerald House, Canadian, and dinner at The Canadian. The Hughey House, Pampa, with dinner at The Texas Rose.

Please call Luke Crain, youth pastor, at 665-5941 for more information.

Bake sale to support new music purchases

The sanctuary choir from First Assembly of God will host a bake sale at Wal-Mart on Saturday, Jan. 31, beginning at 9 a.m. Proceeds will go to purchase new music for the choir. Please call Bev Moss at 665-5941 or 665-6060 for more information.

Enchilada Fiesta to support Cross Ministries

Cross Ministries is sponsoring an all-you-can-eat Enchilada Fiesta on Feb. 6 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce building at 200 N. Ballard. The cost for adults is \$6, children pay \$3.50. Carryout is available.

Cross Ministries is available for the Christian community to have their Christian gathering, Bible study, prayer vigils, etc. Proceeds will go toward a sound system. For tickets, call 669-1244 or drop by GoldKraft Jewelers.

Church news from around the country

Schoolboy rethinks suit on school prayer

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Christopher Edward Childs, a ninth-grader who once sued Poplarville city schools for access to the school intercom for prayer, now wants to ban public prayer at high school football games.

Though Childs acknowledges the contradiction, he insists he's not arguing for the sake of argument. He says he is "totally in favor of constitutionally acceptable prayer" but wants the school district to "follow federal law and state law precisely as it is."

Superintendent James Hutto says Childs' complaint is the first about prayers at games.

The 15-year-old student has already lost some lawsuits. "I learned my lesson that it was wrong to pray on the intercom, that it was unconstitutional," he said.

In a suit filed in U.S. District Court in Jackson, Childs says a 1994 ruling bans prayer at football games. District Judge Henry T. Wingate struck down a newly enacted state school prayer law, he says.

A minister or school official now leads prayer at the start of Poplarville High home games, Childs says. But he hopes all Poplarville schools will switch to a minute of silent reflection before each game.

A bill advocating a silent minute to start each school day is pending in the state legislature.

Silver trinkets add up to a chalice

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — Phyllis Caro wanted to donate a silver chalice to her church in memory of her husband, but she needed the silver.

Once word spread, parishioners at Saint Matthew's Anglican Church in Newport News offered little treasures: a candy dish, earrings, candlesticks.

Now, six months later, church members will gather at a shop in Colonial Williamsburg to bless Jimmy Curtis, a master silversmith, and the keepsakes he will melt: William and Angela Welch's silver bowl from Tiffany & Co., Rita Hubbard's sorority brooch, Ernestine Cooper's baby spoon.

"I'm just overcome, I guess," said Ms. Caro, whose husband, William, died two years ago of a stroke. "It's so generous. And so meaningful. I know, of course, that some of the things were things they didn't need, but some were very precious to them."

In colonial times, parishioners donated old silver to make chalices, just as Saint Matthew's has done, Curtis said. And, he said, Ms. Caro's request was a perfect

way to demonstrate the craft to visitors to Williamsburg.

If the church had wanted a chalice made by hand using 18th-century techniques, it would have cost about \$15,000, Curtis said. Colonial Williamsburg is doing the work for \$2,500, less than the cost of the labor.

The church supplied 60 ounces of silver, or a little more than five pounds in troy weight, a system of measure for precious metals and stones.

Former nun helps promote Baha'i faith

SAGINAW, Mich. (AP) — A former nun and a retired professor are helping to bring a new faith to Michigan.

"I'm a Mother Teresa in a way," said Margaret Wegs, a 66-year-old former Franciscan nun from Dubuque, Iowa. "She founded a new order to serve the poor in India. I found a new way with the Baha'is."

Her calling has developed into a mission that so far has attracted about 55 Michigan residents.

The Baha'i philosophy promotes unity of all races, nations, genders, classes and religions under one God in whom all believe. Members worship in homes and follow the teachings of prophets of all religions, believing each delivered God's message relevant to the age.

Ms. Wegs was attracted by a

notice in "The American Baha'i," a national religious newspaper, placed by Marilyn "Mardy" Oeming. A college humanities instructor, Ms. Oeming, 72, has practiced the religion since 1970. She was in search of an aide after her stroke in 1996.

Ms. Wegs now lives with and works for Ms. Oeming.

"I've always hoped religious people would come together," Ms. Wegs said. "I'm working for unity and the elimination of racial and religious strife."

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Bride Feels She's Lost Control To Carping Friends And Family

DEAR ABBY: I need to get something off my chest. Here is my problem: friends upset about not being asked to be my bridesmaids; family angry about who is giving the bridal shower; being interrogated about why I'm not changing my name; and parents insisting on inviting so many additional guests that we had to reserve a larger reception hall than the one indicated on our invitations.

Abby, rarely do people wish us well. It seems they just want to control some aspect of this event. I am so fed up with this nonsense that I wish we had eloped. We discussed doing that last week — but some of the guests had already purchased nonrefundable plane tickets, so we could not in good conscience cancel the wedding.

Abby, please tell people who have the uncontrollable urge to meddle and complain about other people's weddings to back off, stay home; bite their tongues, and reserve their negativity for their own lives. Speaking for my fiancé and myself, only those who wish to celebrate our joy and love should honor us with their presence on our wedding day.

WISH WE'D ELOPED IN PENNSYLVANIA

P.S. Thanks for listening. I feel better already.

DEAR WISH WE'D ELOPED: That's what I'm here for, and I'm pleased that venting your-



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

feelings provided relief from your pre-wedding stress. The reason that etiquette books are such enduring sellers is because emotions often reach a fever pitch during "milestone events," and they provide guidance as people negotiate their way through the social minefield.

In your case, since the plans have already been made, I would urge tolerance for those who are second-guessing your choices. It's your day and your wishes should prevail; however, the fewer hurt feelings in the wake of this event, the better for you and your husband in the long run.

our wedding I discovered that I really didn't know very much about him. Besides being a total slob, he used drugs. I didn't know that before I lived with him.

I divorced him and am now married to a wonderful man who is neat, sweet and drug-free. We were engaged after dating eight months and were married six months later. Yes, Abby, I lived with him first, and this time I knew what I was getting into. After the experience I had with my first marriage, even my old-fashioned mother approved of my "trial run."

HAPPY THE SECOND TIME AROUND, SAVANNAH, GA.

DEAR HAPPY: I'm from your mother's generation. However, if you are happy and she approves, who am I to criticize a winning combination?

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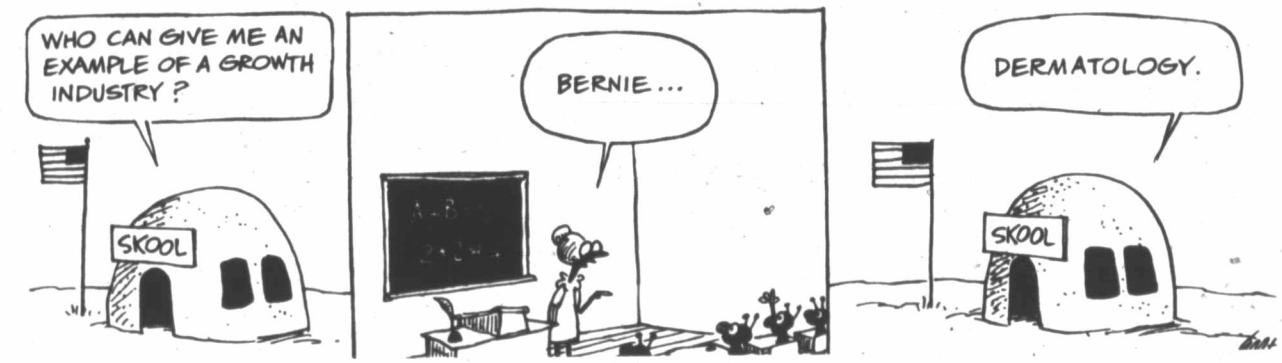
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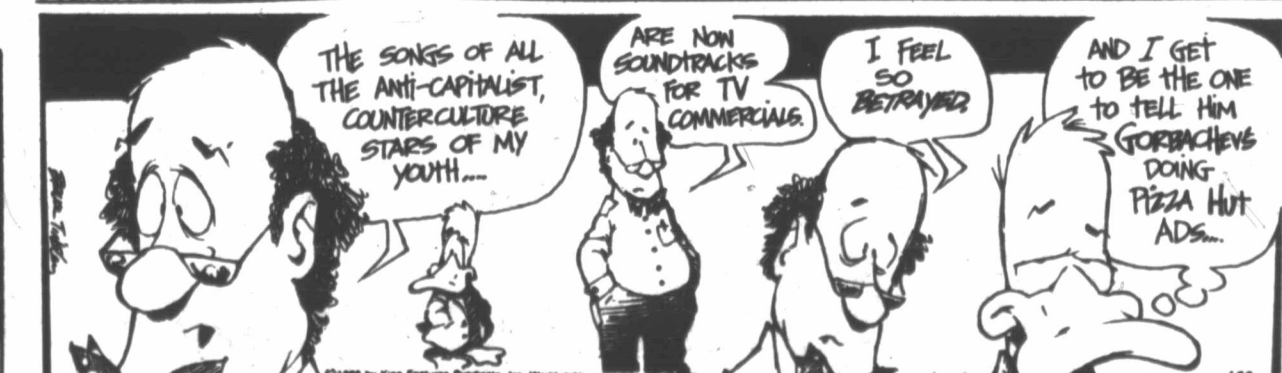
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Horoscope

Sunday, Feb. 1, 1998

Friends will play impressive roles in your affairs in the year ahead. This is because old pals can be relied upon as usual and your newer acquaintances will prove dependable as well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your ability to analyze situations realistically could be superior to your peers today. However, they'll ignore you if you play the role of a know-it-all. Aquarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Innately, you are a very generous person. Today, however, you may be so concerned with

your own self-interests that you won't have time for others.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Do not let people with negative attitudes put a damper on your hopes and aspirations today. Cheer loudly for victory, even if they don't.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Self-doubts could impede your progress today if you're negative. If you're going to make forecasts, enhance your possibilities with wonderful thoughts.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Temper hope with realism today, not pessimism. Forge a metal that will withstand the stress of testy challenges and is able to bend without breaking.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) An important objective is achievable today, even if Lady Luck's contribution is only nominal. This is something you'll have to earn.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You might have to handle a situation today similar to one you mismanaged in the past. Do not let a lapse of memory cause you to repeat an

old mistake.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Curiosity might draw you into another's complicated affairs today. Once you open the door, you could be asked to handle things you'd rather not.

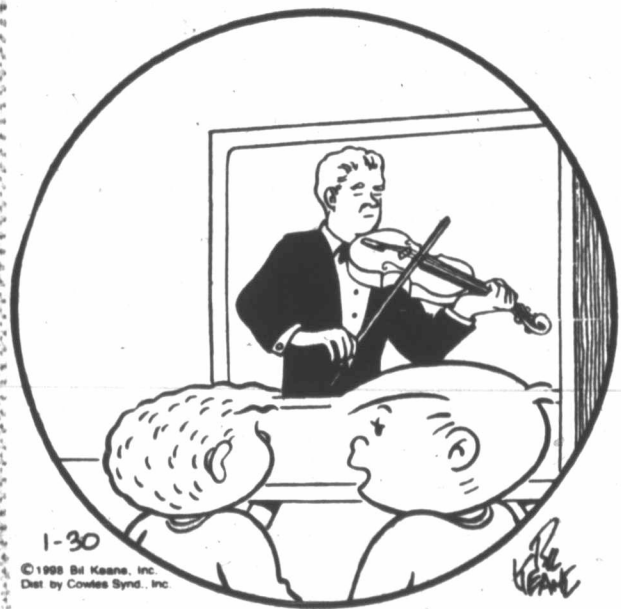
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Time is running out on a difficult decision you've been dodging. It is going to have to be resolved eventually. Why not take a crack at it today?

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Doing what is required of you should be uppermost in your mind today. You are in a cycle where you must not treat your obligations indifferently.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Strive to be a tolerant director today and those in your retinue will respond accordingly. If your demands are unreasonable you'll stir up trouble.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Guard against inclinations today to treat your loved ones coolly. They won't comprehend the reasons for your behavior and this could create resentment.

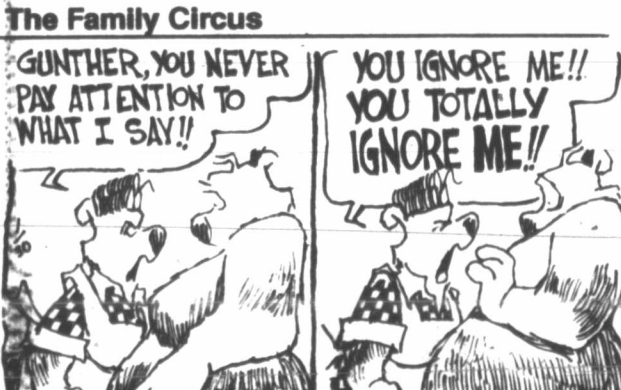
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SPORTS

Notebook

SOCCER

PAMPA — Pampa High boys' and girls' soccer teams open District 5 play Saturday at home against the Randall Raiders.

Matches begin at 4:15 at the Harvester complex.

Both Pampa teams are coming off non-district wins over Palo Duro on Tuesday. Pampa posted a 2-1 win in the boys' match while the Lady Harvesters shut out PD, 5-0.

Randall boys played Lubbock Monterey Tuesday and lost a 2-1 decision.

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — In area basketball activity tonight, Groom and McLean are on the road for district games.

Groom travels to Hedley for District 6-1A contests. McLean goes to Samnorwood for District 5-1A action.

McLean and Groom boys met in a non-district contest Tuesday night with Groom coming away with a 64-44 win.

Junior post player Wyatt Weinheimer had 16 points to lead Groom in scoring. Josh Evenson added 14.

Ike Hanes was high scorer for McLean with 26 points while Chris Hauck followed with 5.

Halftime score was 35-44 in favor of Groom.

Groom improved to 9-12 for the season. McLean is 3-17.

TENNIS

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Ninth seed Marcelo Rios raced into his first Grand Slam final today, ending a record run of great escapes by a Frenchman ranked 415th just a year ago.

Pressuring Nicolas Escude into frequent errors, Rios won 6-1, 6-3, 6-2, advancing into an Australian Open championship showdown with No. 6 Petr Korda on Sunday.

"I think I have a lot of chances," Rios said.

It will be the first Grand Slam final between left-handers since John McEnroe beat Jimmy Connors at Wimbledon in 1984.

With supporters raising a large Chilean flag in the stadium's last row, Rios also became the first man from his nation to reach a Grand Slam final in the Open era, which started in 1968. Chile's Luis Ayala was a losing finalist in the French Open in 1958 and 1960.

Despite his loss, Escude came out with one Grand Slam record: most comebacks from two sets down. He did it three times — against Sweden's Magnus Larsson in the first round, American Richey Reneberg in the fourth round and German Nicolas Kiefer in the quarterfinals.

After losing the first two sets and falling behind 2-0 in the third against Rios, the 21-year-old Frenchman made a brief stab at a comeback, forcing Rios into errors and breaking him at 15.

But Escude won only one more game. In all, he was broken eight times in 12 service games.

Rios' best previous Grand Slam performances were reaching two quarterfinals last year, in the Australian and U.S. Opens.

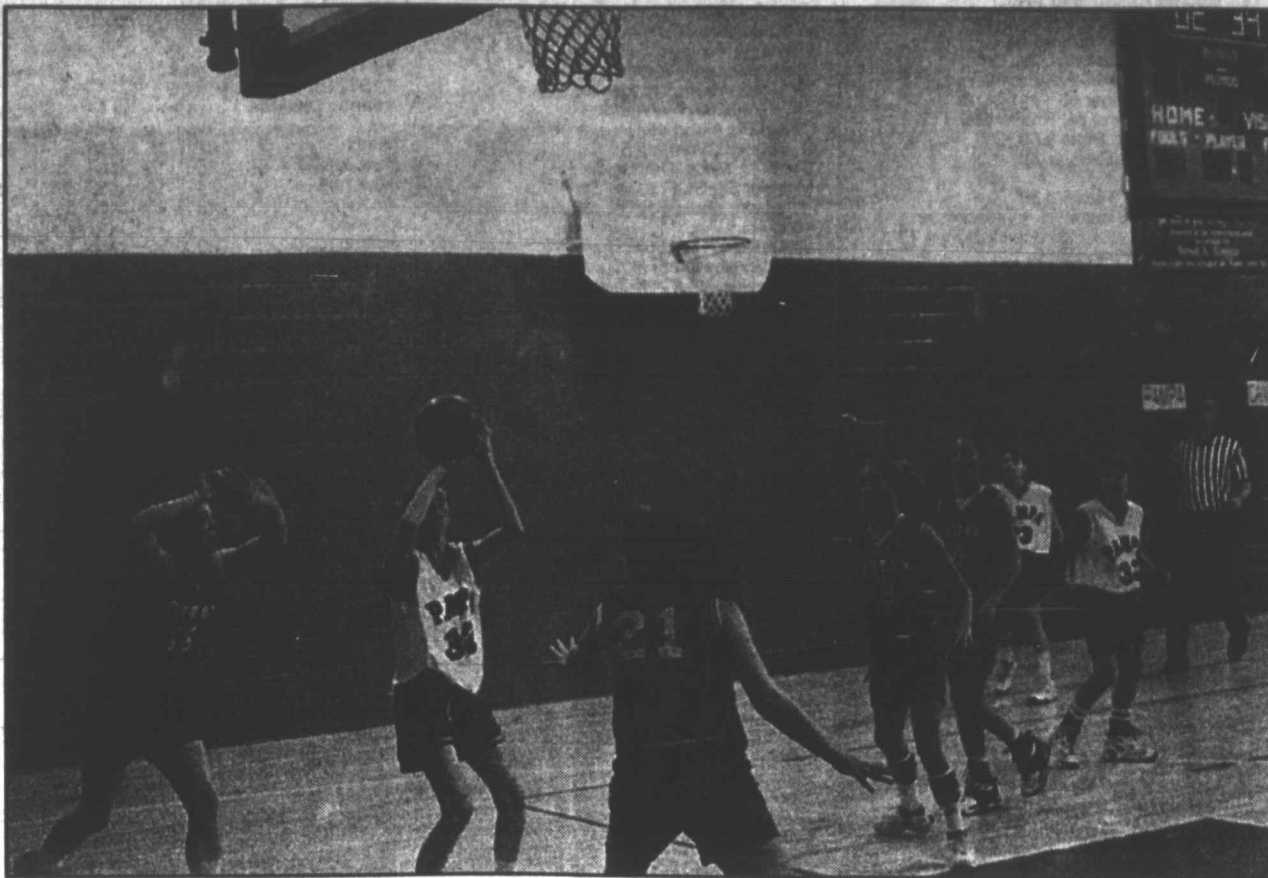
One area where he has improved, he said, is "even if I'm losing badly, I try to fight to win a match."

Along with a reputation for surliness, the 22-year-old Rios formerly was known as a player who tanked matches once he got behind.

He didn't consider himself a tanker, he said, but he was lazy, and "I didn't care if I lose the match."

Larry Stefanski, his coach, said a key moment came when Rios rebounded from two sets down against Michael Chang in the U.S. Open last year to tie it at two sets all.

Chang won in the fifth set, but Stefanski praised the turnaround from 0-2 as "what great tennis players do."



(Pampa News photo by L. D. Strate)

Abby Bradley of Pampa puts up a shot during the 7th Grade District Tournament Thursday at Pampa Middle School.

7th grade girls host District Tournament

PAMPA — The District 7th Grade Girls Basketball Tournament is being held at the Pampa Middle School gyms.

In first-round action Thursday, Pampa defeated Berger, 23-22, in the B team division. Kristi Farnum was high scorer for Pampa with 10 points.

Pampa's A team played twice yesterday in the A team division. Pampa lost to Canyon, 62-20, in the first game. Valerie Velez had 6 points to lead Pampa in scoring.

In the second game, Dumas posted a 34-16 win. Stephani Goldsmith had 6 points to lead Pampa.

The Pampa A team plays at 1 p.m. Saturday for consolation. The second round of Pool Play in the B team division tips off at 9 a.m. Saturday.

Pacers came back to win two Thursday night.

In the first matchup against All Saints of Lubbock, the 9th and under team was led to a 39-30 victory by Angie Edmondson with 9 points. Contributing further to the winning effort were Kendra Raber with 6 points, Ande Shank 4 and Amy Robbins 3. Leading rebounders were Erin Raber with 8 and Kendra Raber 7.

The Pacer varsity squad met Victory Academy in the second game of the night, defeating them 51-18.

Angie Edmondson led the Pacer scorers with 11 points and Erin Raber followed with 10. Brienna Taylor and Kandice Kempf each put in 6 points. Amy Robbins and Ande Shank each added 5 while Kendra Raber had 4, Kaylee Shank 3 and Sarah Fraser 1. Ande Shank led the team in rebounding with 7.

The Lady Pacers continue off the road against Amarillo Christian Monday night.

Pacers win

PAMPA — After losing a close game to Bible Heritage of Amarillo on Monday, the Lady

Cowboys' search expected to go into next week

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys coaching search carousel is expected to spin into next week, with owner Jerry Jones still trying to replace Barry Switzer and now needing an offensive coordinator to fill Ernie Zampese's job.

Green Bay Packers offensive coordinator Sherman Lewis interviewed with Jones for a second time Thursday. It brings Lewis even with former San Francisco coach George Seifert and former UCLA coach Terry Donahue with two interviews each.

Jones also has another staff opening to fill because of Zampese's departure to the New England Patriots with one-year left on his Dallas contract. Dallas was 20th in the NFL in offense last year and next-to-last in the league in scoring touchdowns inside the 20-yard line.

Zampese came to Dallas three years ago after Norv Turner left to take the Washington job. Zampese got a Super Bowl ring when Dallas beat Pittsburgh 27-17 in Tempe.

"Much of the success that this team has enjoyed in this decade can be credited to Ernie's philosophy, both prior to his arrival and in the last few years," Cowboys spokesman Rich Dalrymple said. "As Norv Turner's mentor, Ernie's influence played a visible role in each of our three Super Bowl championships," he said.

Jones gave Zampese permission to talk to the Patriots, and hadn't figured him in the Cowboys' plans for 1998.

For a replacement, Jones has his eye on Brian Billick of the Minnesota Vikings, who are claiming the Cowboys might have tampered by talking to him at the Senior Bowl. The Vikings could demand draft picks from the Cowboys.

Billick was trying to get permission to talk to Jones about the open offensive coordinator's job with the Cowboys.

Seifert and Donahue interviewed twice with Jones during Super Bowl week. Lewis first visited with Jones in San Diego the morning after the Packers' 31-24 loss to Denver.

Miami Hurricanes coach Butch Davis, a former Dallas defensive coordinator, had a four-hour visit with Jones on Wednesday but said, "I'm definitely not a candi-

date."

Davis tried to slip out a back door at Valley Ranch without being seen.

Switzer resigned Jan. 9 after four years with the Cowboys, during which they won a Super Bowl. His downfall was a 6-10 season and a 17-17 record the last two years.

Jones said his decision on the fourth coach in Cowboys history "is unlikely to be done this week."

He has had a hand in the fate of every Dallas coach, firing Tom Landry, hiring Jimmy Johnson, whom he paid off, then hiring and disposing of Switzer.

Jones said the fact the NFL combine is next week in Indianapolis would put no pressure on hurrying his decision.

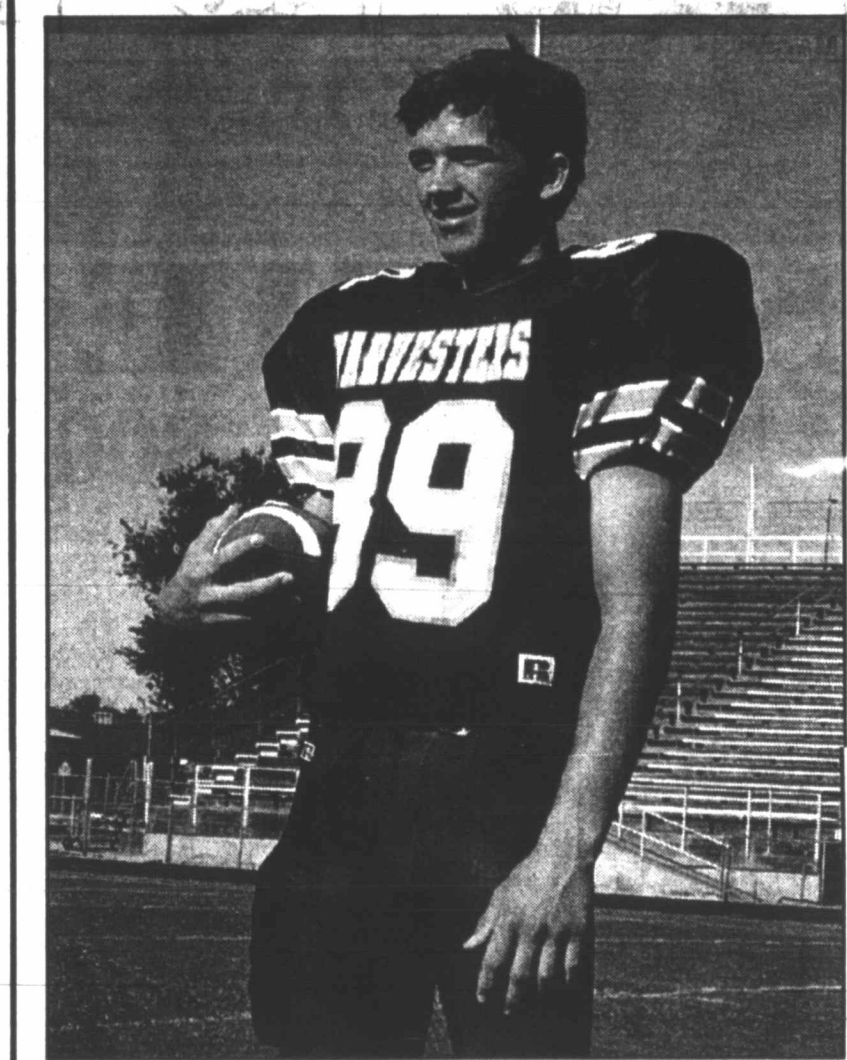
"I'm exploring every avenue toward returning this organization to where it should be," he said.

Lewis has interviewed in the past with Atlanta and Arizona. However, he's not previously had two job interviews with the same team.

"I know they want to win and have some great players, so it's a job you'd definitely be interested in," Lewis said. "I'm in the semi-finals this time."

Jones said the day Switzer resigned that he wanted a coach who could quickly end the Cowboys' downward spiral.

"I'm not expecting us to take a very long road back to the top," Jones said. "I believe we will be able to field a team capable of challenging for a Super Bowl berth."



Josh Franklin (football) and Kelli Earl (volleyball) were just two of 59 Pampa High student-athletes who were selected to the 1997 District 1-4A Fall Academic All-District 1-4A Team.



Excellence in Academics

PAMPA — Pampa High School had 59 athletes who made the Fall Academic All-District 1-4A Team.

Student-athletes were required to maintain an A average during the fall to be eligible for the Academic All-District Team.

Pampa athletes named to the team in football, volleyball, tennis, cross country and golf, are as follows:

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Volleyball
Katy Cavalier, Kimberly Clark, Deidre Crawford, Lisa Dwight, Keil Earl, Lori Lindsey, April Lopez, Jessica Maddox, Tiffany McCullough, Tandi Morton, Brooke Petty, Kelsey Yowell.

Tennis
Brandon Coffee, Michael Cornelison, Emily Curtis, Russell DuBose, Bryce Hudson, Dustin Laycock, Valerie Lee, McKinley Quarles, Matt Rains, Brian Sprinido, Jason Victory, Emily Waters, Kellen Waters, Mandy Wells.

Cross country
Jenny Fatheree, Samantha Hurst, Sarah Maui and Amanda White.

Golf
Cortnie Allison, Shellee Allison, Maggie Cowan, Melissa Gindorf, Alison Piersall, Clay Banner, Nathan Banner, Barry Brauchi, Greg Costlow, Jordan Fruge, Grady Lockman.

Magic holds off Rockets' comeback

HOUSTON (AP) — Penny Hardaway got well and so did the Orlando Magic.

Hardaway had 11 points and five assists in his first game since Dec. 6 as the Magic snapped a seven-game losing streak with a 95-88 victory over the Houston Rockets on Thursday night.

Hardaway, sidelined for eight weeks with a knee injury that required surgery, didn't start but played 31 minutes. The All-Star guard missed seven of eight shots from the field, but was 9-for-10 from the foul line and had two steals and two blocks.

"It's nice being back," Hardaway said. "I was kind of rusty but I just wanted to give the team a boost and hope to get a victory. The knee felt great. I had no pain."

Darrell Armstrong scored 17 points for the Magic, who had

seven players in double figures. Matt Bullard scored 20 points for the Rockets, who lost for the seventh time in nine games.

Orlando outrebounded Houston 51-33, including 15 rebounds by Horace Grant and a career-high nine from Armstrong.

"The key for us was having Penny back and we had the extra confidence when he was on the court," Grant said.

The Rockets kept their locker room closed for more than 30 minutes after the game for a team meeting.

"Right now we're struggling," said Charles Barkley, who had just six points and was 2-for-10 from the field. "We've just got to stop the bleeding."

The Magic led by 17 points in the third period before the Rockets rallied. Houston closed to 86-85 with 2:28 left in the game

after Barkley's dunk capped a 10-2 run.

But that's as close as the Rockets got. The Magic made 9 of 10 free throws down the stretch, including the last four by Derek Strong.

Nick Anderson added 15 points for Orlando. Strong had 12, Grant 11 and Bo Outlaw and Mark Price each had 10.

"We had a lot of people play well," Magic coach Chuck Daly said. "But in the fourth quarter I started to worry. We played in bits and pieces. We were starving for a win."

Orlando used a 16-5 run early in the third period to take a 17-point lead, but the Rockets closed the quarter with a 6-2 run and scored the first four points of the final quarter to pull within 78-70.

The Rockets lost starting point guard Matt Maloney in the third period with a neck sprain.

PLAYER OF THE WEEK



SAM LEDFORD

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Pampa Harvester Basketball

Sam, a 5-10 senior guard, is a team player all the way. Although he doesn't get as much court time as his teammates, he's a hard worker and never misses practice.

"He doesn't get to play much, but he's at practice every day and accepts his role readily," says Harvesters' head coach Robert Hale. "He plays very hard and he's willing to give all he's got for the good of the team."

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Final Four seen as 'crown jewel' for San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Sports boosters have been striving for years to get this South Texas city known as a venue for major athletic events.

The Final Four is a ticket to the big time.

The college basketball championship tournament to be played March 28-30 in the Alamodome is the most high-profile amateur athletic contest yet for San Antonio in its quest for stature in the sports world.

"We look at it as the crown jewel of events. This is it," said Sandra Lopez, executive director of the Final Four Local Organizing Committee.

Already the city has hosted a U.S. Olympic Festival, an NCAA regional basketball tournament and a Big 12 football championship. It's set to host the Women's Final Four in 2002, marking the first time that championship will be played in a domed stadium.

The city is vying for another Final Four five years from now.

And plans are under way for San Antonio to compete with Houston, Miami and Raleigh, N.C., for the U.S. Olympic Committee endorsement to be the site of the Pan American Games in 2007.

"We feel that would be the ultimate event to host," said Deborah Sibley, associate executive director of the San Antonio Sports Foundation, which works to land major athletic events.

The Pan American Games, held every four years, would feature more than 6,000 athletes from 42 nations. SBC Communications Inc., parent of Southwestern Bell, has signed on as sponsor of the local effort.

The upcoming Final Four will be played before 41,500 spectators in

the dome and will be televised nationally and in 30 other countries. The publicity thrills local organizers.

"That just really exposes San Antonio," Ms. Lopez said. "And showcases San Antonio and its facilities."

The Alamodome — a pet project of former Mayor Henry Cisneros — opened in May 1993 and was a key to the selection of San Antonio as the site of the Final Four, Ms. Sibley said.

Young Michelle Kwan skated to victory on the ice in the dome during the Olympic Festival in 1993.

Several pre-season professional and regular-season college football games plus the annual Alamodome Bowl have been held in the Alamodome.

The San Antonio Spurs currently make their home in the dome. The NBA All-Star Game was played in the Alamodome in 1996.

As a warmup to the Final Four, the dome was the site last year of a Midwest regional basketball tournament, and NCAA officials said they liked what they saw. The University of Texas at San Antonio served as the host school, as it is for the Final Four.

Though most people packing the sold-out Alamodome will be from out-of-town, Final Four organizers hope local fans take part in related festivities like the "Hoop City" interactive games and youth clinics.

Based on past Final Fours elsewhere, organizers project San Antonio will realize a \$30 million direct economic impact from the weekend.

"This is the biggest, most phenomenal event for the city of San Antonio," Ms. Lopez said. "We won't know what hit us until it's here."

Panthers turn back Stars

MIAMI (AP) — One down. One to go.

On Thursday night, Dino Ciccarelli beat one of his former teams when his swinging deflection of a slap shot proved to be the game-winning goal in the Florida Panthers' 3-2 victory over the league-leading Dallas Stars.

That gave Ciccarelli 599 career goals, including 332 when he played for the Stars franchise in

Minnesota from 1980-89.

Next up for Ciccarelli and the resurgent Panthers is a Saturday home game against the Tampa Bay Lightning, the team that dealt the 38-year-old right wing to Florida on Jan. 16.

"I don't like thinking about 600," said Ciccarelli, whose power-play goal made it 3-1 at 13:46 of the third period.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Thursday's Major College Basketball Scores

By The Associated Press

EAST

Delaware 95, Hartford 84

Drexel 80, Boston U. 73, OT

Holms 85, Northeastern 89

Iona 89, Rider 83

Massachusetts 74, Rhode Island 57

Siena 85, St. Peter's 83, OT

Vermont 76, Towson 71

SOUTH

Bellarmine 67, Radford 58

New Hampshire 65, Campbell 39

Coppin St. 101, Bethune-Cookman 70

Duke 86, Maryland 69

Fla. International 95, Cent. Florida 86

Jacksonville St. 101, Troy St. 99

Marquette 46, Southern Miss. 43

Memphis 79, South Florida 61

Murray St. 78, Middle Tenn. 75

N.C. Central 58, N. Carolina A&T 54

N.C.-Asheville 66, Coastal Carolina 60

NW Louisiana 77, SE Louisiana 67

New Orleans 93, Arkansas 79

Nicholls St. 90, NE Louisiana 77

Samford 63, Centenary 61

South Alabama 52, Jacksonville 31

Stetson 60, Florida Atlantic 57

Tennessee Tech 95, Tenn.-Martin 63

Va. Commonwealth 61, James Madison 58

W. Kentucky 49, Louisiana Tech 46

Winthrop 58, Charleston Southern 57

MIDWEST

Ball St. 90, Marshall 82

Missouri 92, Morehead St. 77

Cincinnati 67, Louisville 61

Detroit 83, Wis.-Milwaukee 68

E. Illinois 72, E. Kentucky 68, OT

E. Michigan 86, Bowling Green 87

Chicago 72, Butler 62

Kent 73, Cent. Michigan 70

Loyola, Ill. 59, Wright St. 52

N. Illinois 85, Ohio U. 47

N.C. Charlotte 86, DePaul 73

Purdue 89, Michigan 82

San Diego 83, Southern Meth. 58

Toledo 63, Miami, Ohio 50

Valparaiso 88, NE Illinois 82

W. Michigan 77, Akron 63

Wis.-Green Bay 75, Cleveland St. 70

Youngstown St. 77, Chicago St. 63

SOUTHWEST

Ark.-Little Rock 67, Lamar 64

Houston 70, Tulane 62

Stephen F. Austin 90, McNeese St. 73

Texas Christian 97, Rice 67

Texas-San Antonio 64, SW Texas St. 63, OT

Tulsa 69, Southern Meth. 58

Utah 87, North Texas 64

FAR WEST

Arizona 93, Stanford 75

Boise St. 84, Long Beach St. 60

California 82, Arizona St. 77

Colorado St. 60, UNLV 57

Gonzaga 76, San Francisco 72, OT

Montana St. 88, Sacramento St. 66

New Mexico 72, Brigham Young 54

New Mexico St. 103, Nevada 76

Pacific 78, Idaho 63

Portland 76, Santa Clara 65

San Diego St. 88, San Jose St. 75

UC Irvine 94, Cal Poly-SLO 90

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Albany, N.Y. 78, New Haven 54

Auburn 74, Wilkes 57

Babson 73, Salem St. 71

Bethune-Cookman 64, Coppin St. 58

Bloomfield 71, Nyack 64

Boston U. 59, Drexel 52

Centenary, N.J. 85, Stevens Tech 24

Coby-Sawyer 90, Anna Maria 53

Concord 83, W. Virginia St. 78

Dayton 82, Rhode Island 69

FDU-Madison 92, Manhattanville 41

Fairfield 60, Iona 51

Fairleigh Dickinson 78, Long Island U. 59

Fitchburg St. 93, Nichols 50

Franklin & Marshall 66, Dickinson 52

Franklin Pierce 88, Stony Brook 63

Gallaudet 86, W. Maryland 67

Gettysburg 79, Juniata 75

Gwynedd Mercy 93, Immaculata 47

La Salle 84, Temple 67

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Lehigh 35, Baruch 33, OT

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Methodist 70, Chowan 63

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N. Carolina A&T 65, N.C. Central 59

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Pikeville 71, Clinch Valley 63

Samford 72, Col. of Charleston 60

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Cent. St., Ohio 54, Wayne, Mich. 47

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Rice 84, Texas Christian 60

S. Nazarene 80, Oklahoma City 68

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Stephen F. Austin 91, McNeese St. 38

Texas-Arlington 80, Sam Houston St. 51

Texas-San Antonio 64, SW Texas St. 48

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Buffalo 77, S. Utah 73

Colorado St. 91, UNLV 75

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Montana 78, Weber St. 43

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Oregon 80, Oregon St. 57

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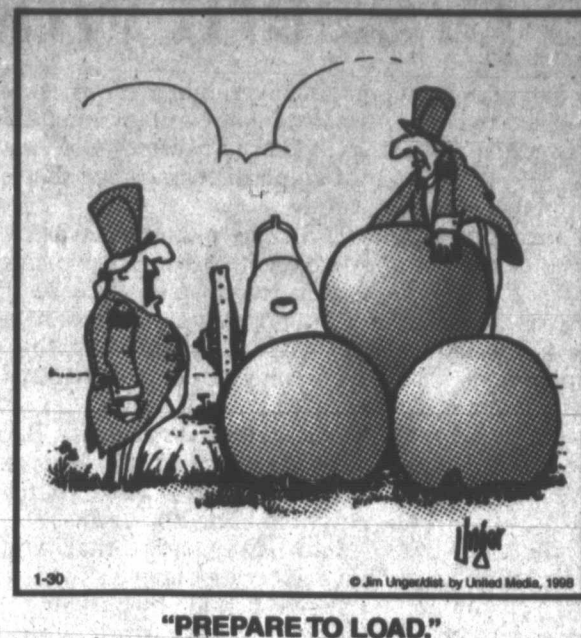
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Tripp says was present when Clinton phoned Lewinsky

WASHINGTON (AP) — The woman whose secret tape-recordings led to a criminal investigation of whether President Clinton tried to cover up a sexual affair with Monica Lewinsky says she overheard Ms. Lewinsky on a late-night phone call from the president.

Linda Tripp, a former White House and Pentagon employee, broke her silence today amid criticism of her true intentions in prompting an obstruction of justice investigation by Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr.

Her comments came a day after Clinton won a major victory when an Arkansas judge ruled that evidence concerning Ms. Lewinsky will be excluded from the trial in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case against the president.

Tripp, in a two-page statement issued through her attorney, said Ms. Lewinsky described "every detail" of the alleged relationship with Clinton during hundreds of hours of conversations over the past 15 months.

"In addition, I was present when she received a late night phone call from the president. I have also seen numerous gifts they exchanged and heard several of her tapes of him," Tripp said.

She said she "was also present when Monica made and received numerous phone calls which were of a volatile and contentious nature directly relating to her relationship with the president."

Her attorney, Jim Moody, said in an interview that Tripp had been

staying overnight in the guest bedroom at Ms. Lewinsky's apartment in the Watergate complex when she was awakened by a ringing telephone.

"Linda did hear parts of" Lewinsky's side of "the conversation; I'm not going to characterize them, but the call lasted about 20 minutes," Moody said.

"After the phone call was over," Moody said, "the two women sat down together, Monica explained that it had been the president calling and the two women discussed the matter in detail."

"I'm not going to comment on their discussion. All of this is headed for the grand jury investigating the president," Moody added.

Clinton says he never had sex with Ms. Lewinsky and never told her to lie.

White House spokesman Barry Toiv today had no immediate comment regarding Tripp's counterattack on the Clinton administration, which followed a court ruling by U.S. District Judge Susan Webber Wright in Little Rock, Ark.

Starr had requested that Wright halt evidence-gathering in the Jones lawsuit because lawyers in the civil case were interfering with his criminal investigation by pursuing the same witnesses and evidence.

The Lewinsky affair would not be worth a delay in the Jones trial scheduled for late May because it is "not essential to the core issues in this case," Wright ruled. "This weighing process compels the conclusion that evidence concerning Monica

Lewinsky should be excluded from the trial of this matter."

Mrs. Jones' attorneys — hoping to prove a pattern of improper sexual behavior by Clinton — promised an immediate appeal.

In Washington, meanwhile, negotiations reached an impasse in the effort of Ms. Lewinsky's lawyer to obtain immunity from prosecution in exchange for his client's testimony in Starr's investigation.

Attorney William Ginsburg, who represents Ms. Lewinsky, met face-to-face with Starr's staff for less than 45 minutes, and emerged expressing frustration with the negotiations.

"If you asked if we made any progress, we are making progress today on preparing Monica a defense," Ginsburg said.

Stanley Brand, a onetime chief counsel for the House, said the pause in immunity talks shows that Starr "doesn't like the testimony" Lewinsky would provide in return for the immunity she is seeking. "It's not about truth, it's about squeezing witnesses to say what the government wants them to say."

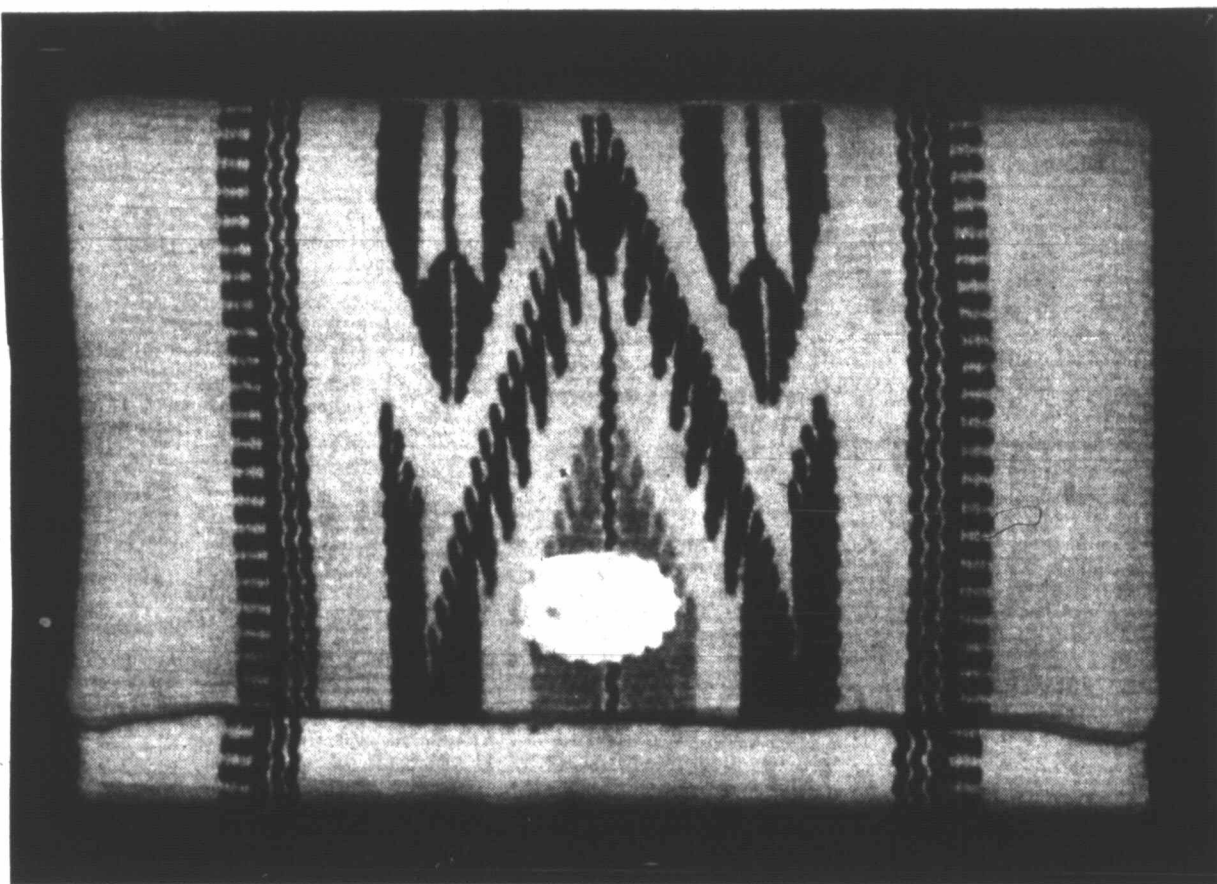
Tripp spoke out for the first time since the furor broke a little more than a week ago. Dozens of surreptitious tape-recordings of Tripp's conversations now in the hands of Whitewater prosecutors capture Ms. Lewinsky, 24, asserting that she had a sexual relationship with Clinton beginning in late 1995 when she was a White House intern. Shortly after the alleged affair began, Ms. Lewinsky became a paid White House staffer.

Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum to present Chimayo weavings of Northern New Mexico

CANYON — The Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum will open "Efectos del Pais: Chimayo Weavings of Northern New Mexico" on Feb. 6. The exhibit will include several pieces from the museum's collection as well as a few borrowed items. Chimayo textiles, made by the descendants of early Spanish settlers of northern New Mexico, derive their name from the village of Chimayo, the center of Spanish weaving in New Mexico.

The region of northern New Mexico was settled by the Spanish in the late 1500s. Along with their knowledge of weaving, these explorers, missionaries and pioneer settlers brought with them sheep and the treadle loom. The Spanish weaving industry developed slowly, but by the mid-1800s it was a thriving cottage industry. Efectos del pais refers to the products or manufactures of the country. The Spanish and Mexican governments applied this term to goods produced in the colony of New Mexico.

The blankets and textiles produced during this time are referred to as Rio Grande because of the proximity of most weavers to the Rio Grande River valley. By the early 1900s, Rio Grande blankets had evolved into the high-quality style of weaving known as Chimayo. The Chimayo area near Taos has been home to many generations



(Special photo)

Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum will open "Efectos del Pais: Chimayo Weavings of Northern New Mexico." Above is a Chimayo wool purse, circa 1935. The purse is an example of the items to be on display.

of weavers and continues to be the center of Spanish weaving in northern New Mexico.

The Spanish contributed to the social, religious and cultural

life of New Mexico. Spanish influence in northern New Mexico can be seen in everything from architecture to language to farming methods.

Today, northern New Mexico attracts visitors throughout the year to absorb its unique blend of Spanish and Native American cultures.

Extension Service to offer roadway vegetation management workshop

AMARILLO — The other side of roadway maintenance doesn't deal with smooth surfaces and patched potholes at all, say organizers of a workshop focused on issues involving vegetation management along thoroughfares.

The training will be held Feb. 10 at Texas A&M Research and Extension Center. It is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Texas Department of Agriculture. The program is geared to commercial, non-commercial and private chemical applicators.

TDA has approved 5.5 continuing education units for the event. CEUs will be given in laws and regulations (1.0), integrated pest management (1.0), drift minimization (1.0) and

general topics (2.5) categories.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. The training is offered at no cost to participants. The program will start at 9 a.m. with a break for lunch. Lunch will not be provided. The afternoon session will last from 1:30-3 p.m.

Speakers and topics during the morning program will include Clay Salisbury, Extension agronomist and Experiment Station weed scientist, who will address weed identification and control. Alex Mimms, Tri-State Chemical, will discuss DOT regulations involving chemical transportation. Minimizing drift will be covered by Howard Pierson of Estes Chemicals.

The afternoon session will feature equipment calibration by

Sam Peters of Wylie Spray Center. Also, Gary Rich, Pro Chem Sales, will address personal handler safety issues. Pierson will discuss weed control issues in low maintenance areas and Levon Harman, TDA, will discuss pesticide laws and regula-

tions, changes and requirements in applicator recordkeeping.

The workshop will adjourn following the evaluation and CEU certification for applicators. To register and obtain information, call the Amarillo TDA office at (806) 358-7285.

Route 66 Association names recipient of educational grant

McLEAN — Old Route 66 Association of Texas was established in 1990 to preserve the historic highway and adjacent sites, to promote awareness of its history and significance and to promote tourism along the old route.

In 1997, the association created an educational grant to be presented each year to teachers, schools, history groups or deserving individuals who have furthered the purposes of the association during that year.

The Charlie Marie Shurley Education Grant was established in memory of Charlie Marie who died in 1996. She served in several official positions, including president, and guided the association's development in the early years.

On Jan. 15, the unrestricted grant in the amount of \$250 was presented to Becky Ransom, a teacher in the San Jacinto Christian Academy in Amarillo. Miss Ransom has developed a six-week curriculum teaching the history of Route 66. The fact that the school is located on Old Route 66 contributed to the school's interest in local history.

The curriculum, developed entirely by Miss Ransom, consists of a text book, questions, maps, tests and library reading. A visit to the classroom reveals a virtual museum of Route 66 souvenirs, artifacts and literature, displayed throughout the walls and shelves. The course also includes class excursions to local Route 66 sites and museums in the area. She has received both state and national recognition from speaking at educational and tourism seminars.

Other gifts and donations by Route 66 authors and artists accompanied the grant. The Texas association welcomes donations to the grant fund which will be presented each year. For additional information about the grant or to submit nominations for prospective recipients, call (806) 779-3164, or visit the Texas Route 66 Exhibit in McLean.

Loans available via farm agency

The Farm Service Agency has loan funds to help members of socially disadvantaged groups, including minorities, buy land for farming or operate farms in Gray, Donley, Armstrong, Wheeler and Carson counties, Larry J. Goetze, FSA Ag Credit Manager, said today.

Under this program enacted by Congress, socially disadvantaged population groups are Hispanics, Native Americans, African Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders.

FSA tries to find members of those groups who are interested

in farming and can qualify for an FSA farm ownership loan. The agency can sell or lease to those who are eligible a farm held in its inventory or make a loan for purchase of land on the open market, Goetze said.

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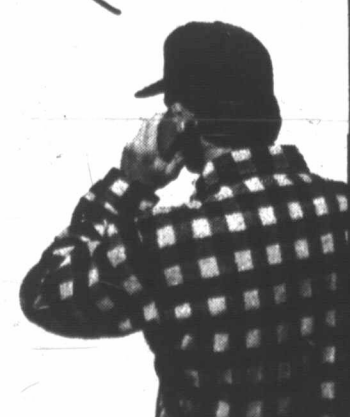
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