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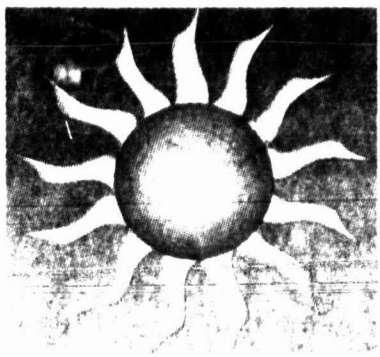
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DALLAS (AP) — Fifteen years ago, Allan Rourk left his home in Nicaragua with dreams of success in the United States. Now, he's a Dallas Realtor with dreams of returning to his home country to help in its economic rebirth.

But first, he's packing boxes full of clothes, medicine and canned food for victims of Hurricane Mitch. The storm has killed more than 10,000 people in Central America, including 4,000 in Nicaragua.

"This hits us right back in the face. It's very devastating," the 52-year-old Rourk said. "I have family and many, many friends in Nicaragua."

Rourk is among the many Texans who are gathering supplies for the victims of Hurricane Mitch. Some have family and friends in Central America and haven't been able to reach them by phone.

Despite their efforts, volunteers are having a hard time reaching victims with supplies because the storm damaged roads and bridges. Rourk said it's crucial that the United States send small boats with paddles so volunteers can cross vast sections of water that have cut off major cities.

Sister Nancy Sullivan, director of relief services for the Catholic Diocese of Dallas, got a call on her answering machine from a man who offered, in Spanish, to travel to Central America to help hurricane victims. He was so distraught he forgot to leave his phone number.

- Mary Paulson, 70, homemaker.
- Marvin 'Odell' Messer, 70, supervisor at K&K Inc.

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Unusual case ends in guilty verdict for man

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

In an unusual case last week, Gray County Attorney Todd L. Alvey pressed forward with a domestic violence case even though the victim changed her mind about wanting to testify against her live-in boyfriend.

As a result, a Pampa man was convicted Thursday for domestic assault after his companion testified as a reluctant witness.

Byron Laury, 26, 1000 S. Love, was convicted of a class A misdemeanor and sentenced to one year in jail and a \$1,200 fine, the jail time was probated for two years.

Alvey said the couple still live together. The policy of the police and county attorney's office is to proceed with assault charges even when the victim is reluctant to testify if enough evidence is available, according to Alvey.

"Assault is not something that's against just the victim but against the community as a whole," Alvey said.

According to Alvey, the case was based on the following account of events and trial testimony.

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— Todd L. Alvey
county attorney

Reception today at museum honors Artist of the Year



Holly Burger

Holly Burger of Canadian is featured as Pampa Fine Arts Association's Artist of the Year, and a public reception is being held this afternoon in her honor at the White Deer I and Museum from 2-4 p.m. Burger's work will be showcased in the museum from today until Nov. 14.

Burger graduated from high school at Manitou Springs, Colo. in 1970. She later married Ken Burger and moved to Gray County. They live on the Burger family home place near Lake McClellan — a house her husband, Ken, has lived in since he was 2, according to Holly.

Her love for pottery, which

Search underway for PHS Class of '52, '53, '54 grads

The Pampa High School Classes of 1952, 1953 and 1954, are planning a joint reunion in Sept. 1999.

The group is now in the process of locating class members. If you have information about a member of these classes please contact the following people (all at area code 806).

Pat Cargile Porter, 665-7722; Ruth Alverson McBride, 665-1958; Doreen Forde Bruce, 669-3118; or David Fatheree, 665-8413.

The next planning meeting will be at the home of Lee and Gave Nell Fraser, 102 W. 18th, on Nov. 17 at 7 p.m.

All alone...



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Glowing in a brief break in the clouds, a cottonwood dressed for autumn stands stately along Sweetwater Creek in Wheeler County. The sunshine that set these leaves ablaze was short lived late last week. But the forecast for today looks better with sunshine and a high in the 60s predicted.

Sunday snapshot



Name: Sarah Joy Platt
Occupation/Activities: Student at Wilson Elementary, the best school
Birth date and place: 11-1-87, Pampa

Family: Dad Johnny, Mom Cindy, Brother Chad, Sisters Schanta, Beth, and Tisha. Two dogs, Mr. Bo Jangles, and Rowdie. One cat M&M, two rabbits Bugs and Bunny, and lots of fish.

When I grow up I want to be: Teacher.

My personal hero: my Mom and Dad.

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

My classmates think of me as: Bubbly and boy crazy.

The best word or words to describe me: outgoing, talkative and happy.

People will remember me as being: talkative and happy.

The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: Dennis Lemigan, Shama Iwam, and Nick and Carol Martin.

My hobbies are: playing my bass guitar, singing, and hanging out with my best friend Vanessa Brooks.

My favorite sports team is: Dallas Cowboys.

My favorite author is: Judy Blume.

The last book I read was: "Hank the Cowdog."

My favorite possession is: my carousel.

The biggest honor I've ever received is: being adopted and having such a wonderful family.

My favorite performer is: Dennis Lemigan and my Dad.

I wish I knew how to: arrange flowers.

My trademark cliché or expression is: "I don't think so, Tim."

My worst habit is: talking.

I would never: do drugs.

The last good movie I saw

was: Titanic
I stay home to watch: Walker Texas Ranger.

Nobody knows: how close it is before the Lord is coming back.

Someday I want to drive a: Mustang G.I.

My favorite junk food is: candy.

My favorite beverage: Dr. Pepper.

My favorite restaurant is: The Caboose in Amarillo.

My favorite pet: my cat M&M.

My favorite meal is: my mom's famous chicken enchiladas with spanish rice, salad, chips and hot sauce.

I wish I could sing like: Celine Dion.

I'm happiest when I'm: doing things I like.

I regret: talking back to my parents.

I'm tired of: the government running our lives. I think we need to get a prayer system back in our school system.

My biggest fear is: to tear the Lord, so many do not.

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

The biggest waste of time is: watching TV.

If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: take my parents on a cruise for their 20th anniversary.

If I had three wishes they would be: stop selling drugs, everyone be saved so Jesus can come back, and I could have all the candy in the world.

If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: to have more Christian youth activities.

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Pampa High School Choir



(Community Camera photo)

The Pampa High School Choir went to Randall High School recently for regional competition. The following Pampa High choir members earned places in the Region I Treble Choir include Melea Jouett, Charity Godwin, Shelby McGahen, Sammie Jo Parsley, Erin Mulnax, Jessica Baggett, and Joanna Wheelley. These students earned places in the Region I Mixed Choir and will advance to Area competition, they are, Soprano I, Rose Fruge, 3rd chair Holly Brooks, Meredith Hendricks; Soprano II, Tiffany Bruce; Alto I, Chesney Driggars, Jennifer Mackie, Charity Godwin, 2nd alternate; Alto II, Traci Shelton, 3rd chair Hayle Garrison; Tenor I, Andy Fernuick, 2nd chair; Tenor II, Josh Gibson, 1st chair; Bass I, Thann Scoggin, 1st chair, Dillon Hill, 3rd chair, Patrick Parsons, 1st alternate; Bass II, Cory Bigham. They will all perform in the All-Region Choir Concert at WTAMU in Canyon on Nov. 14. The clinician for the Mixed Choir will be Simon Carrington, one of the original members of the acclaimed British a cappella men's ensemble, The King's Singers, and currently on the faculty of the University of Kansas. The Treble Choir clinician will be Susie Wilson, formerly of Pampa High School and currently a doctoral student in choral conducting at the University of North Texas. Area competition will be held on Dec. 5 at Tascosa High School in Amarillo. For this competition the students will prepare "Chichester Psalms" (sung in Hebrew) by Leonard Bernstein and "Singet dem Herrn" by Hugo Distler.

National Cutting Horse Association to present 37th annual futurity

FORT WORTH — On Dec. 13, someone will make \$200,000 in two-and-one-half minutes.

The National Cutting Horse Association will hold its 37th annual World Championship Futurity Nov. 27-Dec. 13, with the open winner guaranteed a minimum \$200,000.

Hundreds of the world's top cutting horse riders will vie for the title. The trick, according to Angela Strittmatter, a spokesman for the association, is the horses they will be riding are three-year-old cutting horses who have never been shown before in competition.

"That means expect the unexpected," Strittmatter said.

CC to present 'Fiddler'

CLARENDON — Clarendon College Fine Arts Department will present its fall production, "Fiddler on the Roof," at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 19, 20 and 21. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students.

Directed by Dennis McMenemy, who also takes the role of Tevye, the musical incorporates a cast of 25 students and uses the talents of a dozen more students and area residents backstage.

Pampa resident Ande Ragsdale is the choreographer for the production as well as being a member of the cast.

The first leg of the NCHA Triple Crown, the World Championship Futurity, has a purse of over \$2 million and features more than 1,000 cutting horses and riders.

There will also be an NCHA Cancer Care Services Celebrity Cutting. Last year's event featured NFL greats Joe Montana, Randy White, Jonathan Hayes, country superstars Tanya Tucker, Lynn Anderson and Bob Kingsley, actors Barry Corbin and other celebrities who helped to raise more than \$100,000 for cancer patients.

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American Field Service exchange program recruiting

Ever yearn to go abroad? AFS (American Field Service) exchange program offers a variety of opportunities for students 15 to 18 years of age to live with a host family and attend school or do community service in a foreign country for a semester, summer or year.

Students return with the knowledge of another culture and another language, have fun with a new family and friends and get to

know the USA from a different perspective.

Students must show maturity and flexibility to qualify have a 2.8 GPA for the study programs. Interviews are conducted by local volunteers.

Financial aid is available based on a financial aid application. A partial scholarship of \$2400 is offered for a year in Germany for 24 students who have had one year of a foreign

language and are academically motivated. Opportunities are available for college graduates to teach English to children in Costa Rica, with departure in February and return in November.

You can find out more about many AFS programs by calling 1-800-AFS-INFO, checking with a local AFS volunteer of the AFS Website: www.afs.org/usa.

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Gingrich steps aside as speaker

WASHINGTON (AP) — A scant four years after leading Republicans to glory, House Speaker Newt Gingrich is stepping aside amid caustic criticism from his own party over unforeseen losses in this week's mid-term elections.

The stunning departure set up a wide-open succession struggle for the post that the Constitution places second in line to the presidency, with four lawmakers already in the race or openly mulling it over. "I spent 40 years of my life getting us here," Gingrich told colleagues in a conference call Friday night. "The idea that I would be the excuse to cannibalize the majority is so sickening I couldn't risk it."

Gingrich indicated he would resign by year's end from the Georgia congressional seat he has held for two decades. He made the decision three days after Republicans were blindsided by the loss of five House seats and a weak Senate showing in Tuesday's election.

Many GOP regulars blamed the lackluster showing on Gingrich's lack of an issue-oriented agenda, compromise with Democrats on a bloated year-end spending bill with no tax cuts and pursuit of impeachment against a popular President Clinton.

"Republicans have the best ideas, but we have to communicate our vision more clearly, persuasively and with a less partisan tone," said Rep. Steve Largent, R-Okla., who is seeking to supplant Rep. Dick Armey of Texas as majority leader. "We need likable, congenial messengers to carry our ideas."

Rep. Bob Livingston R-La., chairman of the Appropriations Committee, announced his effort to dethrone Gingrich earlier Friday. Texas Rep. Bill Archer, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, was canvassing support for a speakership bid even before Gingrich broke the news to his staff.

Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif., put his own name forward Friday night on CNN's "Larry King Live" and Rep. James Talent of Missouri also indicated he might run.

In a statement, Clinton said "Newt Gingrich has been a worthy adversary, leading the Republican Party to a majority in the House, and joining me in a great national debate over how best to prepare America for the 21st century."

House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., was less gracious, saying Gingrich's successor should "begin the process of repairing the damage that was wrought on this institution over the last four years."

Republicans chorused praise for the man who had led them, iron-willed, out of the political wilderness in 1994, when they ended 40 years of Democratic control of the House.



Central Baptist's pastors during the appreciation service recently were, from left, Bro. Derell Monday, Jana Monday, Amy Parnell, Bro. Rick Parnell, Lititia Walker, Bro. Zan Walker. (Special photo)

Central Baptist honors pastors

Central Baptist Church recently dedicated a complete night service to honoring their three pastors, Bro. Derell Monday, pastor, Bro. Rick Parnell, pastor of education, and Bro. Zan Walker, youth pastor and music director.

The evening began with the recognition of each pastor and years of service; their wives

were each presented with a corsage and together they were given a "weekend getaway package" in honor for the commitment each has given to the church. One of the deacons penned a very touching poem for the pastors which was framed for each and also presented during the service. Each pastor's favorite hymn was sung by the congrega-

tion, and each received affirmation of our appreciation. As a climax to the service, each pastor was gifted with letters of appreciation compiled by the congregation just to help encourage the ministry. A cake fellowship followed the evening service where each pastor received some "funny" words of advice to help lighten up the evening.

Mitch unlikely to spark food cost rise

CHICAGO (AP) — Consumers can thank El Nino for saving them from digging deeper into their pockets for a cup of java, a bunch of bananas or a bag of sugar after the destruction of Hurricane Mitch, analysts say.

Although flooding and mudslides in the aftermath of Mitch wiped out or delayed shipments of coffee, sugar and banana crops from Central America, excellent growing weather contributed to bumper crops that should easily make up for lost production.

"Unlike freezes or other natural events, the effect of Mitch is really on present supplies, not something down the road that will lead to sustained shortages," Merrill Lynch food analyst Judith Ganes said Friday.

Futures prices for coffee and sugar rose sharply this week on the Board of Trade of the City of New York as investors worried about available supplies, particularly of gourmet arabica coffee going into the peak winter consumption period.

But prices overall remain sharply below last year's levels. That is due, in part, to the global economic crisis that has sapped demand, and the bumper crops from some of the world's largest producing countries.

Mild El Nino-tinged weather delayed maturity in Central America and likely saved many coffee cherries from being lost to rains and winds. Mitch probably affected less than 1 percent of this year's world production, Ms. Ganes said.

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for all the votes that were cast for me in this election. I am truly amazed and blessed to have so very many wonderful friends and neighbors.

I am not unhappy for having lost but am truly happy for all I have gained. May God bless each and everyone of you.

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Lovett Memorial Library Staff Picks

Lovett Memorial Library staff picks for the month of November:

"Welcome to the World, Baby Girl" by Fannie Flagg

The long awaited successor to "Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe" introduces TV anchorwoman Dena Nordstrom, a career woman on the rise whose past is darkened by mysteries. Her life growing ever more complicated, Dena turns to a colorful cast of characters including Sookie, her old college roommate from Selma, Dorothy, a home-radio broadcaster still living in the 40s, and the real-life Tennessee Williams. The result is a funny, moving, sometimes off-the-wall novel.

"The Reef" by Nora Roberts

Ambitious marine archaeologist Tate Beamont and Matthew Lassiter, a salvage diver, team up to find "Angelique's Curse" a ruby and diamond encrusted amulet rumored to have been worn by the witch Angelique as she was burned at the stake centuries before. They hit pay dirt when they dive for a 16th Century Spanish ship off the coast of Nevis and St. Kitts. Roberts has crafted one of her most suspenseful tales to date.

"A Midwinter Tale" by Andrew Greeley

This richly plotted entertaining tale follows Charles "Chucky" Cronin, an Irish Catholic Chicagoan, through his service in postwar Germany. Greeley sketches Chucky's Chicago youth with doses of "Irish" family humor and a series of misadventures. Drafted toward the end of World War II and sent to Germany, he falls in love with Trudi, a woman with a misleadingly Nazi-tinted past, happens upon a spiritual partnership with Brigeitta who awaits the return of her husband from a Russian prison camp and discovers a black market overseen by shady Americans. All this is suspenseful fun.

"Mama Flora's Family" by Alex Haley and David Stevens

In the tradition of "Roots" and "Queen," this is a sweeping epic of contemporary American history, culled from the unpublished works of Alex Haley. It is the poignant story of three generations of an African-American family who start out as a destitute sharecropper in Tennessee. Mama Flora is the heart and strength of the family, shepherding her children through hard times after the murder of her husband by white landholders. She has passionate ambitions for her son Willie but he

dashes her dreams by abandoning his church-going roots and moving to Chicago. Flora's dreams are realized by Ruthana, her sister's child, whom Mama Flora adopts. "Mama Flora's Family" is a heartwarming story and a rare glimpse into how black Americans coped with the blatant segregation of the South before and after World War II.

"Prime Cut" by Diane Mott Davidson

Caterer Goldy Schulz returns in her usual fine form. However, things are a little disturbed in Aspen Meadow, Colo., right now. Goldy's policeman husband, Tom, is having a nasty argument with a new assistant DA with political aspirations and no sense. There is a new caterer in town who seems to be underbidding Goldy at every turn and displays an extremely condescending attitude, and her kitchen is in a state of construction due to the defection of a contractor. Things go from bad to worse when Goldy finds the body of the mission contractor, and an old friend, caught by circumstantial evidence, is arrested for the murder. As usual Goldy cooks up quite a stew whipping up fantastic meals (recipes included) while sleuthing on the side.

■Other New Fiction Books

Clark — "All Through the Night"
Churchill — "The Merchant of Menace"
Deveraux — "The Blessing"
Evan — "The Locket"
Hermetz — "Off the Face of the Earth"
Johansen — "The Face of Deception"
McCaffrey — "Acorna"
Martini — "Critical Mass"
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O'Brian — "The Hundred Days"
Parker — "Trouble in Paradise"
Rice — "Vampire Armand"

■Other New Non-fiction Books

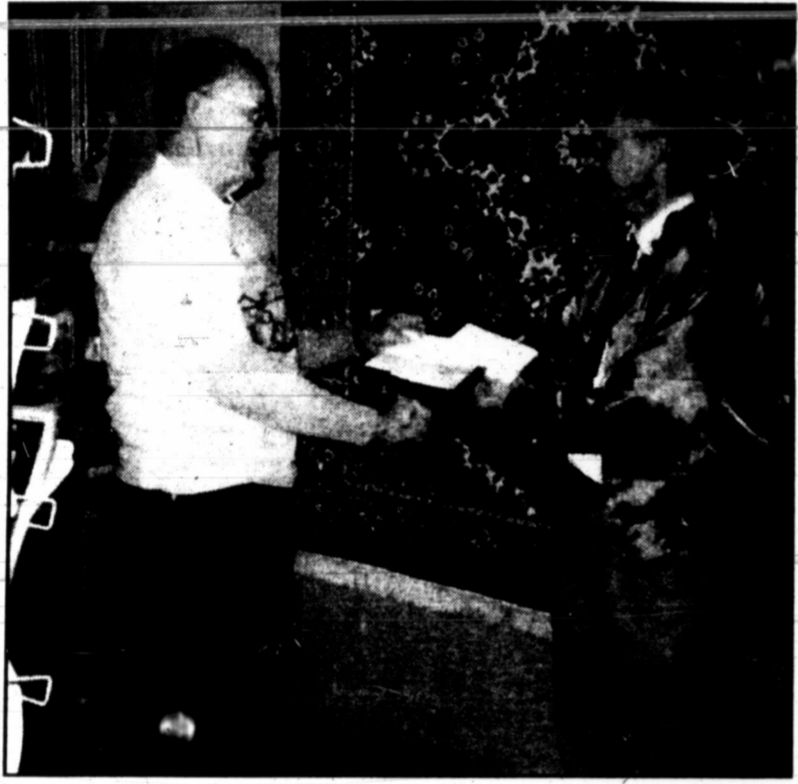
Anderson — "Poinsettias"
Bridgewater — "Beautiful Wooden Gift You Can Make"
Cox — "Stand-Off in Texas"
Falk — "Gun Dogs"
Hart — "How to Draw Animation"
Steel — "His Bright Light"
Tyson — "Personal Finance for Dummies"
Martin — "Pure Drive"
Ziglar — "Success for Dummies"

Playground gets \$1,800 donation

Pampa Wal-Mart store presented Chuck White, co-chair of Pampa's Super Playground, project with a grant for \$1,800 recently. The donation is part of the matching grant program funded by the Wal-Mart Foundation.

The gift is to go toward the completion of the Super Playground, built by community volunteers barn-raising style, in Highland Park, North of Clarendon College-Pampa Center. Many of the volunteers were Wal-Mart employees.

"We are thrilled to be able to support a variety of causes through funds raised by this organization and our associates," said Dave Brown, Pampa Wal-Mart store manager. "The money will be utilized for the children of our community and we are glad to help them out. It is just part of Wal-Mart's ongoing commitments to our communities where we



From left, Chuck White, co-chair of Pampa's Super Playground, receives an \$1,800 donation from Dave Brown Manager of Wal-Mart.

conduct business." In 1997, Wal-Mart stores Inc., contributed more than \$81 million to Children's Miracle Network, United Way agencies and local non-profit organizations in the communities they serve.

DEFERRED COLLECTION OF TAXES ON APPRECIATING RESIDENCE HOMESTEAD

Senate Bill 841, enacted by the 1997 Legislature, added Section 33.065, Property Tax Code, which offers qualifying homeowners a new tax deferral option. Below is a summary of the law.

An individual is entitled to defer or abate a suit to collect a delinquent tax imposed on the portion of the appraised value of property the individual owns and occupies as the individual's residence homestead that exceeds the sum of:

- (1) 105 percent of the appraised value of the property for the preceding year; and
- (2) the market value of all new improvements to the property.

The homeowner may receive the deferral only if the taxes are paid on the 105 percent of last year's value, plus the value on any improvements. A homeowner may not receive the deferral if the home's taxes go delinquent.

The deferral postpones paying a portion of the taxes on the home; it does not cancel them. When the homeowner no longer owns and lives in the home, the taxes become due. If the taxes are not paid, taxing units can then sue to collect all the deferred taxes and interest.

There is no penalty on the deferred taxes during the deferred period. The deferral taxes do accrue interest at an annual rate of 8 percent. If the deferred taxes are not paid 90 days after the deferral ends, however, a taxing unit may charge an added penalty of up to 15 percent if the account goes to a delinquent tax attorney.

If a delinquent tax lawsuit is pending, homeowners also may file for a tax abatement in court. If the court finds the homeowner is entitled to the deferral, the court shall abate the lawsuit until the homeowner no longer owns and occupies the property as the residential homestead.

Once a homeowner files the affidavit for abatement of taxes with the appraisal district, no taxing unit can start or continue a lawsuit for the deferred taxes as long as that person owns and lives in that home. The deferral also applies to any taxing units in which the homestead is located - even if some of these units do not offer a homestead exemption.

To obtain a deferral, the homeowner must file an affidavit with the Gray County Appraisal District before February 1, 1999. Anyone desiring to file the affidavit may contact the Gray County Appraisal District at 815 North Sumner, Pampa, Texas 79065 or call (806) 665-0791.

Letters to the editor

Remember utility workers in prayers

To the editor,
Last Friday night was a night of much needed rain and lightening and storms that suspended and postponed many high school football games. But also was a night for many who work for SPS and other utility services to have to get out in the dreary and threatening weather and work to keep our precious utility services going.

Me and my family live three miles east of Pampa and through the years have experienced many times of utility outages and SPS especially has always been right on time in restoring our services. Friday night was no different.

Lightening struck a line or transformer near our house at about 10:30 p.m. We were just going to bed and I didn't think much about it because I figured others were also effected by the outage and someone would call it in and power would be restored. But by 1 a.m. power hadn't been restored so I thought we better call it in and we did.

We must have been the only one in our area affected by the outage because it took them awhile to find our house. The dispatcher called our house three times to see if power had been restored and finally about 4 a.m. power was restored. But I was very impressed with their persistence and efficiency in carrying out their duties.

As winter draws near, it brings to mind how we should remember and be thankful for those who have to go out and be in some-times the bitterest of weather to help keep our lives safe and utilities going.

I, as a sideline job for the last 25 years to make extra money and help people out, have scooped snow out of parking lots and driveways. I have experienced what it is like to stay out in the cold, wind and snow and have to work. Very seldom in an emergency type situations, but just being out in the elements in adverse conditions is very trying on your body as well as your mind.

So when bad weather comes upon us always keep those who have to work out in the elements to keep our lives on an even and smooth pace in your prayers. I

know they'll appreciate it.
Ronnie K. Parsley
Pampa

Pampa tennis team displays sportsmanship

To the editor,
We (Wichita Falls Rider Tennis Team and Booster Club) would like to share with you an experience that exemplifies the positive characteristics of the students of Pampa. It was a pleasure for us in Wichita Falls to have the opportunity to meet and compete with these outstanding young people.

The Pampa Harvester Tennis Team recently participated in the Region 1-4A playoffs in Wichita Falls, Oct. 30-31. The team advanced through the first two rounds of the playoffs defeating Weatherford and Canyon, placing them in the region 1-4A semifinals against our team, Wichita Falls Rider. It was during this semi-final match that Pampa parents, coaches and players left us with one of our greatest memories of the regional tournament. Everyone was courteous, polite and exemplified true sportsmanship during the semi-final match that we were fortunate enough to win.

The most inspirational moment, however, came at the beginning of the final match between our team (Wichita Falls Rider) and defending champion Wichita Falls High School. Prior to the beginning of the match, a group of students approached the tennis center where the match was being played chanting support for our team. It was the Pampa Harvester tennis team!

We have never witnessed a finer display of support and sportsmanship. You are our true friends and gave us a positive, lasting memory of the 1998 Regional Team Tennis Playoffs.

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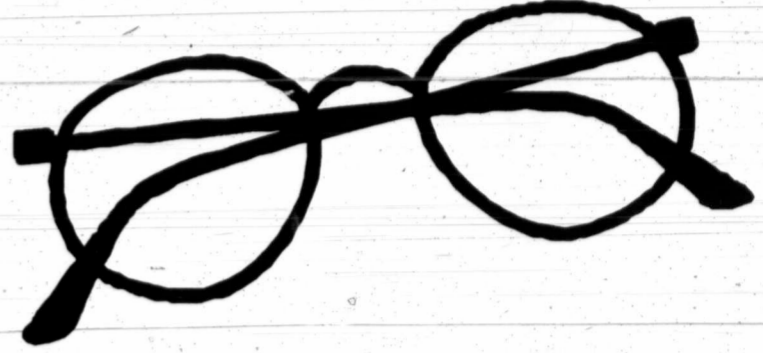


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Businesses bracing for future unknowns

By EDWARD DUFNER
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS (AP) — Winds of economic uncertainty blow through Texas businesses these days.

Companies that spent most of the decade managing prosperity now confront a far different challenge: fallout from the worst global financial crisis in 50 years.

From chip-maker layoffs to oil-patch mergers to tighter controls on a Realtor's photocopier, Texas companies gird for a harsher business climate. Some have acted; many are thinking.

Pier I Imports Inc. shuffles pre-Christmas delivery schedules. Bell Helicopter Textron Inc. reins in employee travel. American Airlines Inc. ponders trims in its overseas expansion.

"If we've got a recession coming anywhere in the world, we're going to be hurt," said economist Donald A. Hicks of the University of Texas at Dallas. "The question is, how deeply and how long?"

That question weighs heavily on some firms, lightly on others, according to a Dallas Morning News survey of more than a dozen key industries in Dallas and around the state.

Companies with domestic customers continue to enjoy strong demand. Texans dine, shop, travel, litigate and snap up new homes. And well they should, experts say.

"The fundamentals are good, the core industries are good," said Waco economic consultant Ray Perryman. Unemployment, inflation and interest rates all wallow at or near historic lows.

Yet businesses with international exposure, particularly in hard-pressed Asia, feel bottom-line pain as overseas markets dry up and red ink stains earnings reports. They cinch their belts accordingly.

The result is an economic-crazy quilt where Irving-based ACE Cash Express Inc. surges ahead, adding 100 check-cashing stores in a year, while 450 pink slips shower down in Plano from the closure of an Atlantic Richfield Co. facility.

Some 2,700 jobs in Lewisville will disappear as Raytheon Co. tries to maintain its goal of 10 percent earnings growth for its defense division in the face of slower overseas sales.

Fort Worth-based Bell once counted on selling 100 civilian choppers to Asia in 1998. The actual tally will be 30 to 40. "We've lost a lot of helicopter sales in Asia, big time," spokesman Bob Leder said.

So Bell pushes videoconferences and e-mail over jet travel. It halved its delegation, from 100 to 50, to this summer's mega-air show in Farnborough, England.

Of course, a sharp economic contraction would squeeze service companies along with their more capital-intensive manufacturer-cousins. Many acknowledge at least considering how to cope with a downturn.

But The News' survey turned up far fewer jitters among firms whose sales are in Southlake, not South Korea.

Pier I Imports, the Fort Worth-based retailer of home accessories and furniture, moved this summer to cope with more holiday-season demand, not less, at its 750 U.S. stores.

With Asian imports far outstripping the return flow of U.S. exports, Pier I feared that empty shipping containers would stack up in American ports, stranding its goods on foreign docks.

"So we built up our inventories in August and September to make sure our merchandise was in this country when we wanted it," said Marvin J. Girouard, president and chief executive officer.

David Wood, vice president of sales and marketing at Culinaire International, offered this simple reasoning for his catering company's no-cutbacks outlook: "People will still get married. You are always going to eat."

Few forecasters or executives predict a U.S. recession. Gross domestic product expanded at a 3.3 percent annual rate in the third quarter, the Commerce Department said Friday, a surprisingly strong showing in the midst of the world's troubles. Many

Dallas-area outplacement firms report fresh interest by companies seeking bids for the counseling of laid-off employees. Typically, these contacts begin weeks before cuts are announced, though the specialists say it's unclear whether the activity telegraphed a coming wave or a mere ripple.

economists project 1999 GDP growth at a modest 2 percent, about half the recent yearly pace.

"But this drama is still unfolding," noted Bernard Weinstein, an economist at the University of North Texas.

"We're going to see more economic dislocations locally and nationally from the global economic turmoil that's going on right now."

In companies large and small, The News' survey found tighter policing of costs against the possibility that the U.S. economy might actually slip into reverse in 1999 instead of simply throttling back.

"Everything that isn't revenue-producing is disappearing, obviously," said Gordon Walker, professor of business policy at Southern Methodist University's Edwin L. Cox School of Business.

Prudential HealthCare has halted new hiring of administrative personnel. Biweekly conference calls among 10 top Prudential managers from six states replaced monthly meetings in Houston.

Fort Worth-based American Airlines, carrying heavy domestic loads and still reaping a profit overseas, may have to park older airplanes sooner than planned if it has to scale back capacity.

Chief financial officer Gerard Arpey said American probably will fall short of its international-growth projections of 10 percent. It also may prune a planned 6 percent increase in overall capacity to 4 percent.

"I suspect many of the other U.S. carriers are looking at the same data and are looking at plans similar to what we are analyzing at this time as well," Arpey said.

Copier costs caught the eye of Al Herron, president and principal owner of Century 21 Galloway-Herron. He discovered some of the heaviest users were low sales producers at his agency, which specializes in southern Dallas County. He let his feelings be known. Expenses fell.

Like other businesspeople, Herron trolls for ways to muscle up on the revenue side, too. Agents now get "back-to-basics" training.

"When business is good, we kind of get lazy," Herron said. "We

forget how to hunt for business. . . . What gets missed is prospecting to go look and find the clients."

A similar motive drives the Wittmann Group, a Dallas advertising agency looking to diversify beyond mainstays such as technology and consumer-goods clients that could be hurt in an economic slump.

"We're doing as much growth and acquisitions as we can possibly manage," said Jim Gardner, director of account planning. "We are going to avoid the sectors that will be worst affected."

Agriculture fits that profile. Drooping cattle and beef exports have kept the per-pound price of feedlot cattle stagnant at about 63 cents, and ranchers calculate that it should be at about 71 cents.

Sagging foreign demand saps Big Oil as well.

Thanks to falling energy consumption in Asia, crude now languishes 30 percent lower than a year ago, \$14.42 a barrel after Friday's New York trading.

Halliburton Co. and Dresser Industries Inc., both of Dallas, are merging in a union that will dump 8,000 jobs worldwide. Oryx Energy Co. of Dallas and Oklahoma City-based Kerr McGee Corp. joined the march to the corporate altar last month.

"This industry is obviously consolidating. . . . It is all driven by the need to reduce costs," Arco CEO Michael Bowlin said in an interview.

In Richardson's Telecom Corridor, where corporate chieftains began the year by crowing about virtually unlimited potential for their industry, 1998 winds down more soberly.

About 500 jobs vanished with the closure of Twinstar Semiconductor Inc., a unit sold off by Texas Instruments Inc. Northern Telecom froze hiring for its wireless and enterprise networks and cut 240 of its 7,000 local employees. Alcatel USA Inc. acquired Plano-based DSC Communications Corp. and said last week it was firing 400 people.

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Against this backdrop of doubts, real estate developers say Dallas has taken a prudent pause. Although the residential market remains strong, Dallas has more office space under construction than any other U.S. city.

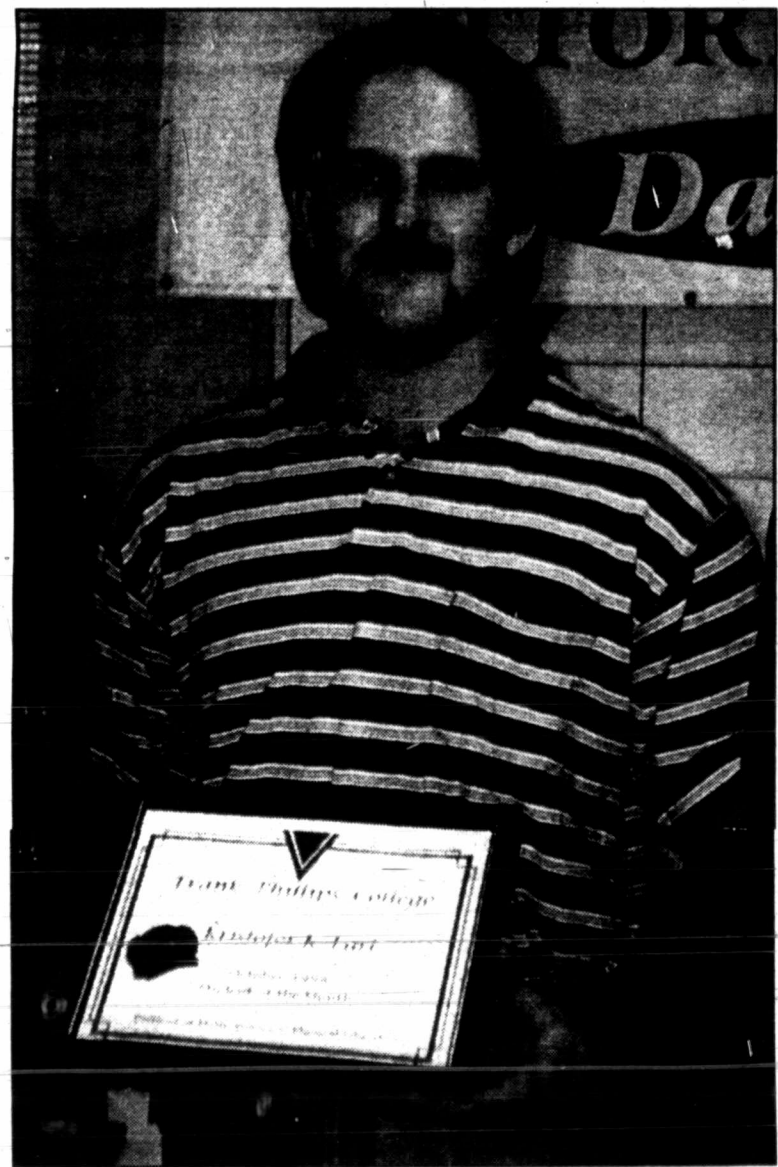
Nervous lenders have shut down funding for most speculative commercial projects, land buyers are balking at what they consider inflated prices and some firms are putting projects on hold, real estate professionals say.

"Right now the tenant demand is great in all of our properties, but we and most other builders are playing it safe," said Jeff Swope of Dallas-based Champion Partners, which recently scrapped the ground-breaking on a new Las Colinas office complex.

As Wendy Kalisher figures it, she's also playing it safe at Best Press in Addison, though not from any fresh recession fears. The president and owner of the 5-year-old commercial printing firm said she already runs a lean operation. Banks, she said, frown on lending to new small businesses.

"So you take your profits and invest in your company," she said. "Perhaps we're overcapitalized, but it's a very soothing way to go to sleep."

FPC Student of the Month



(Special photo) Kristofer Earl of Pampa, a sophomore chemistry major at Frank Phillips College in Borger, was named FPC October Student of the Month in Math, Science and Physical Education Division. Anna Johnston, a FPC sophomore from White Deer, was named October Student of the Month in Liberal and Fine Arts Division. Other October Students of the Month were: Sandy K. Hernandez, Business and Technology Division; Christie Marshall of Stinnett, Cosmetology; Brenda Pearl, Licensed Vocational Nursing Division; and Israel Ortega of Lakeview, Workforce Development and Applied Technology Division. These students were recognized during an Award Ceremony held recently in the college's student union building with Texas Attorney General Dan Morales among those present. Earl intends to finish his associate in science degree at FPC and later pursue a bachelor of science degree in chemistry at West Texas A&M University. He is interested in becoming a teacher and perhaps a coach. In his spare time, he operates his own business and is active in Trinity Fellowship Church Youth Group. Johnston, daughter of Larry and Sharon Johnston of Devine, is currently pursuing a degree in secondary education with an emphasis on English. She is a member of Eta Iota Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa and community and junior college honor society.

Sul Ross cowboy poet event in offing

ALPINE — The 13th annual Texas Cowboy Poetry Gathering will be held Feb. 26, 27, 28 on the campus of Sul Ross State University in Alpine. The Gathering is the oldest in Texas and the second oldest gathering in the United States.

The Gathering showcases cowboy poets, storytellers, singers

and dancers in numerous sessions throughout the day with a Friday night campfire session followed by an open session, the Cattle Call. Saturday night there will be a Stage Show followed by a foot stomping dance. This year the music for the dance will be provided by Jody Nix. Educational sessions, the Ballet Folklorica dancers and campfire breakfasts and dinners are also part of this fun-filled weekend.

Trappings of Texas, the fine western art and custom cowboy gear show will open at the Museum of the Big Bend on Saturday, Feb. 27 as part of the Gathering weekend. The Trappings exhibit features the best of the best cowboy gearmakers and fine artists from across the United States and Canada. For more information on this event, contact JJ Tucker at 915-837-8191.

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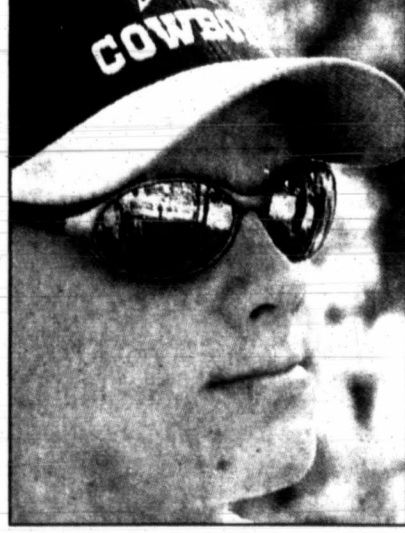
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Shasta Morris is reflected in Charlie Lang's sunglasses on a warm September afternoon.



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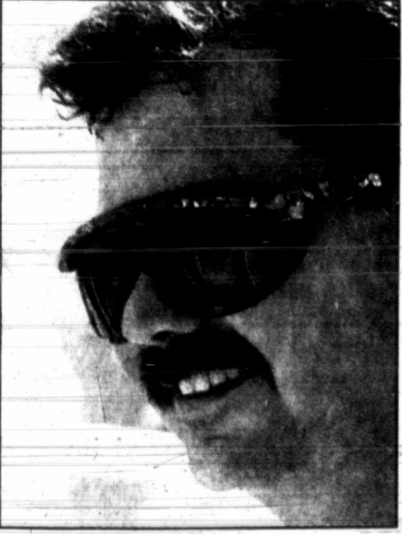
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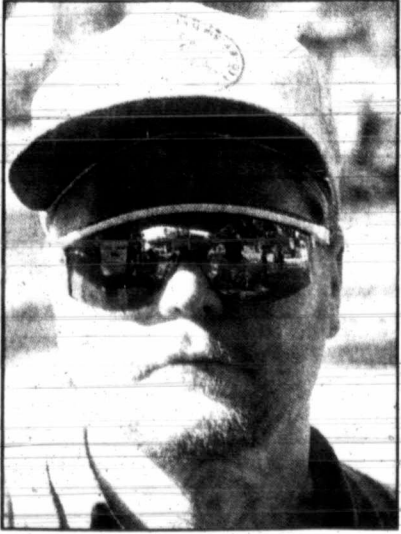
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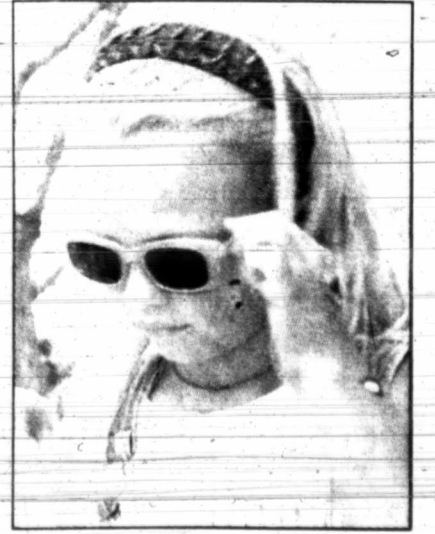
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When the sun shines bright...

While most men tend to think women are slaves to fashion, in the wonderful world of nature, it is the male that usually displays the brightest plumage. The Pampa News generally found this to be true in a completely unscientific survey during Septmeber's Chautauqua festivities. Men, rather than women, seemed to

be wearing the most fashionable sunglasses as the summer vacation officially drew to a close with the annual Labor day celebration in Pampa. Sunglasses, however, were everywhere during Chautauqua. They ranged from designer frames to Walmart specials. While only a few of them were Foster Grant's, the company known so widely for its sunglasses

offers some tips in choosing eyewear. Look for sun-las- ses that screen out both Ultraviolet (UV) A and B rays. UV-A rays are the ones that can cause wrinkles. UV-B rays can damage eyes with long-term exposure leading to cataracts. Scientific studies indicate that an estimated 80 percent of UV rays are experienced during normal outdoor activities.

UV-B rays are a growing concern with the depletion of the ozone layer. Recently, UV-B rays have been blamed for frog deformities. For enhanced comfort, look for sunglasses that offer adjustable nose pads and sturdy frames. Price doesn't necessarily guarantee better quality. Compare features carefully. Look for sunglasses that deliver optimal protection and durability. Go with a

name brand that offers a quality guarantee. One common myth concerning sunglasses is that the darker the sunglass lens, the better the protection. Actually, a tint that's too dark can hamper vision. For most people, a more neutral tint is better for everyday wear. Go wild with fashion tints like lavender, light blue or pink, but don't expect them to work well

for driving or sport use because they can distort color. People have been seeking eye relief from sun glare almost since the beginning of time. In the tropics, natives cut small holes in broad leaves they tied around their heads. In the ancient Orient, people wore face masks made of tiny beads on strings. Eskimos chiseled slits in mollusk half-shells and attached them to leather headbands.

Camp Would Be Meaningful Legacy for Heroes' Survivors

DEAR ABBY: I am an emergency physician. Over the years, I have come to know many police officers, firefighters and paramedics who put their lives on the line daily for the good of our society. I have great admiration for them. They don't make millions for hitting home runs, but their work is vital to our communities.

Unfortunately, death in the line of duty is inevitable for a significant number of them, and consequently, every year hundreds of their children are orphaned. We have all seen pictures of funerals with an honor guard of dozens or even hundreds of the hero's comrades in attendance. A collection is taken; speeches are made. But what then? The surviving parent is left with a child or children to raise alone. Sometimes the youngest child is still in the mother's womb, never to see its father's face.

A moment of silence to honor the dead is well and good, but there are years to go before the children reach maturity. I think it would be most helpful to have several camps in our country where these children could spend a couple of weeks each summer, gratis. The benefits would be many.

Each year, these children would spend time with others who have had the same experience. Friendships would be created, and they could help each other face their loss and emerge victorious from their adversity.

The ongoing nature of the camp



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

experience would be a permanent tribute to the memories of those who gave their "last, full measure." This would teach those children that our society is truly grateful for their parents' sacrifices. They would grow up with even greater admiration for their deceased parent, and thus greater self-esteem.

The surviving parents would be given two weeks a year of much-needed time to themselves. They would also become part of a surviving parents network that would inevitably develop.

Finally, the men and women of our nation who put their lives on the line would know that, if the worst happened, their children and spouses would not be forgotten the day after the funeral.

Surely there is land, public or private, that could be designated for this purpose. I am sure there would be no shortage of volunteers to help run these camps.

Abby, I can't think of anyone who would be more influential in promoting this idea than you. If you think it's worth mentioning in your column, I'm sure the response will

be as overwhelming as it will be heartwarming.

PHILLIP A. BREWER, M.D.,
YALE EMERGENCY MEDICINE,
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DEAR DR. BREWER: Your idea has merit, and I hope it succeeds. With the closure of so many military bases nationwide, to create camps there for the children of public safety personnel who die in the line of duty, would be a fitting tribute.

DEAR ABBY: My mother-in-law died in 1989, but my sister-in-law still sends an anniversary card to her father on their anniversary. In addition, she sends her father a sympathy card on the anniversary of her mother's death.

I have never heard of this. Is it normal? Is it healthy?

CONCERNED SISTER-IN-LAW

DEAR CONCERNED: Not only is it healthy, it's a very loving gesture. Your sister-in-law is to be commended for her sensitivity. I have received countless letters from widows and widowers bemoaning the fact that friends and relatives ignore the anniversary after the spouse dies. They tell me it's as if the marriage never took place, and it's a very lonely day for them. Because the spouse is deceased doesn't mean that the day isn't meaningful for the survivor. It's an important event, one filled with precious memories.

Horoscope

MONDAY, NOV. 9, 1998

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Confusion and disruption open your work day. Bounce up on your diplomatic skills; realize that not only energy but also tact are needed. Creativity and detachment mix, making you an unbeatable combination. Plunge into work. Tonight: Wherever there is fun, there you are!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You eye work with bewilderment at first, although you eventually get your sea legs. Someone's overtures help you come up with solutions. What might seem like healthy fun on your part, someone else could eye as flirtatious. Be careful. A partner remains stoic. Tonight: Happy at home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You might feel overwhelmed by the way others seek you out. Maintain perspective when sorting through a work-related issue. Fortunately, you are energized and can handle nearly all! Screen calls, and get work done. When you prioritize, you gain. Tonight: Time for socializing!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Making money becomes a major

preoccupation now. Perhaps some instability in your checkbook forces your hand. With the holidays coming, you might want to do some early shopping. Make calls, and use your ingenuity. You impress the boss. Tonight: Put in some overtime.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Remain optimistic despite confusion. Take the lead; make inquiries. Someone's perspective is substantially different from yours. Be positive and caring with others. Creativity surges, once you sort through all the pieces of the puzzle. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Take a back seat in the morning. Others are difficult, and you know you don't have all the facts. Listen carefully to someone, but come to your own conclusion. Your high energy, combined with your diplomatic style, bring positive results. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Aim for what you want, though a child or loved one could prove to be a major obstacle on the way. Instincts serve you with money; don't spend just to ease pressure. Keep your eye on the future. Talks develop into creative brainstorming. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Accept your role as the lead player in an adventure. Someone means well but has trouble communicating. Take on added work responsibilities, and get into new projects. Do behind-the-scenes research before making a key decision.

TONIGHT: A friend eggs you on. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You can sort through a confusing message. Be careful though; there could be financial ramifications. Use your intuition with a boss, who pushes too hard at times. You know how to state limits in a diplomatic way. Read between the lines. Tonight: Rent a movie.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) One-to-one relating clears up problems. Listen closely to feedback. Be sensitive to someone and what he is saying. His request could affect your security. Take action, make calls and home in on what you want. Someone is happy to go along with you. Tonight: Togetherness.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Discussions lead you to a new conclusion. Take action when a partner pushes you. Be more conscious of your professional image. A friendship takes a turn for the better. Talking clears the air. Listen to your gut instincts. Tonight: Continue the weekend spirit.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Dig into work. Don't let someone hold you back. You accomplish a lot very quickly. Confusion might surround a long-held wish and a key friendship. Make no decisions; simply pull back. Concentrate on work. News from a distance is gratifying. Tonight: Off to the gym!

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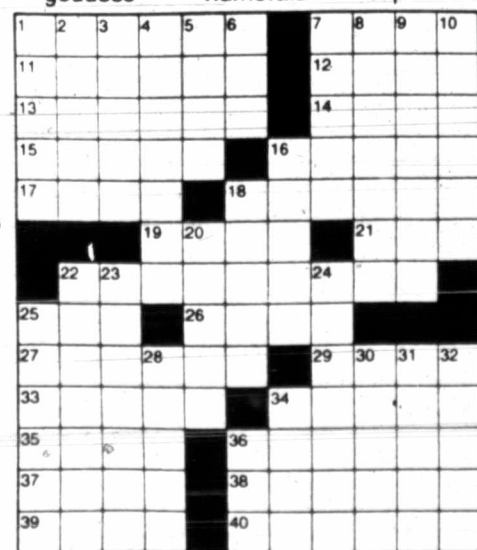
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by THOMAS JOSEPH

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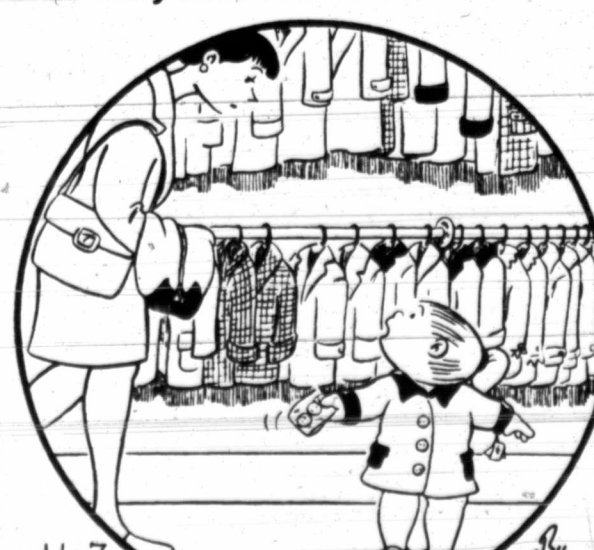
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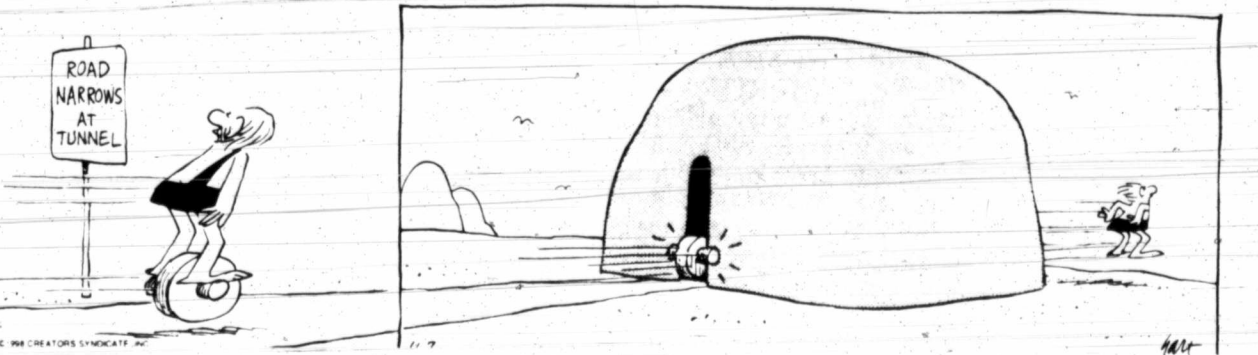
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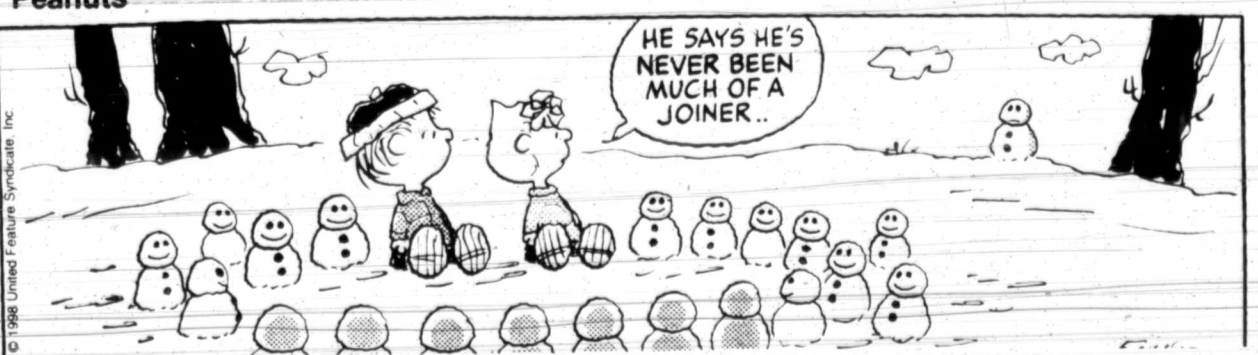
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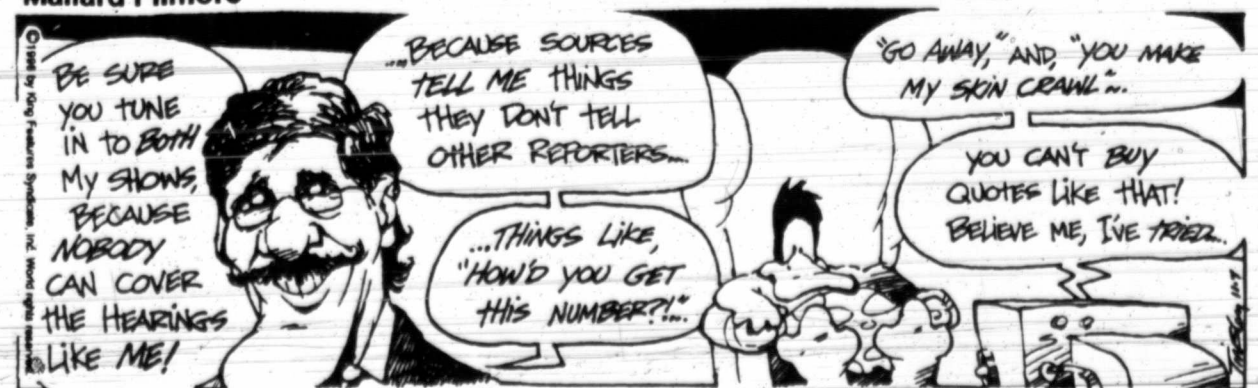
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ENTERTAINMENT

Cowboy Junkies move on but spirit of past band member lingers

By JIM STRADER
Associated Press Writer

UPPER DARBY, Pa. (AP) — Four lines into the show, the spirit of Townes Van Zandt is on stage with the Cowboy Junkies.

"Ghosts in the basement," sings Margo Timmins. "Screams from the kitchen. I tell you, folks, I think I'm leaving."

The lines were written by Van Zandt, a Texas singer and songwriter who died New Year's Day 1997 before putting the words to music. That task fell to Michael Timmins, the Cowboy Junkies songwriter and guitarist, who added them to "Blue Guitar," a song he had written after hearing of Van Zandt's death.

"It's sort of my lament to him," he said.

The members of Cowboy Junkies — Margo and Michael Timmins, their brother Peter on drums, and bassist Alan Anton — were fans of Van Zandt when they started their band in Toronto in the mid-1980s.

"He was always one of our favorite road tapes," Michael Timmins said. "We'd put it on for late-night drives. His songwriting somehow touched us all."

By 1990, the band was touring with Van Zandt and he opened their shows as they promoted their album, "The Caution Horses."

"He rode on our bus. We got to know him quite well," Michael Timmins said.

An established musician, with a small but fervent following, Van Zandt became a mentor of sorts to the Canadian quartet.

"I was new to the band and new to singing and wasn't sure if this was something I really wanted to do," Margo Timmins said of her first meeting with Van Zandt. "I knew if I could do what he did for me for just one person... He could always just sort of bring it back to the singing. He always kept the right perspective."

On stage in suburban Philadelphia, Van Zandt's name was not mentioned. But the third song, "Crescent Moon," kept him in the show. The band said in album notes that the song was inspired by his life and friendship.

Van Zandt's death, at age 52 of a heart attack following surgery, was not entirely unexpected by the band.

"I can't say I was shocked; he lived a hard life," Margo Timmins said.

Her brother suggested a more philosophical reason.

"I have a feeling that there were no songs left, so he felt like it was time for him to go," Michael Timmins said. "You sort of think that somewhere out there Townes is not singing on this Earth. I think we've all sort of lost something."

The newest album from Cowboy Junkies, their seventh, is "Miles From Our Home," and it marked a creative change. The songs were written and recorded in the winter and spring of 1997 at an Ontario farmhouse, several hours outside of Toronto. Previous albums had been craft-

ed at the Timmins' parents house.

Michael Timmins and his wife found the farm and had planned to use it as a retreat following the band's last tour. "I got up there and started to write and thought I should bring the whole band together now and then," he said.

Margo Timmins said the change of pace made a big dif-

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ference in how the album came together. Working at her parents' house was like a regular work day, she said, but the farm offered a slower pace.

"We'd go and be there for a few days. Sometimes, it'd be all four of us, sometimes, just Mike and I," she said. "It might not sound like that big a deal, but when you're writing, it changes everything."

"I enjoyed being out there, living and cooking and talking about the music."

Though there is more of a "pop" sound to some of the songs — notably "New Dawn Coming" and the title track — the darkness that pervades much of the band's earlier music remains dominant throughout the songs.

"They're about people who are finding themselves in positions and they're wondering how they got there — how the path they're on has veered off," Michael Timmins said.

The brooding themes of their music was overcome on stage by cheery banter from Margo Timmins, who introduced many of the songs with stories. At one point, she admitted flubbing her lines in an earlier show — "It was really embarrassing; I'm not sure why I am telling you" — and proceeded to start the next song with another lyrical slip.

Later in the show, she offered a peek at the band's life on the road. The current tour started in August, including a few dates with the Lilith Fair ensemble shows, and the tour continues through the winter.

Sipping from a mug of tea, which sat with flowers on a table by her stool, Margo Timmins asked for help in the band's weekly combined effort to complete the crossword puzzle from Sunday editions of The New York Times.

"Mike, they think we're really stupid," she said after laughter from the crowd.

She shared the band's hobbies — she does needlepoint, "the boys" play Nintendo games and everyone watches a lot of movies. Origami paper-folding is a new diversion.

"You can fold a dollar into a little shirt," she said. "Rock 'n' roll is very exciting."

Billboard music charts

By The Associated Press

Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold; Gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.):

Hot 100 Singles

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Doo Wop (That Thing)," Lauryn Hill. Ruffhouse.
2. "Lately," Divine. Pendulum. (Gold)
3. "The First Night," Monica. Arista. (Platinum)
4. "One Week," Barenaked Ladies. Reprise.
5. "Because of You," 98 Degrees. Motown. (Gold)
6. "How Deep Is Your Love," Dru Hill (feat. Redman). Island. (Gold)
7. "Crash," Jennifer Paige. Edel America.
8. "Nobody's Supposed To Be Here," Deborah Cox. Arista. (Gold)
9. "This Kiss," Faith Hill. Warner Bros. (Gold)
10. "I'll Be," Edwin McCain. Lava.

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Hot Adult Contemporary

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "I'll Never Break Your Heart," Backstreet Boys. Jive.
2. "From This Moment On," Shania Twain. Mercury.
3. "To Love You More," Celine Dion. 550 Music.
4. "True Colors," Phil Collins. Face Value.
5. "This Kiss," Faith Hill. Warner Bros.

6. "I'm Your Angel," R. Kelly & Celine Dion. Jive.
7. "You're Still The One," Shania Twain. Mercury.
8. "Truly Madly Deeply," Savage Garden. Columbia.
9. "After All These Years," Anne Cochran & Jim Brickman. Renegade.

Mainstream Rock Tracks

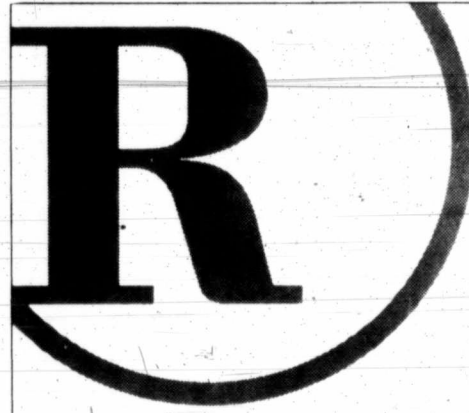
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1. "Fly Away," Lenny Kravitz. Virgin.
2. "What's This Life For," Creed. Wind-up.
3. "Psycho Circus," Kiss. Mercury.
4. "Psycho Man," Black Sabbath. Epic.
5. "Celebrity Skin," Hole. DGC.
6. "Dragula," Rob Zombie. Geffen.
7. "Slide," Goo Goo Dolls. Warner Bros.
8. "Inside Out," Eve 6. RCA.
9. "Pretty Fly (For A White Guy)," The Offspring. Columbia.
10. "Still Rainin'," Jonny Lang. A&M.

Hot Country Singles and Tracks

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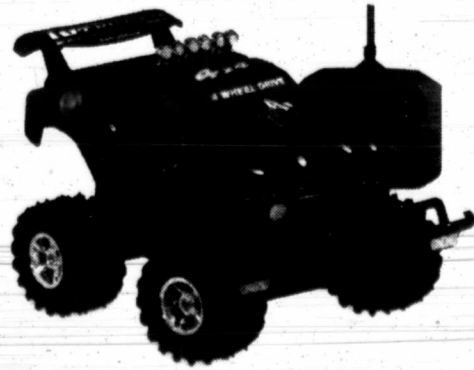
1. "Wide Open Spaces," Dixie Chicks. Monument.
2. "A Little Past Little Rock," Lee Ann Womack. Decca.
3. "How Do You Fall In Love," Alabama. RCA.
4. "Forever Love," Reba. MCA Nashville.
5. "You Move Me," Garth Brooks. Capitol.
6. "It Must Be Love," Ty Herndon. Epic.
7. "We Really Shouldn't Be Doing This," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
8. "Honey, I'm Home," Shania Twain. Mercury.
9. "I Wanna Feel That Way Again," Tracy Byrd. MCA Nashville.
10. "Don't Laugh At Me," Mark Wills. Mercury.



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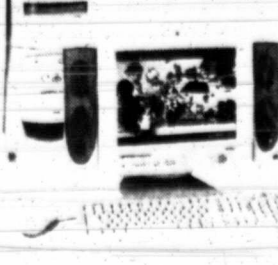
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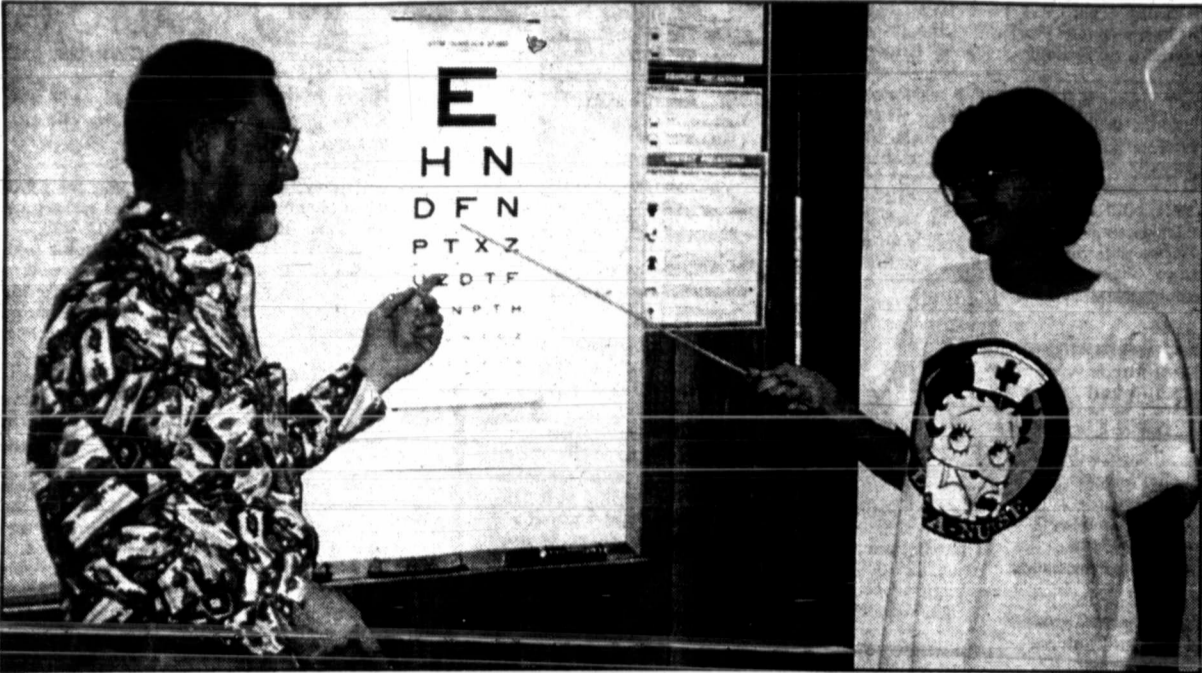
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