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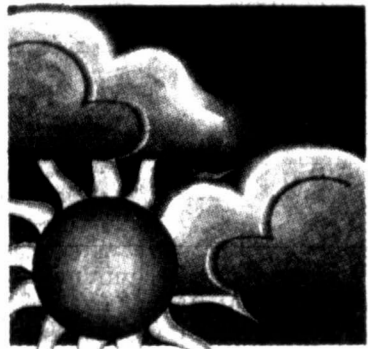
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Public Artrain viewing Feb. 21-22

Other days set for school use

This month the Artrain comes to Pampa sponsored by the Pampa Fine Arts Association. On its 1998 tour around the country, it carries an exhibit from the Smithsonian in Washington, DC, entitled "Art in Celebration."
The exhibit was done by contemporary American artists, commissioned by the Smithsonian to celebrate something, from as simple as a birthday party to the commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the voyage of Columbus in 1992.

The Artrain, a five-car train using historic railcars pulled by a Burlington-Northern Santa Fe engine, is scheduled to stop at the Attebury Grain Elevator in mid-town Pampa on U.S. Highway 60. The train will be in Pampa a total of six days, with two days open to the general public.
Four days are restricted to school tours only. These days are Thursday and Friday, Feb. 19 and 20, and Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 23 and 24. Schools visiting the Artrain include Canadian ISD, Pampa Community Christian, Follett ISD, Grandview-Hopkins ISD, Groom

ISD, McLean ISD, Miami ISD, PACE Academy, Pampa Homeschool, Pampa ISD, Pampa Learning Center, Panhandle ISD, Perryton ISD, St. Vincent de Paul, Spring Creek ISD, Sunray ISD and White Deer ISD.
Hours for school tours are 8:30 a.m. through 3:30 p.m. There will be 90 students and teachers per hour, with a new tour starting every 10 minutes. There will be no time for public tours on these four school days.

The public is invited to enjoy free tours of the train on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 21 and 22. Hours to these tours are 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. daily.

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ABILENE (AP) — A pregnant woman and two of her children died after a car veered off an overpass and landed on top of their extended-cab pickup truck.
The accident happened about 4:30 p.m. Thursday during a rainstorm on Interstate 20.

The crash killed Nora Martinez, 33, of Anson, who was five months pregnant, and two daughters, Cassandra, 10, and Alexandria, 9.

Her 14-year-old son, Antonio Jr., was listed in critical condition with brain stem injuries and internal bleeding in the intensive care unit at Hendrick Medical Center.

His father, Antonio Sr., the driver of the pickup, suffered from chest pains and a leg injury but was treated and released. A daughter, Katie, 11, was also released.

Before rescue crews arrived, witness Mike McGinnis said he rushed to the truck and tried to help.
"The father was upset," McGinnis said. "He kept saying, 'My wife is pregnant and check on my daughter.'"

The driver of the car, Nicholas Rodriguez, 17, of Merkel, was treated at the hospital and released.

Scouting buddies



Members of Daisy Girl Scout troop 557 held their investiture ceremony recently where (from left) Amanda Evans, Madison Gantz, Kallie Marak, Allison Ramey and Lexi Summers received their membership pins and were welcomed officially into the Girl Scout programs. Other girls interested in scouting can learn more by calling Paula Goff at 669-6862.

Homeowner exemptions must be filed this month

Gray County Appraisal District Chief Appraiser Pat Bagley wants homeowners as well as anyone who have forgotten to file in the past to know it's time to file for homeowner exemptions this month.

It is more important this year than in previous years because the homestead exemption for all school districts across the state has been increased by the Texas Legislature from \$5,000 to \$15,000 dollars.

Those who turned 65 last year but have not filed for that exemption should also file. Anyone who turns 65 during the coming year can file after their birthday and have the exemption pro-rated.

Others who should re-file are disabled veterans who have had their disability percentage increased and anyone who has been listed as totally disabled by the Social Security Administration.

Bagley says occasionally his office talks to a taxpayer and finds that the taxpayer — either through error or lack of information — has never filed for an exemption for their homestead. The homestead exemption has to be filed for in order to take effect.

He also said this is the time of year that businesses should render their business property.

If a taxpayer is not sure of his status, call the Appraisal District office at 665-0791 or go by 815 N. Sumner to check.

Court docket set for Monday

District 31 court will be in session in Pampa Monday with Judge M. Kent Sims presiding. The court will hear defendants who wish to enter a plea to the charges against them as well as entertain pretrial motions.

While the docket list is also tentative the defendants currently scheduled to appear are:

- Entering Pleas:**
David Reams, charged with indecency with a child.
Virgil Mangus, charged with indecency with a child
Kandy Soliz, charged with tampering with a government record
Sandra Bogart, charged with forgery
Burl Scroggs, charged with theft over \$1,500 but less than \$20,000
Patricia Snuggs, charged with possession of a controlled substance.
Billy Brown, charged with burglary of a habitation.
Ivan Dell Brandt, charged with assault of a public servant (a Pampa police officer)
Caesar Fernandez, charged with aggravated assault
Pretrial Motions:
Glenn Novack, charged with possession of a controlled substance.
Amador Leal, charged with felony driving while intoxicated.
Randy Harris, charged with aggravated assault

Veterinarian says vegetarian activist gave false information Oprah judge fusses at attorneys

AMARILLO (AP) — Several comments a vegetarian activist made on Oprah Winfrey's show about mad cow disease were false, a veterinarian testified Friday in the beef slander case against the talk show host.

After a sidebar with the judge in which defense attorneys argued Dr. Lester Crawford is not a mad cow specialist, the judge ruled Crawford could speak on veterinary medicine with some limitations.

Crawford explained slaughtering and feeding systems in the United States and Britain, where there has been an outbreak of mad cow disease. He also said several comments activist Howard Lyman made on the show were untrue.
Specifically, Lyman's comment that any animal

"that's not staggering around" is slaughtered for beef was false, said Crawford, who has extensive veterinary experience with universities and the government.

He said cattle must meet several U.S. Department of Agriculture requirements.

Crawford also disputed Lyman's comment that ranchers were feeding dead cows to their herds, a practice linked to the mad cow outbreak in Britain.

"The animal byproduct is no more a cow than a leather coat is a cow," Crawford said. He noted U.S. cattle have eaten animal protein since slightly after the Civil War.

Later, after the jury was dismissed for the week-end, the presiding judge had harsh words for the

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- Helen Ann Hornback Cook, 60, life member P.T.A., active Democrat.
- Cecil W. Myatt, 97, owner-operator Friendly Mens Wear for 35 years.
- C.T. "Tom" Pore, 72, retired manager of Oil and Gas Drilling Division of Woods Petroleum Company.

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Sunday snapshot



Name: Jared Sampson
Occupation/Activities: Sixth grader/Soccer, scouts and band.

Birth date and place: Feb. 16, 1986, Bryan, Tx.
Family: Dad, John; Mom, Becky; brother, Zach, 19; sister, Britta, 6; sister, Heather, 9; brother, Jacob, 3; brother, Joshua, 10 months.
If I had a different job, I'd be: playing soccer and football.
My personal hero: Steve Young.
The best advice I ever got was: not to let anyone steal my dreams.
The best word or words to describe me: smart and athletic.
The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: Steve Young, Randy Matson, Michael Jordan, Cobi James and Greg Maddux.
My hobbies are: playing computer and soccer.
My favorite sports team is: 49ers

and Aggies.
My favorite author is: R.L. Stine.
The last book I read was: "The Phantom in the Auditorium."
My favorite possession is: my baseball, football and basketball cards.
The biggest honor I've ever received is: being to Aggie Games.
My favorite performer is: Backstreet Boys.
I wish I knew how to: whistle.
My trademark cliché or expression is: "Funny to see it, not funny to do it."
My worst habit is: talking.
I would never: ride a roller coaster.
The last good movie I saw was: "Home Alone 3"
I stay home to watch: sports.

Nobody knows: I broke my shoulder when I was four.
My favorite junk food is: Twix.
My favorite beverage: Sprite.
My favorite restaurant is: Taco Bell.
My favorite pet: Don't have one.
For my last meal, I would choose: Meatsa, Meatsa, Pizza.
I wish I could sing like: Backstreet Boys.
I'm happiest when I'm: having fun.
I regret: Don't have any.
I'm tired of: getting blamed for everything.
I have a phobia about: weird looking bugs.
The electrical device I couldn't live without is: phone, computer, T.V., and microwave.
The biggest waste of time is:

chores.
If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: spend half of it, save have of it.
If I had three wishes they would be: 1. To grant everybody wishes. 2. To meet all my favorite sports stars. 3. Win \$100 million.
If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: a better mall.
When I grow up I want to be: a soccer star and a sportscaster.
Ever think of answering these same questions yourself? It's not as easy as it looks! Watch this week for a blank list of these questions. Fill it out, enclose a photo and mail it in. Include your phone number. If you don't have a photo, bring the completed form to our office and we'll "shoot you!" ...And become the next Pampa Sunday Snapshot Person of the Week.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

Services today
BURTON, Gay — 2:30 p.m., Country Chapel, Wheeler.
Services tomorrow
COOK, Helen Ann Hornback — 10:30 a.m., Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa. Burial, 1:30 p.m., Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery, Canadian.
MYATT, Cecil W. — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Obituaries

HELEN ANN HORNBACK COOK
 Helen Ann Hornback Cook, 60, of Pampa, died Saturday, Feb. 7, 1998. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Harold Hook, pastor of Hobart Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at 1:30 p.m. in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery at Canadian under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Cook was born July 14, 1937, at Canadian, to Carl Sr. and Eva Hornback. She married Willie J. "Bill" Cook on Aug. 12, 1954, at Clovis, N.M. She had been a Pampa resident since 1954 and was a member of Hobart Baptist Church. She was active in Boy Scouts for 29 years and was a life member of the local Parent Teachers Association, serving as past president at B.M. Baker Elementary. She was also involved in the Democratic Club and had served as Election Judge for Precinct 2 in Pampa.

She was preceded in death by her parents and by a brother, Charles Ray Hornback of Canadian. Survivors include her husband, Bill, of the home; a daughter, Debbie Darby of Pampa; two sons, Johnnie Cook of Pampa and Carl Cook of Abilene; two stepsons, Bill Cook of Eureka, Calif., and Donnie Jones of Big Spring; two sisters, Darlene Eads of Pampa and Rose Wisdom of Laverne, Okla.; two brothers, Joe Hornback of Lone Grove, Okla., and Carl Hornback Jr. of Canadian; five grandchildren; 12 stepgrandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice of the Panhandle, P.O. Box 2795, Pampa, TX 79066-2782; or to a favorite charity.

CECIL W. MYATT

Cecil W. Myatt, 97, of Pampa, died Friday, Feb. 6, 1998, at Canadian. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Todd Dyess, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Mr. Myatt was born Nov. 12, 1900, at Hammonsville, Ark. He married Hattie Brock on Aug. 27, 1918, at Purcell, Okla.; she died Oct. 7, 1969. He had been a Pampa resident since 1930. He owned-operated Friendly Mens Wear for 35 years. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Pampa Kiwanis Club, Pampa Chamber of Commerce and was a 32nd degree Mason.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, June Kelp, on Dec. 18, 1997; and by a brother, Carl Myatt, in October 1997.

Survivors include four daughters, Jenny Ralls and Norma Healy, both of Universal City, and Mary Myatt and Betty Bohlander, both of Pampa; a son, Ed Myatt of Pampa; a brother, Fred Myatt of Hunnington, Ala.; ten grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Edward Abraham Memorial Home, 803 Birch St., Canadian TX 79014; or to a favorite charity.

C.T. TOM PORE

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — C.T. "Tom" Pore, 72, father of a Pampa resident, died Thursday, Feb. 5, 1998. The body was cremated. No services are planned at this time.

Mr. Pore was born July 28, 1925, in Osage County, Okla. He graduated from high school at Ellinwood, Kan., in 1943. He worked in the oil fields of Kansas until the early 1980s, retiring as manager of the Oil and Gas Drilling Division of Woods Petroleum Company of Oklahoma City in 1985. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran, serving in the 345th Bomb Squadron of the 98th Bomb Group during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Marceile, of the home; two daughters, Susan Tripplehorn of Pampa and Lonna Hogan of Manhattan, Kan.; and four grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Freedom Museum USA in Pampa.

Police report

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

Thursday, February 5

A forgery was reported at Images at 123 N. Cuyler.

Friday, February 6

Frederick Ames Heater, 20, charged with interfering with railroad property.

Saturday, February 7

Martin Guy Brookshire, 35, 734 Campbell, arrested on three warrants by the DPS.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending Saturday.

Friday, February 6

Nathan Anthony Walker, 37, Borger, charged with failure to appear/child support.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, February 6

2:21 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transport to the 1100 block of Varnon.

3:11 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Fisher and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

4:01 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of East Browning and transported one patient to Northwest Texas Hospital.

6:01 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of South Russell and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

6:35 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of Wynne and transported one to Veterans Administration Medical Center.

Saturday, February 7

12:06 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the Jordan Unit and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Hospital.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, February 6

2:55 p.m. - One unit and four personnel responded on Francis between Warren and Wynne on a good intent call.

Court report

The following people were dismissed from misdemeanor probation during the month of December: Charles Gregory Hanes, Larry Kieth Bohannon, Joyce Cannon Taylor, Daniel Jimenez, James Daniel Huff, Javier Miranda, and Christopher Wolf.

Linda Lewis was found guilty on charges of assault causing bodily injury and was sentenced to 30 days in Gray County Jail and ordered to pay a \$100 fine and \$170 in court costs.

Scott Frith was dismissed on charges of evading arrest or detention and theft of property by check because the defendant was convicted in another case.

An order was issued to revoke probation for Jose Silva Rodriguez because he failed to meet numerous regulations, including failing to pay fine and restitution payments as well as failing to perform his community service.

Ricky Payton Griffin pled guilty to charges of Driving While Intoxicated and was ordered to serve 90 days in Gray County Jail as well as pay a fine of \$500 and court costs of \$210. He also received a year of probation and 40 hours of community service.

Patrick Hendrick also pled guilty to DWI charges and was assessed 30 days in Gray County Jail as well as a \$500 fine and \$210 in court costs. He was also ordered to serve 12 months probation and serve 45 hours of community service.

Bibiano Agustin Gonzalez pled guilty in another DWI case and was fined \$750 and ordered to pay \$174 in court costs and spend 30 days in Gray County Jail. He must also serve 12 months of probation and 40 hours of community service.

Eric Johnson pled guilty to charges of Theft of Property by Check - Class B and was assessed six months of probation and 30 hours of community service. He was also ordered to pay a fine of \$350 and \$496.87 in restitution payments.

Family members, friends attend Tucker's funeral

HOUSTON (AP) — People all over the world awaited word of her death, but only a few dozen family members and friends attended her funeral and watched as Karla Faye Tucker was buried.

Ms. Tucker was executed in Huntsville Tuesday evening for a 1983 pickax slaying as news reporters and photographers from all over the world awaited details of the execution.

She was buried Thursday at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery after a two-hour funeral in a nearby chapel.

Mourners included Dana Brown, Ms. Tucker's husband; Ronald Carlson, brother of Deborah Ruth Thornton, who was killed in the pickax attack; and J.C. Mosier, the former Houston police detective who helped crack the case 15 years ago.

"It was a private service, just people that had been called and asked to come," Mosier said. "It was informal, quiet and was a very nice service."

Mosier said the Rev. Lloyd Maddoux of First Assembly of God in Conroe and prison chaplain Jim Brazzil gave eulogies.

George "Mac" Secest, one of Ms. Tucker's lawyers, said a few words about the woman who became the focal point for a renewed debate on capital punishment.

"I thought he spoke beautifully about their relationship and how much she meant to him," Mosier said.

Each member of the audience was asked to deliver a few words about Ms. Tucker.

"The people that knew her got up and talked for a few minutes, mostly to say what a big impact she had had on their life," Mosier said. "There were really some quite eloquent things said by people, and it was very interesting to hear."

Mosier said he was a bit uncomfortable attending the service because of his role in Ms. Tucker's arrest, but said he was touched that the family invited him.

"I told them I didn't have much to say because everything I have said has been pretty well chronicled," he said, "I thanked them for inviting me and allowing me to come pay my respects to the family."

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courtroom demeanor of attorneys for both sides. U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson told the attorneys she would not tolerate their smirks, grimaces and nods in front of the jury any longer. "It is actually unacceptable when counsel appears to laugh or make any display ... That is not acceptable, and I will not tolerate it," the judge said.

The judge praised how the courtroom audience has behaved throughout the three weeks of testimony. Area citizens have stood in line to obtain seats in the trial of the beef industry's defamation lawsuit against the talk-show host.

Texas cattlemen are suing Ms. Winfrey, her Harpo Productions company and Lyman for more than \$10 million because they say the April 16, 1996,

show violated a state law against disparaging Texas agriculture and food products.

The cattlemen allege Ms. Winfrey favored alarming statements by Lyman over pro-beef statements. Lyman, a former rancher, said cattle herds were eating ground-up cattle parts, and that mad cow could make AIDS look like the common cold.

Earlier Friday, jurors heard videotaped testimony from beef industry spokesman Dr. Gary Weber that he signed a release saying his comments on the show could be edited.

But he added he did not read the release thoroughly, thinking it was merely a generic document. "I glanced over it," said Weber, a spokesman for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

Weber also said he met with a public relations specialist to prepare for his appearance, took part in a practice show and watched it afterward.

Clinton, Blair keep pressure on Iraq, laud U.S.-British ties

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sharing a radio microphone, President Clinton and British Prime Minister Tony Blair predicted today that U.S.-British ties would remain as unshakable in the next century as throughout the 20th. They also repeated a stern warning to Iraq's Saddam Hussein: Grant full access to U.N. weapons inspectors or face military retaliation.

"I stand foursquare with you in our determination to bring Saddam into line with the agreement he made at the end of the Gulf War," Blair told Clinton. He said the Iraqi leader has stockpiled enough chemical and biological weapons "to wipe out the world's population."

It was a theme Clinton and Blair have been sounding throughout the prime minister's visit. Clinton invited Blair to share his weekly radio address. The message was taped Friday evening before the leaders and their wives flew by helicopter to Camp David, the presidential retreat in the Catoctin Mountains of Maryland.

Clinton, speaking first, said the United States and Britain both had a responsibility at home to "prepare all our citizens to succeed in the information age."

"And abroad, we must not only take advantage of real new possibilities, but combat a new nexus of

threats — none more dangerous than chemical and biological weapons and the terrorists, criminals and outlaw states that seek to acquire them."

Blair then said "no issue has been more pressing" in their meetings than the Iraqi crisis.

Iraq has resisted U.N. resolutions requiring it to open all potential sites to weapons inspectors. In recent weeks, the United States and Britain have been pouring new military hardware and personnel into the Gulf region.

"We are pursuing all the diplomatic avenues open to us. But if they fail, and force is the only way to get him (Saddam) into line, then force must be used," Blair said.

"If that happens, Britain will be there, as we have been in the past," he added.

Clinton, wrapping up the broadcast, said, "On Iraq, as on so many issues, the United States and Britain speak with one voice."

"As we face the challenges of the 21st century, the alliance between the United States and the United Kingdom remains unshakable," he said.

Clinton and Blair taped the address in the Map Room in the White House, once a laundry room that President Franklin D. Roosevelt converted into a war command center.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Partly cloudy and warm today with a high in the low 60s. Low tonight about 30. Tomorrow, sunny with a high in the mid 60s.

REGIONAL FORECAST

WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Today, partly cloudy and warmer with a high around 60. West to southwest wind 10-20 mph. Monday, partly cloudy. Low 30 to 35. High around 55.

Low Rolling Plains — Today, mostly sunny. Highs 63-67. Tonight, fair. Lows in the 30s. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Highs in the 60s.

Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Today, sunny. Highs 65-72. Tonight, fair. Lows mid 30s to lower 40s. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows mid 30s to lower 40s. Highs mid 60s to lower 70s.

Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Today, partly cloudy. Highs 65-75. Tonight, fair. Lows upper 30s to mid 40s. Monday, Partly cloudy. Lows upper 30s to mid 40s. Highs mid 60s to lower 70s.

Far West Texas — Today, partly cloudy. Highs 60-65. Tonight, fair. Lows mid 30s to lower 40s. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows

mid 30s to lower 40s. Highs in the 60s.

Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Today, sunny. Highs 60s mountains to near 80 Rio Grande. Tonight, fair. Lows near 30 to lower 40s. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows near 30 to lower 40s. Highs mid 60s to near 80.

NORTH TEXAS — Today, mostly sunny. Highs 63 northeast to 72 southwest. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s to lower 40s. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s to lower 40s. Highs in the mid to upper 60s.

SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Today, mostly sunny and warmer. Highs in the lower and mid 70s. Tonight, clear. Lows in the upper 30s Hill Country to upper 40s south central. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 70s. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Today night, fair. Lows in the upper 40s inland north to mid 50s coast. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs mainly in the lower 70s. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Today, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s coast to the upper 70s rio grande plains. Tonight,

partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s coast to near 50 inland. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 70s east to near 80 Rio Grande plains.

BORDER STATES

NEW MEXICO — Today and tonight, considerable cloudiness with a chance for lowland showers and mountain snow showers northwest third. Partly cloudy east and south. Breezy this afternoon. Highs upper 30s to lower 50s mountains and northwest, mid 50s to lower 70s east and south. Lows teens and 20s mountains, mid 20s to around 40 elsewhere. Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance for showers and mountain snow showers north. Partly cloudy with a chance for mountain snow showers south. Breezy in the afternoon. Highs mid 30s through the 40s mountains and northwest, upper 40s to lower 60s east and south.

OKLAHOMA — Today, partly cloudy. Highs 55 to 65. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. Low in the upper 30s and lower 40s. Monday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. Lows from the lower 30s to lower 40s and highs in the upper 50s and lower 60s.

City briefs

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

WANTED: BOOTS & Shoes in need of repair. Circle C, 2125 N. Hobart, 665-1142. Adv.

CHOCOLATES ADD pounds, flowers wilt-give an Estee Lauder fragrance for a Valentine's Day Gift that says "I Love You!" Images, downtown, 669-1091. Free gift wrap. Adv.

NINNY'S BUCKET Winter Clearance-75% off. 2-6-98 & 2-8-98 & 2-10-98. Adv.

ROME BEAUTY Apples. Texas paper shell pecans. Gene Cade 665-5696. Adv.

BRIGHTON GIFT Ideas for your Valentine, Sat., Feb. 14th, Images, downtown 669-1091. Free gift wrap. Adv.

PHS HALL Of Fame nomination forms available - Lovett & Chamber, due Feb. 10. Adv.

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

HEY GUYS!! Don't forget your sweetheart on Valentine's Day. Silver Creek Collection, 121 S. Houston, 665-5000. Adv.

TAX SERVICE: Glenda Brownlee, 625 Whittenburg, Borger, 806-274-2142. Adv.

FACIAL SPECIAL, Feb. & Mar. \$22.50 Darlene at Abby's Salon 665-5488, 669-9871. Adv.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING, Marvin Bowman, 669-3871. Ticket dismissal (USA). Adv.

TREE PRUNING. Call Family Lawn Care. 665-3257. Adv.

LAST MINUTE Valentine's Day Special, Full Set acrylics \$30 + 2 fills-\$5 ea. Erica, Abby's 669-9871. Adv.

COFFEE & CANDY Barn is Under New Ownership. New hours are: Mon - Fri 7 a.m. - 3 p.m., Sun 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Daily Buffet and look for new name Monday February 9th. Adv.

ANNIE'S TAN-N- reopens Mon., 10 a.m. Winter Specials, twice the tan in 1/2 the time. New 6.5 lamps. 669-5940. Adv.

VALENTINE SALE - 20% Off, any one item. Silver Creek Collection, 121 S. Houston, 665-5000. Adv.

CEMETERY LOTS. 2 spaces in Memory Gardens, \$300 each. 665-0172. Adv.

MESSAGE THERAPY Valentine Special Gift Certificates. Susan Fisher 669-0033 or Cathy Potter 669-0013. Adv.

MEREDITH HOUSE has studio apt. available. 24 hr. assisted living. 665-5668. Adv.

JOSH McDOWELL Parent/Adult Seminar, Feb. 22, 806-665-3551. Adv.

RECEPTION FOR Betty & Sid Talley's 50th Anniversary, Feb. 14, 1998 at the Miami Community Center, 2-4 p.m. Friends are invited. No gifts please. Adv.

PERM SPECIAL \$25, Jan.-Feb. Darlene 665-5488, Abby's Salon 669-9871. Adv.

CAMILLE BECKMAN - English Lavender is now at Carousel Expressions, 1600 N. Hobart, 665-0614. Adv.

SWEET REPEATS, 115 N. Cuyler, One Week Only-Final Winter Clearance, lots of \$1 items. Adv.

CIGARS-HAND rolled, regular & flavored. 662-5575. Adv.

CALL ME NOW! If you seek success. Watch our TV shows. We need help giving away \$100 million in '98. 24 hr. recorded. Msg. 1-800-942-9304 ext. #21154. Like what you hear? Call 806-665-5678. Adv.

NEW TEXTBOOKS & systems that are to be selected & used during the 1998-99 school year are available for public review at Pampa ISD. Administration building (Carver Center), 321 W. Albert. Please call 669-4700 for an appointment. Additional info. concerning the books may be acquired by also calling the same number. Adv.

MAIN ROADS & Back Roads. Are you interested in a video about your Gray County neighbors? Let me know, call Cheryl Berzanskis, 665-8122. Adv.

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Cadet murder trial half over

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Jurors in the murder trial of a former midshipman were shown a page from the defendant's notebook Friday where the victim's name had been jotted down next to the date and time she was killed.

Lead prosecutor Mike Parrish wrapped up his case by calling Naval Academy paralegal officer Jeff Alcorn to testify about the planner he had found during a search of defendant Diane Zamora's dormitory room.

Jurors saw enlarged pictures of several pages of the book, including an entry made on Dec. 4, 1995, the day 16-year-old Adrienne Jones was killed. The date was circled and "1:38 a.m. Adrienne" was written nearby.

Prosecutors allege Ms. Zamora and her then-fiance, David Graham, killed Miss Jones about that time.

"The planner was taken from Ms. Zamora's room during our search. It was lying inside her desk," Alcorn said.

Miss Jones' address and phone number also were listed in the address section of the book, and there was a circle around the date of an alleged one-time sexual encounter between the victim and Graham.

Prosecutors say Graham and Ms. Zamora have confessed to killing Miss Jones because of the fling.

Prosecutors had already entered another planner into evidence that had the approximate time of the killing and Miss Jones' name and address listed inside.

Ms. Zamora claims not to have known Miss Jones. Both memo books contained specific details of Ms. Zamora's day-to-day activities, including what movies she rented, fast food restaurants she ate at and what books she bought.

Court was recessed for the day shortly after the book was presented. Defense attorneys, who briefly recalled one prosecution witness Friday, will begin presenting their case on Monday.

They are expected to try to show that Graham was solely responsible for the killing.

According to prosecutors, Ms. Zamora hit Miss Jones over the head with a dumbbell in a car, then ordered Graham to shoot her when she tried to flee.

Ms. Zamora was a freshman at the Naval Academy and Graham was in his first year at the Air Force Academy when they were charged in September 1996. If convicted, Ms. Zamora could get life in prison.

Defense attorneys on Friday questioned John Green Jr., Graham's high school friend.

Over prosecution objections, the defense continued an assault on Graham's character, posing several questions to Green about abuse he might have witnessed during Graham's and Ms. Zamora's courtship.

"Were you present when Graham shoved a Makarov 9 mm between her (Ms. Zamora's) legs during sex?" Linebarger asked.

"No sir," Green replied.

Linebarger: "Where you present when David tried to choke Adrienne on her bed?"

Green said, "No sir."

State District Judge Joe Drago resting his head in his hands and frowned during defense questioning. He reminded jurors to only consider the witness' answers and to ignore the defense's questions.

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In a blanket of snow...



Horses on the Stokes Ranch off Highway 60 forage for grass in snow that fell in Gray County and around the area last week. The weekend forecast calls for warmer weather but snow could be back in the picture by mid-week.

(Pampa News photo by Danny Cowan)

Iraq, Clinton investigation to lead news shows

Lineup for the Sunday TV news shows:

ABC's "This Week" — Topics: Campaign finances and Monica Lewinsky. Guests: Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn.; William Bennett of Empower America; Democratic National Chairman and Colorado Gov. Roy Romer, and attorney Charles Ogletree.

CBS' "Face the Nation" —

Topics: Iraq and Monica Lewinsky. Guests: Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and former White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta.

NBC's "Meet the Press" —

Topics: U.S. forces and a show-

down with Saddam Hussein, congressional women and Clinton, and NBA stars as role models. Guests: Retired Army Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf; Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun, D-Ill.; Reps. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.; Marge Roukema, R-N.J., and Anne Northrup, R-Ky.; NBA Commissioner David Stern; Michael Jordan of the Chicago Bulls; Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers; Tim Duncan of the San Antonio Spurs and Keith van Horn of the New Jersey Nets.

Topics: Clinton allegations and Iraq. Guests: Former White House associate counsel Lanny Davis; Sen. John Ashcroft, R-Mo.; Iraqi Ambassador Nizar Hamdoun and Bill Richardson, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations.

"Fox News Sunday" — Topics: Iraq and the Clinton investigation. Guests: Sens. Joseph Biden, D-Del., and Richard Shelby, R-Ala.; Bill Richardson, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations; Reps. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., and Dan Burton, R-Ind.; and Stuart Taylor of the National Journal.

CNN's "Late Edition" —

Rock band guitarist killed in crash

BAGDAD, Ariz. (AP) — Timothy Kelly, the guitarist for the rock band Slaughter, was killed Thursday when his car was struck by a tractor-trailer in northwest Arizona. He was 34.

The truck crossed the center line and struck Kelly's car. His car struck a third car, went off the road and rolled, said Pete

Borquez, spokesman for the state Department of Public Safety.

Slaughter, which has released five albums since 1990, finished its latest tour last fall. The band has a live album scheduled for release this spring.

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Paul exhorted the brethren at Corinth: "Now I beseech you, brethren, through the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfected together in the same mind and in the same judgment." (1 Cor. 1:10.) We know that Paul had in mind their being united concerning the gospel of Jesus Christ and that they all be of the mind to preach, believe and obey

that gospel and the gospel only (Mk. 16:15-16; Gal. 1:6-10; 2 Jn. 9-11.)

Simply, it comes down to all having the disposition of mind to accept the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ without that teaching being interpreted in light of human creeds. The objective must be to please God in all things and that can only be done by believing in and obeying His Son Jesus Christ.

Man has ever sought to set aside God's law, in order to righteousness and to replace it with his own ideas of righteousness (Rom. 10:1-3.) Such efforts are vain and fruitless insofar as pleasing God is concerned (Matt. 15:1-9). "Except Jehovah build the house, they labor in vain that build it." (Psa. 127:1.) Without God's approval, all the efforts at unity apart from His word are wasted effort.

-Billy T. Jones

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Inside the
Beltway
with
Rep. Mac Thornberry

Lower taxes, less spending will lead to stronger nation

With his State of the Union Address, President Clinton showed us once again that he has an amazing ability to put distractions aside and present a well delivered speech on some of the most pressing challenges facing our nation.

If nothing else, the President's speech provides a good starting point that will help frame this year's debate in Washington. On the one side, you have what the President is proposing: \$42 billion in new government spending; new federal programs that give even more power to the Washington bureaucracy; and, limited tax credits that essentially make people jump through hoops to keep a little more of the money that's rightfully theirs in the first place.

On the other side of the debate is what I and many others in Congress hope to achieve this year: first, providing real and across the board tax relief for the American people, and taking the first step toward scrapping the tax code itself, second, improving education - not by giving more power to federal bureaucrats, but by giving parents more control over what their kids learn in school and sending more dollars directly to the classroom; and third, shoring up our defenses in spite of the decline in defense spending that began 13 years ago and is hurting our armed forces today.

Still, some things have changed. The federal government will have the first balanced budget in 30 years. When you consider that only three years ago, the President was proposing budgets with deficits as far as the eye could see, this is a step in the right direction. But unfortunately, the President continues to look to Washington first to solve most of our problems, and continues to believe the federal government knows best how to spend our money.

I believe the opposite is true. I believe that the American people themselves know best, and that if we trust you to make decisions that are in the best interest of you and your family, our whole nation will be stronger and more secure.

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The "VEGGIE-LIBEL" LAWS BEING ENFORCED

Minority firms need fair shake

Douglas Gray started up his computer services firm seven years ago with a \$1,500 personal loan and one employee - himself. Today, San Diego-based Gray Systems is a growing \$5 million small business, boasting 18 employees.

Gray Systems is the kind of minority-owned company that politicians of both parties, and at all levels of government, would hail as a success story.

They would cite the firm's exponential growth - from \$36,000 in revenues in 1991 to \$1.2 million in 1995 to \$4.6 million last year - as prima facie evidence of the business opportunities available to minorities.

But it is worth taking a closer look at how the entrepreneurial Gray built his business.

Since his local bank would loan him no more than \$1,500 to get his company off the ground, he had to turn to friends, business acquaintances and other investors to raise operating capital. Of course, he had to pay a higher interest rate - a "risk premium" of sorts - to his investors than he would have had he secured bank financing.

Gray decided to enter the burgeoning market for computer services including local area network cabling, software training, and computer maintenance - though he lacked an extensive background in computers. He did, however, have the business savvy to hire computer experts to service his clients while he was on the learning curve.

Gray Systems has contracts with several private-sector companies, including Xerox and minority-owned Maxie Corp. But the bulk of its business comes from government agencies, including the state of California, the U.S. Postal Service, the Navy and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Gray Systems has been successful in winning millions of dollars worth of government contracts because of the quality of its services. But, the fact is, it also has won those contracts because the company happens to be minority-owned.



Joseph Perkins

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

Indeed, Gray Systems was recently awarded \$12 million in contracts from the VA after being certified by the Small Business Association as an 8(a) concern. Gray Systems has won similar contracts from the city of San Diego and the state California through minority contracting programs.

Yet, there is a widening campaign, on the federal, state and local levels, to do away with programs that target minority-owned firms, like Gray Systems, for government contracts. The rationale is that business owners of all colors should compete for government contracts on equal footing.

This is a high-minded principle with which most Americans, including yours truly, philosophically agree. But Gray and other minority entrepreneurs operate under real-world conditions.

And the reality is that, if the government, the largest purchaser of goods and services in this country, makes no effort to reach out to the five percent of U.S. firms that are owned by Hispanics, the four percent that are owned by blacks and the four percent that are owned by Asian-Americans, then minority business owners will receive a disproportionately small share of government procurement.

As it happens, San Diego provides a case study. In 1993, the Associated General Contractors, made up mostly of white-owned construction companies, won a federal lawsuit against the city that struck down a contracting

program that set hiring goals for minority-owned firms on construction projects.

Since then, the percentage of white-owned construction companies that have brought on minority subcontractors - voluntarily - has fallen from 26 percent to six percent.

The Associated General Contractors attributed the fall off to hard economic times for the local construction industry, affecting white and minority firms alike. But, in fact, San Diego city construction contracts increased from \$63 million in 1993 to \$405 million in 1996.

I am not prepared to ascribe this disparity to discrimination against minority-owned construction firms. I think it is more a matter of association. Business owners tend to work with those with whom they share something in common, whether it be school ties, party affiliation, club memberships, neighborhoods or perhaps even ethnic heritage.

I personally find nothing wrong with this when we're talking about private companies doing business with other private companies, with no tax dollars involved. After all, the First Amendment guarantees the freedom of association.

But when tax dollars are involved money raised not only from white Americans, but also from minorities companies winning government contracts enjoy no absolute freedom of association. They should share some of the pie with firms owned by minorities, who make up 27 percent of the U.S. population.

That is not to endorse quota programs that reserve a fixed percentage of government contracts for minority-owned firms whether or not they are qualified.

But if a small, minority-owned business, like Gray Systems, demonstrates its ability to competently provide certain goods or services, they should not be closed out of government contracts merely because their owners lack the school, club, neighborhood or other advantageous connections of non-minority businesses.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Feb. 8, the 39th day of 1998. There are 326 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Twenty-five years ago, on Feb. 8, 1973, Senate leaders named seven members of a select committee to investigate the Watergate scandal,

including the chairman, Sam J. Ervin Jr., D-N.C.

On this date:

In 1693, a charter was granted for the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

In 1837, the Senate selected Richard Mentor Johnson as U.S. vice president after no candidate received

a majority of electoral votes.

In 1910, the Boy Scouts of America was incorporated.

In 1915, D.W. Griffith's silent movie epic about the Civil War, "The Birth of a Nation," premiered in Los Angeles.

In 1922, President Harding had a radio installed in the White House.

In 1924, the first U.S. execution by gas took place at the Nevada State Prison in Carson City.

In 1968, three college students died in a confrontation with highway patrolmen in Orangeburg, S.C., during a civil rights protest against a whites-only bowling alley.

Why give tax breaks to the rich?

If there is one Democratic myth that annoys me more than any other, it is the old chestnut that Republicans "favor tax cuts for the rich."

Like most big lies, this one contains an annoying kernel of truth. Since the top five percent of income earners pay half of all the income taxes collected by the government, and the bottom 50 percent pay only a 20th of them, any proposal to cut taxes is almost sure to "favor the rich." But the Democrats' implication is that Republicans want to cut taxes because they are instinctively sympathetic toward the rich. And that is not only false, but tends to prevent people from understanding why tax cuts are important to the health of the nation.

As a recent example of this Democratic myth in operation, look at the last sentence of Jacob Heilbrunn's TRB column in the Jan. 19 issue of the New Republic magazine. Heilbrunn has been bemoaning the fact that the gap between the richest and poorest Americans has widened a bit recently, and warns that demagogues can use this to undermine the case for such important Republican values as free trade. He then concludes, "In their relentless pursuit of further tax breaks for the rich, Republicans could end up destroying the very prosperity they purport to seek."

One could spend this whole column pointing out that (1) if you divide Americans into



William Rusher

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five numerically equal groups (or "quintiles") based on their income, (2) let the American economy grow as robustly as it has in the last seven years, and (3) simultaneously keep flooding the country with both legal and illegal immigrants willing to work for peanuts, the gap between the top and bottom quintiles is absolutely bound to grow.

But let that pass. What about the Republicans' alleged "relentless pursuit of further tax breaks for the rich"?

I have been a Republican practically all my life. In all that time, I have never been what passes these days for "rich." And it has never crossed my mind to spend my life working to decrease the tax burden on those who are.

For one thing, I can take the rich or leave them alone. I have known a fair number of rich people, including a few who are really rich, and they vary all over the place. Most are

about average, or a cut above, as human beings go. A few are really despicable. The richest of them all happens to be a man with one of the sweetest and kindest personalities I have ever encountered. But none of them needs, or will get, my help in lowering their taxes simply because I have some overpowering urge to serve them. I don't.

What I have noticed, however, is that in a free economy rich people play an absolutely indispensable role in providing the capital needed to make the economy hum. It doesn't matter whether they spend every nickel they earn, or invest a large portion of it in stocks or bonds or some enterprise that tickles their fancy, or simply leave it in a bank. Short of burying it in the ground, there is no way they can prevent it from contributing to the nation's prosperity.

Suppose Dick Gephardt and the left wing of the Democratic Party succeeded in confiscating all of the private wealth in the country and taxing away whatever an individual could earn in excess of \$50,000 a year. They would effectively have destroyed all of the employer in America. What then, do you suppose would happen to the employees - those "working families" they profess to love so much?

The Democrats had better be careful what they ask for - they might get it.

Berry's World



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"Welcome to the White House Intern Program."

Letters to the editor

School board members aren't properly appreciated

To the editor:
The students and staff at the Grandview Hopkins Independent School District would like to thank each board member for their dedication, hard work and commitment.

The staff would ask parents, the PTO, and community members to thank board members for their service.

School board members volunteer hundreds of hours and a tremendous amount of energy to assure that our school is providing the highest quality of education for children attending the Grandview Hopkins School District. The following list will describe some of the decisions made by board members. Let these board members know how much you appreciate their time, energy, effort, and sacrifice with a thank you, a telephone call, a card, letter or some other positive affirmation of appreciation.

Board members are citizens whose decisions affect our children—what they learn, who will teach them, and what kinds of facilities house their classrooms.

These men were elected to establish the policies that provide the framework for public schools. They represent you, and they take this responsibility seriously by attending lengthy, and sometimes turbulent, meetings, conferences, and institutes where they broaden their knowledge about education; during numerous conversations about the schools; and before the Texas Legislature.

Our school board is one of more than 1,000 such boards across the state. These boards enable us to have local control of the public schools, meaning that decisions on school programming are made by local, elected representatives who understand the community's unique problems, values, culture and circumstances.

It's a tradition that began more than 300 years ago. With the advice and counsel of the educational professionals they hire, our school board has an impact on virtually every aspect of our schools. It's a huge responsibility and one which should not be taken lightly.

Too often we are quick to criticize school board members without really knowing all the details that went into any given decision.

Too often the efforts of school board members go unrecognized and unrewarded.

Too often we neglect to recognize the dedication and hard work of these men who represent us. The staff and students of our school district are asking all local citizens to take a moment to tell a school board member "thanks for caring about our children's education."

So hats off to the dedicated men who make it possible for local citizens to have a say about education in our communities. We salute the public servants of Grandview Hopkins Independent School District whose dedication and civic responsibility make local control of public schools in our community possible. We applaud them for their vision and voice to help shape a better tomorrow.

School board members: Greg Aker, Gary Babcock, John Mark Baggerman, Charles Bowers,

Troy Ritter, Joe Smith, John L. Stephens.
Solomon Kepley

Even simple procedures can result in complications

To the editor:
In May 1992, I underwent a laparoscopy evaluation in Colorado. Laparoscopy surgery is considered simple gynecological type surgery. During the surgery there were complications that I was not aware of until months later. I understand a surgical instrument malfunctioned during the surgery (Trocar), and staples descend into parts of my body. The doctor that performed the surgery made documentation that the wrong sized staples were given to him by the surgical nurse. This information was not revealed to me until just recently.

I sought another opinion in Colorado in May of 1994, approximately two years later. Informed by a urologist that I required bladder suspension surgery, and diagnosed with an enhancement to the spinal area, that did not result from my past back injuries, I was later informed by the physician secretary that a stimulative device had been implanted into my spine. This procedure was done without my knowledge or consent. Now I ask you, why would a doctor perform research on a person without their approval, unless a study was being conducted which had not yet been approved by the Food And Drug Administration?

My mother died in Colorado of heart disease in 1988. I understand the stimulator devices are micro-processing devices as well as monitoring devices used for tracking of human subjects. I have never committed a federal offense, therefore, I fine it startling that someone would do this to any human being. I also have never had problems with my heart in the past, therefore, heart disease is not a genetic hereditary disease that exist within my family structure.

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imbalances produce violent behavior.

This may sound unbelievable and facetious but, is indeed happening all over the United States as well as right here in Pampa, Texas. I know coming from me because of my past reputation is a understatement. But, all the more reasonable consideration.
Carolyn Mathis
Pampa

Proud mother of a yearbook staff member

To the editor:
I am a proud mother of a PHS yearbook staff member. My daughter has been on the yearbook staff for four years and one of the editors for two. During these four years she has had three different teachers. I agree that some of these teachers were not very responsible, but that is not the case with Mrs. Birkes. Mrs. Birkes is not responsible for what has happened in the past but only what happens this year.

Mrs. Benton, I read her response to your letter. She in no way gave herself praise but praised her staff who went to the workshop this summer. As far as slamming your son, I did not read that at all from her letter. She simply stated that the yearbook arrivals were announced and maybe your son did not hear the announcements.

If anyone slammed a student, you slammed everyone on the yearbook staff. You owe these kids an apology. Maybe if your son had ever worked on the yearbook you would have found out how hard these kids and Mrs. Birkes work to meet deadlines. This class is not just one class a day; it is time spent after school—sometimes late in the evenings and weekends.

Delynn Garenett
Pampa

I thought all abortions were done this way

To the editor:
I would like to respond to the statement shown on page seven, in a box, in Friday's edition of the paper about the abortion clinic bombing. It read: "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." Strange the way it was written.

I thought all abortions were done this way.

I don't thing John Wayne would have liked this one, either.
Gynelle King
Pampa

Regarding the November elections ...

To the editor:
It may be too early to be thinking about the November elections, but to me it's never too early to begin to decide exactly what you expect in a congressional leader, so I'm enclosing a list of conditions that a candidate for Congress must absolutely fulfill, with no exceptions, to be assured of my vote in the November elections. He or she must:

- 1) favor heavy income tax cuts (we do know best how to spend our money);
- 2) favor heavy federal spending cuts;
- 3) strongly favor a federal ban on partial-birth abortions;
- 4) strongly favor a ban on all, or almost all, abortions;
- 5) strongly oppose homosexual rights movement;
- 6) favor banning extreme forms of graphic sex and violence in movies, TV, music and the Internet;
- 7) favor de-funding of all tax

funded "safe sex" education emphasizing condoms;

- 8) favor abolishing "Goals 2000";
- 9) favor campaign finance reform;
- 10) favor getting U.S. troops out of U.N. command;
- 11) oppose renewing "Most Favored Nation" trading status with China.

The above list is my voice and opinion only, but if anyone agrees with me, please let your representatives hear from you. They need your letters of encouragement.

Sonja Dodge
Pampa

My letter was no perversion of the truth

To the editor:
On Jan. 25, you printed my letter addressing accusations the local Republican leadership was "exclusionary." The letter apparently touched a nerve in Mr. Wilson who responded that my letter was a personal attack on Mr. Triplehorn. He went on to say I "twisted and perverted the truth," made "intentional hurtful misrepresentations" and "ugly statements."

Contrary to Mr. Wilson's allegations, I've never claimed to be "religious," just a Christian. As

such I was concerned after reading his stern rebuke that my letter may have been vague and prone to misunderstanding. However, after reviewing my letter, I am confident that was not the case. My reference to Mr. Triplehorn was based on a quote in your paper, where he was quoted as referring to Mr. Mechler's leadership practices as "exclusionary." If Mr. Triplehorn was misquoted in your paper, I will gladly retract my statements and offer a sincere, personal apology to Mr. Triplehorn. On the other hand, if your paper quoted him correctly, then my statement was true, "plain and simple," not "twisted and perverse" as Mr. Wilson charges.

As for Mr. Wilson's insinuation there was something improper about my relationship with Mr. Mechler, I have known Mr. Mechler both personally and professionally for over 10 years, and, yes, Mr. Wilson that gives me the right to speak about his character, dedication and accomplishments as Republican chairman from first-hand knowledge. Finally, this isn't the first time one of my letters has received such a response. However, in the past these type of responses have all come from people that claim to be "excluded" from the Republican party.

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Ex-teacher sent to prison for meeting with teen she raped

By TIM KLASS
Associated Press Writer

SEATTLE (AP) — The former grade school teacher who had sex with a 13-year-old boy and gave birth to his child was sent back to prison for nearly 7 1/2 years Friday after they were caught apparently trying to run away together.

Mary Kay LeTourneau, 35, and the teen-ager were found Tuesday in a parked car with the windows steamed up. Prosecutors said they had \$6,200 in cash, men's and infant's clothing and her passport.

Mrs. LeTourneau had gotten out of jail just a month earlier, on the condition that she stay away from the boy, now 14. On Friday, Judge Linda Lau sent her back to prison to serve out the suspended portion of her sentence.

"Within weeks from your release from jail you purposely violated the terms of your agreement," the judge said. "This case is not about a flawed system. This is about an opportunity that you foolishly squandered."

Mrs. LeTourneau stared blankly upon hearing the sentence and said nothing as she was led away in handcuffs. She was under a suicide watch in jail.

Mrs. LeTourneau's lawyer, David Gehrke, pleaded for a six-month jail sentence and additional treatment for her, saying she is sick and "fixated" on the boy.

"Society does not need to be protected from Mary LeTourneau," Gehrke said. "The person who really needs to be protected from Mary LeTourneau is Mary LeTourneau."

Mrs. LeTourneau bit her lower lip and dabbed at her eyes as Gehrke spoke.

Mrs. LeTourneau and the boy met when he was one of her pupils. They began having sex in 1996 after he had advanced to middle school.

In August, she pleaded guilty to child rape and in November was sentenced to six months in jail. With time already served and good behavior, she was out by Jan. 2, on the condition she stay away from minors and undergo three years of sex-offender treatment.

On Friday, prosecutors told the judge that Mrs.

LeTourneau apparently had met with the boy on other occasions after she was released from jail, and that they may have been preparing to run away — perhaps with their 9-month-old baby, who is being raised by the boy's mother.

Gehrke said Mrs. LeTourneau never intended to flee. He said she was keeping the \$6,200, believed to be from the cashout of her teacher retirement account, because she feared it would be seized in bankruptcy proceedings.

Detective Dane A. Bean said the boy told him there had been no sexual contact but that they had kissed frequently and held hands and that he had touched her on the upper thigh. The two were found fully clothed.

The boy said the two bought some food and beer at a supermarket, then went to a movie and had been sitting in the car for an hour and a half, Bean testified.

Police also said that Mrs. LeTourneau at first insisted that she was alone in the car, and later she and the boy gave police false names.

Mrs. LeTourneau's parole officer, David Gilkey,

Mrs. LeTourneau and the boy met when he was one of her pupils. They began having sex in 1996 after he had advanced to middle school.

said she told him many of the items in the car were there because she was moving to a friend's house. She also said she "simply enjoyed wearing oversized men's clothing," Gilkey said.

In interviews, both Mrs. LeTourneau and the boy have said they are in love. The boy has objected to being called a victim.

The boy was not in the courtroom, but his mother was.

Mrs. LeTourneau is the daughter of former Rep. John Schmitz, a California conservative who fiercely opposed sex education in public schools. His congressional career ended in 1983 after one term with the disclosure that he had two children with a mistress.

Emotional jurors sentence mother to 90 years in prison for sexual abuse

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A woman convicted of sexually abusing her 9-year-old daughter was stoic during her sentencing.

But some of the jurors who deliberated her case Thursday became so emotional they cried.

It took jurors more than two hours to sentence the woman to 90 years in prison. The mother, who was not identified to protect the victim's identity, will not be eligible for parole for about 30 years.

"Ninety years is a good strong sentence," Assistant District Attorney Ken Cutrer said.

The victim testified that on one occasion her mother read a pornographic magazine while her boyfriend sexually assaulted the child.

Jury foreman Steven Ford said jurors were so outraged by the testimony that they wept as they struggled to set the punishment.

"When I started to cry, I didn't even realize it," Ford said as he left the Tarrant County Justice Center in Fort Worth. "I don't think there was anyone who was not outraged. But we were able to calm down and do a rational job."

Ford said jurors wanted to make sure the mother, who they believed showed no compassion when her daughter testified, would

not be released until the girl was well into adulthood.

The mother showed no emotion when the sentence was announced, standing expressionlessly with her arms folded just as she did two days earlier when she was convicted of aggravated sexual assault of a child.

The mother is one of three people charged in sexual attacks on the girl between March and May 1996, when the child was 7.

One man was convicted in October and sentenced to life in prison for at least 20 sexual assaults on the girl. Another man is scheduled for trial April 27.

The girl testified at both trials and is expected to testify at the upcoming trial, prosecutors said.




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SPORTS

Harvesters turn back Canyon, 59-52

Notebook

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Pampa defeated Canyon, 60-54, in overtime in junior varsity boys' action Friday night.

Gary Alexander and Colby Hale led Pampa in scoring with 15 points each. Kevin Osborn and Corey Young had 8 each.

"It was a huge win for us," said Pampa coach Jason Murphree. "It puts us in second place in district."

Pampa JV's are 14-10 overall and 7-3 in district.

"The kids really stepped up and played well against a good team," Murphree said.

QUANAH — White Deer defeated Quanah, 57-49, in a District 2-2A boys' game Friday night.

Nick Knocke had 15 points to lead White Deer in scoring. Butler had 16 points for Quanah.

Quanah won the girls' game, 38-35.

Akers had 9 points and Karr 7 to lead Quanah in scoring.

Nicole Salzbrenner was high scorer for White Deer with 18. Amanda Freeman added 10.

AUTO RACING

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — It was the Penske South team that did most of the design and development work on the NASCAR Ford Taurus, and it's Penske driver Rusty Wallace who could give the world a quick lesson in how good the new car is.

Wallace was among the favorites going into today's first round of time trials for the Feb. 15 Daytona 500. Today's session determines the two front row starters for the season-opening Winston Cup event.

On Friday, the opening day of practice, the Chevrolet Monte Carlo driven by two-time Winston Cup champion Terry Labonte led everybody with a lap of 192.193 mph.

Wallace was second fastest with a lap of 190.686, followed by Chevy driver and defending pole winner Mike Skinner at 190.428 and former Daytona winner Derrick Cope at 190.355 in a Pontiac Grand Prix. Jimmy Spencer followed at 190.299 and Greg Sacks at 190.138, both in Tauruses, and defending race winner and Labonte teammate Jeff Gordon was next at 189.958 in a Monte Carlo.

"I just laid out everything I had a little while ago and, hopefully, we can find a little bit more," Wallace said. "We haven't done everything for the full blown qualifying package, but we're 99.8 percent of the way there."

Tryouts

The Texas Sting Baseball Club is holding tryouts for its 13/14 yr. old team. Players should be interested and able to play in monthly tournaments in either Dallas, OKC or Denver. The tryouts will be Saturday at 1:00 p.m. at Amarillo's John Stiff park, softball field #5. For information call 352-1040 or 655-7913.

By MATT HUTCHISON
Sports Writer

PAMPA — Lynn Brown led the Pampa Harvesters as they avenged an earlier District 1-4A loss Friday night when they rolled over the Canyon Eagles 59-52 here at McNeely Fieldhouse. Brown's 14 points, five steals, six assists and four rebounds paced the Hustlin' Harvesters in a game they led throughout most of the night.

A slow first quarter by both teams held the scoring low early. Both the Eagles and the Harvesters were only able to post 4 points of offense apiece by the end of the quarter, despite numerous shots on the basket. It took six possessions for the first field goal (a jumper by Russell Robben) to find its way through the basket, and the quarter continued along at a quiet offensive pace. Canyon had nine shots on the basket but were only able to convert one of those shots and made their remaining points off free throws. A lay-up by Brown concluded the quarter's offense for the Harvesters.

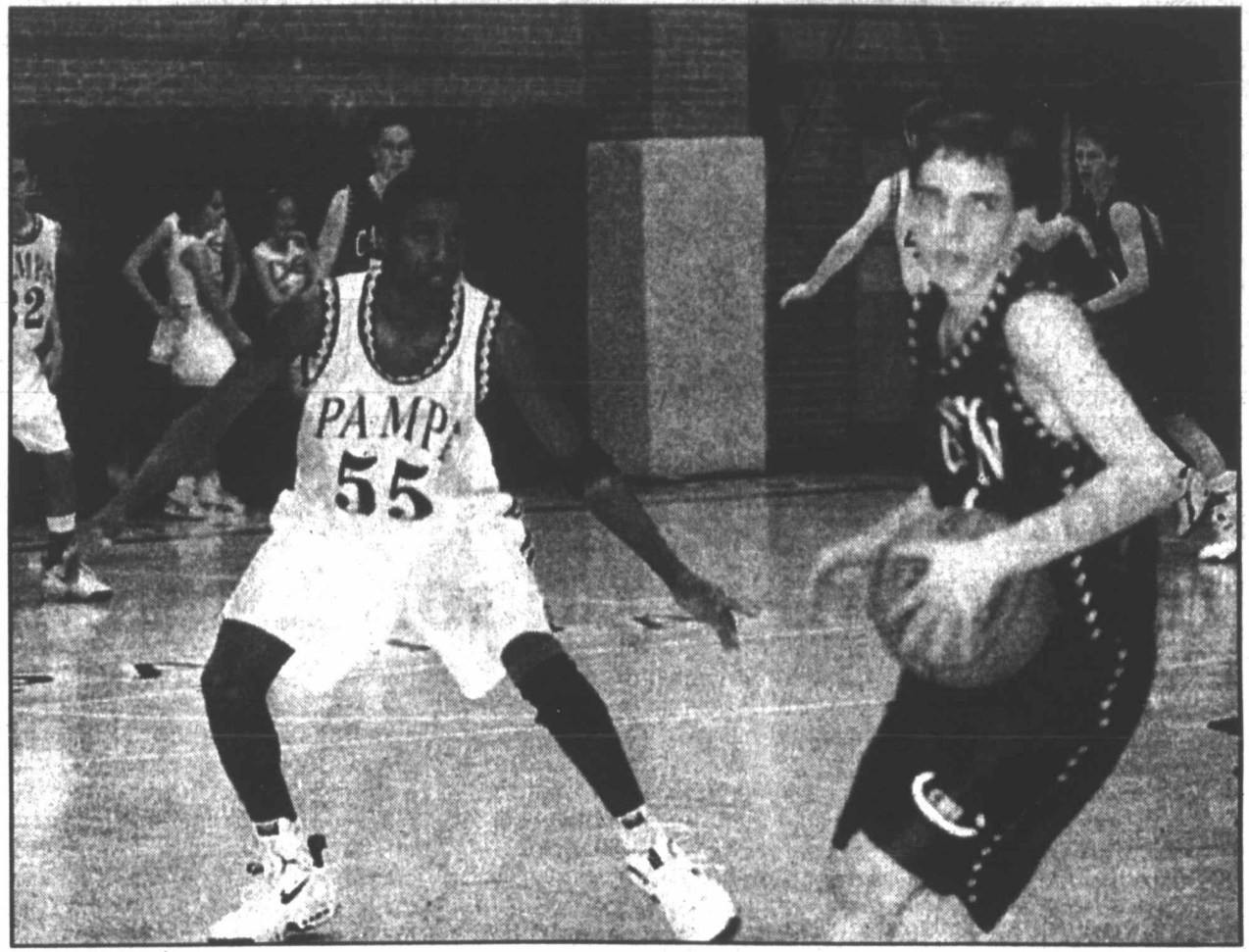
With the game locked at four apiece, the Hustlin' Harvesters took the floor in the second quarter with a renewed passion to gain control of the contest. And they did just that. Whatever offensive woes had hurt Pampa during the first quarter apparently vanished during the second, as a steady barrage of buckets from almost every position on the floor boosted the

Harvester point total to 23 by the end of the first half. Canyon, on the other hand, still had difficulties finding any sort of rhythm and on many possessions were forced to turn the ball over or throw up a poor shot. The Pampa defense utilized a full-court press that pressured the ball all the way up the court and forced the Eagles to make bad passes at crucial times and limited Canyon to only six more points. The 19-6 run gave the Harvesters a solid 13-point lead, 23-10, and left the Eagles looking dazed and confused.

The second half continued along much the same pace for Pampa, both offensively and defensively. The Harvesters did survive a turnover scare early in the quarter that gave Canyon the opportunity to jump back into the contest, but the Eagles were unable to capitalize. The momentum of the game shifted back toward the Harvesters corner when reserve guard Sam Ledford found his way into the contest, both igniting the crowd while confusing the defense. Ledford had two key plays under the basket that changed the entire intensity of the game and put Pampa back into a dominating rhythm.

The game continued along as the Harvester's led by as many as 20 points, despite the late surge by the Eagles that limited the win to a seven-point victory.

Shawn Young led all Pampa scorers with 17. Steven Bentley led the Eagles with 12. Tyson Alexander finished with 8



(Pampa News photo by Jerry Heasley)

Pampa junior Shawn Young (left) plays defense against Canyon Friday night in District 1-4A action in McNeely Fieldhouse.

points and led Pampa in rebounding with 5 boards before fouling out in the fourth quarter.

Pampa moves to 2-8 in district action and has yet to compete in two contests. Tuesday night the

Hustlin' Harvesters will look to even the season series against Dumas as Pampa hosts the Demons in the final contest to be played at McNeely Fieldhouse this season. Dumas surprised the

Harvesters the first time around, but with the momentum of a win against a strong Canyon squad look for the Harvesters to give the Demons more of a fight here at home.

Lady Harvesters fall to top-ranked Canyon

PAMPA — No. 1 ranked Canyon officially wrapped up the District 1-4A championship Friday night with a 93-44 win over Pampa in girls' basketball action.

Candi White had 20 points and T'Nae Thiel added 17 to lead Canyon's scoring attack.

It was the final game of the season for the Lady Harvesters, who were led in scoring by Jordanna Young with 17 points. Jami Wells chipped in 10.

Although the Lady Harvesters fell behind early, they did have a nice run against Class 4A's top-ranked team in the second quarter. The Lady Harvesters scored nine unanswered points, including

four by Wells, after Canyon had gained a 30-4 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Also scoring for Pampa were Faustine Curry with 7, Lisa Dwight 4, McKinley Quarles 3, Kelsey Yowell 2 and LaVonne Evans 1. Quarles was the leading rebounder for Pampa with 5 rebounds.

Quarles, Curry, Wells and Yvette Brown, all seniors, closed out their high school career.

The Pampa girls finished with a 3-9 record in district and were 10-16 for the season.

Canyon, which has lost only four games in the last four years, improves to 24-1.

Agent: Elway will be back

DENVER (AP) — John Elway plans to return for the 1998 season as "king of the hill" and help the Denver Broncos defend their Super Bowl title, his agent said.

In the past Elway has told the team, Broncos owner Pat Bowlen and coach Mike Shanahan that he will take it one year at a time, Marvin Demoff said. The quarterback has now decided he'll return for at least one more season, the agent said.

"He might end up renewing that lease after next season, but right now he's giving them a year's notice," Demoff told The Denver Post.

"It fulfills his obligation to

Pat to help him get a new stadium. It fulfills his obligation to Mike to get someone in place. And it allows John to tour the NFL at least one more season as the king of the hill, which is exactly what he is," he said.

Team spokesman Jim Saccomano said today that the team has yet to hear from Elway himself.

"In time, John is going to let us know when John lets us know," he said. "It's certainly very well known we love our quarterback, and want him to return."

Elway, who had said before the Super Bowl that he wasn't sure if he'd be back next season, declined comment after returning from the Pro Bowl in Hawaii this week.

CBS begins Olympic coverage

By JOSH DUBOW
AP Sports Writer

Before the Winter Olympics, CBS said it would try to avoid overly dramatic coverage.

So far, not so good.

CBS kicked off its final Olympic broadcast for at least 12 years with opening ceremony coverage that included a dose of melodrama and some surprising technical difficulties.

The biggest culprit in the over-emotional Olympic feature category was Michelle Tafoya's piece on Ismar Biogradlic.

The story of Biogradlic, a Bosnian luger who finished in last place in 1992 as the youngest competitor, is the type of beat-you-over-the-head piece that CBS executive producer Rick Gentile said he would try to skip this year.

Tafoya went to Sarajevo to interview Biogradlic, who returned from the Albertville Games to find his homeland under siege. He was shot in the arm and missed Lillehammer in 1994.

After years of rehabilitation, he is back and carried the flag for Bosnia in Nagano.

CBS had some shaky technical moments early, most notably the loss of audio during a downhill skiing preview and an interview of two fans by Al Trautwig.

CBS gave a taste of Japanese culture in the opening hour with a look at Nagano and interviews with a sumo wrestler and Japanese children.

While the Nagano Games are the end of CBS' Olympic coverage until at least 2010, they marked the start of Jim Nantz's role as Olympic prime-time host. Nantz joins a list of broadcasters that includes Bob Costas, Greg and Bryant Gumbel and Jim McKay.

After a one-hour introduction, CBS opened its coverage of the ceremony itself with a taped message from President Clinton, the ringing of the Zenko-ji temple bell and a look at singers around the world who would perform in the finale.

Unlike many sports events

these days, the opening ceremony is not made for television. Watching a procession of athletes from 72 nations and regions isn't very compelling.

And this opening didn't hit the same emotional pitch as the 1996 Games in Atlanta did when Muhammad Ali's hand trembled as he lit the torch. In Nagano, we had skater Midori Ito, a Japanese national heroine but not an international icon.

Perhaps the most impressive moment came when CBS showed choirs from around the world via satellite as they sang "Ode to Joy" from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. New technology allowed Boston Symphony Orchestra conductor Seiji Ozawa to lead the real-time, cross-continental performance.

They sang from Berlin's Brandenburg Gate, Sydney's famed opera house, the U.N. General Assembly Hall in New York, the gates of the Forbidden City in Beijing and the shores near Cape Town, South Africa, where a rising sun added a surreal quality.

UT considering year-round club inside stadium

AUSTIN (AP) — The possibility of opening a year-round club in the University of Texas' renovated football stadium has faculty concerned that too much money and emphasis is being focused on athletics.

UT officials say the idea for the club was proposed by ClubCorp International of Dallas, headed by Robert Dedman Sr., a major Texas philanthropist who has given \$10 million to UT-Austin for scholarships.

As public universities increasingly look for new avenues of support in the face of dwindling state aid, some have turned to private clubs as a way to woo potential donors and make money at the same time.

ClubCorp already manages clubs at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Florida State in Tallahassee.

"It sure works everywhere else we have it," Dedman said.

The Faculty Council has been critical of a \$91.6 million stadium renovation and other sports-related projects under way or completed, although all are being financed by donations and income from sports programs.

The council said it is concerned that UT is being portrayed as "Football U," not as an academic powerhouse.

In September, the council approved a resolution creating a committee, now in its infancy, to review the mission of athletics. It also asked the administration not to approve any new projects until the panel's work was done.

Professor Michael Granoff, an executive committee member who attended one of the meetings this week, said: "I don't think it's an appropriate use of university facilities."

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Pampa golf team



(Special photo)

The Pampa Lady Harvesters' golf team won the District 1-4A championship last season and are hoping for a repeat in 1998. The Lady Harvesters placed third in the regional tournament. Team members are (front, l-r) sophomores Cortnie Allison and Maggie Cowan; (back, l-r) seniors Melissa Gindorf and Sheldie Allison; junior Alison Piersall. They teed off the season this weekend at the San Angelo Tournament.

All-star weekend's new look

NEW YORK (AP) — A year ago, All-Star weekend began with Wilt Chamberlain fielding questions at one end of a hotel ballroom and Bill Russell holding court at the other.

On Friday, it was a bold new mix of stars. Lisa Leslie and Kobe Bryant. Mitch Richmond and Ruthie Bolton-Holifield. First-time All-Stars and rookies galore.

Larry Bird is coaching the East, instead of launching 3-pointers for them. All-Star Saturday was dunk-free.

Is change good? Ready or not, the NBA is about to find out.

"It's funny," Grant Hill said Friday as All-Star weekend began with media day. "I talked to Charles Barkley the other day and I said, 'See you in New York.' He said, 'I'm not going to New York.' He's been such a fixture at All-Star games, and he's not here. We've got all these new faces we've got to get used to."

There is talk that this could be Michael Jordan's last All-Star game. Maybe, maybe not. Whatever the case, the league looks ready to move on.

What happened to mainstays like Barkley, Patrick Ewing and Clyde Drexler? All three are members of the NBA's 50 greatest players of all time. Only Drexler is here — as a participant in the 2-ball shootout that replaced the slam-dunk competition.

If the slam-dunk contest can go, nothing is safe.

"Without the slam-dunk contest, it isn't going to be the same thing," said Cleveland's Shawn Kemp, one of the league's best dunkers who has blown off the contest the past few years — making it stale

and expendable in the eyes of the league.

"People come to the dunk contest because they don't want to see finesse, they want to see power," Kemp said. "They want to see some guys getting busy. They don't want to see some guys sitting around shooting some hot shots. ... If I was paying the money, I'm paying my money to see the dunk contest. I want to see some 7-footers out there tearing up the backboard."

Tearing up backboards is out, replaced by the 2-ball shooting contest in which NBA and WNBA stars team up and shoot jumpers. The new marketing scheme thrusts Michelle Timms, Cynthia Cooper and Michelle Edwards into the same media spotlight as Kemp, Penny Hardaway and Karl Malone.

And this changing of the guard gives us Bird in a business suit instead of a Celtics jersey.

"Believe me when I tell you I never thought I'd be here, not in my wildest dreams," said Bird, the 41-year-old Indiana Pacers coach and 12-time All-Star from the Celtics. "This scene is not for me. I could do without this. But it's my

obligation to be here."

Bird was in Cleveland last year as a member of the league's 50 greatest players, providing a halloved backdrop for the festivities. It included Allen Iverson playing for the venerable Red Auerbach in the rookie game. Iverson was named MVP in the East's victory.

Auerbach, the old-school coach from the Boston Celtics, was so impressed with Iverson that he uttered these words about the controversial point guard: "He's coachable. I love him. I love him."

Guess what? The league is so loaded with young talent that Iverson didn't even get picked as a reserve for Sunday's game. The faces keep changing.

"This league hasn't been able to stay strong as long as it has (by focusing) on one player," said Brevin Knight, the Cleveland Cavaliers rookie appearing at his first All-Star weekend.

One thing struck Knight and some of the other rookies as strange: The old guys are being nice to them.

"They've been great," Knight said. "There hasn't been one who didn't want to talk and say, 'Good job, keep it up.' It's surprising."

Wheeler closes the season. Tuesday night against Booker on the home floor.

Montgomery and Craig Bass led Wheeler with 7 points each.

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Rangers optimistic for 1998

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers have new ownership and a new attitude for 1998 with spring training only a week away.

While Tom Hicks is awaiting major league baseball's rubber stamp approval of his recent purchase from the Rusty Rose group, manager Johnny Oates gets ready to greet his pitchers and catchers next week at Port Charlotte, Fla.

Oates, who brought Texas its first AL West pennant two years ago, has that winning gleam in his eye again.

"I think this is going to be the best team we've had in my four years as manager of the Rangers," Oates said Friday. "We have more depth and versatility. We have a great nucleus."

Injuries, inconsistent pitching, and errors afield doomed the Rangers last year as they yielded their title to the Seattle Mariners.

Oates said he is pleased with the Rangers starting rotation and said it could be as good as the 1996 club which lead the majors in wins by starters (75).

"I think our starting rotation is very sound one through five," Oates said. "We have a lot of depth. In fact, we may have six guys capable of being starters and winning 15 games. All (Darren

Oliver, Bobby Witt, John Burkett, and Roger Pavlik) but Rick Helling have done it before. We have a lot of solid pitching that I think will last well into the last days of the pennant race in September."

Helling pitched well for the Rangers in September after he was obtained from Florida and Oates said he will get every chance to make the starting rotation.

"He's never had a lot of opportunities to go to the mound and we're going to give him that chance," Oates said.

Oates said the Rangers will have a solid infield and outfield. The infield will feature gold glove Ivan Rodriguez at catcher, Will Clark at second base, Mark McLemore at second, newly acquired Kevin Elster, the sensation of the 1996 season at shortstop and young Fernando Tatis at third base.

Elster injured his wrist at Philadelphia last year after leaving the Rangers and didn't come close to his 1996 production at Texas which included 99 rbi.

"Kevin is going to be fine and gives us dependability at the position," said Oates, who had to give up on Benji Gil, who had been thought to be the Rangers shortstop of the future.

Scoreboard

WINTER OLYMPICS

NAGANO, Japan (AP) — A quick look at the Winter Olympics today:

THE WORLD WATCHES
Sumo wrestlers and a worldwide rendition of "Ode to Joy" helped open the largest Winter Olympics in history. Speedskater Eric Flaim led the U.S. team, the biggest at the games, into the stadium. Midori Ito, the only Japanese figure skater to win an Olympic medal, lit the Olympic flame.

WEATHER
With 8 inches of fresh snow on the downhill course, light snow is forecast for Sunday. High in the city 40 degrees, winds up to 25 mph in the mountains.

ICE HOCKEY
The only sport in action the first day was men's ice hockey, and the home team almost pulled off a stunner. But Germany scored midway through the third period to break a 1-1 tie and went on to beat Japan 3-1. Belarus beat France, led by former U.S. Olympic coach Herb Brooks, 4-0. Slovakia, without several NHL stars who were still traveling to Nagano, tied 2-2 with Austria, and Kazakhstan rallied from a 3-1 deficit to beat Italy 5-3.

STAR
Midori Ito, the final link in a human chain that carried the Olympic flame throughout Japan. Dressed in a pink-and-white kimono, Ito took the torch from 1997 marathon world champion Hiroshi Suzuki, rose on an elevator platform and set the cauldron ablaze. Tears streamed down her face as the platform descended.

NAGANO NUGGET
Across town, about 150 people marched and denounced the Olympics as a waste of natural resources and the taxpayers' money.

QUOTEBOOK
"The Olympics are finally here. We've waited so long for this." —Yukio Nakamura, a Nagano resident, who rode his bicycle to the opening ceremony.
"Samaranch, go home!" —A protester in a green Godzilla costume at the anti-Olympics demonstration, referring to International Olympic Committee president Juan Antonio Samaranch.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Friday's College Basketball Major Scores

EAST	WEST	SOUTH	MIDWEST	SOUTHWEST	FAR WEST
Columbia 54, Yale 52 Delaware 72, New Hampshire 69 Fairfield 67, St. Peter's 62 Iona 86, Niagara 74 Northwestern 72, Vermont 62 Penn 84, Harvard 69 Princeton 71, Dartmouth 39 Towson 68, Maine 59	No major team scores reported from the WEST.	No major team scores reported from the SOUTH.	No major team scores reported from the MIDWEST.	No major team scores reported from the SOUTHWEST.	Montana 84, CS Northridge 65 San Francisco 75, Portland 63 Santa Clara 70, Gonzaga 67

PRO BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association At A Glance

Atlantic Division	Central Division	Midwest Division	Southwest Division	Pacific Division
Miami 30 New Jersey 27 New York 25 Washington 25 Orlando 23 Boston 22 Philadelphia 14	Indiana 33 Chicago 34 Charlotte 29 Atlanta 29 Cleveland 20 Milwaukee 24 Detroit 22 Toronto 11	San Antonio 34 Utah 31 Minnesota 26	San Antonio 34 Utah 31 Minnesota 26	Los Angeles 25 Edmonton 19 Anaheim 19 Calgary 15 Vancouver 14

Scoreboard

Houston 22	24	478	11'
Vancouver 13	36	265	21 1/2'
Dallas 9	38	191	24 1/2'
Denver 4	42	287	29'

Pacific Division	Thursday's Games	Friday's Games	
Seattle 37	10	787	—
L.A. Lakers 34	11	756	2
Phoenix 31	15	674	5 1/2'
Portland 28	20	565	10 1/2'
Sacramento 20	28	417	17 1/2'
L.A. Clippers 11	37	229	28 1/2'
Golden State 9	37	176	29'

HOCKEY

NHL Glimpse

All Times EST	By The Associated Press	EASTERN CONFERENCE	Atlantic Division		
W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey 33	16	6	72	155	108
Philadelphia 29	16	9	67	150	120
Washington 26	18	11	63	153	139
N.Y. Rangers 17	24	15	49	139	153
N.Y. Islanders 20	28	8	48	146	155
Florida 18	28	12	48	136	157
Tampa Bay 9	37	9	27	100	182

Northwest Division	WESTERN CONFERENCE	Central Division	Thursday's Games	Friday's Games	
Pittsburgh 29	16	12	70	156	130
Montreal 28	20	7	63	167	137
Boston 23	21	11	57	135	135
Ottawa 23	25	9	55	128	138
Buffalo 21	21	12	54	130	137
Carolina 20	29	7	47	136	160

Twins trade Knoblauch to Yankees

NEW YORK (AP) — Completing months of negotiations, the Minnesota Twins finally traded All-Star second baseman Chuck Knoblauch to the New York Yankees on Friday, shedding their last big-name player.

New York, seeking to regain the World Series title it failed to retain, gained one of the top leadoff hitters and speed threats in the game. Knoblauch joins a potent lineup that already includes Bernie Williams, Tino Martinez, Paul O'Neill and Derek Jeter.

"It's going to be a big help to us to get a solid leadoff hitter and a guy that controls the infield real well at second base," Yankees outfielder Darryl Strawberry said after working out Friday at Tampa, Fla. "He does so many things. He's a very versatile player. To get him to the ballclub is going to be a big plus for us."

The Twins, who may move to

North Carolina after the season, have just one player left from their World Series championship team in 1991: pitcher Rick Aguilera.

Minnesota was 58-94 last season, finishing 18 1/2 games out of first. Only two AL teams had poorer records.

Knoblauch, a four-time All-Star, had asked for the trade, not wanting to play for a low-salaried team with little chance of winning.

"I had to do the best I could under the situation," Twins general manager Terry Ryan said. "When you go public with a trade demand it's very difficult to do anything."

Minnesota gets \$3 million of Yankees owner George Steinbrenner's money and four minor league prospects: pitchers Eric Milton and Danny Mota, outfielder Brian Buchanan and shortstop Cristian Guzman.

"Until you see what these kids do

you aren't going to be able to evaluate this trade," Ryan said. "It might be five years. It might be three years. We do know what we traded."

Knoblauch, 29, hit .291 last season with 117 runs, a career-high 62 steals, 10 triples, nine homers and 58 RBIs. He also won his first Gold Glove award. He has a .304 average in seven major league seasons, with 713 runs and 276 steals.

As last season progressed, there was a perception that Knoblauch was moody and detrimental in the Twins clubhouse.

"I'm not attributing our lack of chemistry to Chuck," Ryan said. "Chuck gave us a lot of talent, a lot of production and a lot of numbers. But it's very apparent that he didn't want to come back, so there's something wrong."

Both teams waited Friday for acting commissioner Bud Selig to give his approval, necessary because of the cash involved.

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Winfrey juggling personas as talk show host and defendant

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — Oprah Winfrey could have written a check for the \$10.3 million Texas cattlemen are suing her for in a slander case the way most of us pay for groceries or a tank of gas.

But in three days of testimony that concluded Thursday, Ms. Winfrey attempted to show jurors why she didn't settle, why she hauled her talk show to the Texas Panhandle and made guests like Patrick Swayze and Garth Brooks fly to Amarillo.

"I felt it was important to be here to face this courtroom and the jurors and to defend my name," said Ms. Winfrey. "It's the most painful thing I've ever experienced."

"In the end, all you have is your reputation."

Ms. Winfrey, who invited poet and friend Maya Angelou to Amarillo to be "my rock" during her testimony, has wrapped herself in the First Amendment and proved to be an almost impossible witness for the cattlemen's attorneys to make points against.

With energetic eyes and quick little head turns that made her shiny black hair bounce — a trademark of hers that gives the impression everything in life is a surprise — Ms. Winfrey looked directly at jurors the way she does her studio audiences while saying she didn't have an anti-beef agenda on an April 1996 show on mad cow disease.

"If I wanted to do an anti-beef show, as I'm being accused of, I didn't have to invite any guests" representing the beef industry on the show, she said. She invited two.

To stress her points, rather than raising her voice, she simply moved closer to the microphone on the witness stand. She said talk shows are forums for opinionated debate, not TV news magazines like "60 Minutes."

But mostly she expressed the self-confidence that some 20 million viewers of her talk show and audiences of her movies, such as "The Color Purple," have come to expect.

"I started reading in churches as a child," Ms. Winfrey told jurors in an endearing moment. "That's where I started to gain confidence in myself in front of a large group of people."

As her testimony wore on, it became clear that Ms. Winfrey struggled at times to separate her bigger-than-life persona as talk show host from that of a woman on trial facing her first slander lawsuit.

While Ms. Winfrey is aware that ticket lines to her shows in Amarillo begin forming at 4 a.m., she has also seemed to try to downplay her star status in front of the eight-woman, four-man jury plucked from a hard-working, pickup-driving, steak-eating town where the only bragging allowed is by Texans.

When a producer on her show testified about the hierarchy at Ms. Winfrey's Harpo

Productions, he jokingly said the only person Oprah answers to "is God." Jurors responded with stone faces and the talk show host shrank in her chair in embarrassment.

But at other times, almost as if she couldn't help it, she embraced her stardom.

When asked by cattlemen's attorney Joe Coyne about her huge viewership, Ms. Winfrey demurred, "My show has been built around people who are just regular people with a story to tell."

And in the next breath, she added, "I have talked to everybody I have ever wanted to except for the pope," which appeared to hit jurors as a thinly veiled boast.

When she first took the stand, she was tentative, thoughtful and her light moments seemed genuine.

When Coyne fumbled to recite the name of Ms. Winfrey's long-time boyfriend, Stedman Graham, he admitted, "I might be the only one in the courtroom who doesn't know, is it Mr. Stedman or is Stedman his first name?"

"You ARE the only one in the courtroom who doesn't know," Ms. Winfrey smiled, drawing a few giggles from the jury box.

When she acknowledged that Jerry Springer's talk show is beating her ratings in New Orleans, Coyne responded, "And you don't like that do you?"

"Well, Jerry has his show and I have mine," she said in an obvious attempt to bite her tongue.

Ms. Winfrey, 44, gave a heartfelt glimpse at her struggle as an abused child growing up in the Deep South who became a 19-year-old black woman anchor in Nashville, Tenn., and then worked her way up to compete and ultimately dethrone then-invincible Phil Donahue as a young talk show host in Chicago.

Forbes magazine has listed her as the third-highest paid entertainer with an income of \$201 million and estimated her overall wealth at \$550 million.

She revealed that she had a brother who died of AIDS and an ex-boyfriend who sued her in what she called an extortion attempt.

But as she gained confidence

Ms. Winfrey completely dismantled the cattlemen's lawsuit during her testimony and that there's a real chance Judge Robinson will dismiss the case after the plaintiffs finish their presentation.

But Ms. Winfrey, who unsuccessfully tried to have the case moved to Dallas, is in the heart of cattle country, leaving a dismissal or even a jury judgment in her favor in doubt.

"Cattle pays the bills around here and this jury doesn't look very starstruck," said one trial observer who asked not to be identified.

But the town does. Ms. Winfrey has been the hottest ticket and often the hottest topic in Amarillo. People have been sporting T-shirts, buttons, banners, and caps proclaiming "Amarillo Loves Oprah."

Other views have also been given voice on flashy caps and T-shirts that declare: "The only mad cow in Texas is Oprah."

If the jury finds against Ms. Winfrey, her attorneys will appeal, and some believe the case could determine the constitutional fate of so-called "veggie libel laws" in a handful of states, including Texas.

The statute, which Ms. Winfrey is being sued under, protects agricultural products from defamatory remarks.

on the stand, she seemed to go into full talk show host mode, rebuffing Coyne and angering U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson by putting her hands on her forehead and saying things like "I've already answered that" and "that calls for speculation" — objections her attorneys should make.

On several occasions, Ms. Winfrey looked to the jury box for validation of her combative statements and found jurors unmoved and not looking in her direction.

Legal observers of the trial say

Clinton signs legislation renaming Washington's airport for R. Reagan

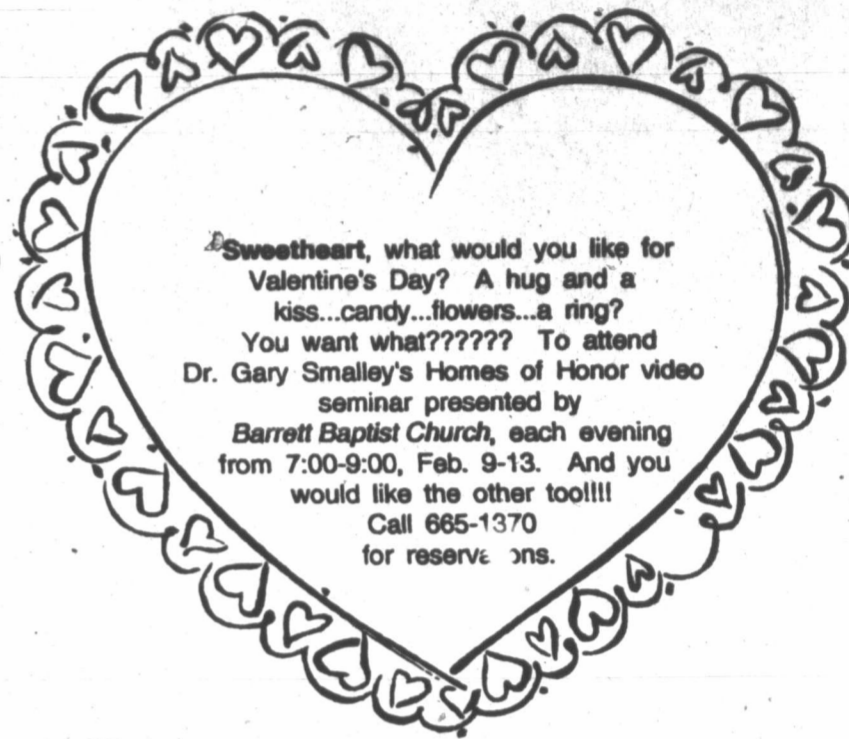
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton today signed a bill changing the name of Washington National Airport to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport as the former Republican president celebrated his 87th birthday.

"He is in our thoughts and prayers," Clinton said.

The Republican-led Congress rushed through the bill earlier this week.

Although Clinton did not expressly push for the measure, his aides announced that he would sign it once it reached his desk.

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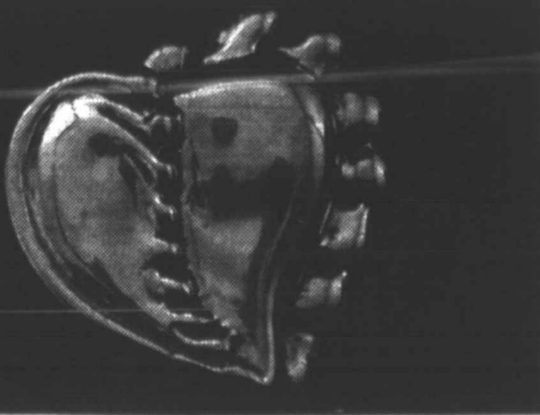
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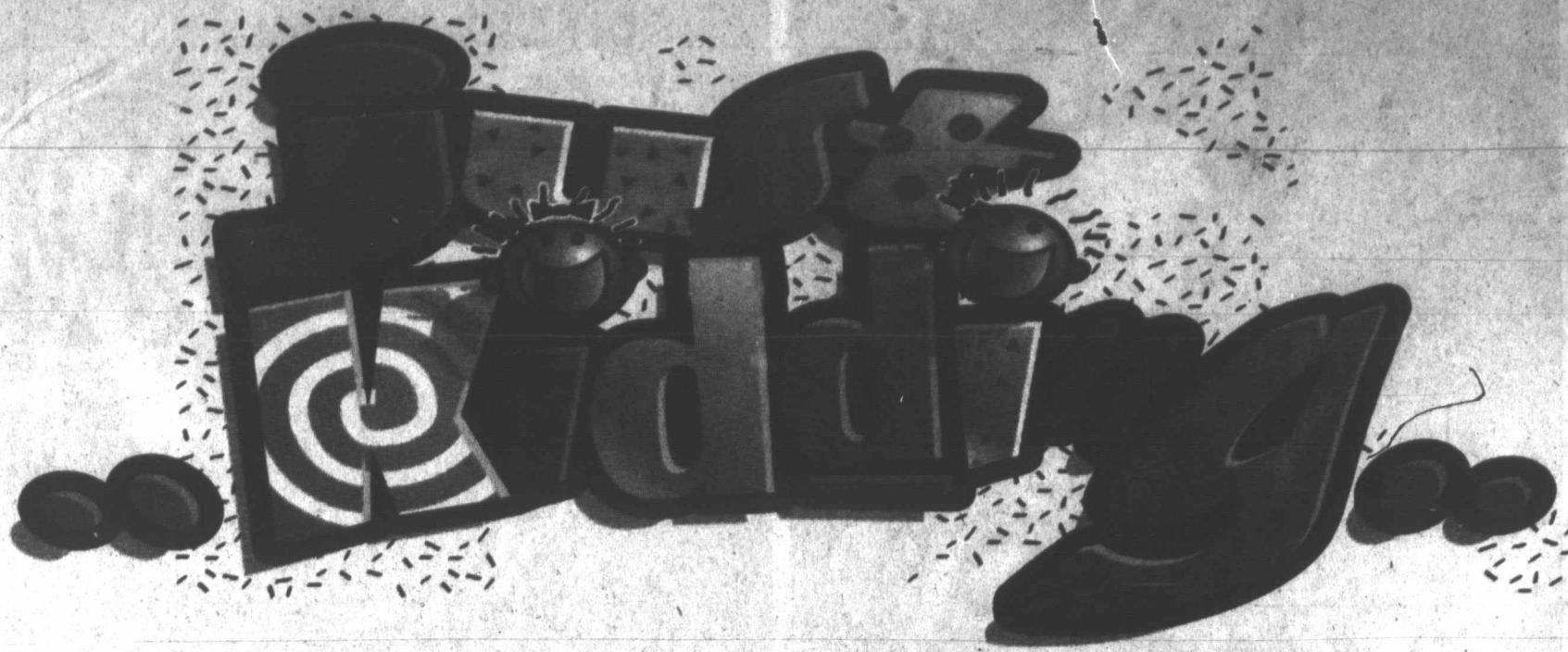
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Start by selecting the bicycle that's right for you. Be sure the bike you select fits not only your size but your riding ability, too. Before you buy, be sure the hand and foot brakes work well and don't jam. Stay away from plastic pedals, which can be slippery. Pedals that work better include rubber-treated styles or metal pedals with serrated rattrap edges or firmly attached toeclips.



Once you have chosen your bike and are off and riding, follow these guidelines:

- Wear a helmet to prevent head injuries.
- Follow traffic laws and signals like cars do.
- Do not ride double or try stunts.
- Follow designated biking paths when possible.
- Check local regulations concerning riding on sidewalks.
- Avoid high-traffic and high-speed areas.
- Ride in the same direction as traffic, near the curb.
- Do not wear loose clothing or long coats because they can catch in pedals and wheels.

Along with following safety guidelines, it is important that you keep your bike in good shape. Your owner's manual can give you information on the maintenance recommended by the manufacturer. Check your bike for loose parts and be sure the frame and other components are in good shape. Replace any missing parts before they become a problem. Make sure your tires are in good shape and inflated to the correct pressure. If you are not using your bicycle, keep it indoors.

What should you wear when you are riding your bike?

A bicycle helmet should be a vital part of what you wear when you are biking. When you shop for a helmet, pick one that fits correctly. In addition, choose one that meets the Snell Memorial Foundation or the American National Standards Institute requirements. The helmet will include a label if it meets one or both of these sets of requirements.

Wear light-colored clothing when biking. If you are riding at night, clothing should be marked with reflective materials. To help avoid accidents, do not wear loose-fitting clothing because it can get caught in the moving parts of your bicycle.

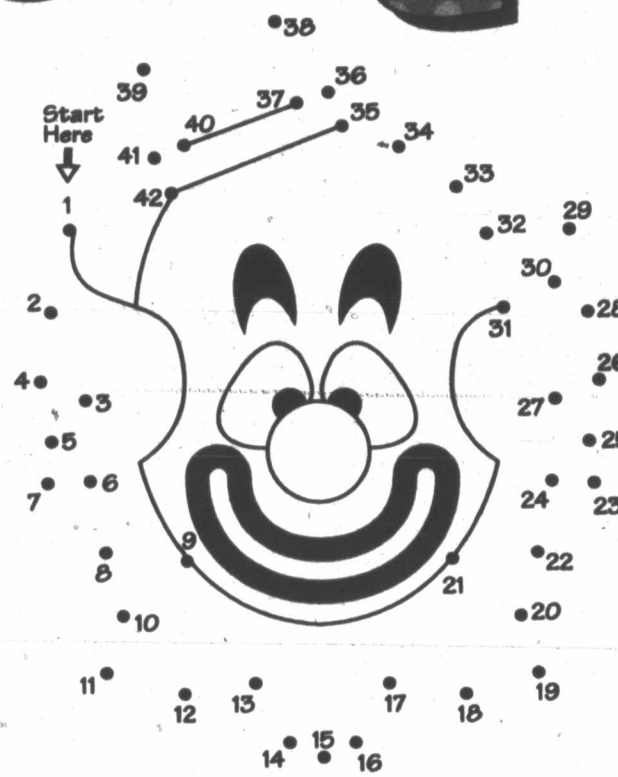
No matter where you are riding, do not wear headphones. They can hinder your ability to hear what is going on around you.

If you ride at night...

The best thing is not to ride at night. However, if you do, here are some precautions:

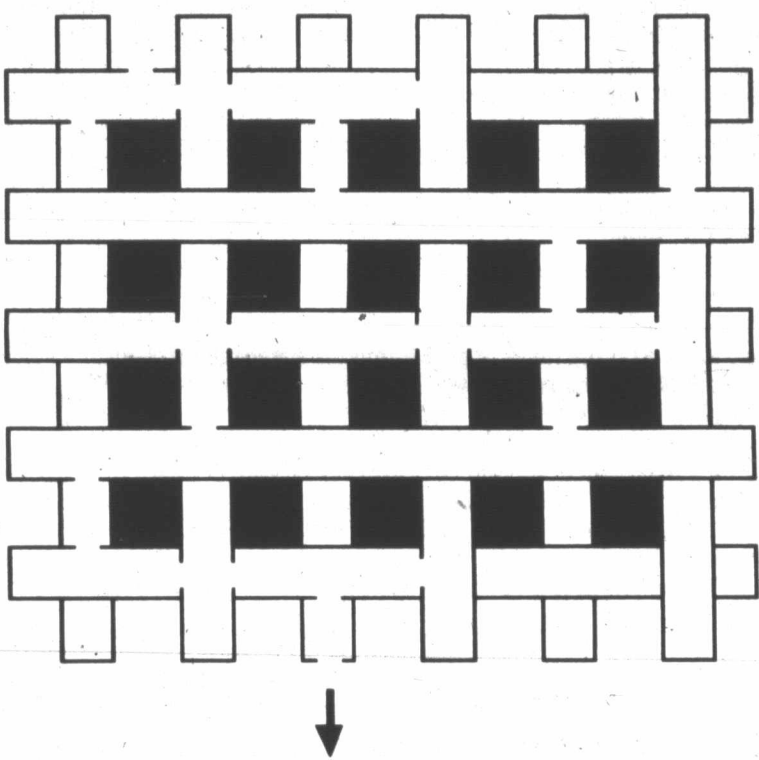
- Bikes should have front, rear, pedal, side rim and wheel reflectors. Many states require front and rear lights (be sure to check your local regulations).
- Reflective materials can be attached to clothing. In addition, reflective vests, jackets and wristbands are available.
- As during the day, you should always wear a helmet.
- Do not ride on dark, narrow roadways.

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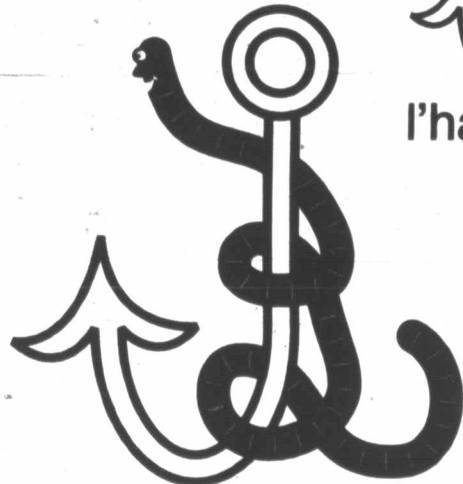
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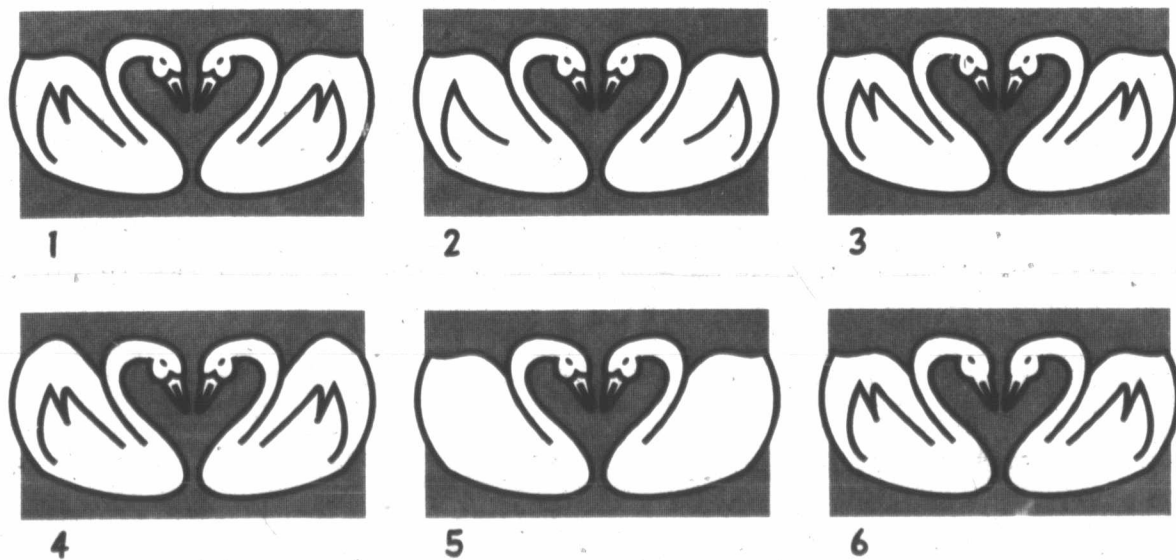


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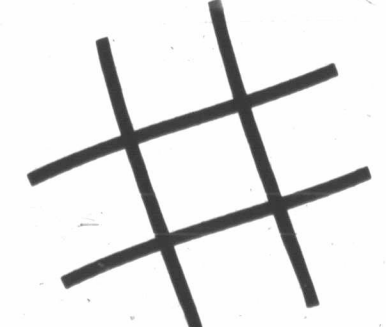
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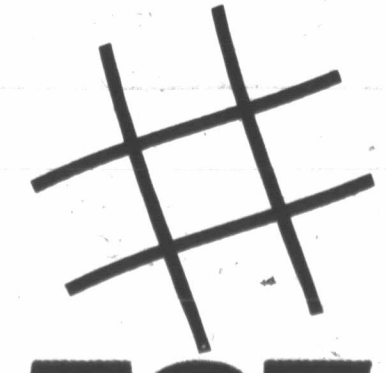
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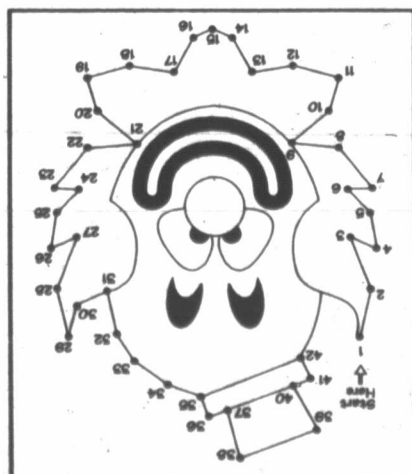
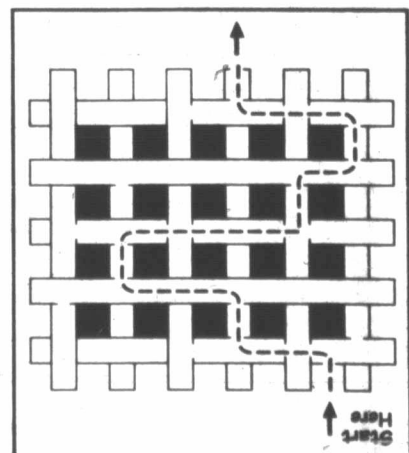


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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fortin

Fortin anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fortin celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Feb. 7 with a dinner at Dyer's Bar-B-Que followed by a reception at their home in Pampa. Children of the couple hosted the reception.

Joe Fortin and Vernell Bynum were married Feb. 7, 1948, at Pampa. The couple have been Pampa residents for the past 50 years.

Mr. Fortin retired as plant manager at ECI in Amarillo in 1990.

Mrs. Fortin is a homemaker.

Children of the couple are Mike Fortin and Gary and Tammy Fortin, all of Amarillo; David and Sherri Fortin of Deerfield, Kan., and Greg and Debbie Davis of Pampa. They have eight grandchildren and a great-grandchild.



Erin Osborne and Justin Farmer

Osborne-Farmer

Erin Osborne and Justin Farmer, both of Atlanta, Ga., were wed Feb. 7 in Highland Park United Methodist Church Cox Chapel at Dallas with the Rev. Mark Craig of Dallas officiating.

The maid of honor was Amy Humes of Macon, Ga. The matron of honor was Rachel Lawrence of Houston. The bridesmaids were Lide Banks and Tiffany Kendall, both of Atlanta, Heather Brennon of Phoenix, Ariz., and Heather Molthan of Dallas. The flower girl was Kimberly Curtis of Pampa.

The best man was Charles Barfield of Atlanta. The groomsmen were Dan Druyor-Gillette of Boston, Mass., Ryan Osborne, brother of the bride, of Pampa, Dan Rosenbluth of Knoxville, Tenn., and Tom Rylander of San Antonio.

A rehearsal dinner was held in the Rain Forest Rooms of Dallas World Aquarium.

A reception was held following the service at the Crescent Club in Dallas.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Osborne of Pampa. She received a bachelor's and a master's degree in clinical psychology from Southern Methodist University and is currently employed with the Child Psychiatry Department at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hardwick of Alpharetta, Ga., and Mr. Don Farmer and Ms. Chris Curle of Marco Island, Fla. He received a bachelor's degree in political science from Boston College and is currently employed as a regular anchorperson on CNN Sports Illustrated in Atlanta.



Mr. and Mrs. Sid Talley

Talley anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Talley of Miami will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary from 2-4 p.m. Feb. 14 at the Community Center in Miami. Children of the couple will host the reception.

Sid Talley and Betty Brewer were married Feb. 8, 1948, at Mobeetie. The couple have been Miami residents for 50 years except for five years spent ranching in Bentonville, Ark. They are members of United Methodist Church.

Mr. Talley has been a rancher all his life, cowboying in Roberts and Gray counties. He is president of Senior Citizens and has been a member of the Lions Club for 41 years.

Mrs. Talley owns-operates Betty's Hair Salon which is still in business after 41 years.

Children of the couple are Kermit and Jeffna McKinney of Houston and Joe and Kay Talley of Miami. They have three grandchildren.

Lifestyles Policies

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

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Grissom of Bailey, Colo., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 18, 1998, at Harris Park Community Center.

Carlos Grissom and Bonnie Tucker were married Jan. 20, 1947, at Pampa. The couple have been Bailey residents for the past 10 years and are members of Veterans of Foreign Wars - men's and lady's posts - Harris Park Bible Church and Community of Harris Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Grissom are both retired.

Children of the couple are Chris Grissom of Denver, Colo., and Joe Grissom of Pampa. They have three grandchildren and a great-grandchild.



Jennifer Ann DoRego and Brian Keith Weese

DoRego-Weese

Jennifer Ann DoRego and Brian Keith Weese, both of Lubbock, plan to wed March 14 in St. Elizabeth Catholic Church at Lubbock.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luis DoRego of Lubbock. She is a graduate of Friendship High School in Lubbock and of Texas Tech University. She is currently employed as a fifth grade teacher in Brownfield.

The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Weese of White Deer. He is a graduate of White Deer High School and of Texas Tech University. He is currently employed as an assistant strength coach at Texas Tech.

Alexander-Norwood

Amy Denise Alexander and Jason Duane Norwood, both of Pampa, plan to wed March 14 in Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Elizabeth Alexander and the late James E. Alexander of Pampa. She is a 1993 Pampa High School graduate and is currently employed in the bakery at Franks Thriftway.

The prospective groom is the son of Stephen and Pam Norwood of Pampa. He is a 1992 Pampa High School graduate and is currently employed with Larry Baker.

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Planning and preparing daily family meals can seem like a full-time job. But with a few simple tips, you can change the way you look at meal planning and healthy eating.

"Most people think that eating your favorite foods and getting the nutrition that you need are two separate things," said Robin Pruitt, a nutritionist with Outreach Health Services. "In fact, eating what you like and eating well can be the same thing."

What's the secret to healthful eating? "There isn't a secret," says Pruitt. "It's about knowing the facts and making smart choices."

There are several dietary guidelines, provided by the American Dietary Association's Complete Food and Nutrition Guide, that can help consumers make better decisions when choosing the foods we eat.

These guidelines were developed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and are summed up in the following seven statements:

1. Balance the food you eat with physical activity - maintain or improve your weight.
2. Choose a diet with plenty of grain products, vegetables and fruits.
3. Choose a diet low in fat, saturated fat and cholesterol.
4. Eat a variety of foods.
5. Choose a diet moderate in salt and sodium.
6. Choose a diet moderate in sugar.
7. If you drink alcoholic beverages, do so in moderation.

In addition to these seven tips, healthy eating is made easier by Food Guide Pyramid.

"Learning how to eat the right kinds of foods takes a little practice, but it is well worth the effort in the long run," Pruitt said. "Because eating right, especially for children, has a direct connection to development and health later in life."

There isn't one food that gives your body all the nutrients it needs, she explained. That's why understanding the nutritional value of foods, and eating a combination of those foods, is so important.

In addition to offering nutrition education, Outreach Health Services offers services throughout the state that may include WIC, family planning, maternity care, Texas Health Steps screenings and immunizations.

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Feb. 9-13

<p>Pampa Schools MONDAY Breakfast: Breakfast pizza. Lunch: Beef nachos, pinto beans, spiced apples, cornbread.</p> <p>TUESDAY Breakfast: Waffle sticks, syrup. Lunch: Fried chicken, sliced potatoes, broccoli with cheese, pineapple, hot rolls.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy, ham slice. Lunch: Corn dogs, French fries, tossed salad, cookies.</p> <p>THURSDAY Breakfast: Cinnamon toast. Lunch: Philly sub-sandwich, western beans, macaroni salad, fruit.</p> <p>FRIDAY Breakfast: Cereal, toast. Lunch: Steak fingers, whipped potatoes, sliced carrots, mixed fruit, ice cream cup, hot rolls.</p> <p>Lefors Schools MONDAY Breakfast: Muffins, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Soft tacos, cheese salad, beans, milk/fruit.</p> <p>TUESDAY Breakfast: Waffles, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, green beans, gravy, rolls, fruit, milk.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Sausage, biscuits, gravy, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza, corn, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p>THURSDAY Breakfast: Pancakes on a stick, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburger patties or Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes, peas, gravy, rolls, fruit, milk.</p> <p>FRIDAY Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Hot dogs, chili,</p>	<p>cheese, tater tots, salad, beans, fruit, milk.</p> <p>Meats on Wheels MONDAY Potk fritters, scalloped potatoes, tomatoes, marshmallow treats.</p> <p>TUESDAY Swiss steak, potato casserole, peas and carrots, pudding.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Mexican casserole, pinto beans, Spanish rice, jello.</p> <p>THURSDAY Chicken spaghetti, pickled beets, broccoli, peaches.</p> <p>FRIDAY Ravioli, green beans, corn, applesauce.</p> <p>Senior Citizens MONDAY Chicken fried steak or chicken enchiladas, mashed potatoes, beets, spinach, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, butter pecan cake or chocolate pudding cups, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>TUESDAY Salisbury steak or fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, corn, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, bread pudding or black forest cake, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, English peas, carrots, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, banana nut bread or cherry cheesecake, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>THURSDAY Pork chops and stuffing or liver and onions, onion potatoes, mixed vegetables, macaroni and tomatoes, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, blueberry pie or ugly duckling cake, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>FRIDAY Fried cod fish or frito pie, potato wedges, cheese grits, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, brownies or tapioca, hot rolls or jalapeno cornbread.</p>
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Club News

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

Piecemakers Quilt Guild

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild met Jan. 22 at Kriss Kross Quilting. Four guests - Doris Jean Foster, Joanna Nunn, Linda Frost and Kathy Leever - were present.

New guild pins were distributed to members and plans for a fall quilt show were discussed. The guild fund-raiser quilt was also on display.

Brenda Donelson presented a program on new fabrics, books and notions available to quilters. The following announcements were made:

—Two "workdays" are scheduled Feb. 4 at Suzie Edwards' home and Feb. 11 at Donna Reynolds' home respectively.

—"Traditional Quilt Works" and "American Patchwork & Quilting" magazine subscriptions will be purchased by the guild for Lovett Memorial Library.

—The upcoming program for April will be "Garage Sale." Members clean out their books and fabric stashes to swap and sell to other members.

Show-and-Tell items were presented by: Janie VanZandt, Reynolds, Betty Shifflet, Kathy Gist, Pat Stubbs, Sam Chisum, Nell Thompson, Mary Gandy, Judith Lisman, Odell Hassler, Edwards, Elaine Johnson and Jean McCarley.

Carol Hervey passed around samples of Queller's Lame.

Friendship blocks were returned to Susan Carter, and VanZandt distributed instructions for a pieced block.

Edwards won the guild door prize. Liza Harrison won a door prize courtesy Sand's Fabrics.

The next meeting will be Feb. 26 at Kriss Kross Quilting.

El Progreso

El Progreso Club marked its 75th anniversary during its Jan. 27 meeting at White Deer Land Museum in Pampa. Fourteen members were present at the meeting presided over by President Maxine Hawkins.

Julia Dawkins presented a history of the club collect, a prayer written in 1904 by Mary Stewart at Longmont, Colo.

Eloise Lane talked about charter members while Maedell Lanehart provided historical

information about the club. Members displayed pictures, yearbooks and scrapbooks from the past.

El Progreso Club, Pampa's oldest club, was organized Jan. 23, 1923, at the home of Mrs. W.R. Silvey. Charter members were Ms. Silvey, John Andrews, George Walstad, P.C. Ledrick, H.L. Ledrick, C.T. Hunkapillar, L.C. McMurtry, C.P. Buckler, W.M. Craven, T.D. Hobart, Archie Cole, Charles Cook, V.E. Fatheree, Dave Pope, Walter Purviance and Siler Faulkner.

The club sponsored a storytelling program and helped establish the public library in Pampa. For several years, the club has presented outstanding Texas history students at Pampa Middle School with a book on the history of Texas.

The next meeting will be Feb. 10 at the Hughey House.

NARFE

National Association of Retired Federal Employees met Feb. 3 in the conference room of the NTS Building in Pampa.

Business discussed at the meeting included: 1) decision to collect advertising favors from local businesses for the District Convention March 23 in the Senior Citizen's Building at Hereford and 2) decision to send a delegate to the State Convention April 26-29 at McAllen. The National Convention will be Sept. 13-17 in Orlando, Fla.

Plans to become involved in the electoral registration process were announced. Members recognize the responsibility and privilege of voting though NARFE is not affiliated with any political party, has no political agenda and sponsors no political candidate.

Dean Caldwell from Amarillo - representative from Area 12 - assisted Charles Henry, president, in presenting Brunetta Stewart a certificate of appreciation for her efforts the past five years as president of the Top-O-Texas Chapter. Stewart continues to work for the local SSA office as a volunteer under the Retired Senior Volunteer Program. She is a past vice president and is currently vice president of the Magic Plains Chapter of the American Business Women's Association. In addition, she was honored as Woman of the Year for 1992.

The next meeting will be at 3 p.m. March 3 in the conference room of the NTS Building in Pampa.



Renae Hess and Chris Hotz

Hess-Hotz

Renae Hess and Chris Hotz, both of Denver, Colo., plan to wed April 11 in Denver.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Hess of Pampa. She is a graduate of the University of Texas, receiving a degree in business administration. She is currently vice president of sales at W.B. Supply Company.

The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Werner Hotz of Boulder, Colo. He is a graduate of the University of Colorado and received a master's degree from the University of Denver. He is currently employed as district manager at AT&T.

4-H Futures & Features

Dates

8 - Lefors 5-H 4-H Club meeting, 2 p.m., Lefors School cafeteria; WOW '98 Group Meeting, 2 p.m., Annex

9 - Grandview 4-H Club meeting, 7 p.m., Grandview School; Shooting Sports, 7 p.m., Junior Consumer Project, 7 p.m., Annex

10 - Shooting Sports, 7 p.m., Annex

12 - Intermediate and Senior Clothing Project, 5 p.m., Annex

13 - Planning meeting for San Antonio and Houston Stock Shows, 7 p.m., Annex

Consumer Project

Any junior 4-Her (ages 9-11) may still join the consumer project. The next meeting is scheduled at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9.

WOW Meeting

All WOW Group members and their parents will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, at the Gray County Annex for an information and decision making session. We will also draw a winner for the donation prize at this meeting. Don't forget to bring your tickets.

Livestock Shows

There will be a planning meeting at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13 at the Gray County Annex. We will discuss what you will need to send, who is hauling animals, plans for the shows, etc.

If you can not make the meeting, you will need to call Danny before that day to find out details.

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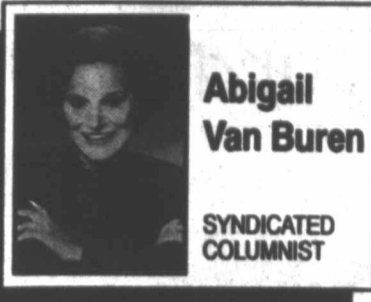
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Working Guide Dogs Are Not There To Be Petted

DEAR ABBY: I am a retired psychiatrist who became blind as a result of a gunshot wound during a burglary in my home. Since that time I have relied on my guide dog, Alder, to maintain my independence. I was very pleased to see the letter in your column from Carl Augusto of the American Foundation for the Blind, which gave people tips on what sighted people should do when they meet a blind person. I'd like to add a few points that weren't covered, specifically about what people should and should not do when meeting a blind person with a guide dog.



Abigail Van Buren
 SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

passing along the message. A person walking with a guide dog should not be mistaken for someone taking a stroll with a pet. The animal is working and should not be petted.

It's fine to comment that the dog is beautiful, dutiful or well-trained. But anything beyond that could be seriously distracting.

DEAR ABBY: I've been married to the greatest man for the last eight years. We have only one problem. Because he's an avid golfer and I'm not, he promised me, before we were married, one vacation each year anywhere in the world. The choice is entirely mine to make.

Our travels so far have included India, Nepal, Vietnam, etc. In October, we have a cruise scheduled to the Middle East (Oman, Yemen, United Arab Emirates and Kuwait.) Abby, he absolutely refuses to go! The cruise line assures me that they won't sail if the Persian Gulf is

not safe. My husband reads only the sports section and your column in our local paper, so I know he'll see your answer. Shouldn't he keep his premarital travel agreement? Please advise.
RESTLESS IN RANCHO MIRAGE

DEAR RESTLESS: The U.S. government issues travel advisories to alert American tourists when certain countries are experiencing a political climate that might be dangerous to them. Your travel agent should be able to reassure your husband that he won't be cruising into hostile waters.

However, that may not be the core issue. Regardless of the premarital agreement, joint vacations are meant to be enjoyed by both parties. Since you have the money, surely there is some other area of the world you could visit that you would both enjoy without one party being fearful. Why not negotiate?

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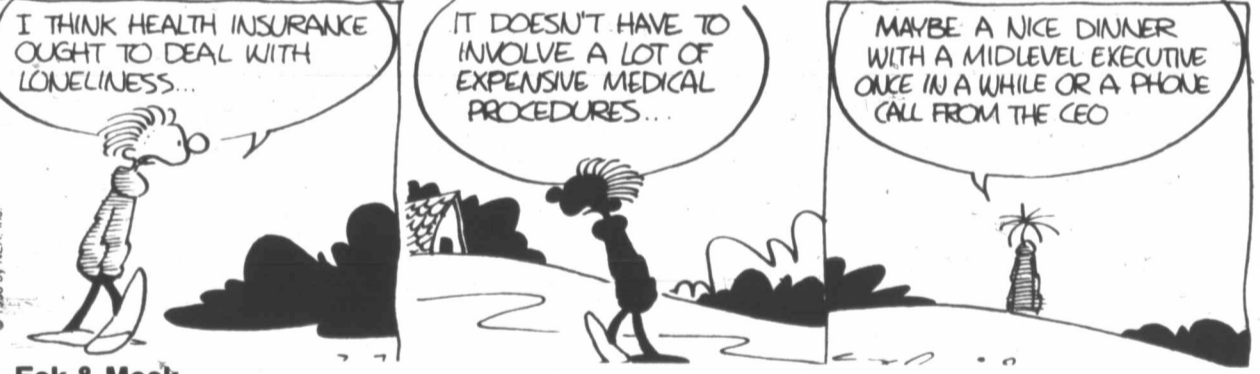
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Horoscope

Monday, Feb. 8, 1998

In the year ahead, you could have a number of important new involvements, but the achievement of one objective will overshadow the rest. It could be a very ambitious undertaking.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Once you make a decision today, stick to it and try to do the best you can. If your demands exceed your talents, you might not get anything done. Major changes are ahead for Aquarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions 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) Today, you may feel you're being put upon by others.

This could be true, the people you'll be helping may be those who helped you previously.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You might get involved with a friend of an individual whose assistance is imperative to you at this time. Even if you dislike him or her, be friendly and charming.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today you might be subjected to more domestic duties than usual. Family members with problems will hunt you down to help sort out things.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Try to associate with people your age or younger today. This is one of those times when things might not go too well for you in the company of elders.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It is best to sidestep stores that have expensive goods presented by hard-to-resist salespeople, as your sales resistance might be a rather low ebb today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) In your dealings with your mate today, it's going to be up to you to keep everything light and breezy. He or she might be more serious-

minded than usual.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You might neglect some responsibilities today just because they are tough. Whatever you leave undone now will be harder to finalize later.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Give a casual acquaintance a chance to redeem him or herself instead of judging this person on one unpleasant incident. Everybody has a bad day sometime.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you are in a position of authority, be careful how you treat subordinates today. Harsh or demanding methods could incite discontent in the ranks.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Early in the day, your negative attitude might make things more difficult for you than necessary, but your sunny self will emerge by the afternoon.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You will be disappointed today if you expect others to take care of your duties for you. Situations of your own making will have to be unwound by yourself.
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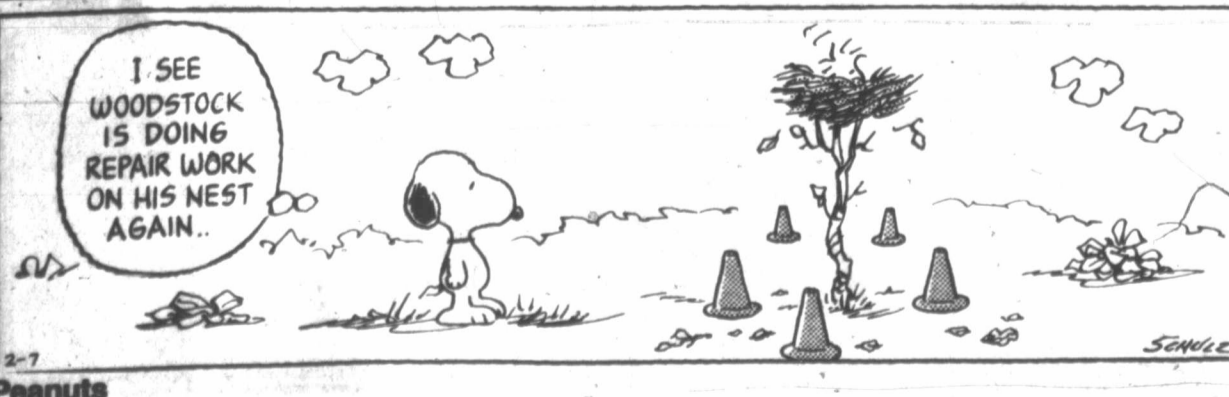
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ENTERTAINMENT

Texas novelist Carol Dawson doesn't pay attention to Lone Star boundaries ...

By **CARL HOOVER**
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO, Texas — Texas Monthly tabbed her "the best novelist to emerge from Texas in years," but novelist Carol Dawson doesn't pay much attention to Lone Star boundaries.

She got the idea for her latest novel, "Meeting the Minotaur," while watching her son and nephew from a Cozumel, Mexico, hotel lobby. She wrote the book while spending two years in New Zealand working on a television documentary about the Maori people.

Dawson is now back in Austin, where she's putting the finishing touches on a book about New Zealand, based on her documentary, and another novel about daughters- and mothers-in-law. Next her restless muse will take her, mentally at least, to West Texas, the setting of her latest novel-in-the-works.

In "Meeting the Minotaur," Dawson, 46, updates the Greek legend of Theseus, the son of an Athenian king who grew up not knowing his royal father and is best remembered for killing the Minotaur. Dawson turns that legend into a contemporary thriller, with an unlikely Texan as hero in a struggle spanning cultures and continents.

Taylor Deeds, the novel's protagonist, suffers from a disorder that periodically jangles his equilibrium, usually at the time at which he needs to keep his head and balance.

Raised without a father, he discovers he's the son of a wealthy Texas millionaire. His efforts to claim his heritage soon lead him into a sinister plot by a powerful Japanese rival who has siphoned off some of the best and brightest employees of the Texas firm.

"I've always wanted to write a thriller," recalled Dawson in a phone interview from her Austin home. "As for the Theseus story, it's haunted me since I was 8 years old, when I first read it."

For those who enjoyed her spin on the legend, there's good news: the Texas novelist intends a sequel based on the rest of the Theseus story when the young hero becomes Athens' king. Four film studios also have an interest in making a movie out of "Minotaur," although none have optioned her story or produced a script adaptation.

Don't ask Dawson to write that screenplay, though; the book is her medium of choice and she wants to stick to it.

That's one reason she chose to write a book based on her television documentary "Tangata Hara," ("The Condemned") which aired in New Zealand.

The book and TV film concern the New Zealand government's decade-long effort to return Maori tribal lands seized by the British Crown in the 19th century — thanks to a mistranslation of the word "sovereignty" in the 1840 treaty between the two parties — to their Maori owners.

Dawson feels she was asked to tell this story because she was an outsider, with little political baggage to impede or flavor her telling. And she hopes her book, which Penguin Press NZ will publish, will spread a tale that ultimately proves hopeful to an audience beyond New Zealand's shores.

The Texas author's audience grows with each book, thanks to favorable reviews and comments from such book critics as Texas Monthly's Robert Draper, who termed her "the best novelist to emerge from Texas in years."

That's a heavy burden for a writer, but Dawson shrugs at such praise, putting any attempt at celebrity-making in its place. "That was pretty nice of them," she said of the Texas Monthly piece. "But I'm very focused on my work. That interests me more than anything."

And even national attention can't shield an author from the occasional disaster, such as she experienced this summer with the publication of "Meeting the Minotaur."

Scheduled for a June release, Dawson discovered to her horror in August that an overlooked publication order had kept copies of "Meeting the Minotaur" from arriving in bookstores.

Favorable reviews, even a qualified one in USA Today, led to waiting lists at bookstores across the country as readers sought in vain to find Dawson's new book.

Then, once that mistake was corrected, United Parcel Service workers went on strike, further complicating the books' journey to bookstore shelves.

Dawson tells this saga with a bemused air, her attention more focused on her next novel set for publication, "The Mother-In-Law Diary."

The main character in that work is, in Dawson's phrase, a "serially married" woman who tells, on a chapter-by-chapter, mother-in-law-by-mother-in-law basis, the story of a succession of mothers-in-law. Prompting her reverie is her son's elopement, turning her, instantly, into a mother-in-law herself.

Which begs the question. Did Dawson, a mother of two sons, draw upon personal experience for her book?

"Oh, absolutely!" she laughed. "My son did elope. He and his girlfriend had been living together and they just suddenly decided to get married. I was out of the country when he called to tell me. I said, 'You WHAT? ... (The book) was just a hoot to write.'"

Chart toppers

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2. "Together Again," Janet (Virgin)(Gold)
3. "How Do I Live," LeAnn Rimes (Curb) (Platinum)
4. "Truly Madly Deeply," Savage Garden (Columbia)(Gold)
5. "Been Around the World," Puff Daddy & The Family (Bad Boy) (Platinum)
6. "I Don't Ever Want to See You Again," Uncle Sam (Stone Creek-Epic) (Gold)
7. "A Song for Mama," Boyz II Men (Motown) (Gold)
8. "No, No, No," Destiny's Child (Columbia) (Gold)
9. "How's It Going to Be," Third Eye Blind (Elektra)
10. "Dangerous," Busta Rhymes (Elektra)

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2. "Let's Talk About Love," Celine Dion (550 Music) (Platinum)
3. "Spiceworld," Spice Girls (Virgin) (Platinum)
4. "My Way," Usher (LaFace) (Platinum)
5. "Yourself Or Someone Like You," Matchbox 20 (Lava-Atlantic) (Platinum)
6. "Backstreet," Backstreet Boys (Jive) (Platinum)
7. "Savage Garden," Savage Garden (Columbia) (Platinum)

8. "Tubthumper," Chumbawamba (Republic) (Platinum)
9. "Harlem World," Mase (Arista)(Platinum)
10. "Spice," Spice Girls (Virgin) (Platinum)

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1. "Just to See You Smile," Tim McGraw (Curb)
2. "Love of My Life," Sammy Kershaw (Mercury)
3. "I Wanna Fall in Love," Lila McCann (Asylum)
4. "Imagine That," Diamond Rio (Arista)
5. "What If I Said," Anita Cochran (Duet with Steve Wariner) (Warner Bros.)
6. "You've Got to Talk to Me," Lee Ann Womack (Decca)
7. "Don't Be Stupid (You Know I Love You)," Shania Twain (Mercury)
8. "On the Side of Angels," LeAnn Rimes (Curb)
9. "Round About Way," George Strait (MCA)
10. "He's Got You," Brooks & Dunn (Arista Nashville)

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1. "My Heart Will Go On," Celine Dion (Music)
2. "Something About the Way You Look Tonight," Elton John (Rocket)
3. "At the Beginning," Donna Lewis and Richard Marx (Atlantic)
4. "I Don't Want to Wait," Paula Cole (Imago)
5. "The Gift," Jim Brickman Feat. Collin Raye and Susan Ashton (Windham Hill)
6. "How Do I Live," LeAnn Rimes (Curb)
7. "The Best of Love," Michael Bolton (Columbia)
8. "Loving You," Kenny G (Arista)
9. "Oh How the Years Go By," Vanessa Williams (Mercury)
10. "Quit Playing Games," Backstreet Boys (Jive)

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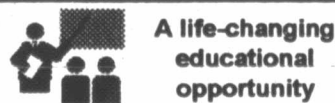
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The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

WHEAT (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: The wheat market certainly appears to have the potential for an all out bull, but thus far, the bull still seems to be hibernating (something the bear is supposed to do). First of all, as I mentioned last week, the winter wheat plantings figure is quite bullish longer term. At under 47 million acres, we are looking at the lowest winter wheat acreage in 25 years. There is no cushion for any crop adversity whatsoever. Secondly, while there is debate on this, our sources report the Chinese crop will be down sharply versus last year due to recent winter kill problems. If true, this should become more apparent in the coming months. Thirdly, export demand is picking up as our customers are looking at prices which historically appear attractive. Wheat has been in a bear market for so long that there still is a lot of negative sentiment out there. For a major trend to turn 180 degrees takes time. The bottom appears to be in, but the bull may need a bit more time to awaken.

about 8% since the January crop report. The wheat had rallied about \$0.20 from the bottom as well, but this is only a 5 or 6% move. The commodity trading funds appear to like corn better than wheat. In fact, evidence is they are actually short wheat. This is not the case in corn. Exports have not been all that good, but recently it was confirmed that China has turned from a corn exporter (and the largest exporter in Asia) to an importer. This is a positive development, and recall like action two years ago did coincide with a major corn price bottom. Meanwhile, domestic livestock feeding continues unabated, and also at record levels. The bottom looks as if it is in!

Strategy:

Hedgers: Hold 260 calls previously purchased as a replacement for cash corn sales. It is still too early to hedge next year's crop.
Traders: Buy the March under 272 for an objective of 290. Risk a close under 257.

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coming spring, but world supplies will remain at relatively tight levels for at least the next 7 months.

Strategy:

Hedgers: Maintain ownership of beans in the form of May call options. Call options have a predetermined risk but still allow you to benefit from future price appreciation.
Traders: If you followed last week's recommendation you are now long at 677. Risk to a close under 660 for a profit objective of 702.

SOYBEANS (BULL)

Outlook: The basic bear argument can be summed up in one word: Brazil. Well, maybe two words: Brazil & Argentina. The prospect for record large crops from South America has prevented any rallies from holding. The soybean market is basically at the same levels it was a month ago. I contend this large crop is already discounted in the market price. This is why beans are the same price as four weeks ago despite a South American crop which has developed in a picture-perfect manner. The prime "weather scare" period for South America is beginning to wind down, but there still is a little time left. I believe this market should, and will, again focus on demand (which remains at record levels). Acreage may be up big time this

CATTLE (BULL)

Outlook: As we go to press the statistics from the Cattle Inventory Report are not yet available. This is an important report, as it is only released twice a year. I would expect it to show a reduction in the nation's cattle herd. Liquidation of breeding stock due to lack of profitability should be quite evident when one looks at the total cattle numbers, and particularly the cow and heifer numbers. Once this herd liquidation is completed, and I for one believe it already is, a modest herd rebuilding will begin again. This is the cycle, and this is bullish for longer term cattle prices. Fed cattle prices are expected to trend higher for the remainder of the year and perhaps into next and into year 2000 as well!

Strategy:

Hedgers: No new crop hedgers are recommended at this time. We will look for a more attractive level over the coming 3 months to hedge new crop.

Traders: We own Minneapolis from under \$3.80 with a 355 stop. Hold. We also are long July Kansas City (the biggest reduction is in the hard winter wheat acres) from under \$3.60. Risk to a close under \$3.50, for an eventual objective above \$4.00.

CORN (BULL)

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Cotton growers complain about herbicide ruling

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Some Mississippi cotton growers say they will be hurt by a federal agency's decision not to allow continued production of a herbicide that has been teamed with genetically engineered cotton.

But O.A. Cleveland Jr., an extension marketing specialist at Mississippi State University in Starkville, said it's too early to draw such a conclusion.

"I think it's probably much ado about nothing at this stage," Cleveland said of the recent Environmental Protection Agency ruling. Citing possible cancer risks, EPA announced it will not renew the temporary federal food tolerances granted during last year's growing season for the herbicide Buctril, specifically targeting an ingredient known as bromoxynil and a chemical byproduct called DBHA. The temporary use provisions ended Jan. 1.

Rhone-Poulenc Ag Co. of North Carolina, which makes Buctril, has promised a vigorous challenge of the EPA decision. Genetically altered cotton seed is resistant to Buctril, allowing growers to spray fields for weeds once the cotton begins growing without killing their crop.

The combination of special seeds and the herbicide is promoted as a way to save money. Farmers would not have to spray for weeds before the cotton emerges from the ground but could still spray later, depending on the weed growth.

Allowing the temporary tolerances for Buctril to expire will likely cut into the sale of the more expensive genetically altered seeds, officials said.

Continued cultivation of the new cotton poses "serious concerns about developmental risks to infants and children," said Lynn Goldman, an assistant EPA administrator.

"In particular, we are concerned that the data show significant and irreversible human health effects," Goldman informed U.S. cotton growers in a letter.

In allowing the temporary use provision to expire, EPA applied new pesticide rules that provide more health protection for infants and children. It applied an additional tenfold safety factor for assessing health risks under the federal Food Quality Protection Act of 1996, which emphasized that children are exposed to more pesticides in food or can be more sensitive to them.

Private scientists and state officials said the risk of unspecified birth defects was at issue in the Buctril decision.

The chemicals enter diets through various foods cooked in or made with products derived from cottonseed, such as mayonnaise or corn chips fried in cottonseed oil. The EPA said unacceptable health risks also may arise from eating such things as beef and poultry from animals fed cottonseed meal.

The agency said it is concerned about unacceptable cancer risks of continued use of the herbicide on cotton. A recent laboratory study showed bromoxynil produces liver tumors in mice.

"We don't think it is a decision based on sound science," said Rhone-Poulenc spokesman Rick Rountree. "We think the dietary risk is absolutely minuscule."

Mites may cause boost in number of killer bees

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — Parasitic mites that have devastated bee populations in many parts of the country also have kept Africanized bees from colonizing Arizona as quickly as expected, experts say.

That might sound like good news for those fearful of the so-called "killer bees," which are blamed for three deaths since they arrived in Arizona in 1993. But the mites could wind up strengthening the Africanized variety.

The trachea and varroa mites have reduced wild colonies of honeybees by as much as 70 percent statewide, said Jennifer Fewell, an Arizona State University biologist who has been studying honeybees since 1985. The mites have taken their toll to different degrees in other states.

But the Africanized bees may be developing resistance to the mites more rapidly than honeybees, meaning Africanized bee colonies are slowly replacing the dying honeybees, Fewell said.

Whatever the ultimate outcome of the mite infestation, it already is hurting beekeepers.

Mesa beekeeper Ken Orletsky figures parasitic mites have cost him close to \$1 million over the last 10 years. Lenard Hines, a Sierra Vista beekeeper, said he lost several thousand dollars in 1989 and 1990 when trachea mites wiped out over 200 of his 660 hives.

"I think it would be fair to say that this mite represents the most severe losses to the beekeeping industry that it's ever faced," said Eric Erickson, director of the Agriculture Department's Carl Hayden Bee Research Center in Tucson.

Orletsky, the president of the Arizona Beekeepers Association, estimates that only a dozen commercial beekeepers remain in Arizona.

"We've lost hundreds of beekeepers," Orletsky said. "This could be a very serious shortfall."

Orletsky and his wife own Bee World Inc., a pollination firm with at least 3,500 hives. Their bees pollinate for major food producers and they worry what the decline in the bee population will mean for the industry.

Africanized bee colonies are slowly replacing the dying honeybees...

Umbrella stabbing

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A man was in critical condition Thursday after being stabbed in the eye with an umbrella for apparently bumping into another pedestrian.

The tip of the furled umbrella went into the victim's brain.

Police appealed for the public's help in finding the other man, who fled after the attack.

The stabbing took place on a rainy Tuesday morning on a busy street near MacArthur Park.

"Evidently they passed and crossed each other," Detective Robert Bub said. "Either their umbrellas touched or they bumped into each other."

The unidentified victim was unconscious and on a respirator.

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Robust job growth shows no sign of Asian spillover

WASHINGTON (AP) — Robust job growth in January held the nation's unemployment rate near a 24-year low as America's vibrant labor market showed no sign of spillover from Asia's financial disarray.

Wall Street applauded the employment strength, coupled with only a moderate hourly wage gain, and the Dow Jones stock average surged Friday toward last summer's record.

January's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate, 4.7 percent, was the same as December's and just a notch above the 4.6 percent rate in November, lowest since 1973, the Labor Department said Friday.

Employers created a greater-than-expected 358,000 jobs. Construction accounted for 92,000, the largest gain in nearly two years. It partly reflected unseasonably warm winter weather in many parts of the country and repair jobs following ice storms in the Northeast.

The job market isn't yet feeling the pinch of Asian currency devaluations, which are expected to slash U.S. export sales and trigger a torrent of newly cheap imports.

"This is as good as it gets," said economist Norman Robertson of Smithfield Trust Co. in Pittsburgh. "The economy clearly is very resilient. ... Certainly the numbers coming in don't show imminent weakening."

Manufacturing, the economic sector most likely to first feel the impact of Asia, added 43,000 jobs, in line with increases the previous three months. Industries reporting gains included metal products, industrial machinery, electronic components, aircraft and plastics.

Real estate, computer and data-processing services, and engineering and management services all recorded rapid job growth. Department stores added jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis but miscellaneous retail establishments had larger-than-usual layoffs following robust holiday hiring.

Only 9,000 of the new jobs came in government. "We have the smallest percentage of these new jobs in the public sector and the highest percentage in the private sector in the United States since the 1920s," President Clinton told reporters at a news conference with British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Tim Loncharich, president of Snelling Personnel Services of Dallas, with 300 offices nationwide, said demand for labor is every bit as strong as it was in early fall when the Federal Reserve was poised to cool the economy with an interest-rate increase.

"In all sectors — retailing, services, manufacturing — I haven't seen any noticeable slowdown," he said. "Demand continues to increase."

Federal Reserve policy-makers had been anticipating raising rates to keep wage pressures from aggravating inflation but, at a meeting this week, decided against changing them.

Average hourly wages rose moderately in January, up 4 cents to \$12.51. They're up 3.8 percent over the past 12 months, in line with last year's rapid improvement in productivity.

Although January's unemployment rate was unchanged, there was some shifting among demographic groups. The rate for adult men fell from 4.1 percent to 3.8 percent, lowest since May 1979. It rose from 4 percent to 4.4 percent for adult women. The rate for blacks fell from 9.9 percent to 9.3 percent, lowest since December 1973. It edged higher for whites, from 3.9 percent to 4 percent.

With that assurance, the big employment gain reported didn't send the usual inflation jitters through financial markets. Bond prices dipped then recovered. The Dow Jones average climbed 72 points to close at 8,189 — just 70 points shy of its Aug. 6 record.

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For the first time, the department added statistics on unemployment by educational level. Joblessness was 7.2 percent for high school dropouts, nearly four times the 1.9 percent rate for college graduates.

Still, that was a big improvement from a year ago, when the unemployment rate for high school dropouts was 8.9 percent.

"Tight labor markets encourage work by those who might otherwise be sitting on the sidelines, and new entrants gain valuable job experience and skills," said Janet Yellen, chairwoman of Clinton's Council of Economic Advisers.

The percentage of the adult population with jobs — 64.2 percent — hit a record high in January.

In a separate report Friday, the Federal Reserve said outstanding consumer debt increased at a modest 3.9 percent annual rate in December after falling in November for the first time in four years.

Most of December's increase came from the largest expansion in auto lending in 11 years. Credit-card balances barely grew and other types of consumer loans fell.

Winning teams...



Kori Dunn, right, with her Grand Champion lamb and the buyer's representative from Attebury Grain.



Cassie Hamilton, right, with her Reserve Grand Champion steer. The buyer was Celanese represented by Mr. and Mrs. Kothman.

Anthropologist proves dealer too long in the tooth to be youth

BOSTON (AP) — A drug dealer who claimed to be too young to be tried as an adult was foiled by an anthropologist who used X-rays of his teeth and bones.

Carlos Medrano, who was arrested in 1996 and accused of selling cocaine to undercover officers, had claimed he was 16 at the time.

Dr. Ann Mires, an anthropologist with the Suffolk County Chief Medical Examiner's office, testified Thursday that based on X-rays of Medrano's wrists, hands and teeth, he was at least 18 and possibly even 25.

Midway through the testimony, Medrano, who has a moustache and receding hairline, pleaded guilty and got five years in prison.

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Cable car accident brings out anti-Americanism

By DANIEL J. WAKIN
Associated Press Writer

ROME (AP) — Anti-Americanism and anti-military sentiment have boiled to the surface here since a Marine Corps jet brought down a cable car in northern Italy, killing 20 people.

A RAI state television news program headlined the story "American Evil." Opinion-makers have cited the "arrogance of the world's only superpower." Talk show guests, particularly leftist party members, have demanded the closing of U.S. bases in Italy and an Italian exit from NATO.

Some observers have taken exception, saying that similar incidents involving Italians have not aroused the same ire. But that has done little to quiet the anger.

President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro, widely viewed as Italy's moral conscience, echoed the prevailing mood when he linked the tragedy to the execution of Karla Faye Tucker in Texas. Both, he said, pointed to a reckless disregard for human life.

Speaking Wednesday at a ceremony in Salerno, southern Italy, he said it would be "terrible" to think the pilot of the U.S. plane was playing a "game."

Then, with disgust in his voice, the Italian president said that television reports about Tucker's execution had noted that some spectators outside the prison had cheered after she was pronounced dead. "And we are on the threshold of 2,000 years after Christ!" Scalfaro exclaimed.

The United States has its defenders. Commentator Pierluigi Battista noted in Turin's La Stampa newspaper that Aviano air base, where the Marine EA-6B Prowler was based, also served as a vanguard for efforts by the United States and NATO to settle a European war, in Bosnia.

Amid widespread cries to punish the pilot, the dean of Italian journalists, Indro Montanelli, said in Milan's Corriere della Sera that no Italian authorities suffered consequences after three Italian jets collided in 1988 at an air show at the U.S. air base in Ramstein, Germany, killing 69 people. The three pilots also were killed.

Others recalled that an appeals court cleared an Italian pilot whose fighter jet crashed into a school and killed 12 youngsters eight years ago.

The cable car deaths recalled other tense moments in U.S.-Italian relations.

After the Achille Lauro cruise ship was hijacked by PLO terrorists in 1985, U.S. warplanes forced an Egyptian jet to land in Sicily.

U.S. and Italian soldiers confronted each other on the air strip, and the United States eventually agreed to turn the hijackers over to Italy for prosecution. Italy then let the hijacking's reputed mastermind, Mohammed Abbas, slip out of the country. Washington was furious.

Italy has traditionally had a complicated relationship with the United States, its main liberator in World War II, a role model for popular culture and the promised land for millions of Italian emigrants.

Cultural commissars rail against Hollywood, but audiences flock to its movies. The Communist Party, Western Europe's largest, supported Moscow in the Cold War but its successor — now in government —

has a love affair with the John F. Kennedy era.

Along with disgust at the Tucker execution in this fiercely anti-capital punishment country, many Italians have recently been appalled by the Clinton sex scandal, saying it is evidence of America's puritanical narrow-mindedness. They also say Washington's threat to attack Iraq demonstrates U.S. hubris in its view toward the rest of the world.

A priest in Cavalese, the Dolomite mountain town where the disaster occurred, combined the themes in voicing his outrage at the disaster.

"Cry out against Clinton, a womanizer and war-monger, who sold out to power and war," the Rev. Tommaso Volcan was quoted as saying in media reports.

Italy's altered political landscape seems to have created the conditions for an anti-American free-for-all.

For decades, centrist Christian Democrats allied to the United States ran the country. Corruption scandals brought them down in the mid-1990s, giving both them and Washington a lingering black eye.

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Neurosurgeon rides away from stresses

By MICHAEL PETERS
Beaumont Enterprise

BEAUMONT, Texas — Turn left off Major Drive and you enter a different world.

The blue-gray sky seems endless. Houses aren't separated by fences, but by furlongs. You find yourself wanting faded jeans and a pair of beat-up boots.

This is the country. It's so different from other parts of Southeast Texas, you almost feel you've been transported to another country.

As you continue your journey, you come across a farm that is something akin to Southfork.

A long black-topped drive winds its way around a stand of trees and back to a beautiful house.

You are struck by the spectacle. Or maybe struck by the fact that it is the only spectacle around. In front of the house, nothing but open spaces. Behind it, what used to occupy the open spaces of the Old West — cowboys, horses and cattle.

This is the world of Carl Shrontz. If only for two days a week. He makes his living as a neurosurgeon.

He stays alive as a horseman. "My job is so stressful," Shrontz said. "Doing brain surgery all day, you need something to come home to and relax. I can do this on the weekends with my family and my friends. You meet good people."

"You'll find that most farm ranchers are good people." They are people with names like Dub and Dorman and Dusty. Some with wrinkles like canyons. Others as green as the frontier they try to tame.

This is all they know. All they do. Shrontz works his herd with one hand on the reins and the other near a cellular phone. It's not uncommon for him to dismount his horse and go straight to the hospital.

Sometimes seeing the dangers of his hobby first-hand. "It's very peaceful. It's very challenging," Shrontz said. "But, if you don't pay attention, you're going to get hurt. I've had two people come into the emergency room with their thumbs ripped off roping."

Shrontz looks almost as comfortable in his blue mud-stained plaid shirt as in a white lab coat.

He lives a child's fantasy of a bygone era. A modern-day Roy Rogers.

But a horse-owner's Jerry Jones. Wanting an additional challenge, Shrontz decided to find a competition that involved his interest in cattle.

He found the perfect combination in the sport of cutting. A throw-back to the Old West, cutting is the isolation of individual cows from a herd for things like branding and medical treatment.

Cows pack tightly together. A rider makes his choice. Then makes his move. He cuts the cow off, then mirrors it. Dirt and hay fly as the cow makes a break left. Then right.

Shrontz does it every weekend. But to win a competition, he needed somebody who could do it every day.

So like a good owner, Shrontz hired a talented athlete and an experienced coach.

Shrontz, and his wife Laurel, picked trainer Mike Mowery of Millsap, who picked the horse Some Kinda Memories. Mowery trained the horse for more than year, preparing it for the Super Bowl of cutting, December's National Cutting Horse Association World Championship Futurity in Fort Worth.

Mowery has been entering the event since 1974. He had never won it.

Until this past year. Some Kinda Memories scored an event-record 226 points in the finals, allowing the Shrontzes to win in their first competitive attempt. And win \$140,000.

That's something like buying an NFL expansion franchise and having it win the Super Bowl in its first year.

"It's boring," said Shrontz, when asked why he doesn't play golf like other doctors.

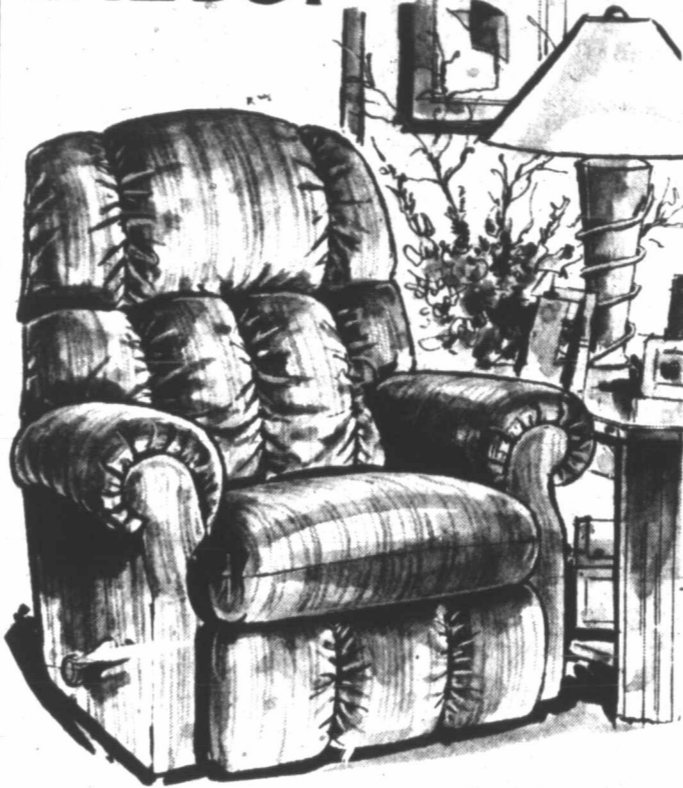
He's not country club. Just country.

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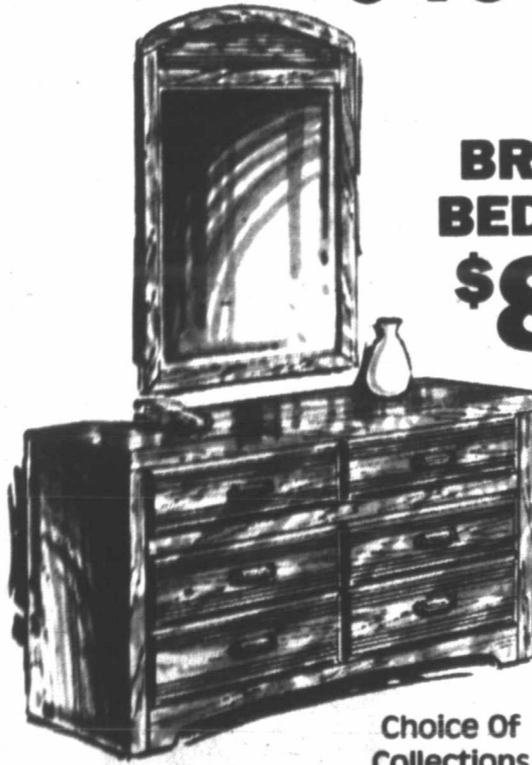


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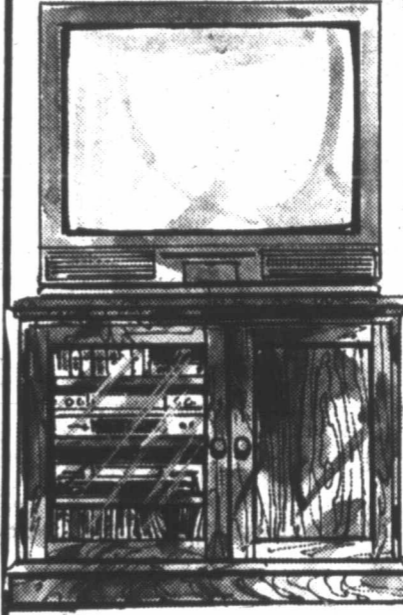
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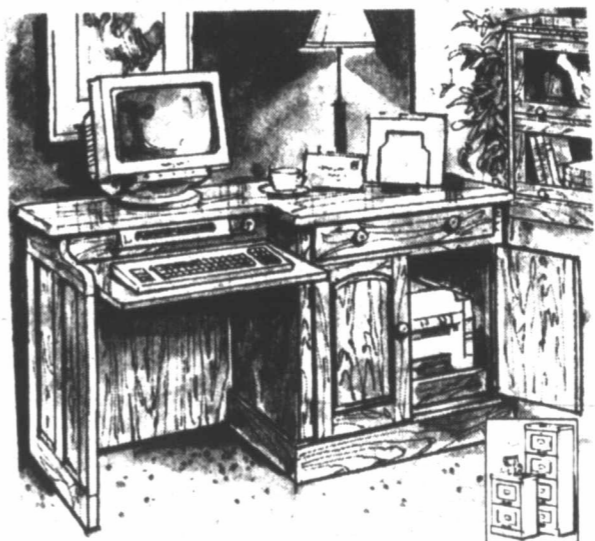
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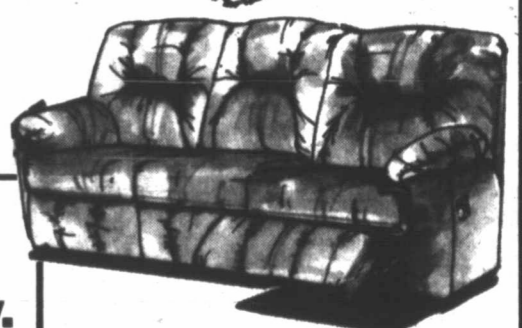
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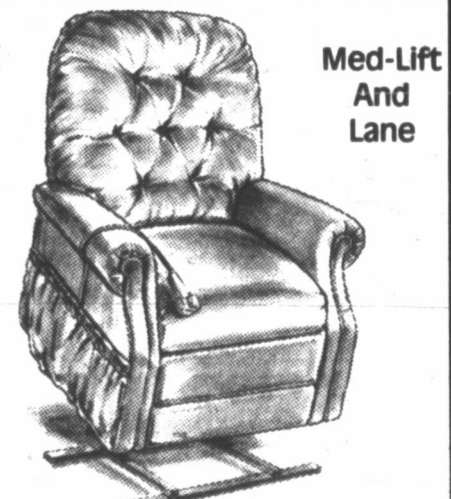
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