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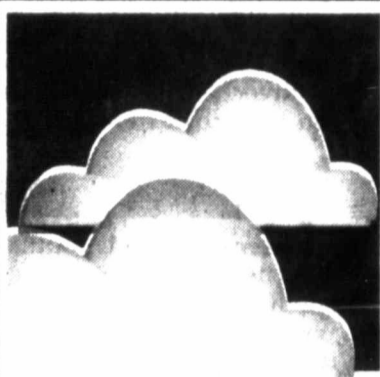
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AUSTIN (AP) — Dell Computer Corp. Chairman Michael Dell and his wife, Susan Dell, are donating \$1 million to help the Children's Hospital of Austin upgrade its imaging center.

Hospital officials said Friday the Dells' gift has put the hospital within \$1 million of reaching its \$10 million goal.

"It adds the Dells' voice to the many who know this hospital to be an exceptional facility for children, both in the level of care and the services provided," Martha St. Romain, executive director of the Children's Hospital Foundation, which raises money for the hospital, told the Austin American-Statesmen in Saturday's editions.

The hospital is raising money for extensive expansion and renovation and to create an endowment for future expenses.

The Dells' gift is the second of its size the hospital has received.

In July, a Bertram appliance repairman willed his \$1 million estate to the hospital. Before that, \$250,000 was the largest individual gift the hospital had received.

- **Ruby Hunt Ayers, 90**, retired farmer, restaurant owner.
- **Waunita Zin Basferd, 79**, former restaurant owner.
- **Shirley Faye Crawford Free, 54**, homemaker.
- **John Oral Helton, 96**, retired farmer.
- **Irene Maddox, 92**, former owner Maddox Cleaners.
- **Thelma Grace Tennant, 94**, homemaker.

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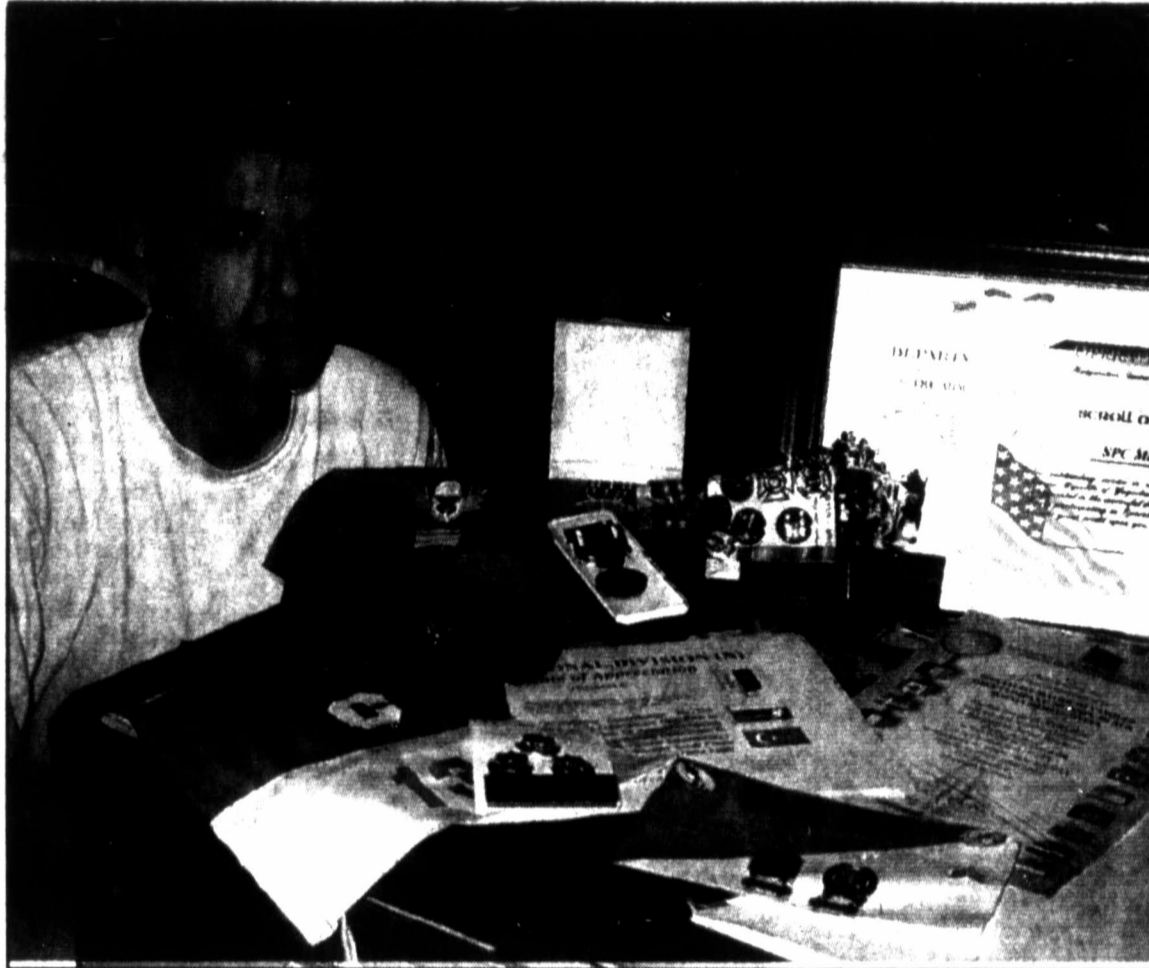
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(Pampa News photo by Miranda Bailey)

Mauricio Vasquez shows the many military honors he received while on duty in Korea and Bosnia the last three years.

Around the world — and back again

By **MIRANDA G. BAILEY**
Staff Writer

Little did Mauricio Vasquez know after he left Pampa three years ago, he would find himself back here again for the love of his family.

Vasquez, 23, is a PHS Class of '94 graduate. Shortly after leaving high school, Vasquez was determined to leave Pampa and go as far away as he could get. He enrolled in the Army, and within months, he found himself in the hot spot of South Korea as a cavalry scout.

"I was the guy up in front looking for the enemy."

He said he signed up for the Army in order to be a medic. But fate had something else planned. In Korea, he spent his days defending the Demilitarized Zone. A thin borderline between American-protected South Korea, and

North Korea — this was Vasquez's home for about a year.

"Korea was nice, an enchanting place, a lot of fun things to do," he said.

But being stationed in Korea really hit home, he said, in terms of being in a place where war could break at any moment.

Mauricio was in charge of his own vehicle in Korea and began the first phase of a military journey that would end up changing his life in many more ways than one.

For one thing, he found the love of his life while serving his country.

Through his roommate at boot camp, he met his future wife, Monica, over the phone. When leaving a message for her friend, Mauricio's roommate, the two became acquainted on the phone. It didn't take too many telephone

(See **AROUND**, Page 5)

Utah is fertile ground for genetics researchers

By **KRISTEN MOULTON**
Associated Press Writer

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — What do you get when you pair a Mormon's affinity for big families and genealogy with his enthusiasm for advancing science?

A geneticist's dream come true: a welcome at Utah family reunions.

Where else can a researcher collect 200 blood samples in one day to learn whether premature labor or an infant's enlarged heart runs in a family? asks Ken Ward, an obstetrician and geneticist at the University of Utah.

Ward and colleagues have been invited to countless reunions since he came to Salt Lake 12 years ago, drawn by its reputation as a mecca for genetic research.

"We set up a little shade tent and have some orange juice and a phlebotomist," Ward says. "In between softball and hot dogs, people will run by to share family history, sign consent forms, learn about the study and, frequently, roll up their shirt sleeves and give a blood sample."

Geneticists for 50 years have recognized the value of Utah's extended families and their precise genealogical records. And in the 20 years that

(See **UTAH**, Page 2)

City, county jobless rate remains low

Pampa's unemployment rate remained relatively unchanged last month with 5.1 percent of the eligible workforce out of a job.

Meanwhile, the state's jobless rate dropped to 5 percent, staying relatively unchanged in August at 5.1 percent.

The commission said the state's decrease from 5.3 percent in July is consistent with previous decreases for the same period. The August rate has not been this low since the 4.3 percent level of 1979, according to the Texas Workforce Commission.

While figures show Pampa had six fewer people unemployed in August, a decrease in the labor force made the percentages the same. Gray County's unemployment was slightly higher than the city's at 5.2 percent. Carson County continues to be lower with a reported rate of only 3.9 percent. In nearby Potter County the rate jumps to 6.3 percent.

"The performance of Texas labor markets remains strong. We are still enjoying a very low unemployment rate and are continuing to add jobs to payrolls across the state," said Diane Rath, head of the commission.

The McAllen-Edinburg-Mission area saw the highest unemployment rate at 17.5 percent in August. Its July rate was 17 percent.

Rates of unemployment in the urban areas of Texas as announced (See **JOBLESS**, Page 2)

Canadian River Water authority transfer closer

A key Senate Committee has approved legislation to allow the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority to prepay its remaining debt to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) and allow transfer of ownership of the water distribution system to the authority, U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison said last week.

The Canadian River project provides water to Pampa, Amarillo, Plainview, Lubbock, Slaton, Tahoka, O'Donnell, Lamesa, Levelland, Brownfield, and Borger.

"Today we are one step closer to taking the Canadian River water distribution system out of the hands of federal bureaucrats and putting it in the hands of the people who built and paid for it," Senator Hutchison said.

"The water authority's conveyance system provides water to more than 550,000 Panhandle residents, and I am confident that this measure will give local leaders greater control over long-term water resource planning," she said.

The legislation was introduced by Senator Hutchison and Congressman Mac Thornberry and approved by the Senate Energy and Natural Resource Committee. It will allow the Canadian River Municipal River Water Authority to pay the BOR \$34.8 million. This is the remaining amount owed to the bureau for financing construction of the project. The full Senate will consider this legislation in the next several weeks.

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Texan swims across Atlantic

QUIBERON, France (AP) — Austin marketing executive Benoit Lecomte has returned by sea to his native France. He swam the Atlantic in 71 days.

Lecomte, 31, who began his 3,400-mile swim from the sandy beaches of Cape Cod, Mass., came ashore Friday on the rugged Brittany coast near the town of Quiberon.

The 5-foot-9, 151-pound swimmer spent six to eight hours a day in two-hour blocks, stopping to eat and rest in a boat that accompanied him the entire trip.

Lecomte used an assortment of wet suits for different water temperatures. Sometimes he swam with two fins on his feet; other times he used a heart-shaped monofin.

Rather than swim in a cage to protect against sharks, Lecomte used a relatively new system to send out a mild electrical field to repel predators.

Sunday snapshot



Name: Heather Wilhite
Occupation/Activities: volley ball and basketball.
Birth date and place: 11-25-86, Houston.
Family: Dad, Grandma and Grandpa.
When I grow up I want to be: a vet.
My personal hero: my Granny.
The best advice I ever got was: ask and you shall receive.
My classmates think of me as: friendly, happy, and hyper.
The best word or words to describe me: funny.
People will remember me as

being: "sweet"
The guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: Princess Diana, Sir Isack Newton.
My hobbies are: decorating rocks.
My favorite sports team is: Dallas Cowboys.
My favorite author is: Bill Wallace
The last book I read was: "Fairy Tale"
My favorite possession is: my puppy.
The biggest honor I've ever received is: my soccer trophy.
My favorite performer is:

Marriah Carrey.
I wish I knew how to: cook gourmet meals.
My worst habit is: biting my nails.
I would never: do drugs.
The last good movie I saw was: Spice World.
I stay home to watch: TV.
Someday I want to drive a: Corvette
My favorite junk food is: Snickers.
My favorite pet: all animals.
My favorite meal is: Spaghetti.
I wish I could sing like: Mariah Carrey.

I'm happiest when I'm: eating candy.
I regret: popping my knuckles.
I'm tired of: school.
The electrical device I couldn't live without is: TV.
The biggest waste of time is: school.
If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: go shopping.
If I had three wishes they would be: to win the lottery, no more school, and to marry a rich man.
If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: schools.

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Services

Services today

HELTON, John Oral — 2:30 p.m., Wheeler Church of Christ, Wheeler.

MADDOX, Irene — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery, Canadian.

Services tomorrow

AYERS, Ruby Hunt — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, McLean.

Obituaries

RUBY HUNT AYERS

McLEAN — Ruby Hunt Ayers, 90, died Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1998. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. James Martindale officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home of McLean.

Mrs. Ayers was born in Gray County. She grew up in McLean, attending McLean schools. She married Wayland Ayers in 1926; he died in 1986. The couple farmed near McLean prior to moving to Amarillo in 1952. They owned-operated several restaurants and returned to McLean following retirement. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include a daughter, Minnie Bell Brown of Amarillo; a son, J.D. Ayers of Amarillo; a brother, Perry Hunt of Breckenridge; eight grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

WAUNITA ZINN BASFERD

Waunita Zinn Basferd, 79, of Pampa, died Thursday, Sept. 24, 1998. Viewing will be from 10 a.m.-12 noon Wednesday at Hastings Funeral Home in Morgantown, W.Va. Graveside services will follow in Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Morgantown with the Rev. Richard L. Stackpole, pastor of Spruce St. United Methodist Church of Morgantown, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Hastings Funeral Home of Morgantown. Local arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Basferd was raised in Reedsville, W.Va., where she was in born April 21, 1919. She married Walter Basferd in 1935 at Fairfax, Va. She owned Wagon Wheel Restaurant on Route 7 in Morgantown from 1944-51. She resided in Bonaire, Ga., for 22 years prior to moving to Pampa in June 1998.

Survivors include her husband, Walter, of the home; a son, George Basferd of Pampa; two sisters, Margaret Templeton of Leesburg, Fla., and Gladys Guseman of Morgantown; a grandchild; and three great-grandchildren.

SHIRLEY FAYE CRAWFORD FREE

Shirley Faye Crawford Free, 54, of Pampa, died Friday, Sept. 25, 1998, at Round Rock. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Gene Allen, former pastor of Briarwood Full Gospel Church, and Laveda Rush officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Free was born Sept. 10, 1944, at Canadian. She married Glenn Free on Sept. 8, 1962, at Pampa. She had been a longtime Pampa resident, moving to Round Rock in 1993.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Pat and Rosie Crawford; a brother, Calvin Eugene Crawford; and a sister, Thelma Calhoun.

Survivors include her husband, Glenn, of the home; three daughters, Tracy Hamilton and Shannon Free, both of Round Rock, and Natasha Free, of the home; four sisters, Clethel Steen of Wheeler, Pearl Morgan of Franklin of Louisiana, Mary Jane Myneer of Pampa and Helen Furgason of Skellytown; and two grandchildren.

JOHN ORAL HELTON

BRISCOE — John Oral Helton, 96, died Thursday, Sept. 24, 1998. Services are to be at 2:30 p.m. today in Wheeler Church of Christ at Wheeler with Shawn and David Zybach of Briscoe officiating. Burial will be in Zybach Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Helton was born July 26, 1902, at Dixon, Mo., to Thomas and Dora Helton. He had been a Wheeler County resident since 1911. He married Ema Hoyle Young on May 19, 1933, at Sayre, Okla. He was a farmer and a member of Allison Church of Christ of Allison.

He was preceded in death by a son, Harvey Lewis Helton, in 1950; and by a daughter, Peggy Ruth Helton, in 1958.

Survivors include his wife, Ema; four daughters, Juanell Manning and Christine Atherton and Kathy Helton, all of Wheeler, and Martha Brown of Bristow, Okla.; a son, Chan Helton of Amarillo; nine grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to High Plains Children's Home in Amarillo.

IRENE MADDOX

CANADIAN — Irene Maddox, 92, died Thursday, Sept. 24, 1998. Graveside services are to be at 2 p.m. today in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery with Mike Heatwole of Canadian officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mrs. Maddox was born Aug. 30, 1906, at Ballinger, to Joseph and Dona Mitchell. She married Clarence Luther Maddox on Sept. 12, 1924, at Floydada; he died July 19, 1990. The couple owned-operated Maddox Cleaners in Orange, Calif., for many years prior to returning to Canadian in 1979 from San Jacinto, Calif. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include a daughter, Carolyn Campbell of Canadian; three grandchildren; and five grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

THELMA GRACE TENNANT

HOISINGTON, Kan. — Thelma Grace Tennant, 94, a former longtime Pampa resident, died Friday, Sept. 25, 1998, at Hoisington, Kan. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa with the Rev. Derrell Monday, pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Tennant was born Sept. 2, 1904, at Northport, Ala., to Carl and Alice Bridges. She married Glennard Tennant on March 25, 1923, at Magnolia, Ark.; he died Dec. 22, 1984. She had been a Pampa resident for 40 years, moving to Hoisington in 1986. She was a homemaker and a member of Central Baptist Church of Pampa.

Survivors include a son, Richard Tennant of Clafin, Kan.; two grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Clafin Ambulance Service, Clafin, Kan.; or to Clara Barton Hospital in Hoisington.

Police report

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

Friday, Sept. 25

Timothy Terrill Lofton, 27, 1145 Neel, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, second offense.

Information was taken about a theft at 225 W. Brown.

Two arrests were made after a fight at Pampa High School.

Theft of a pair of running shoes and perfume taken from a PHS locker was reported.

Theft of a \$206 mountain bike from Austin Elementary was reported.

Sheriff's Office

The following arrests were reported by the Gray County Sheriff's department for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, Sept. 25

Evelyn Merle Reed, 24, 125 Nelson, was arrested by the DPS and charged with forgery of a financial instrument.

James Carlos Tucker, 44, 1605 Fir, was arrested for disorderly conduct and indecent exposure.

Saturday, Sept. 26

Richard Luis Arreola, 20, 112 S. Houston, was arrested for issuance of a worthless check.

Ambulance

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

Friday, Sept. 25

9:13 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells. No patient was transported.

9:40 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Baptist St. Anthony West and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

12:04 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to Baptist St. Anthony West.

4:28 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Price and Gwendolyn. No patient was transported.

Fires

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

Friday, Sept. 25

7:52 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to a car fire at Sumner and 23rd.

Saturday, Sept. 26

3:02 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to Columbia Medical Center on a medivac standby.

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by the TWC for August, compared with revised July figures (in parentheses) were:

- Abilene 3.8 (3.9)
- Amarillo 4.0 (4.2)
- Austin-San Marcos 2.8 (2.9)
- Beaumont-Port Arthur 7.6 (7.7)
- Brazoria 6.4 (6.9)
- Brownsville-Harlingen 12.4 (13.8)
- Bryan-College Station 1.9 (2.0)
- Corpus Christi 7.3 (7.5)
- Dallas 3.4 (3.5)
- El Paso 10.5 (11.0)
- Fort Worth-Arlington 3.4 (4.1)

- Galveston-Texas City 6.8 (7.1)
- Houston 4.4 (4.5)
- Killeen-Temple 4.4 (4.6)
- Laredo 9.1 (9.8)
- Longview-Marshall 7.6 (7.5)
- Lubbock 3.7 (4.4)
- McAllen-Edinburg-Mission 17.5 (17.0)
- Odessa-Midland 5.8 (5.8)
- San Angelo 5.1 (5.4)
- San Antonio 3.9 (4.2)
- Sherman-Denison 5.1 (6.3)
- Tyler 5.1 (5.6)
- Victoria 4.6 (5.1)
- Waco 4.6 (4.9)
- Wichita Falls 5.0 (5.3)

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RIVER

Ownership of the water transport system is being transferred to the authority; Lake Meredith will remain the property of the federal government.

"I have made transferring the control of federal water projects to state and local authorities one of my top priorities," Senator Hutchison said. "I'm proud that the Canadian River water conveyance system could be the first in Texas to be transferred."

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UTAH

genetics has been revolutionizing medical science, Salt Lake City has become one of the centers of that research.

The University of Utah isn't alone. The Howard Hughes Medical Institute and the Huntsman Cancer Institute, searching for genetic causes of disease from a base at the university, also attract top researchers.

"It's a matter of having built up over the years a critical mass of very good research people." That in itself can act as a magnet, says Richard Koehn, the university's vice president of research and a geneticist himself.

Ward compares his research in genetics here to earlier work in Washington, D.C., where patients often didn't know their medical histories or where to find their siblings.

"Here, you're likely to have met dozens of your cousins and to have seen the premature baby who is still on an oxygen tank at the family reunion," Ward says.

Most of Ward's gene research begins with patients who, when queried, know of parents, siblings or cousins with similar problems. Using this approach, Ward discovered two genes involved in pregnancy toxemia.

"Families here tend to be a little closer knit and more involved, for better or worse, in each other's lives," Ward says. "Because of this phenomenon, we are able to see patterns that may not be as obvious to other investigators."

DNA from three generations of several Utah families is part of a repository in France where geneticists worldwide obtain samples to create genetic maps. Utah contributions, says Ward, have been among the most useful because of the size of the families.

Utah's "founder population" makes the state unique. Several thousand Mormon pioneers, many of them polygamous, settled the Intermountain West beginning in the 1840s. They had large families that often stayed put.

Some 2 million residents of Utah, Idaho, Nevada, northern Arizona, western Colorado and parts of Wyoming and Montana can trace their roots to those Mormons.

"If the original pioneer had a mutation responsible for cancer that spread through the family, that can be traced fairly easy," says Bill Hockett, spokesman for Myriad Genetics Inc., a company searching for genetic causes of disease with the hope of developing treatments.

Only Iceland and some remote island populations can rival Utah for its value to genetics research, with founder populations and extensive genealogical data, he says.

Myriad, founded by former University of Utah researcher Mark Skolnick, identified a gene involved in breast and ovarian cancers. As the tests gained market acceptance, Myriad's revenue rose 339 percent last year.

Now the company has discovered a gene related to heart disease and is closing in on others related to asthma and other cancers. It is also looking into genetic causes of depression and dementia. "You couldn't do the same thing in many places in the world," Hockett says.

Other companies also are leveraging off the university's expertise in genetics. Biotechnology companies, many using genetics to varying degrees, now employ 11,000 workers in Utah, up more than 25 percent in three years.

Researchers often tap genealogical data that The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints gave to the university. The church gathers information so members can perform sacred temple ordinances for the dead.

Access to that genealogical information is strictly limited, Koehn says, and the church gives the university no names of living persons to protect their privacy.

But for him, the real value of the genealogical data comes with crossmatching against other databases such as the Utah Cancer Registry and state birth and death records.

Even more valuable than the records, though, is the culture of cooperation among Mormons.

Koehn, who came from New York six years ago, noticed a different attitude right away. "It's not so much 'What's in it for me?' It's 'It sounds like a good idea. We'd all be better off if we did it.'"

The last time Ward kept track, about three years ago, only a dozen of 15,000 people refused to participate in a study.

To explain cooperation that he calls "legendary," Ward recalls a woman in rural Utah, now in her 60s, who had lost every other one of her babies to heart defects.

"Every time the obstetrician would come for one of my deliveries," she reported, "he'd bring a box to bury the baby just in case."

Now, Wards says, she watches her surviving children bury their babies.

"When you see that going on in your family," he says, "the cooperation is understandable."

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Cloudy today with a high in the mid 80s. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain and a low in the mid 50s. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain and a high of about 70. Friday's high was 92; the Saturday morning low 68.

REGIONAL FORECAST

WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Today, increasing clouds with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High near 80. Southwest wind 15-20 mph with higher gusts, becoming north. Sunday night, mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers. Low in the lower 50s. Monday, mostly cloudy and cool with a chance of light rain.

High around 70. Low Rolling Plains — Today, partly cloudy. High in the mid 80s to lower 90s. Sunday night, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows from near 55 northwest south plains to near 65 low rolling plains. Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. High in the mid 70s northwest south plains to mid 80s low rolling plains. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Today, partly cloudy. High near 90. Sunday night, partly to mostly cloudy. Lows in the 60s. Monday, partly to mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows 60-65. High in the 80s. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Today, partly cloudy. High in the lower 90s. Sunday night, mostly cloudy. Lows 65-

70. Monday, partly to mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the mid to upper 60s. High in the mid to upper 80s. Far West Texas — Today, partly cloudy. High in the mid 80s to lower 90s. Sunday night, fair. Lows 55-60. Monday, partly cloudy days and fair nights. Lows 55-60. High 85-90. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Today, mostly sunny. High from the 80s mountains to near 100 along the Rio Grande. Sunday night, fair. Lows from the mid 50s mountains to lower 70s along the Rio Grande. Monday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows from the upper 50s mountains to the lower 70s along the Rio Grande. High in the mid 80s mountains to near 100 along the Rio Grande.

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Report: Writing expert identifies mother as ransom note author

DENVER (AP) — A handwriting analyst who helped the FBI solve the Unabomber case reportedly believes Patsy Ramsey wrote the ransom note she said was left by the killers of her daughter.

ABC's "20/20" quotes sources in law enforcement agencies as saying Donald Foster of Vassar College based his analysis of the ransom note on its punctuation and indentation styles. The note was found in the Ramsey home eight hours before the 6-year-old's battered body was discovered in the basement on Dec. 26, 1996.

A 1995 Christmas letter and a 1978 photo with a two-line caption, both written by Mrs. Ramsey, include repeated use of the exclamation point, as the ransom note does, "20/20" reported.

The program, to be broadcast Sunday night, also features former Boulder police Detective Steve Thomas speaking publicly for the first time since releasing a scathing resignation letter in August in which he accused Boulder District Attorney Alex Hunter of bungling the case.

The Ramsey family has denied any involvement in the death of their daughter.

Foster said he could not comment on ABC's report because he had signed a confidentiality agreement with Boulder police when they hired him to help in the long-stalled investigation. Boulder police also had no comment.

The Ramsey family has denied any involvement in the death of their daughter. Police have made no arrests, but say John and Patsy Ramsey remain "under an umbrella of suspicion."

A Boulder grand jury has been meeting several times a week for the past two weeks to try to solve the child beauty queen's murder. Police asked Hunter to give the case to the grand jury when they were unable to solve it.

Foster was hired by the FBI to prove Ted Kaczynski wrote the Unabomber Manifesto.

Railroad Commission employee to retire

On Sept. 28, the Railroad Commission Oil and Gas District Office in Pampa will honor Bob Caddel with a retirement reception. The retirement of this field inspector represents twelve years of service and knowledge to the state of Texas.

The Railroad Commission has held a leading role in the regulation of oil and gas since the 1930s. The Commission was granted the right to prorate production in order to conserve the states natural resources, to protect correlative rights and to prevent pollution. This leadership role has been recognized throughout the world.

Texas produces more oil and gas than any other state. The Commissions oil and gas division tracks production of the oil and gas wells. In addition, through its nine district offices, field inspectors inspect the wells and facilities across the state to ensure compliance with commission rules and regulations. The division, also, works to ensure that the water resources of the state are protected from damage by oil and gas field activities.

Caddel began working for the Railroad Commission on Jan. 13, 1986. He and his wife Mary, have one daughter, Jackie hood, of Kingsland, Texas and one grandson, Zachary Hood. Caddel began his career as a Tech 3 Field Inspector in the Pampa office and will retire as a



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Tech 5. He previously worked for Gray County, Phillips Petroleum in Borger and Bartlesville, and was self employed as a Barber and an Auctioneer. He plans to travel, pursue his love for playing

Bluegrass Music, and do more hunting after retire,ant.

The Railroad Commission will miss the leadership, experience, and knowledge that Bob has brought to the Commission. The Railroad Commission, through

its employees, has a proud history of service to both Texas and the nation. The oilfields of the Texas Panhandle are safer and more productive because of the work of field technicians like Bob Caddel.

EOTT Energy Partners extends distribution area

HOUSTON — EOTT Energy Partners, L.P., announced recently that it has signed a definitive agreement to purchase crude oil gathering and transportation assets in key oil producing regions from affiliates of Koch Industries, Inc. The transaction will almost triple EOTT's pipeline mileage, almost double lease barrels under contract and significantly strengthen profitability and cash flow. The assets represent a significant addition to the purchase of similar Koch assets in West Texas announced by EOTT in July.

The asset purchase will include approximately 3,900 miles of crude oil pipeline and contracts for approximately 220,000 lease barrels of crude oil per day from production in 11 central and western states including Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and California.

"This latest acquisition is a major step toward EOTT's objective of achieving a leadership position in the North America crude oil marketing and transportation industry," said Michael D. Burke, president and CEO of EOTT. "The new assets, which complement our

core crude oil gathering and transportation business, should result in substantial economies of scale and should strengthen our ability to serve customers throughout North America."

EOTT will pay \$184 million in cash and issue 2 million units and 2 million subordinated units to Koch. Loans for the cash portion of the transaction will be provided by Enron. Subject to EOTT Board of Directors and Audit Committee approval, the Koch transaction is expected to close before year-end.

EOTT also announced that Enron Corp., has agreed to extend its common unit distribution support to \$29 million through year-end 2001 upon EOTT's receipt of certain unitholder approvals. After the transaction closes, EOTT will seek unitholder approval to authorize up to 10 million new common units and to authorize the New York Stock Exchange listing of common units to be issued to Enron upon conversion of special units. The new authorization will provide EOTT with future financial flexibility including permanent financing for a portion of this acquisition and for future transactions.

"This very substantial acquisition should significantly enhance EOTT's ability to fully fund common unit distributions from cash flow. When in place, Enron's extension of distribution support will further assure common unitholders of continued reliable distributions," Burke said.

At the close of the transaction, EOTT will issue approximately 1.15 million special units to Enron in exchange for Enron's commitment to cancel \$22 million of additional partnership interests on April 1, 1999.

EOTT Energy Partners is a major independent marketer of crude oil in the U.S. and Canada. Together with its predecessors, the partnership has been serving the petroleum industry since 1946. Both EOTT Energy Partners and EOTT Energy Corp., the general partner, are headquartered in Houston.

Meredith House



Meredith Tenant of the Month Elsie Wariner celebrated the honor with her family recently. Above: (left-right) Johnny Wariner; Jerry Wariner, Lisa Wariner, Eddie Wariner, Bobbybe Combs and Elsie. Bottom: Elsie and daughter Bobbybe.

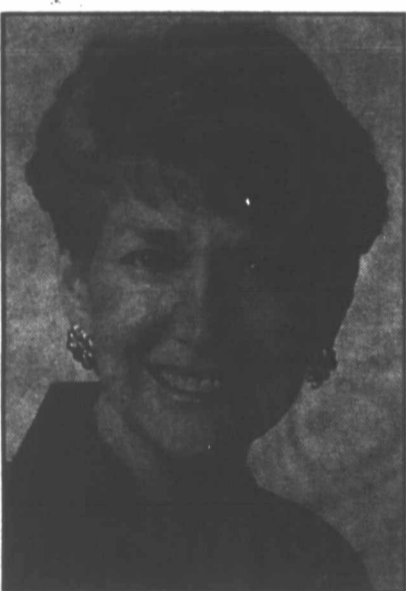
Best-selling author Linda Dillow to speak at First Baptist Church retreat

Pampa First Baptist Church Women's Fall Retreat, "Contentment — A Choice of the Heart," will be Nov. 13-15 at New Beginnings Christian Retreat Center near Channing. The retreat speaker will be Linda Dillow, popular author and speaker from Monument, Colo.

Dillow describes herself first as a wife and mother and second as an author and speaker. She authored the best-seller "Creative Counterpart and Priority Planner," and has co-authored "Big Book of Family Fun." In addition, her "A Mother's Journey" and "Calm My Anxious Heart," a 12-week Bible study, were recently released.

Dillow and husband, Jody, lived in Europe and Asia for 17 years where she traveled extensively, helping launch a women's ministry. She has spoken to retreat groups throughout the world.

Cost of the retreat is \$87. Lodging is two to a room. The fee includes all food, lodging and transportation. Area women interested in attending should obtain a form from the church office at 203 N. West in Pampa.



Linda Dillow

Registration and fee deadline is Oct. 4.

For more information call, the church at 669-1155 or Kathryn Green at 669-0148.

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Auditions for Pampa Civic Ballet will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at the Beaux Arts Dance Studio, 315 N. Nelson.

Area ballet dancers who would like to audition for the company must do so at this time.

Dancers chosen for the company must take a minimum of two ballet classes per week from their regular teacher. Members of the company must be 13 and older, and junior members will be chosen from auditioning 11- and 12-year-olds.

Guest audition examiner for this year again will be Neil Hess of Amarillo, artistic director of the Lone Star Ballet and director of the musical drama "TEXAS."

An audition fee will be charged.

Dancers selected are required to attend all company rehearsals. The Nutcracker is set for Saturday, Dec. 5, at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.

Returning as a guest artist is Cornel Crabtree.

Pampa Civic Ballet is a non-profit organization chartered in 1972. Jeanne Willingham is founder and artistic director of the company. Auditions are held yearly.

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Hurricane is bad news

At this writing I don't know where Trisha ended up. She took off from Key West the other day to avoid the wrath of Hurricane Georges.

When I talked with her she had only just decided to leave her home that is three blocks from the beach. Some time later the word went out that evacuation was mandatory.

Trisha wondered whether a tornado is preferable to a hurricane — a tornado happens so quickly one doesn't have to decide what to take. And because I know Trisha's thought process when it comes to making up her mind — slow and deliberate — making her choices wasn't going to be easy.

I volunteered that I would take my photo albums and go to the bank and get the contents of my safety deposit box. And I'd grab my "Kennedy picture," too. It's an autographed picture of the former president that I inherited ... and prize greatly.

But where would I go from there with only limited space — a couple or three suitcases. The antique family baby cradle couldn't go. Neither could my daddy's old oak desk and chair.

And Jasmine. What would I do? I couldn't leave my dog — er, companion animal — behind. And what about the animals? I worry more about them than I do the people.

Trisha had two ways out planned. One was on a plane. Luckily she got a ticket. And the other was with a friend, Chuck. He's a charter fishing boat owner and he needed to get his craft into safer harbors, maybe Fort Lauderdale.

Both Trisha and Chuck are interesting stories ... risk takers. Trisha, an attorney, decided she didn't like Arkansas' cold winters anymore, quit her job, sold her house, rented a storage unit, packed her car and headed to Key West. No job. No place to stay. Nothing.

And while she's taken a bit of a financial hit over the move, Trisha doesn't hesitate to say it was the right thing to do.

Chuck, whom I met once a long time ago, is



Kate B. Dickson

Associate publisher/editor

from Dallas. I'm not sure what business he was in but whatever, he chucked (no pun intended) it all, took the money he had, moved to Key West, bought a boat and went to "captain school."

When I get up with Trisha this week, I'll let you know how evacuation came out.

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Last week I had an interesting experience — jury duty in Gray County District Court.

I'd served on a jury in Arkansas years ago, surprisingly so because newspaper folks tend to get kicked off.

Here, I believed I would be removed, too. Either because of my profession or because of my answers which I figured would tend to put the prosecution off.

Well, he wasn't put off and my job didn't really come into play and I was the 11th one seated on the panel. We were sworn around noon by Judge M. Kent Sims and told to come back the next morning as the court had other business to take care of that afternoon.

As it turned out, the call came not to report. An odd thing happened. The deputy prosecutor realized that he had represented the defendant a number of years ago when the accused man was a juvenile. Pounds, age and time combined to block the memory.

Once it was recalled, ethically the case couldn't go on. Thus, another court date with another jury will be required.

Besides my limited jury experience, I have spent a lot of time in the courtroom as a

reporter. Always interesting to me is the voir dire, or questioning of the jury by the judge, defense lawyer and prosecution.

Usually there's something funny that happens. Or, at least I think it is.

My favorite was the man in Arkansas who was being questioned about drugs by a defense lawyer who used word association.

The lawyer threw out words like drugs, marijuana, police, etc. Then he said, "set up." The potential juror just sat there. No answer. So, once again, the defense lawyer, who had a booming theatrical voice, leaned forward and loudly said, "set up."

Well, I've got to tell you. That poor man remained mute but he jumped and sat up so straight in his chair that I thought I was going to burst out laughing. I made eye contact with the judge and he had to look away lest he lose it.

And last week had it's moment of humor, too.

The defense attorney, almost as an aside, asked the panel if any of us had such an "abiding dislike" for lawyers that we couldn't sit and listen to attorneys for two days.

Sure enough, an older man raised his hand. He had no use for them, he said. And, for a while it seemed the attorney and judge had rehabilitated him to the point he could put those feelings aside and make a decision based upon case facts.

But it wasn't long afterward that the man put up his hand and asked to approach the bench. After some talk that we couldn't hear, the man was dismissed.

While that was going on, a man sitting beside me whispered to those close by, "He had a bad divorce. That's why he hates lawyers."

And that reminded me of what a judge friend shared once. He said in divorce cases he always felt better about his decision when both parties left unhappy. That way, he said he knew he was being fair.

Opinion

Local officials stance on drug issue to be commended

Pampans taking part in a fledgling community-based anti-drug program met for a second time last week to discuss the city's drug problems and figure out just what can be done to combat the scourge.

It's a group that's joining hands with law enforcement — the Pampa Police Department, Gray County Sheriff's Department and the district attorney's office — to make our city a safer and better place in which to live.

Wisely, many of those attending realize solving the problem involves more than what law enforcement, the judicial and prison system can do about it.

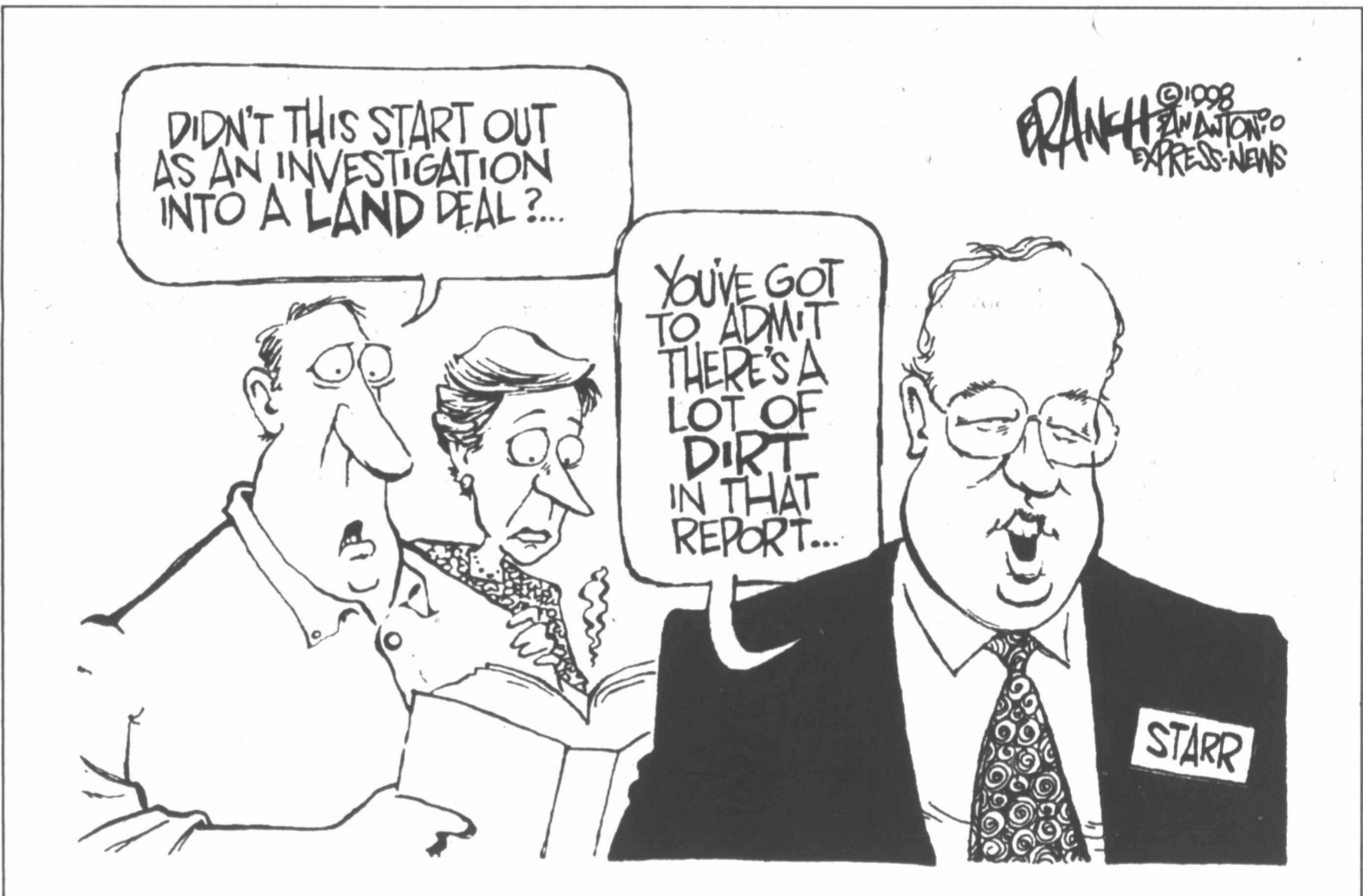
For as in Economics 101, the business of drugs, like any other business, revolves around supply and demand. Unfortunately there's plenty of both with more addicts and dealers swelling the ranks daily.

While it remains ever-important to fight drugs on the street criminal level, the group's emphasis last week on addiction is to be commended.

Addicts are sick people who need help in getting off and staying off their drug of choice. Once detoxified, addicts need serious counseling in order to learn how to deal with life's pains without covering them up with "anesthesia."

To make sure a helping hand is near for those who want to enter recovery, the grass roots group gave itself a task. It is setting about to compile a list of free and low-cost agencies and resources available to help with addiction problems.

All the officials involved are certainly to be commended for working with the group, but deserving of special praise is John and Jane Doe citizen who are giving of their free time to work for our city and for their fellow man.



Today in history

By The Associated Press
 Today is Sunday, Sept. 27, the 270th day of 1998. There are 95 days left in the year.
 Today's Highlight in History:
 On Sept. 27, 1939, Warsaw,

Poland, surrendered after weeks of resistance to invading forces from Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union during World War II.
 On this date:
 In 1779, John Adams was named

to negotiate the Revolutionary War's peace terms with Britain.
 In 1942, Glenn Miller and his Orchestra performed together for the last time, at the Central Theater in Passaic, N.J., prior to

Miller's entry into the Army.
 In 1943, Bing Crosby, the Andrews Sisters and the Vic Schoen Orchestra recorded "Pistol Packin' Mama" and "Jingle Bells" for Decca Records.

Clinton and future presidents

President Clinton's peccadilloes, lies to Americans, acts of perjury, likely obstruction of justice and abuse of power, and the scorched earth defense he and his allies have chosen, have potential for greater harm than anything President Nixon did.

Let's look at just a bit of the Clinton scandal and ask ourselves whether we want Clinton's tactics to become a pattern for future presidents. Given the continuing public support for Clinton, we might also ask what has become of our standards and values.

Regardless of what we think about Kenneth Starr, his investigative powers are lawful. He has exercised no power that wasn't first given to him by the U.S. attorney general and a three-judge panel. If Starr abuses his powers, he can be instantly fired by the attorney general. Should we accept as permissible behavior a president's, or other elected officials', sending out of people to attack the integrity and undermine the work of a duly appointed court officer?

Should we also accept the idea that witnesses, who testify against or charge a public official with crimes and misdeeds, should have their personal lives investigated in an attempt to dig up dirt so as to impugn their character, as the president has done in the cases of Kathleen Willey, Paula Jones and Jennifer Flowers?

What about the White House attempted rope-a-dope, saying that requiring Secret



Walter Williams

Syndicated columnist

Service agents to testify puts the lives of future presidents in jeopardy? Starr didn't want Secret Service testimony about national or international policy discussions they may have overheard. He wanted them to testify about misdeeds they may have witnessed in the White House. Judges struck down the White House's specious privilege claims, but you don't have to be a legal scholar to recognize the nonsense. Never in our history has there been an assassination or attempted assassination in the White House.

For many politicians, there's little they wouldn't stoop to in order to advance or protect their political careers. However, for over 200 years the nation's moral values have stood as a shield against corrupt elected officials infecting the body politic. That's changing, as a result of a generalized national moral decline, ignorance and successful White House spin.

Consider our new moral priorities. There was considerable public and media condemnation of Linda Tripp for having secretly taped conversations with Monica Lewinsky. Very little outrage was exhibited about the attempt to get Tripp to commit a felony (perjury) to protect the president. Apparently, for today's Americans, secretly taping a friend is far more worrisome than a president using his powers to cover up corruption.

What about the popular public sentiment shared by the president's defenders and many in Congress that if Clinton only lied about sex he shouldn't resign or be impeached. People who express this view are really arguing that in the case of the Clinton-Lewinsky scandal the rule of law should be suspended and substituted by mob rule. Perjury is the criminal offense of making false statements under oath. From my scant legal knowledge, there are no instances where perjury is not criminal, even if it's about sex.

The Clinton presidency might have two more years of life; quite possibly the nation can survive an immoral and dishonest presidency. The more important issue is whether we are going to allow Clinton's cover-up and abuse of power to establish a pattern for future presidents. You can bet the rent money that if Clinton gets away with this, some other president will become more arrogant and abusive.

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calls until Mauricio was sending Monica a plane ticket to come visit him.

After a year in Korea, Mauricio was stationed in Louisiana. He said he was still supposed to be a scout, but an exceedingly high score of 128 on an intelligence test that gave a highest score of 130, got him bumped up to an "intelligence analyst."

His new job title required that he learn how to "figure out what the enemy's doing."

It was like chess, as far as trying to predict what the other guy was gonna do, before he did it, according to Vasquez.

The new job also allowed him to determine people's clearance status.

"Say you wanted top secret clearance. We worked on getting that clearance ... if a soldier went AWOL, we made sure he got taken care of. You could say we were the bad guys ... the good guys ... what am I saying."

Mauricio said he loved the job. He and his team went to California for two months to be involved in a simulated warfare project in which his enemy-prediction skills were put into play.

"We did an excellent job of predicting what the enemy was doing ... it was good to get to see how everyone's skills there worked together as a whole," said Vasquez.

Not long after his California experience, he received orders that his unit may be one of several to go to Bosnia. Around this time, he and Monica were married, and a few weeks later he found out he was going to be a dad.

But not before he was shipped off to Bosnia.

August 13, 1997, Mauricio Vasquez left his wife at Alexandria, Louisiana and flew to Ireland, Germany, Hungary, and from there, he drove into Croatia. He was armed with training on how to calm rioting crowds, and had an extensive debriefing on Croatia, Bosnia, Muslims, and the history of a long conflict.

Mauricio said the hands of waving children and American supporters stays imprinted in his mind. Of course there were some who yelled for the Americans to go home, but when he saw the people cheering, waving flags, it reminded him that he was there for a reason.

"It makes you feel like you're saving the day ... when you drive into a country and see those kids, you're reminded of why you're there," he said.

Vasquez's new mission in Bosnia was as a First Sergeant's driver. He and the sergeant were in charge of taking care of the soldiers. If something happened to one of them, he received word and

passed it on to the commanding officials.

"I'll tell you that we are the greatest force," Mauricio said. "There are countries that outnumber us, we may not always have the quantity, but we have quality. When you realize that you are a part of that, it's such an adrenaline rush."

Nine months later, Mauricio's duty was up. His wife had their first born daughter alone while he was still across the globe. He was given the opportunity to make the military his career. He did well in the army. And he seriously might have stayed, except for one incident that changed everything.

It was close to Christmas; he was sharing a tent with five other men. A higher ranking officer came into the tent, a man who was hard-headed, an officer you wouldn't expect to see ... crying, he said.

Mauricio said he was a little shocked. The man, approximately in his 40s, was staring at a picture of a girl. When asked if he was okay, the man looked at Vasquez and said, "Look son, I'm gonna give you some free advice. The army is good to you sometimes. But your family is good to you always. Don't ever let yourself watch your children grow up through pictures."

The incident helped him make up his mind.

"I wanted to be a part of my daughter's life ... what's the joy of being a father, if you're not there? So I just decided, no, I'm not going to stay," he said. "I kept getting put into positions where I could shine, positions of responsibility, and I took advantage of that — but after that sergeant told me that, I made up my mind."

Mauricio didn't leave before receiving more honors, medals, certificates, achievements, and photographs as mementos of his life abroad. He flew home, and got a good night's sleep the evening he landed back onto American soil.

"I got back to Alexandria on April 18. I got to hold my daughter for the first time. She was born on Jan. 18 and since then I hadn't been able to sleep. I was terrified I was going to drop her. I had always thought, 'I'm never going to be a dad.'"

His nightmares ceased after he held his baby Cecilia, he got some rest and within a week he was a civilian again. Mauricio got a job offer from a computer company in Austin, but his sister died in Pampa on May 25. While in town, he inquired about jobs and decided to come home.

He got a job back at a local building maintenance company where he worked at during high school. But a call late last week brought good news for the Vasquez family. Mauricio has been hired by the city to be a 911 dispatcher and he begins his new job in October.

"You get to go a lot of places, but believe it or not, you miss home," he said.



(Special photo)

Taken while driving through Hungary, Mauricio Vasquez's camera captures a moment when children in the streets are waving at the passing American vehicles on the way to Bosnia.

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Pampa got on the board first with 7:06 left in the first quarter when cornerback Jarred Bowles broke through the line and blocked a Lakeview punt out of the end zone for a two-point safety.

The Harvesters put together the first scoring drive of the night on their next possession, going 45 yards in seven plays. Quarterback Justin Roark threw an 11-yard pass to flanker Armando Tarango, who made a leaping catch in the end zone.

Justin Barnes' PAT at the 3:37 mark of the third quarter gave Pampa a 9-0 advantage. Lakeview got its offense into gear on the ensuing kickoff and scored on Alonzo Robinson's 34-yard pass to Isaac Flores. However, it was all Pampa the rest of the way.

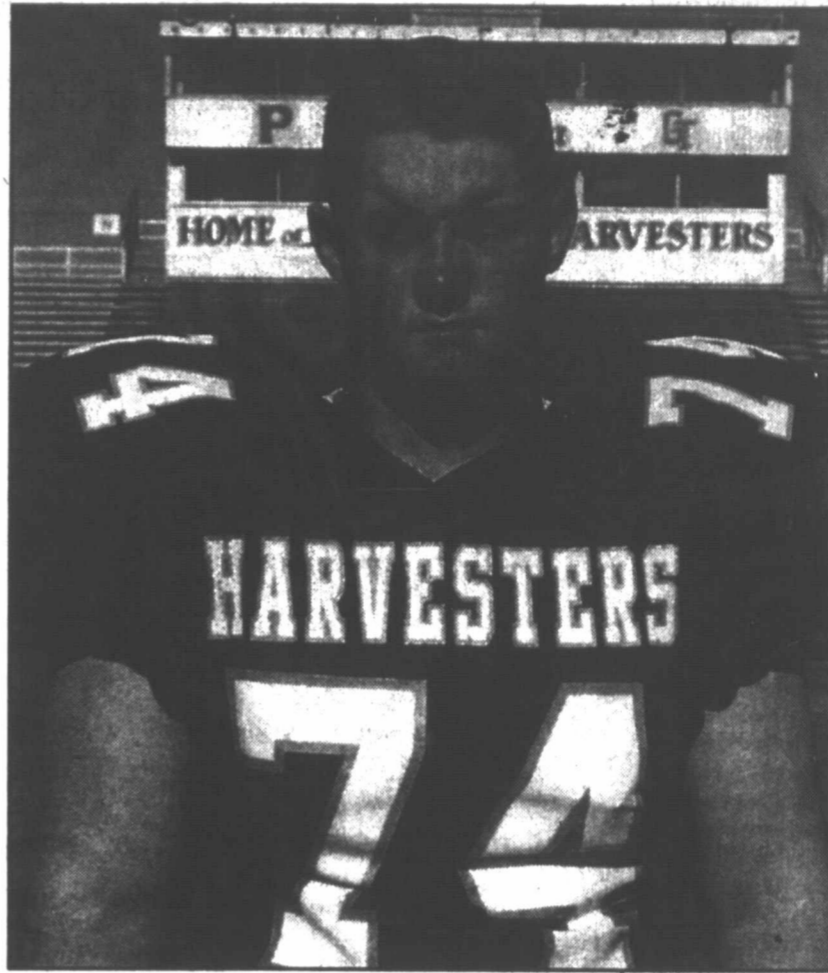
Pampa's defense scored the next touchdown when end Andy

Schroeder fell on a fumble after a busted play in the Lakeview end zone. A well-placed 36-yard punt by Barnes had put the Chiefs in poor field position on their own five-yard line.

Leading 16-7, the Harvesters all but put the game out of reach with a seven-play, 80-yard scoring drive on their next possession. On the first play from scrimmage after a Chiefs' punt, fullback Erich Greer — behind the blocks of linemen Jeremy Miller, Kory Nickell and Cody Sheppard — found a big hole in the middle and raced 55 yards to the Lakeview 25. Six plays later, Greer scored on a five-yard run. Roark's conversion pass to Josh Taylor gave Pampa a 24-7 lead.

Greer was the game's leading rusher with 119 yards on 17 carries while Curtis Johnson added 70 yards on 20 carries. Roark had 10 carries in six carries while Ollie Lowe had nine yards on five carries and Randall Ellis had three yards on two carries.

Pampa's defense, allowing just 180 yards per game going into Friday night, held the Chiefs to only 158 yards total offense. Alonzo Robinson, Lakeview's strong-armed quarterback, completed seven of 20 pass attempts for 86 yards and had two passes intercepted.



Some solid blocking up front from senior guard Kory Nickell (above) and the rest of the offensive linemen helped Pampa roll up 221 yards against Lakeview.

Pampa 24, Lakeview 7
 Pampa 0 0 9 16-24
 Lakeview 0 0 7 0-7
 P - Jarred Bowles safety
 P - Armando Tarango 11 pass from Justin Roark (Justin Barnes kick)
 S - Isaac Flores 34 pass from Alonzo Robinson (Wade Day kick)
 P - Andy Schroeder fumble recovery (Barnes kick)
 P - Erich Greer 5 run (Josh Taylor pass from Roark)

Class 4A Scores
 Andrews 35, Levelland 7
 Athens 45, Kaufman 7
 Bastrop 22, Waco University 3
 Beaville 28, Ingleside 14
 Belton 19, Leander 7
 Boerne 34, SA Sam Houston 7
 Brownwood 42, Granbury 16
 Cleburne 7, Burleson 0
 Colleyville Heritage 34, Denton Ryan 6
 Crowley 33, Joshua 22
 Dallas Hillcrest 38, Dallas Jefferson 20
 Dallas Lincoln 32, Cedar Hill 10
 Dallas Wilson 20, Dallas Madison 19
 Dayton 48, Dickinson 6
 Denison 49, Marine Military Academy 7
 Dripping Springs 27, Wimberley 6
 EP Parkland 28, Clint 14
 EP Riverside 22, EP Andrews 20
 FW Brewer 12, Azle 7
 FW Castleberry 10, Weatherford 7
 FW Poly 17, FW Diamond Hill-Jarvis 12
 FW Southwest 42, Arlington Oakridge 27
 FW Western Hills 28, FW Trimble Tech 6
 FW Wyatt 2, FW Southwest 0
 Fabens 49, Presidio 0
 Grapevine 23, Highland Park 10
 Hays 41, Lampasas 13
 Jacksonville 40, Hallsville 21
 Justin Northwest 10, Mineral Wells 7
 Keller 27, WF Rider 0
 Lancaster 21, Palestine 13
 Magnolia 28, Oak Ridge 7
 Mercedes 21, PSJA Memorial 14
 New Braunfels Canyon 50, Pleasanton 10
 PA Lincoln 26, Vidor 20
 Pampa 24, Lakeview 7
 Port Neches-Groves 24, LC Mauriceville 8
 Rockport-Fulton 23, Robstown 0
 SA Alamo Heights 48, SA Southside 7
 SA Lanier 35, SA Kennedy 0
 SA Memorial 50, SA Burbank 12
 Saginaw Bowell 19, Springtown 3

Cougars crush Clovis Christian

BRISCOE — Fort Elliott celebrated its football homecoming with a 60-22 win over Clovis Christian in six-man action Friday night.

The Cougars extended their perfect record to 4-0.

Curt Smith had a nine-touchdown performance for the Cougars while teammate C.J. Bryant rushed for 225 yards on 16 carries.

Smith completed 24 passes in 35 attempts as the Cougars amassed 290 yards through the air.

Tanner Smith snared five touchdown passes for the Cougars. Bryant, Nathan Hefley, Monty Hand and George Reeves each caught a TD pass.

WHITE DEER-White Deer acquired an easy victory over Shamrock in non-district play on Friday evening. White Deer's JJ. White scored twice, Craig Urbanczyk scored once, and a Jeremy Crook-Shawn Poor passing play of 51 yards brought a win to the Bucks. Urbanczyk ran for

165 yards, White ran for 84 yards, and Keith Larkin rushed for 100 yards. The records now stand at 3-1 (White Deer) and 2-2 (Shamrock).

COTTON CENTER-Groom tore Cotton Center apart winning 53-8 in non-district six-man action.

Groom's Wade Ritter ran for 145 yards and four touchdowns. Quarterback Josh Evenson passed for 143 yards with four completions to Wyatt Weinheimer gaining 99 yards. Groom now stands with a perfect 4-0 record thus far into the season. Cotton Center dropped to a 1-3 record.



Fort Elliott back C.J. Bryant eludes the Clovis Christian defense Friday night.

Some NFL teams reach critical stage in young season

By BARRY WILNER
 AP Football Writer

A month into the NFL season and already there's talk of must wins.

That's how the Tennessee Oilers feel about their home game against unbeaten Jacksonville.

"Not many 1-3 teams are going to go on to make the playoffs," said center Mark Stepnoski, who is coming off a knee injury and will play for the first time this season Sunday. "The more you lose, the harder you make it on yourself."

The Oilers are 1-2 and evening their record will be a major undertaking against the Jaguars. Jacksonville (3-0) has won all its games by putting together strong drives when things got tight, or by getting superb performances from its leaders, particularly quarterback Mark Brunell. The Jaguars rank fourth in total offense.

When the Jaguars lost tailback James Stewart (knee) for the season, they plugged in top draft pick Fred Taylor. The ninth pick overall set a team record with 128 yards rushing last week.

But the Oilers might have a secret weapon in linebacker Eddie Robinson, a starter for Jacksonville until being waived in August and picked up by Tennessee.

"Having played against us so much in practice and being with us and knowing what we do on offense, that certainly is an edge for their defense," Brunell said.

The Oilers know they need every edge. They need Steve McNair to find Yancey Thigpen through the air; they need Eddie George to dominate on the ground.

"They're a team we feel as though we can beat, but we have to go out and not talk

about it, but do it," Thigpen said.

Other teams reaching critical stages are Washington, Detroit and Tampa Bay, all expected to contend for playoff berths. They are a combined 1-8, and the Lions are hosts to the Bucs on Monday night. Washington is home for Denver.

Elsewhere on Sunday, it's Arizona at St. Louis, Green Bay at Carolina, Kansas City at Philadelphia, New Orleans at Indianapolis, Oakland at Dallas, Seattle at Pittsburgh, the New York Giants at San Diego, Atlanta at San Francisco, Minnesota at Chicago, and Cincinnati at Baltimore.

"I've been in this situation before," Denver tight end Shannon Sharpe said of the Redskins, outscored 100-48 in going 0-3. "In '94 we started off 0-4. We had come in after a playoff season. We get Anthony Miller. We get Mike Pritchard. We get Ray Crockett. We're the team to beat, and we start off 0-3 and 0-4."

"And the first thing that happens is that everybody starts to look at himself. 'Are we that good?' 'Are we that bad?' And the fans get on you, and the coaching staff. Nothing goes well."

"All it takes is a win. Because winning cures all things. It cures the bickering within. It gets the fans happy again. All of a sudden they love you."

Of course, everybody in Denver loves the Super Bowl champs, who are 3-0.

The Monday night game features two 1997 playoff qualifiers off to disappointing starts. The Bucs lost their first two — tough games at Minnesota and Green Bay — before beating Chicago at home last week. The Lions have fallen to Minnesota, Green Bay and Cincinnati.

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Judson surprises Westlake, 37-31

By CHARLES RICHARDS
Associated Press Writer

A week and a half ago, Austin Westlake had put together a string of 67 consecutive regular-season victories in Texas high school football.

Now, they've lost two in a row. Just a week after losing to Class 5A's No. 1-ranked team, Kilgus Ellison, the Chaparrals fell to fifth-ranked Converse Judson 37-31 Friday night in a battle of two of the premier Texas football programs of the 1990s.

Dan Walker's fourth field goal of the night gave Westlake a 31-22 lead with less than two minutes elapsed in the fourth quarter. But the Rockets responded with a 12-play, 80-yard drive. Adrian Barnes went the final three yards for a touchdown with 5:28 to play that brought Judson to within 31-29.

Westlake set up at its own 29 after the kickoff, and quarterback Adam Hall scrambled 21 yards to midfield. But then it was three downs and out, and a punt.

Quarterback Justin Baker led the Rockets on another methodical drive, this time spanning 10 plays and 60 yards. On a crucial third down midway through the sequence, Baker hit tight end Mike McDougall on a 34-yard pass to the Westlake 1, and Barnes scored two plays later, with just 78 seconds left on the clock.

"We had our chances, but

Judson was just too much," Westlake coach Ron Schroeder said. "Right there at the end, they took the momentum, and we couldn't get it back."

Down-to-the-wire isn't the customary Judson pace. The Rockets had prevailed over their three previous opponents by a combined score of 116-27.

Elsewhere in Texas high school football, Killeen Ellison was beaten by Terrell Marshall in a Saturday afternoon game. The four other No. 1 ranked teams all won.

La Marque beat Houston Forest Brook 10-7 in 4A; Breckenridge beat Cisco 48-12 in 3A, Stanton beat Reagan County 63-0 in 2A and Tenaha beat San Augustine 21-6 in 1A.

Tyler John Tyler was the only ranked 5A team to lose, falling 31-16 to Shreveport Evangel Christian.

There were three losses in the 4A ranks. No. 2 Corsicana was beaten by Terrell 21-0, No. 6 Highland Park fell to Grapevine 23-10 and No. 8 Greenville lost to Dallas Kimball 14-7.

In 3A, third-ranked Alvarado was the only casualty among ranked teams, dropping a 14-13 decision to Marlin, while in 2A, Omaha Paul Hewitt was the only loser, falling 20-14 to Mount Vernon. Paul Hewitt went into the game tied for eighth in 2A.

In 1A, Wheeler, tied for sixth, fell to Spearman, the No. 6 team in 2A, by 42-6. Tenth-ranked Alvord lost to Muenster 21-8.

Sosa hits No. 66, but Cubs lose to Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — Sammy Sosa and the Chicago Cubs are all tied up.

On Friday night, Sosa took the lead in the home run race by hitting No. 66, but Mark McGwire tied him about 45 minutes later. Then Chicago dropped a 6-2 decision to Houston that left the Cubs in a three-way tie for the NL wildcard spot with San Francisco and New York.

"If we just keep losing, somebody has to win," Sosa said. "I hope the last two games, something happens. Maybe we'll get a little help from Harry Caray and play much better."

All three teams in the wild-card chase have two games left.

"Odds are, there will be a playoff, and hopefully we'll be in there somewhere," Cubs manager Jim Riggleman said. "But it's looking like a very good chance that we'll have a playoff."

Leading off the fourth inning against friend and fellow Dominican Jose Lima, Sosa hit a 462-foot drive into the third level of the Astrodome.

Asked if he was disappointed that McGwire came back to tie the record, Sosa said: "Disappointed? For what, man? Mark is my friend, not my enemy."

Shortly after Sosa's homer at the Astrodome, a fan displayed a sign saying "Sosa loves Lima."

Lima also gave up Nos. 50 and 51 to Sosa at Wrigley Field on Aug. 23. Following Sosa's two-homer game off Lima, there was a published report questioning whether Lima grooved a pitch for the Cubs star. Both players denied the allegation.

"When I cross the white lines, even my dad is my enemy," Lima said after Friday night's game. "There's no way I'd put up a pitch for him to hit. My ERA is my money. My big concern is that we won the game. I don't care if I give up 50 homers if they don't hurt me and we win. Tonight I gave up two

solo homers and the score was 6-2. That's fine."

Derek Bell hit a two-run homer, and Moises Alou singled home the go-ahead run in the fourth inning for the NL Central champion Astros. The Cubs lost for the fifth time in six games.

Sosa had been ahead of McGwire in the homer chase once before. On Aug. 19, Sosa hit No. 48 in a game against St. Louis. About an hour later, McGwire hit his 48th and connected later in the game to take the lead.

"It would be nice if we finished tied," Sosa said. "It's something I cannot predict what's going to happen the next few days. But it's a good feeling that we're right there together. It's a lot of fun."

Lima (16-8) has been generous with home runs this season. He leads the team with 34 home runs allowed, fourth in the NL.

Astros starter Sean Bergman also yielded homer No. 47 to Sosa on Aug. 16. Sosa has four against the Astros this season.

Sosa has 157 RBIs, fourth-most in NL history. He broke out of an 0-for-21 slump on Wednesday with two home runs in a loss at Milwaukee.

Kevin Tapani (19-9), trying to become the Cubs' first 20-game winner since Greg Maddux in 1992, got off to a rough start.

After Craig Biggio grounded out to start the game, Bill Spiers singled and Derek Bell hit the next pitch over the left-field fence for his career-best 22nd homer and a 2-0 lead.

Lima got the first two batters out in the second inning before Tyler Houston hit his ninth homer.

The Astros have wrapped up the Central, but they were still trying to catch Atlanta for the home-field advantage in the playoffs. They started their regular lineup.

Sosa's homer tied it at 2 in the fourth. Alou put the Astros ahead for good with his single in the bottom half.

Mets lose, 6-5

ATLANTA (AP) — The New York Mets keep wasting chances to take control of the NL wildcard race.

On a night when they didn't have to face one of Atlanta's Big Five, the Mets twice left the bases loaded and stranded 12 runners overall in losing to the Braves 6-5 Friday night.

Andrew Jones and Keith Lockhart homered for Atlanta, which tied a franchise record with its 104th win and secured the home-field advantage throughout the league playoffs.

The Mets pulled within a run in the ninth on Carlos Baerga's RBI groundout against Atlanta stopper Kerry Ligtenberg. But with the tying run at third, John Rocker came on to strike out pinch-hitter Todd Pratt for his second save.

Scoreboard

BASEBALL

National League
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East Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Atlanta	104	56	.650	—
New York	88	72	.550	16
Philadelphia	74	84	.468	29
Montreal	64	98	.400	40
Florida	51	107	.323	52

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Houston	101	59	.631	—
Chicago	88	72	.550	13
St. Louis	82	78	.513	19
Cincinnati	75	85	.469	26
Milwaukee	73	87	.456	28
Pittsburgh	69	91	.431	32

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-San Diego	97	69	.586	—
San Francisco	88	72	.550	9
Los Angeles	82	78	.513	15
Colorado	76	84	.475	21
Arizona	64	96	.400	33

x-clinched division title

Thursday's Games

San Francisco 6, Pittsburgh 2

Philadelphia at Florida, ppd., hurricane

St. Louis 8, Montreal 3

Los Angeles 4, Milwaukee 1

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Pittsburgh (Schmidt 11-13) at Cincinnati (Harnisch 13-7), 1:15 p.m.

San Francisco (Hershiser 9-10) at Colorado (Kile 12-14), 3:05 p.m.

San Diego (Hitchcock 9-6) at Arizona (Telenzo 6-10), 4:05 p.m.

Chicago Cubs (Clark 8-14) at Houston (Reynolds 19-8), 4:05 p.m.

Philadelphia (Schilling 15-14 and Byrd 5-2) at Florida (Hernandez 10-12 and Sanchez 7-9), 2:40 p.m.

Montreal (Hermanson 14-11) at St. Louis (Aybar 6-6), 4:10 p.m.

Milwaukee (Karl 11-1) at Los Angeles (Perez 11-13), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Philadelphia (Green 6-11 and Loewer 6-8) at San Diego (Meadows 10-13 and Medina 2-5), 2:12 p.m.

N.Y. Mets (Reynoso 7-2) at Atlanta (Maddux 17-9), 1:10 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Silva 6-6) at Cincinnati (Tomko 12-12), 1:15 p.m.

Montreal (Thurman 4-5) at St. Louis (Morris 7-5), 2:10 p.m.

Chicago Cubs (Mullholland 6-5) at Houston (Hampton 11-7), 2:35 p.m.

San Francisco (Ruetter 16-9) at Colorado (Wright 9-13), 3:05 p.m.

Milwaukee (Pulsipher 3-3) at Los Angeles

(Park 14-9), 4:05 p.m.
San Diego (Hamilton 13-13) at Arizona (Bernes 14-13), 9:05 p.m.
End Regular Season

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Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-New York	112	48	.700	—
y-Boston	91	69	.569	21
Toronto	86	74	.538	26
Baltimore	78	82	.488	34
Tampa Bay	63	97	.394	49

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Cleveland	88	72	.550	—
Chicago	78	82	.484	10
Kansas City	72	87	.453	15
Minnesota	69	91	.431	19
Detroit	65	95	.406	23

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Texas	87	73	.544	—
Anaheim	84	76	.525	3
Seattle	75	84	.472	11
Oakland	73	87	.456	14

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Tampa Bay (Saunders 6-15) at N.Y. Yankees (Cone 19-7), 4:05 p.m.

Anaheim (Sparks 9-4) at Oakland (Hercedia 3-3), 4:05 p.m.

Texas (Stottmeyer 5-4) at Seattle (Fassero 12-12), 4:05 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Jim Abbott 4-0) at Kansas City (Barber 2-3), 8:05 p.m.

Cleveland (Nagy 15-10) at Minnesota (Tewksbury 7-12), 8:05 p.m.

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Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 12-6) at Kansas City (Belcher 14-12), 2:05 p.m.

Cleveland (Colon 14-8) at Minnesota (Milton 7-14), 2:05 p.m.

Anaheim (Finley 11-9) at Oakland (Candiotti 11-16), 4:05 p.m.

Texas (Helling 20-7) at Seattle (Moyer 15-9),

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Miami	3	0	0	1.000	58	22
New England	2	1	0	.667	77	49
N.Y. Jets	1	2	0	.333	84	66
Buffalo	0	3	0	.000	54	63
Indianapolis	0	3	0	.000	27	97

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Jacksonville	3	0	0	1.000	69	46
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	.667	37	46
Baltimore	1	2	0	.333	47	64
Cincinnati	1	2	0	.333	54	64
Tennessee	1	2	0	.333	46	54

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Denver	3	0	0	1.000	103	61
Seattle	3	0	0	1.000	95	28
Kansas City	2	1	0	.667	67	36
San Diego	2	1	0	.667	36	44
Oakland	1	2	0	.333	45	79

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Dallas	2	1	0	.667	92	59
Arizona	1	2	0	.333	41	74
N.Y. Giants	1	2	0	.333	55	75
Philadelphia	0	3	0	.000	15	72
Washington	0	3	0	.000	48	100

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Green Bay	3	0	0	1.000	74	40
Minnesota	3	0	0	1.000	98	44
Tampa Bay	1	2	0	.333	49	69
Chicago	0	3	0	.000	50	68
Detroit	0	3	0	.000	53	101

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Atlanta	2	0	0	1.000	36	26
New Orleans	2	0	0	1.000	43	31
San Francisco	2	0	0	1.000	81	40
St. Louis	1	2	0	.333	82	95
Carolina	0	2	0	.000	28	38

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Pampa got on the board first with 7:06 left in the first quarter when cornerback Jarred Bowles broke through the line and blocked a Lakeview punt out of the end zone for a two-point safety.

The Harvesters put together the first scoring drive of the night on their next possession, going 45 yards in seven plays. Quarterback Justin Roark threw an 11-yard pass to flanker Armando Tarango, who made a leaping catch in the end zone.

Justin Barnes' PAT at the 3:37 mark of the third quarter gave Pampa a 9-0 advantage.

Lakeview got its offense into gear on the ensuing kickoff and scored on Alonzo Robinson's 34-yard pass to Isaac Flores. However, it was all Pampa the rest of the way.

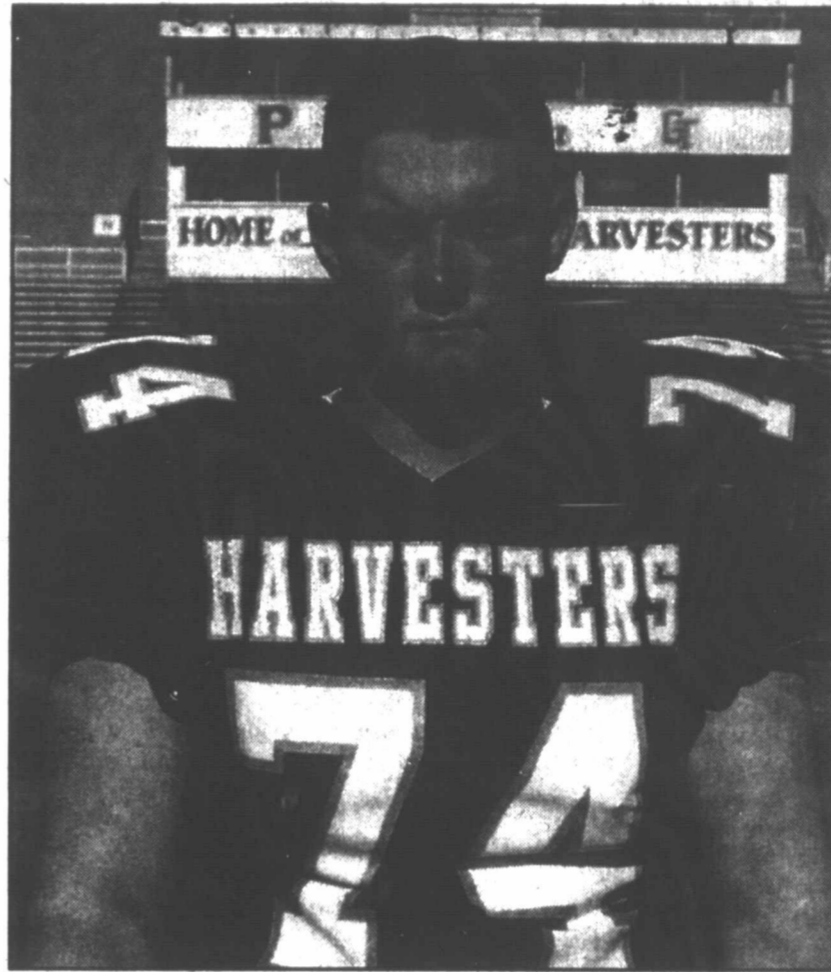
Pampa's defense scored the next touchdown when end Andy

Schroeder fell on a fumble after a busted play in the Lakeview end zone. A well-placed 36-yard punt by Barnes had put the Chiefs in poor field position on their own five-yard line.

Leading 16-7, the Harvesters all but put the game out of reach with a seven-play, 80-yard scoring drive on their next possession. On the first play from scrimmage after a Chiefs' punt, fullback Erich Greer — behind the blocks of linemen Jeremy Miller, Kory Nickell and Cody Sheppard — found a big hole in the middle and raced 55 yards to the Lakeview 25. Six plays later, Greer scored on a five-yard run. Roark's conversion pass to Josh Taylor gave Pampa a 24-7 lead.

Greer was the game's leading rusher with 119 yards on 17 carries while Curtis Johnson added 70 yards on 20 carries. Roark had 10 carries in six carries while Ollie Lowe had nine yards on five carries and Randall Ellis had three yards on two carries.

Pampa's defense, allowing just 180 yards per game going into Friday night, held the Chiefs to only 158 yards total offense. Alonzo Robinson, Lakeview's strong-armed quarterback, completed seven of 20 pass attempts for 86 yards and had two passes intercepted.



Some solid blocking up front from senior guard Kory Nickell (above) and the rest of the offensive linemen helped Pampa roll up 221 yards against Lakeview.

Pampa 24, Lakeview 7

Pampa	0	0	15	24
Lakeview	0	0	7	7

P - Jarred Bowles safety
P - Armando Tarango 11 pass from Justin Roark (Justin Barnes kick)
S - Isaac Flores 34 pass from Alonzo Robinson (Wade Day kick)
P - Andy Schroeder fumble recovery (Barnes kick)
P - Erich Greer 5 run (Josh Taylor pass from Roark)

Class 4A Scores

Andrews 35, Levelland 7
Athers 45, Kaufman 7
Beestrop 22, Waco University 3
Beeville 25, Ingleside 14
Belton 19, Leander 7
Boerne 34, SA Sam Houston 7
Brownwood 42, Granbury 16
Ciburne 7, Burleson 0
Colleyville Heritage 34, Denton Ryan 6
Crowley 33, Joshua 22
Dallas Hillcrest 36, Dallas Jefferson 20
Dallas Lincoln 32, Cedar Hill 10
Dallas Wilson 20, Dallas Madison 19
Dayton 48, Dickinson 6
Denison 49, Marine Military Academy 7
Dripping Springs 27, Wimberley 6
EP Parkland 26, Clint 14
EP Riverside 22, EP Andrews 20
FW Brewer 12, Azle 7
FW Castleberry 10, Weatherford 7
FW Poly 17, FW Diamond Hill-Jarvis 12
FW Southwest 42, Arlington Oakridge 27
FW Western Hills 28, FW Trimble Tech 6
FW Wyatt 2, FW Southwest 0
Fabens 49, Presidio 0
Grapevine 23, Highland Park 10
Hays 41, Lampasas 13
Jacksonville 40, Haltomville 21
Justin Northwest 10, Mineral Wells 7
Keller 27, WF Rider 0
Lancaster 21, Palestine 13
Magnolia 28, Oak Ridge 7
Mercedes 21, PSJA Memorial 14
New Braunfels Canyon 50, Pleasanton 10
PA Lincoln 26, Vidor 20
Pampa 24, Lakeview 7
Port Neches-Groves 24, LC Mauriceville 8
Rockport-Fulton 23, Robstown 0
SA Alamo Heights 48, SA Southside 7
SA Senior 35, SA Kennedy 0
SA Memorial 12, SA Burbank 12
Saginaw Bowtell 19, Springtown 3

Cougars crush Clovis Christian

BRISCOE — Fort Elliott celebrated its football homecoming with a 60-22 win over Clovis Christian in six-man action Friday night.

The Cougars extended their perfect record to 4-0.

Curt Smith had a nine-touchdown performance for the Cougars while teammate C.J. Bryant rushed for 225 yards on 16 carries.

Smith completed 24 passes in 35 attempts as the Cougars amassed 290 yards through the air.

Tanner Smith snared five touchdown passes for the Cougars. Bryant, Nathan Hefley, Monty Hand and George Reeves each caught a TD pass.

WHITE DEER-White Deer acquired an easy victory over Shamrock in non-district play on Friday evening. White Deer's J.J. White scored twice, Craig Urbanczyk scored once, and a Jeremy Crook-Shawn Poor passing play of 51 yards brought a win to the Bucks. Urbanczyk ran for

165 yards, White ran for 84 yards, and Keith Larkin rushed for 100 yards. The records now stand at 3-1 (White Deer) and 2-2 (Shamrock).

COTTON CENTER-Groom tore Cotton Center apart winning 53-8 in non-district six-man action.



Fort Elliott back C.J. Bryant eludes the Clovis Christian defense Friday night.

Some NFL teams reach critical stage in young season

By BARRY WILNER
AP Football Writer

A month into the NFL season and already there's talk of must wins.

That's how the Tennessee Oilers feel about their home game against unbeaten Jacksonville.

"Not many 1-3 teams are going to go on to make the playoffs," said center Mark Stepnoski, who is coming off a knee injury and will play for the first time this season Sunday. "The more you lose, the harder you make it on yourself."

The Oilers are 1-2 and evening their record will be a major undertaking against the Jaguars. Jacksonville (3-0) has won all its games by putting together strong drives when things got tight, or by getting superb performances from its leaders, particularly quarterback Mark Brunell. The Jaguars rank fourth in total offense.

When the Jaguars lost tailback James Stewart (knee) for the season, they plugged in top draft pick Fred Taylor. The ninth pick overall set a team record with 128 yards rushing last week.

But the Oilers might have a secret weapon in linebacker Eddie Robinson, a starter for Jacksonville until being waived in August and picked up by Tennessee.

"Having played against us so much in practice and being with us and knowing what we do on offense, that certainly is an edge for their defense," Brunell said.

The Oilers know they need every edge. They need Steve McNair to find Yancey Thigpen through the air; they need Eddie George to dominate on the ground.

"They're a team we feel as though we can beat, but we have to go out and not talk

about it, but do it," Thigpen said.

Other teams reaching critical stages are Washington, Detroit and Tampa Bay, all expected to contend for playoff berths. They are a combined 1-8, and the Lions are hosts to the Bucs on Monday night. Washington is home for Denver.

Elsewhere on Sunday, it's Arizona at St. Louis, Green Bay at Carolina, Kansas City at Philadelphia, New Orleans at Indianapolis, Oakland at Dallas, Seattle at Pittsburgh, the New York Giants at San Diego, Atlanta at San Francisco, Minnesota at Chicago, and Cincinnati at Baltimore.

"I've been in this situation before," Denver tight end Shannon Sharpe said of the Redskins, outscored 100-48 in going 0-3. "In '94 we started off 0-4. We had come in after a playoff season. We get Anthony Miller. We get Mike Pritchard. We get Ray Crockett. We're the team to beat, and we start off 0-3 and 0-4."

"And the first thing that happens is that everybody starts to look at himself. 'Are we that good?' 'Are we that bad?' And the fans get on you, and the coaching staff. Nothing goes well."

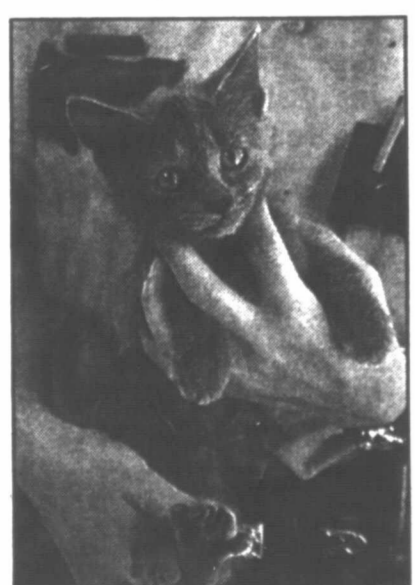
"All it takes is a win. Because winning cures all things. It cures the bickering within. It gets the fans happy again. All of a sudden they love you."

Of course, everybody in Denver loves the Super Bowl champs, who are 3-0.

The Monday night game features two 1997 playoff qualifiers off to disappointing starts. The Bucs lost their first two — tough games at Minnesota and Green Bay — before beating Chicago at home last week. The Lions have fallen to Minnesota, Green Bay and Cincinnati.

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Letters to the editor

Carpetbaggers are taking over

To the editor,
So our honorable Gov. George W. Bush is embarrassed over the cost of \$4.4 million for the Republican's continuing effort to smear the Democrats and everyone who elected our president with their graphic and obscene report of a very personal matter involving a young woman, who undoubtedly was a plant, and who kept after the president 37 times gaining information, which she fed to a "friend" for recording and later turning the information over to Kenneth Star.

It should be more embarrassing to the governor that he and three business partners cost the Texas Teachers Retirement fund

Amarillo Writers Alive! to present all-day seminar

AMARILLO — Inspirational Writers Alive! Amarillo Chapter, will present an all-day writing seminar at Kingswood United Methodist Church, 4801 South Austin Street, Amarillo, Texas on Saturday, Oct. 10. Fee for the workshop is \$30 per person, which includes a picnic luncheon. No refunds will be made. Registration will be at 8 a.m., workshops begin at 9 a.m. and will end about 5 p.m.

Susan Titus Osborn from Fullerton, California, will teach the day-long workshop in four parts: Part I, Beware: 21 Pitfalls Ahead; Part II, Writing Devotionals and Other Shorts; Part III, Writing the Personal Experience Story; Part IV, Marketing.

Susan is editor, "The Christian Communicator," American Christian Writers; author's representative, Broadman & Holman Publishers; adjunct professor, Communication Dept., Hope International University; copy editor, "Clear Thing"; International Writing Advisory Board American Christian Writers, 1996; adjunct professor, Communication Dept., The Master's College, 1993-1995; associate director, Biola Writers Institute, 1986-1992.

She teaches at writing conferences nation-wide and internationally. Her published works include articles in "Power For Living," "Interviews & Reviews," "Advertising Research," "Pursuit and Studio Classroom," "Stories in 'Bounce Back,'" "God's Vitamin C For the Christmas Spirit," "God's Vitamin C For the Hurting," "Dash," "Radar," "Scouting," "Partners," "Story Mates," "Action," and "Children at Home." Devotionals in "Upper Room," "Moment a Day," "Still Moments," "Songs Form the Heart," and "100 Plus Motivational Moments."

Susan's many books include parables for young teens, "You Start With One," "Meeting Jesus," "Eyes Beyond the Horizon," "Children Around the World Celebrate Christmas," "The Complete Guide To Christian Writing and Speaking," "Rest Stops for Single Mothers," and "Potpourri of Praise."

For more information, call Helen Luecke at (806) 376-9671 or Jerry McClenagan at (806) 355-7117.

10 times that amount (some \$44 million), when they purchased the Frost Bank Plaza in Austin from the board. Then in another transaction this same group caused the board to write off \$7 million in principal and \$19.4 million in interest owed by a defaulted lender to make another sale.

Now the Republicans have killed the Tax Reform bill, which had passed the House and was sent to the Senate, where it was killed. Also in a recent issue of Globe-Times those same Republicans rejected aid for

farmers, who have really taken a beating because of the drought and need immediate help before our law-makers take their adjournment.

Those same Republicans have scored big again in making changes in Capital Gains Tax Treatment, so that the rich in our country can now sell their home (principal residence) and make a profit of up to \$250,000, if single, or \$500,000, if married, and not have to pay income tax on the profit. How many of us own such a residence that we can sell, making such a profit?

These are just a few examples of how the Republicans are working for the rich and are doing everything to hurt the working men and women in this country. It is getting as bad as the carpetbaggers and scalawags did the Southerners after the Civil War.
Ermon Newton
Amarillo

What EPA is planning now

To the editor,
If you thought that the

Federal Environmental Protection Agency rules that increased Pampa trash disposal costs were bad, you should hear what EPA is planning to do to you now!

Using the Clean Air Act Amendment as an excuse (incidentally, this law was enacted by a Congress which is no longer in power), EPA is now preparing to regulate underarm deodorants, bathroom cleaners, hairsprays, shaving creams, furniture polishes and a lot of other consumer products.

The only way these senseless

rules can be reversed now is by Congressional action.

If you disagree with (or agree with) these actions, write to Congress and refer to 40 CFR Chapter 1, section 183 (e), as described in the Sept. 11, 1998 "Federal Register," pages 48792-48924.

You could also write to Vice President Gore. It is understood that President Clinton has asked Gore to oversee the EPA. Gore may not send you a favorable reply, however!

Curt Beck
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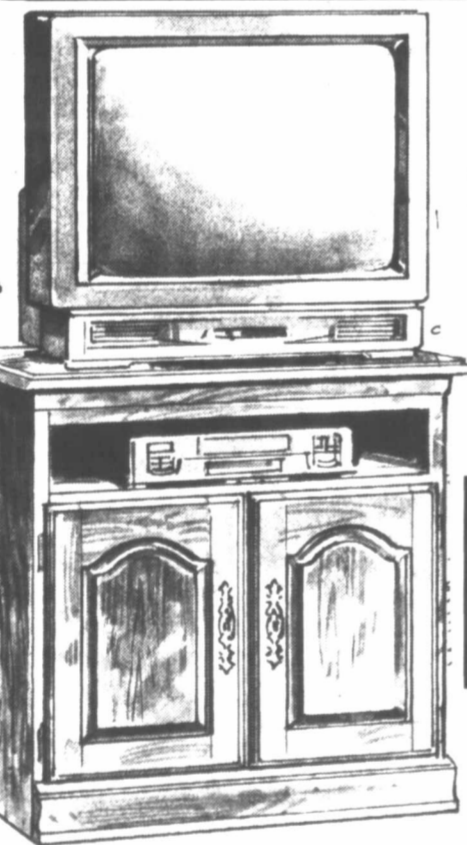
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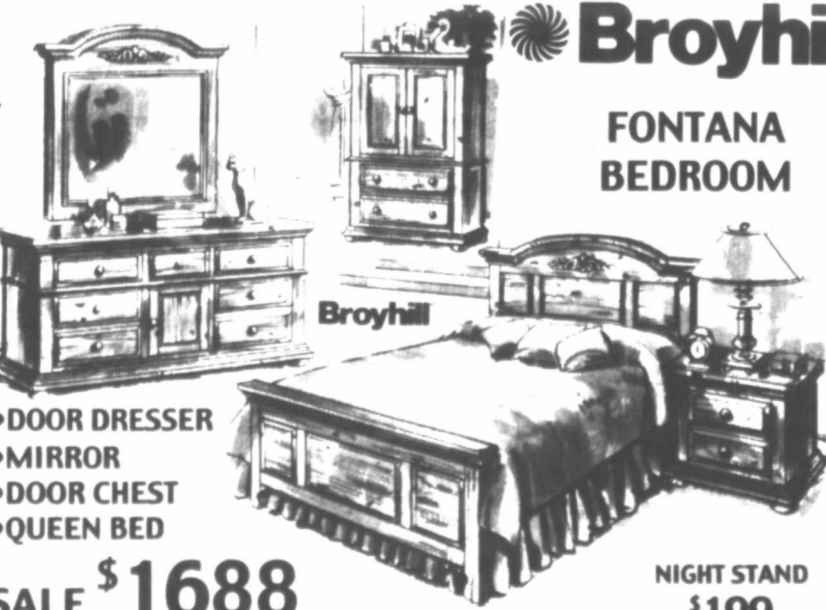


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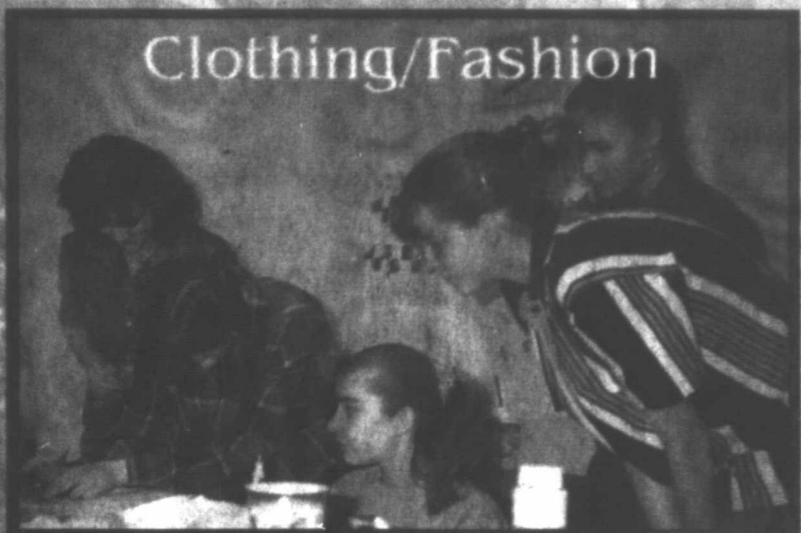
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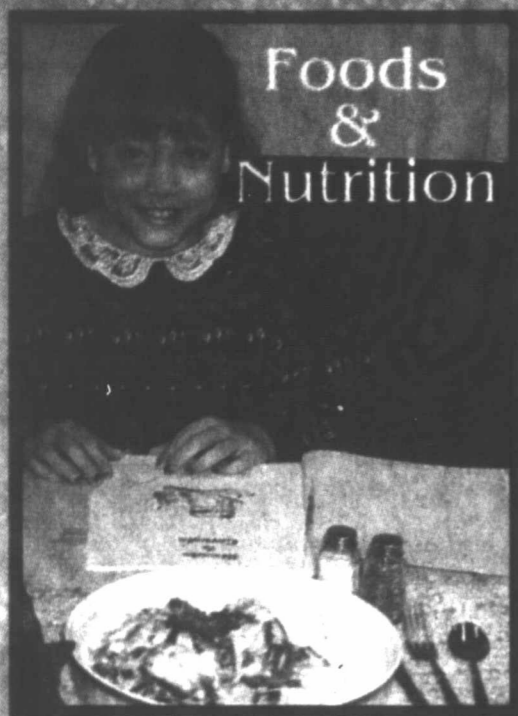
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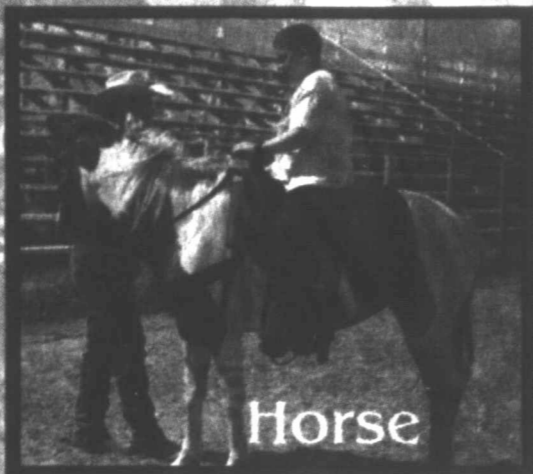
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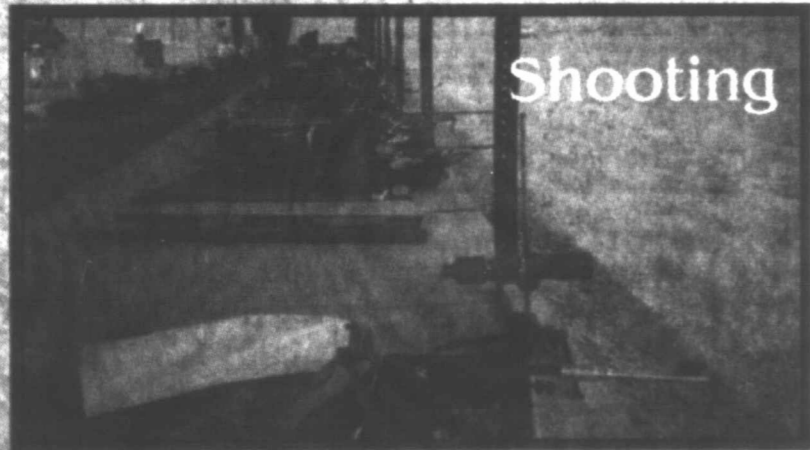
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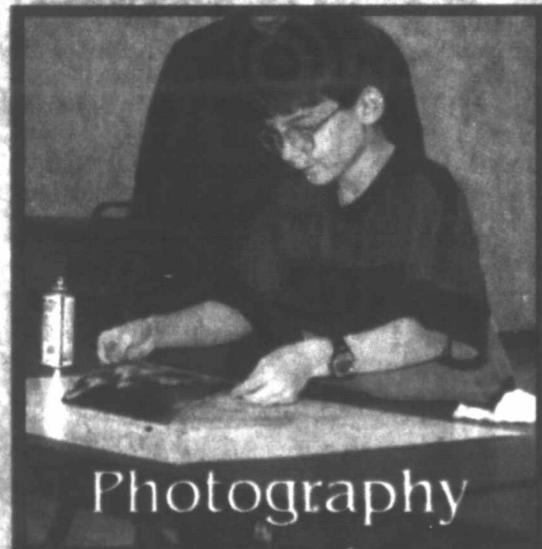
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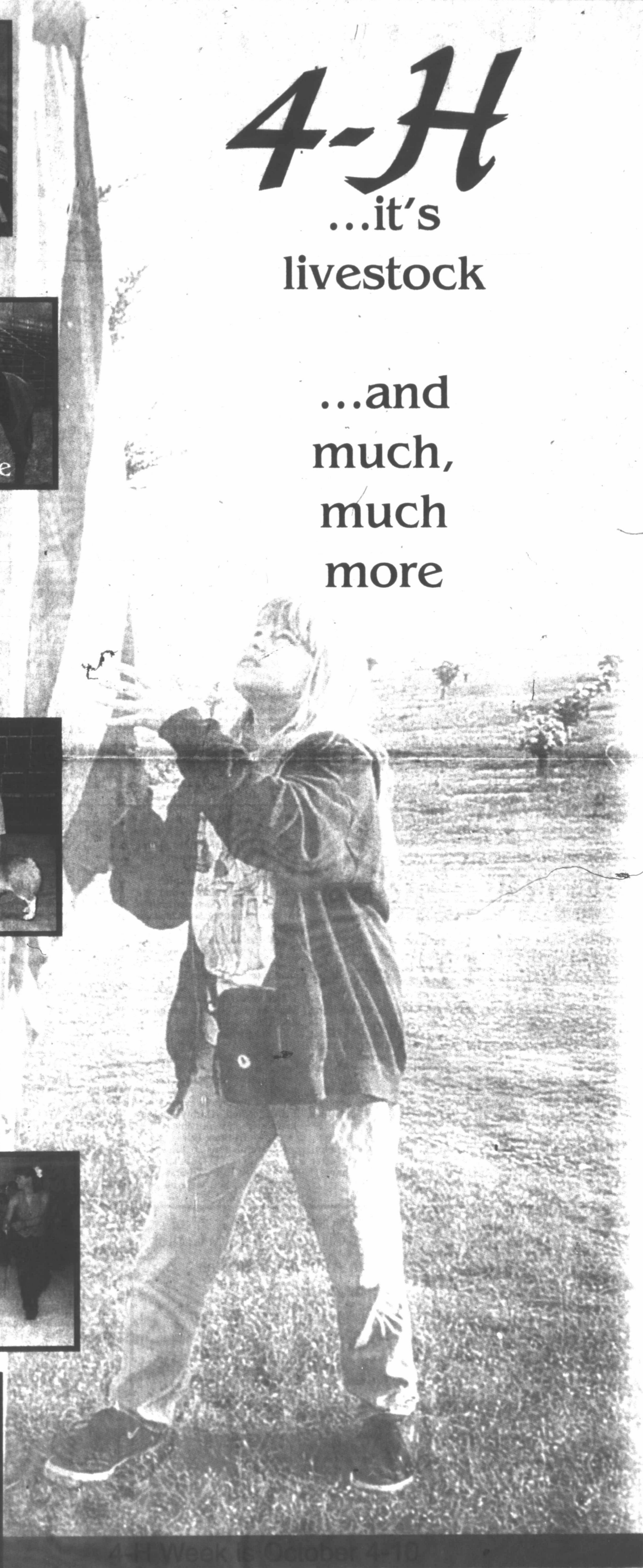
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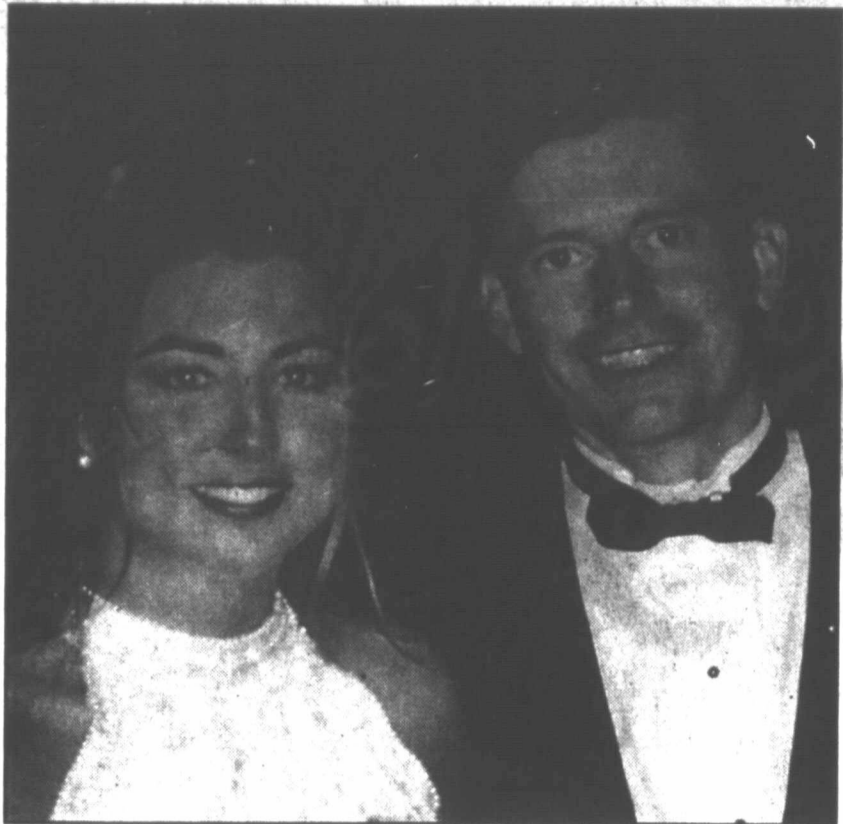


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Community Service





Michel Reeves and Jason Malone

Reeves-Malone

Michel Reeves and Jason Malone, both of Pampa, were wed Aug. 29 in Owens Residence at Madisonville.

The maid of honor was Christy Hubnik of Snook. The bridesmaids were Kelli Tomerlin of Burtonsville, Md., and Patty Roeber of Justin.

The best man was Will McCullough, brother of the groom of Sugarland. The groomsmen were Clint Mayen, cousin of the groom of Austin, and Bill Sexton of Chicago, Ill. The ring bearer was Michael Simer of Perryton.

The usher was Matt Reeves, brother of the bride of Pampa. A reception was held following the service with Kathy O'Donnell and Kaleigh O'Donnell, both of Fort Worth, serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of James H. Reeves and Mr. and Mrs. Mikeal Long, all of Pampa. She received a bachelor of science degree in animal science from Texas A&M University and is currently employed as assistant health supervisor at Texas Farm in Perryton.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Owens of Midway. He received a bachelor of science degree in industrial distribution from Texas A&M University and is currently employed as customer service associate at W.W. Grainger in Amarillo.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Cozumel, Mexico, and intend to make their home in Pampa.



Ellen Ruth Steele and Drew Jeffus Wedemeyer

Steele-Wedemeyer

Ellen Ruth Steele of Fort Worth and Drew Jeffus Wedemeyer of Irving were wed Sept. 26 in First United Methodist Church of Pampa with the Rev. Todd Dyess, minister of the church, officiating and John Curry of Pampa assisting.

The maid of honor was Natalie Kay Lund of Dallas. The bridesmaids were Elizabeth Gibson of Austin, Jennifer McCuary of Houston, Kristin Miller, sister of the groom of Minneapolis, Minn., Melissa Perry of San Antonio and Kristen Sullivan of Dallas.

The best man was Randy Almond of New York City, N.Y. The groomsmen were Timothy Armitage of Napa, Calif., Chad Becker of Vail, Colo., Greg Sedberry of Arlington, Va., Ryan Smith of Truckee, Calif., and Josh Steele, brother of the bride of Dallas.

The ushers were Scott Freaney, Clay Musser and Travis Watkins, all of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Kevin Holmes of Nashville, Tenn. The candlelighters were Leah Graham of Joplin, Mo., and Jill Mashburn of Waco.

Music was provided by The Vienna Conspiracy string quartet, soloist Stephanie Green of Norman, Okla., and pianist Jennifer Scoggin of Pampa.

A reception was held following the service at Pampa Country Club with Cynthia Hale of Dallas, Leslie Hale of Norman, Okla., both cousins of the bride, and Jeal Masson of Arlington, Texas.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Aubrey Steele of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1994 and from Baylor University in 1998. She is currently employed with Community In Schools at Paschal High School in Fort Worth.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Wedemeyer of Oklahoma City. He graduated from Casady in Oklahoma City in 1992 and from Baylor University in 1996. He is currently branch manager of Enterprise in Fort Worth.

The couple planned a honeymoon cruise to Puerto Rico and the Caribbean and intend to make their home in Fort Worth.



Julie Lynn Forman and William David Sims

Forman-Sims

Julie Lynn Forman and William David Sims, both of Lefors, were wed Sept. 5 in Bible Church of Pampa with Jerry Arrington, associate pastor of First Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating.

The maid of honor was Jill Forman, sister of the bride of Pampa. The bridesmaid was Danielle Forman, daughter of the couple of Lefors.

The best man was Bryan Sims, brother of the groom of Pampa.

The ushers and candlelighters were Ben Weinheimer, brother-in-law of the bride of Groom, and Mark Montgomery, brother-in-law of the groom of Amarillo.

Registering guests was Jennifer Weinheimer, sister of the bride of Groom.

Music was provided by vocalist Jill Forman and pianist Ronna Raber of Pampa.

A reception was held following the service in fellowship hall of the church with Angela Montgomery, sister of the groom of Amarillo, Jennifer Keeton, cousin of the groom of Edmond, Okla., Michelle Whinery of Pampa and Dalawna Stovall of Lubbock serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of William and Linda Forman of Pampa. She is a 1993 Pampa High School graduate and received a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice administration from West Texas A&M University in May 1998. She is currently employed as a substitute teacher with Pampa ISD.

The groom is the son of Greg and Judy Sims of Pampa. He is a 1991 Pampa High School graduate. He is currently a licensed journeyman electrician with J.Q. Russell Electric Inc.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Pagosa Springs, Colo., and intend to make their home in Lefors.



Mr. and Mrs. Mike Porter

Porter anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Porter celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary Sept. 25, 1998.

Mike Porter and Dorothy Stone were married Sept. 25, 1943, at Fort Worth. The couple have been Pampa residents for 52 years and are longtime members of First Baptist Church of Pampa where they are active in Sunday school, children's church and New Christian's Class.

Mr. Porter is a carpenter. He retired from Transwestern Pipeline in March 1983 after 22 years of service and has served as curator at Freedom Museum USA in Pampa for the past three years.

Mrs. Porter is a homemaker. Children of the couple are Jan McCathern and Cheri Patterson, both of Amarillo, Mickey Porter of San Marcos and Rod Porter, Jeanna Zuniga and Deanna Polasek, all of Pampa. They have 15 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

4-H Futures & Features

Dates

28 — 4-H Horse Project, 6:30 p.m., Rodeo Arena; deadline for 4-H Achievement Banquet registration

Achievement Banquet

Remember 4-Hers, that we need your banquet registration by 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 28 at the Extension office. If you plan to attend the banquet, let us know and bring your registration form to the office. 4-Hers are free of charge and adults are \$5 per person.

This year's banquet will be in McLean and will be catered by Red River Steakhouse.

Swine Project

It's that time again! This is the start of the great American pig hunt. Just like fall, it's one of the best times of the year. Let the fun begin.

If you need help buying animals, let me, Danny Nusser, know as soon as possible.

Tri-State Fair

Congratulations to Jessi Fish, Travis Fish and D.J. Basham on a great job at the Tri-State Fair Lamb Show. You were all great

representatives of the county.

Good luck at the Tri-State Fair Steer Show to Courtney Crawford, Meagan Crawford, Megan Coutts, Meredith Coutts, Cassie Hamilton, Michael Pergeson, Royce O'Neal, Sean O'Neal, Blake Nusser and Emily Nusser.

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.

Altrusa

Altrusa International, Inc., of Pampa met Sept. 22 at Pampa Country Club for its annual prospective member dinner. President Mayda King presided over the meeting with 29 members and 10 guests present.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

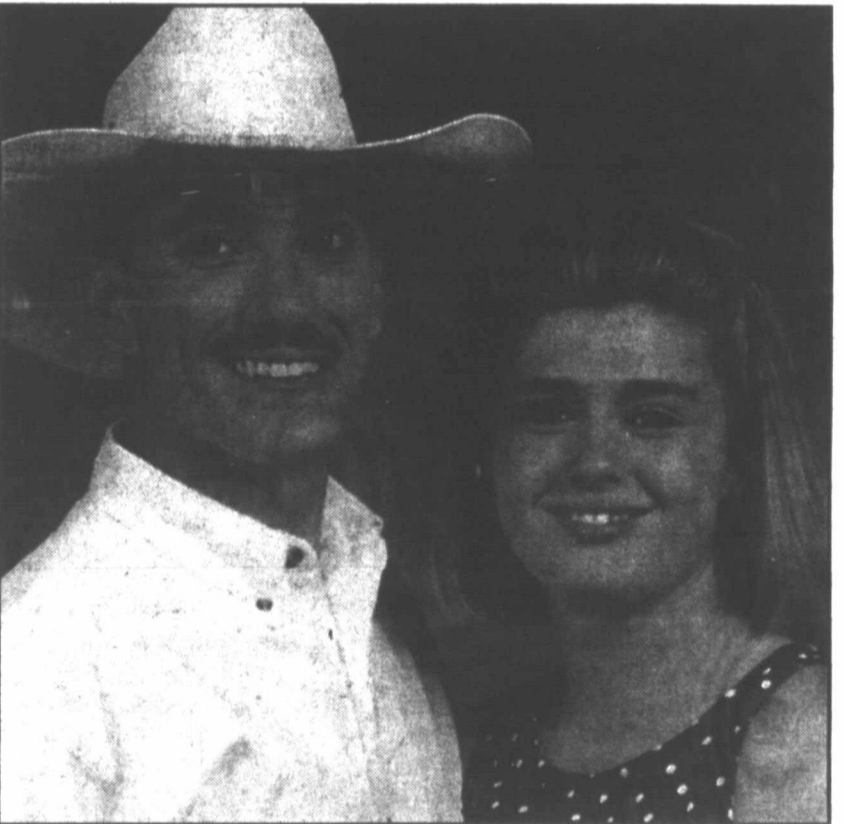
—Deadline for registration for District Nine Mini-Conference to be held Nov. 7 in Lubbock is Oct. 4.

—"Make A Difference Day" is slated Oct. 24 at Lovette Library. Members were urged to volunteer for the project.

—New yearbooks were distributed.

—Julie Cooke reviewed the club's purpose and community service projects.

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Tausha Dawn Thrasher and Kevin Scott Stich

Thrasher-Stich

Tausha Dawn Thrasher and Kevin Scott Stich, both of Lakeside, Calif., plan to wed Nov. 7 in Christ Church Unity of El Cajon at El Cajon, Calif.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Brenda and Johnnie Cook and Gary Thrasher, all of Pampa. She is a 1995 Pampa High School graduate and completed training at Naval Aviation Technical Center at Pensacola, Fla., in August 1997. She is currently serving aboard the USS Boxer.

The prospective groom is the son of Judith E. Beilby of Richmondville, N.Y. He graduated from Richmondville Central School in 1989 and has served as a hull maintenance technician second class with the U.S. Navy for the past nine years.

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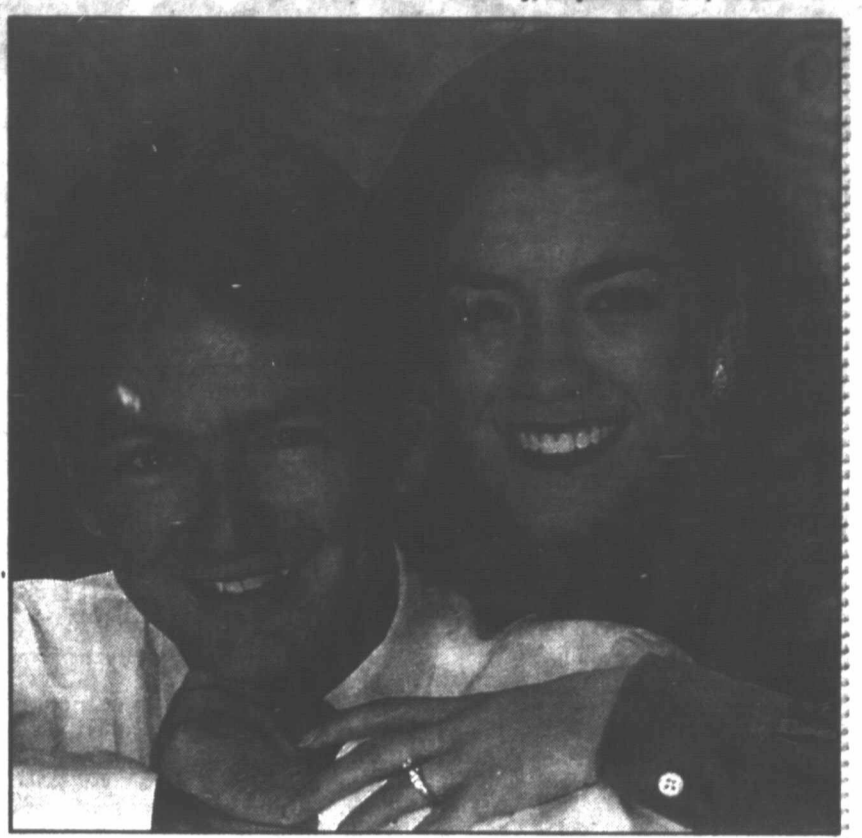
Menus for various schools including Pampa Schools, LeJays Schools, and Senior Citizens, listing meals for Monday through Friday.



Trudy Harrison and Nathan Sprinkle

Harrison-Sprinkle

Trudy Harrison and Nathan Sprinkle, both of Pampa, were wed Aug. 15 in First Christian Church of Pampa with the Rev. Roy King of Pampa officiating.



Erin Frugé and Chris Wilson

Frugé-Wilson

Erin Frugé and Chris Wilson, both of Lubbock, plan to wed Dec. 19. The bride-elect is the daughter of James and Carol Frugé of Pampa.

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CLUB

—Glyndene Shelton gave the accent on "Altruism" and "What It Means to be an Altruist."

—Beta Sigma Phi updated members on the following scholarship recipients currently enrolled in college: Rebekka Studtman, Shannon Ervin, Misty French, Amanda Sims and Erin Cobb.

Beta Sigma Phi

City Council of Pampa Beta Sigma Phi met recently for its annual kick-off at Pampa Country Club with Kelle Huddelston, City Council president presiding.

Preceptor Theta Iota
Preceptor Theta Iota chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met recently in the home of Carolyn Smith with President Clara Sailor presiding.

Newsmakers

COFFEYVILLE, Kan. — Frank Morrison, of Frank's Lawnmower & Small Engine of Pampa, was recently presented the Blue Leader Award for outstanding Dixon ZTR riding mower sales.



Aprille Epperson

West Texas A&M University. Epperson is currently a middle school special education content mastery teacher with two resource classes in reading and math at Jacksboro Middle School in Jacksboro.

ABILENE — Tracy Bruton of Pampa was recently nominated for the 1998-99 Hardin-Simmons University's Queen's Court.

Members of the court are seniors chosen based on campus involvement, academic standing and ability to represent HSU.

CANYON — Aprille Epperson, daughter of Gary and Vickie Epperson, was recently awarded a bachelor's degree in kinesiology with a minor in special education from

OKLAHOMA — Craig Forbes, 1990 Pampa High School graduate and son of Jim Forbes and Judy Wellman, was commissioned a U.S. Marine



Craig Forbes

Corps second lieutenant this past spring at Southwestern Oklahoma State University. Forbes, a computer information systems major at SOSU, is a former Floydada resident, attending Floydada Elementary School and junior high schools and participating in junior high sports and summer league baseball.

He led his platoon and graduated from U.S. Marine Corps

Office Candidate School at the top of his class.

He has been accepted to study for his master's degree and intends to apply for the NASA program after his contract with the Marines is completed.

U.S. Marine Corps Commissioning Office Captain Montgomery gave Forbes his charge of duty and Forbes was pinned by both his father and his brother.

Forbes enrolled at SOSU in 1995 after four years in the Marine Corps. Contracted to be a pilot, he intends to complete flight school and fly helicopters for the Marines.



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Community Calendar

FREEDOM MUSEUM USA, 600 North Hobart, Open Tuesday-Saturday, Noon to 4 p.m. Revolutionary War to Bosnia. All branches of service are represented.

AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-3988.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 665-5938 or 669-3988.

CLEAN AIR AL-ATEEN will hold weekly meetings on Mondays at 7 p.m. at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, contact 669-0407 or 669-3988.

VFW POST #1657, 105 S. Cuyler. Charity Bingo every Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. No one under 18 allowed. Public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9. For more information contact Edgar D. Carson, 669-0853 or 669-1264.

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE CHARITY BINGO every Monday at 7 p.m. at the Moose Lodge, 403 E. Brown. Doors open at 6 p.m. Public welcome. License #1-751616469-0.

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

OUTREACH HEALTH SERVICES/WIC Program nutrition education classes. Open to the public. For more information call 665-1182.

ADHD PARENT SUPPORT GROUP will now be meeting on the first and third Thursday of each month beginning Sept. 17 at 7 p.m. at 1702 Fir (on

the corner of 23rd and Fir.) For more information call 669-9364.

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION "American Heart Walk". For more information contact Suzie Wilkerson 665-0356.

September

28-PARKINSON DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP will meet at the Columbia Medical Center in the Second Floor Conference Room at 5:30 p.m. For more information contact Jo Bidwell, 800-687-5498.

28-GRAY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the St. Matthew Episcopal Parish Hall. For more information contact Howard Ghram, 665-1468.

28-CREATIVE ARTISANS NETWORK meeting will be in the training room of the Sheriff's office at 218 North Russell (enter north door that faces Francis). For more information call Kelly Varner, 665-9569.

29-SHRINE CIRCUS-Recreation Park Rodeo Grounds with performances at 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. For more information contact James Washington, 665-1488.

30-NARCOTIC ANONYMOUS will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room or the Columbia Medical Center Office Bldg. For more information call 669-2665.

OCTOBER

2-NARCOTIC ANONYMOUS will meet at 7 p.m. at the Highland Christian Church, 1615 North Banks. For more information call 669-6700.

3-ST. MARK CME CHURCH "Community Breakfast" at 9 a.m., 406 Elm. Public is invited and donations are accepted. For more information call Rev. Amy Lakey, 669-6743.



(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)

Debra Casey (left) Pampa, Ina Mae Johnson Pampa, Evelyn Huff Miami, Donna Swindle Pampa, recently returned from an Avon convention with over 6,000 other representatives in Orlando, Florida. Among the speakers was Richard Simmons.

Local Avon representatives attend convention in Orlando

ORLANDO, Fla. — Local Avon sales representatives joined over 6,000 other representatives at the company's first-ever national convention held recently in Orlando. The convention previewed the 112-year-old company's Fourth Quarter product line and included educational and motivational seminars as well as an aerobic "concert" hosted by fitness guru Richard Simmons. "Avon pioneered direct sales for women in the United States

and the world," said Susan Kropf, executive vice president and president, Avon North America. "This convention was another pioneering effort for us, marking the first time that Avon has offered advanced educational seminars on such a large scale," explained Kropf. "We are delighted to supply our Avon representatives with essential tools to grow their business, especially at a time when direct selling is more popular than ever."

The three-day convention was a major corporate initiative attended by leaders in the global beauty company. The premier event also mixed business with pleasure, offering an "Avon-only" night at Orlando's Disney-MGM theme park. Around the world there are more than 2.6 million Avon sales representatives — nearly 500,000 in the U.S. alone. This dedicated sales force helped Avon achieve its 1997 sales of \$5.1 billion.



SUNDAY SNAPSHOT

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- Name: _____
- Occupation/Activities: _____
- Birth Date & Place: _____
- Family: _____
- If I had a different job, I'd be a: "or" _____
- When I grow up I want to be: _____
- My personal hero: _____
- The best advice I ever got was: _____
- People who knew me in High School thought: "or" _____
- My classmates think of me as: _____
- The best word or words to describe me: _____
- People will remember me as being: _____
- The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: _____
- My hobbies are: _____
- My favorite sports team is: _____
- My favorite author is: _____
- The last book I read was: _____
- My favorite possession is: _____
- The biggest honor I've ever received is: _____
- My favorite performer is: _____
- I wish I knew how to: _____
- My trademark cliché or expression is: _____
- My worst habit is: _____
- I would never: _____
- The last good movie I saw was: _____
- I stay home to watch: _____
- Nobody knows: _____
- I drive a: "or" _____
- Someday I want to drive a: _____
- My favorite junk food is: _____
- My favorite beverage: _____
- My favorite restaurant is: _____
- My favorite pet: _____
- For my last meal, I would choose: "or" _____
- My favorite meal is: _____
- I wish I could sing like: _____
- I'm happiest when I'm: _____
- I regret: _____
- I'm tired of: _____
- I have a phobia about: "or" _____
- My biggest fear is: _____
- The electrical device I couldn't live without is: _____
- My most embarrassing moment: _____
- The biggest waste of time is: _____
- If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: _____
- If I had three wishes they would be: _____
- If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: _____

Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument to celebrate Archeology Awareness Month

FRITCH — Here's a rare opportunity for members of the public to hike to the pueblo ruins within Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument.

The event is in conjunction with the Texas Archeology Awareness Month celebration at Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument. The tour is Saturday, Oct. 3, at 10 a.m. and includes the Alibates ruins petroglyph site (2 hours). Reservations are required, spaces are limited. Call (806) 857-3151 or e-mail LAMR_ Interpretation@nps.gov to make a reservation.

Join park staff, volunteers and Panhandle Plains Museum archeologist Jeff Indeck for a hike to the pueblo ruins within the National Monument. View the turtle and foot petroglyphs, and learn about the people who lived in the area a thousand years ago. Wear sturdy hiking shoes, bring drinking water, and sun hats are a good idea. The tour will involve a short hike up a steep bluff, with no established trail. Rain date will be Saturday, Oct. 10, at 10 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 3, at 2 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 4, at 2 p.m. there will be tours of the Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument (2 Hours). No reservations needed-meet at the Ranger Station on Cas Johnson road, off highway 136.

Here you'll join a park ranger or park volunteer for a guided tour of the prehistoric flint quarries protected by the National Monument. The program involves a one-mile round-trip hike up to the top of a bluff. Participants meet at the Ranger Station and then car caravan over to the trailhead. Wear sturdy hiking shoes, bring drinking water, and sun hats recommended.

Friday, Oct. 9, at noon, there will be a lunch time lecture/brown bag lunch (1 hour). Reservations are required-spaces limited. Call

the Lake Meredith Aquatic and Wildlife Museum at (806) 857-2458 to make a reservation.

Join archeologists Paul and Susana Katz for a lively and informative presentation on Alibates

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flint and the places throughout North America where artifacts made from Alibates flint have been found. Bring your own bag lunch for "Alibates Flint: The Greatest Thing before Sliced Bread."

Starting on Saturday, Oct. 10, 2 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 11, 2 p.m. and on Monday, Oct. 12, 2 p.m. (Columbus Day) there will be tours of the Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument (2 hours).

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Globe-News, WTAMU to hold spelling bee

AMARILLO — The Amarillo Globe-News and West Texas A&M University will once again sponsor the National Spelling Bee for students in the area, grades eight and below.

Directors are being named in the various counties. The director for Gray County is Tom Lindsey, principal of Woodrow Wilson Elementary School in Pampa.

The contest is open to students in public, private and parochial schools. A contestant cannot be higher than the eighth grade or older than 16 by the date of the national finals, May 30, 1999.

The deadline for naming county champions to Jeane Bartlett, spelling bee editor, Amarillo Globe-News, will be March 27.

The two levels of competition in the AGN-WTAMU bee, are junior (for students in grades six and below), and senior (for grades eight and below). Any director has the option of combining the two levels if he/she so chooses. However, each county can have only one representative in the senior bee, to be held on April 10 on the WTAMU campus in Canyon. Each county is free to select a junior winner in addition to the senior champion, but the

elementary student will not compete in regional unless he/she should win the county event.

The county champions will be guests at a luncheon preceding the regional bee.

The top prize for the 1999 district winner will be an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., on May 30 to represent the area in the 1999 national bee. The trip, provided by the newspaper, includes expenses for one parent.

The study booklet "Paideia" has been redesigned and words are now listed in 29 categories at three difficulty levels — beginning, intermediate and advanced. The booklet, priced at \$1 each, is available from the personnel department of the Amarillo Globe-News.

Amy Porus, instructor, division of education, WTAMU, serves as bee coordinator for the Amarillo Globe-News.

Army National Guard reunion

An Army National Guard reunion will be Oct. 16-17 when it celebrates its 50th anniversary as an Army National Guard Unit in Pampa.

Special guests for the reunion will be the men who were the original members of the Pampa National Guard. Those members were, Major William J. Ragsdale, Lt. John Connell, LTC Charles Adamson (USA Ret), SFC Wayne Anderson, Sgt Charles Everett, MSG Jesse Holt, CW 4 Stewart Miller, Sgt. A.J. Williams, CP 2 Hershell Williams, SFC Clarence Upton (USA Ret), and SFC Earl Wallin (USA Ret).

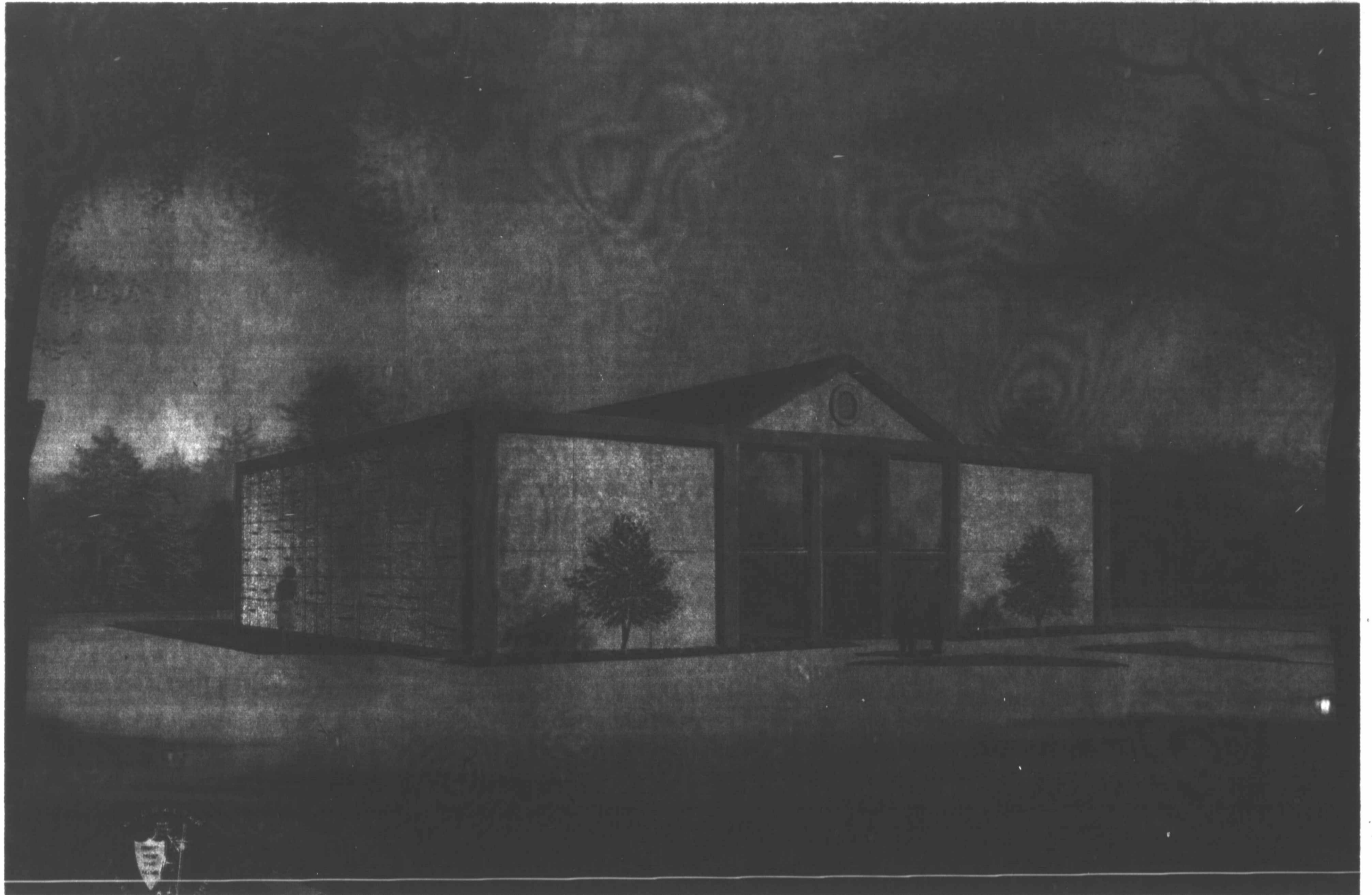
Registration will be Friday, Oct. 16 at the National Guard Armory Friday at 1400 hours. Scrapbooks and pictures and a tie of remembering will be offered. On Saturday there will be registration and a time of fellowship. Lunch will be served at the armory and officers will for 1999 will be elected. A dinner will be Saturday evening at the armory with a special speaker.

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