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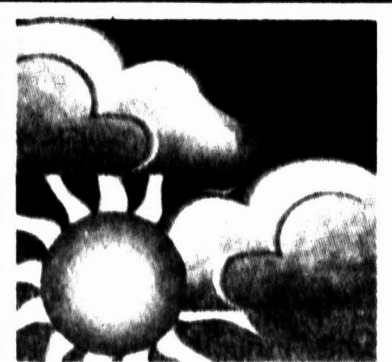


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PAMPA — Kit Neumann, coordinator of the Museum Services for the Texas Historical Commission will conduct a museum seminar for the White Deer Land Museum Advisory Board, White Deer Land Museum Foundation Board, Gray County Commissioner's Court and White Deer Land Museum staff today from 4-6p.m. at the museum.

PAMPA —Pampa Independent School trustees will hold a superintendent board evaluation workshop at 6 tonight in the board conference room at Carver Center, 321 West Albert Street. Also on the agenda is a level 2 team building workshop.

DALLAS (AP) — While the old grass is drying out on Texas Christian University's football field, an intercollegiate prank has a new winter grass taking root — in the shape of the trademark formation of the band for rival Southern Methodist University.

A giant "M" has surfaced in green tufts on TCU's playing field.

On Nov. 26, the SMU band sprinkled winter rye grass seed on the turf of Amon Carter Stadium during the halftime show, according to The Dallas Morning News.

Now that the surrounding grass has gone dormant, the rye grass has sprouted in sharp contrast to rest of the field's yellowish hue.

TCU has cause for concern, however. The school's field supervisor thinks the band used an annual rye.

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Sales tax drop disappointing to city officials

By KATE B. DICKSON
Associate Publisher

After two months on the up side, there's disappointing news on the city sales tax front as December receipts were off estimates by about \$46,000 putting the city budget on a trend for a \$107,000 fiscal year shortfall. The fiscal year ends Sept. 30.

"I just don't know what happened," City Treasurer John Horst said today after getting the report which include holiday sales. "We were up for two months, we were looking good then our biggest month of the year comes in and we have this. I thought we were over the hump."

Put into another perspective, Horst said the drop revealed in the February report shows Pampa's December retail sales, excluding auto sales, were \$3,090,000 less than in December 1998.

"Anytime we have a 19 percent drop I'm going to call and see if there was a timing or reporting mistake. I was really surprised at the drop ... I really was."

— City Mgr. Bob Eskridge

Included in the retail sales are utility sales, which City Manager Bob Eskridge said he checked and found they were also down.

"Utility sales were a portion of this but they certainly wouldn't explain near all of the shortfall," Eskridge said.

After receiving the report, Eskridge said he called the state comptroller's office to see if the figures were correct. Unless things change, the numbers are correct.

(See SALES TAX, Page 2)

Center eyes Pantex to make up shortfall

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — With its \$5 million in federal funding now gone, officials at the Amarillo National Research Center are hoping to make it up through subcontract work with Pantex Plant, the nation's primary nuclear weapons disassembly site.

Department of Energy officials slashed the budget for the research center — a consortium of the University of Texas, Texas A&M University and Texas Tech University — because of concerns that its work duplicated other research at national weapons labs.

The center was established in 1994 with a five-year, \$50 million cooperative agreement between the state of Texas and the DOE. It was supposed to receive \$10 million annually, but its budget was cut \$5 million last year.

Center officials questioned whether the cut was a political swipe at U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry, R-Clarendon, who was instrumental in creating the National Nuclear Security Agency.

The new agency was designed to tighten DOE security in the wake of alleged nuclear espionage by the Chinese. But DOE officials have denied the cuts were politically motivated.

Dale Klein, the research center's executive director, said the center hopes to recoup its DOE funding in part through work with Pantex, which is near Amarillo.

Recently, the DOE met with dozens of companies that are potential bidders for Pantex's new management and operating contract, which will be awarded in July.

Display opens Sunday



(Pampa News photo by Keith Anderson)

The White Deer Land Museum in Pampa offers up a new exhibit: "As time goes by ... 1900 to 2000." Exhibits range from clothes to appliances. Pictured are typical wedding outfits from the 1940s.

New display at museum 'As Time Goes By ... 1900-2000'

The public's invited to a free Open House Sunday from 2-4 p.m. at White Deer Land Museum for the introduction of the new 2000 Exhibit which is themed, "As Time Goes By ... 1900-2000."

The exhibit features aspects of Gray County life in the past century. The exhibit was created and displayed by museum board members Howard Graham, Cynthia West, Donna Burger, Dawson Orr and Wanda Carter. Many local merchants and Pampa families also contributed artifacts and their time.

Visitors can see "how we dressed" in the clothes and accessories from the Betty Bates Collection and how far we've come in the field of communications and entertainment since 1900.

Many historical artifacts were preserved by the people of Gray County and now they are on display in this new exhibit. Much of the furniture is from the museum's own collection.

The museum is at 112 S. Cuyler and those involved with the new exhibit invite the public to join them Sunday for a step back in time.

Helping younger students excel aim of high schoolers

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Helping younger students to succeed in life is the goal of several Pampa High School students, and they are doing something about it.

Three Pampa High School seniors and one senior student at Pampa Academy take time out of their busy school days to assist elementary students in the Helping One Student To Succeed math mentoring program at Wilson Elementary School.

Kevin Osborn, Ashley Laycock and Sean Stowers, all seniors at PHS, and Rainy Hopson, a senior at Pampa Academy, realize having a good education is a predominant factor to achieving success in life, and they are wanting to share the knowledge they have attained to help the students in the math program at Wilson Elementary.

The HOSTS program is a nationwide structured program to accelerate math skills in students using one-on-one community volunteers only once a week.

(See HOSTS, Page 2)

Quite frankly... What is your favorite television program?



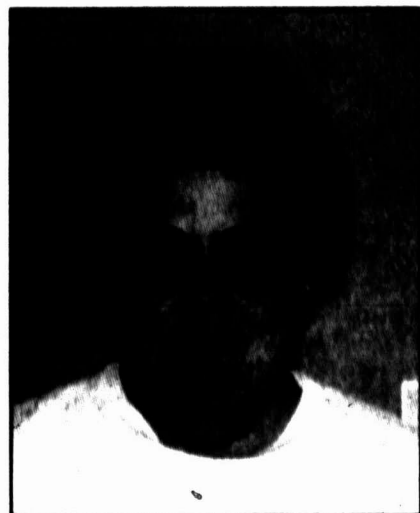
"Providence. That's about the only thing I watch."

— Lora Hampton



"Friends. I like it because they all get along."

— Rebecca Carpenter



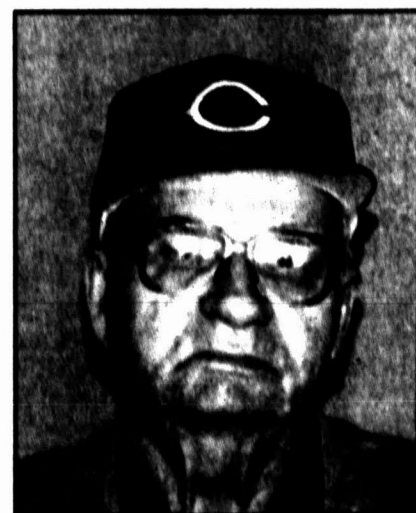
"Dallas. J.R. is a character."

— Ann Davis



"Win Ben Stein's Money. It's one of those off-the-wall game shows on Comedy Central."

— Lisa Smith



"The Price is Right. I like all the fun they have on that show."

— E.W. Totty



Congratulations To The Valentines Day Coloring Contest Winners

1st Place • Meredith Coutts • 10 years old • Travis Elementary
2nd Place • Cambree Moreno • 7 years old • Travis Elementary
3rd Place • Crystal Blanco • 9 years old • Woodrow Wilson Elementary

Daily Record

Obituaries

GRADY F. HAVENHILL
Grady F. Havenhill, 80, of Pampa, died Monday, Feb. 14, 2000, at Pampa Regional Medical Center. Services are pending under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Monday, Feb. 14
Corey E. Paslay, 27, White Deer, was arrested by White Deer City Marshal on the charge of theft by check.

Rebecca Irene Wood, 18, 1031 N. Sumner, was arrested on the charge of criminal mischief for allegedly damaging a motel room at the Sagebrush Motel.

Charles Eric Wood, 19, 1031 N. Sumner, was arrested on the charge of criminal mischief for allegedly damaging a motel room at the Sagebrush Motel.

Ambulance

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

Monday, Feb. 14
1:21 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of Wells and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

2:21 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Northwest Texas Hospital and transported one to a local nursing facility.

4:24 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 700 block of North Dwight and transported one to PRMC.

5:04 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1400 block of North Hobart and transported one to PRMC.

11:21 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transported one to NWTH.

Tuesday, Feb. 15
2:40 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported one to PRMC.

Police report

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

Monday, Feb. 14
A woman reported being assaulted in the face and stomach in the 700 block of North Dwight. No arrest was made.

Child Protective Services reported the theft of a voice recorder, 10 diskettes, a pink lady's jacket, and a green lady's jacket.

A tire and wheel valued at \$320 was reported stolen in the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

Police checked on the welfare of an individual in the 700 block of North Dwight.

A blue, 16-foot rental trailer, valued at \$1,950, was reported stolen in the 500 block of West Brown.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	2.27
Milo	2.90
Corn	3.43
Soybeans	4.15

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

Amoco	46 7/16	dn 1
Arco	67 1/8	dn 1/2
Cabot	23 1/8	up 1/16
Cabot O&G	15 3/16	up 1/16
Chevron	75 5/16	up 1/2

Fires

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

Monday, Feb. 14
5:01 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to a call for medical assistance at the 1400 block of North Hobart.

5:05 p.m. — One unit and four personnel responded to a call for medical assistance at the 1200 block of Garland.

SALES TAX

"Anytime we have a 19 percent drop I'm going to call and see if there was a timing or reporting mistake," the city manager said. "I was really surprised at the drop ... I really was."

Checking area cities, Eskridge said Borger's December sales tax receipts were down about 15 or 16 percent from the same time a year ago and Amarillo's returns were flat.

"I don't know what that says except we weren't the only ones up in this area with disappointing collections," he said.

Likewise, Horst said, "This is very disappointing. I know this had to hurt our retail merchants. We're talking about a lot of money here."

While there is "no way" to track how many retail dollars leave Pampa for Amarillo and for what

Horst believes are increasing Internet sales, the city treasurer says this economic outflow "hurts Pampa." He says Internet sales are "only going to increase."

From a city budget standpoint, \$192,465 was collected for December and \$238,814 had been budgeted, thus the \$46,000 shortfall, Horst said.

During December 1998, city tax receipts were \$238,961; in December 1997 they were \$250,414; in December 1996 they were \$239,329; in December 1995 they were \$205,575; in December 1994 they were \$215,168 and in December 1993 they were \$224,492.

Meanwhile, the city manager said, "Right now, we're ok. We will adjust the budget as we go along. Who knows what the pattern will be? We will keep an eye on it as we do every month. There's time left in the fiscal year to make adjustments in the budget if we need to do so."

HOSTS

The program is represented in 41 states. Volunteers of all ages may participate in the program. The local program has volunteers who are senior citizens as well as community mentors from all walks of life.

Other mentors in the volunteer program include Cabot engineers and their wives, Celanese employees, chiropractors, lawyers, Sunday School teachers, PISD employees, retirees and grandparents. Representatives of the Pampa Fire Department and Rural/Metro Ambulance service also volunteer in the program.

The HOSTS program is currently in its fifth year at Wilson Elementary. Teacher for the program is Teresa Dyson and assistant is Heidi Baggerman.

HOSTS is primarily a program of third through fifth graders. A few second graders have been added to the Wilson program this year.

Dyson said students have produced consistent improvement on TAAS scores since the program began.

She is very complimentary of the teenage students who are sharing their time to help the young elementary students improve their math skills. She said the staff is very appreciative of the students' efforts to work with the elementary children. She said the high school students provide the elementary students with the extra adrenaline to keep learning fun.

Anyone desiring to work with the HOSTS program or receive additional information may contact either Dyson, Baggerman, or Tommy Luidsey, principal at Wilson Elementary, at 669-4930.

Names in the news ...

LOS ANGELES (AP) — It seemed fitting that Valentine's Day would be soggy for "Come in From the Rain" songwriter **Carole Bayer Sager**.

With about 300 fans looking on, including best friend and neighbor **Elizabeth Taylor**, the Grammy winner unveiled her Hollywood Walk of Fame star during a Monday rainstorm.

"Carol is a poet of the soul," Taylor said.

Frank Sinatra, **Barbra Streisand**, **Bob Dylan** and **Johnny Mathis** are among the artists who have recorded her songs. Bayer Sager's memorable credits include "That's What Friends Are For," "Don't Cry Out Loud," "On My Own," and "It's My Turn."

"I want to thank you all for coming in this rain. I don't know that I would have, but now that you have, call me anytime, even when it's raining," she told the crowd.

Other celebrities on hand for the soggy ceremony included **Dustin Hoffman**, **Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds** and **Neil Simon**.

HOLLAND, Mich. (AP) — Doodles by **Rosie O'Donnell** and **Ewan McGregor** could soon draw enough money to help elementary school kids.

A parents group at Lincoln Elementary School is sponsoring an auction of some 60 celebrity doodles with proceeds to benefit school arts programs in this western Michigan city.

The first item up for bids will be a doodle of tools by TV handyman **Bob Vila**, which was scheduled to appear on eBay beginning Sunday. Forty other pieces will follow in coming weeks and a live auction of 20 of the most prized works go on the block March 25.

"We have absolutely no idea how much we might raise," parent Angela Morris, who came up with the fund-raising idea, told The Grand Rapids Press in a Monday's edition. "We just figured it would be more fun than selling cookie dough."

Last spring, students drew pictures of 250 celebrities and parents mailed them out asking for a signed doodle in return.

The first doodled reply, not surprisingly, came from kid-friendly **Rosie O'Donnell**. She scribbled faces of five students standing behind a sign that said: "LINCOLN ROCKS!"

Ewan McGregor of "Star Wars" also tried to equal second-grader Alan Hanks' doodle of a light saber in action, while **Fred Rogers** jotted some musical notes and signed it "Mister Rogers."

LOS ANGELES (AP) — **The Muppets** are moving into **Charlie Chaplin's** old digs.

The five children of late "Muppets" creator **Jim Henson** said Monday they have bought Chaplin's historic studio for \$12.5 million and are leasing it to the Jim Henson Co., their late father's company.

The five-acre Hollywood site, which includes Chaplin's 10,000-square-foot sound stage, was declared a historical monument by the Los Angeles Cultural Heritage Board in 1969, protecting some of its buildings from alteration.

"The buildings are a lovable hodgepodge of quirky, unusual spaces," said Lisa Henson, who works with the film division of her father's company. "It's not your typical corporate space, but it's ideal for the Muppets."

Chaplin began construction on his studio in 1917 and he filmed large parts of "The Kid," "The Gold Rush," "Modern Times" and "The Great Dictator" there.

counts, including drug possession with intent to distribute.

"Lori Rambough categorically denies all these alleged charges against her. We look forward to the upcoming trial which will establish her innocence," said her Beverly Hills publicist, Marleah Leslie & Associates.

In addition to standup, Sommore has had a recurring role on the ABC sitcom "The Hughleys." She won the Richard Pryor Award for comic of the year in 1995, and hosted BET's "Comic View."

NEW YORK (AP) — Novelist **Saul Bellow** has a new award to keep his Nobel Prize company.

Bellow, 84, received the lifetime achievement award during The New Yorker Book Awards on Monday at the New York Public Library.

Coinciding with the magazine's 75th birthday, literary prizes were given out for the best fiction, nonfiction, and poetry collection of 1999, as well as the best debut and lifetime achievement.

Bellow was cited for such books as "Seize the Day," "Henderson the Rain King," "Mr. Sammler's Planet," "The Adventures of Augie March" and "Herzog."

Bellow, who became a father seven weeks ago, quipped that "he's too old to be affected by these things." Seconds later he said the "raging ego" is always happy to accept them.

Annie Proulx won the fiction category with her book "Close Range," while the poetry winner was Louise Glück for "Vita Nova." Glück thanked other writers for providing "voices to write toward."

The book "Out of Place: A Memoir" written by Edward W. Said won the best nonfiction prize. And the best debut prize went to Jhumpa Lahiri for "Interpreter of Maladies."

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly sunny today with a high of 70 and west winds at 5-15 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy with a low of 35-40 and east winds at 10 mph. Tomorrow, a 30 percent chance of rain, a high of 65 and mostly cloudy skies. Winds from the southeast at 10-20 mph. Yesterday's high 61; the overnight low 48.

STATEWIDE — A chance of rain is possible in the Panhandle through the middle of the week,

with today's conditions mostly cloudy.

Tuesday morning temperatures in the west were in the 40s and 50s, and ranged from 41 at Marfa to 59 at Fort Stockton. Wind was variable at 17 mph or less.

Through Wednesday, West Texas high temperatures will be mostly 70s and 80s, with nighttime readings dipping down into the 30s and 40s.

In South Texas, fog had moved northward toward San Antonio, College Station and the

Huntsville area.

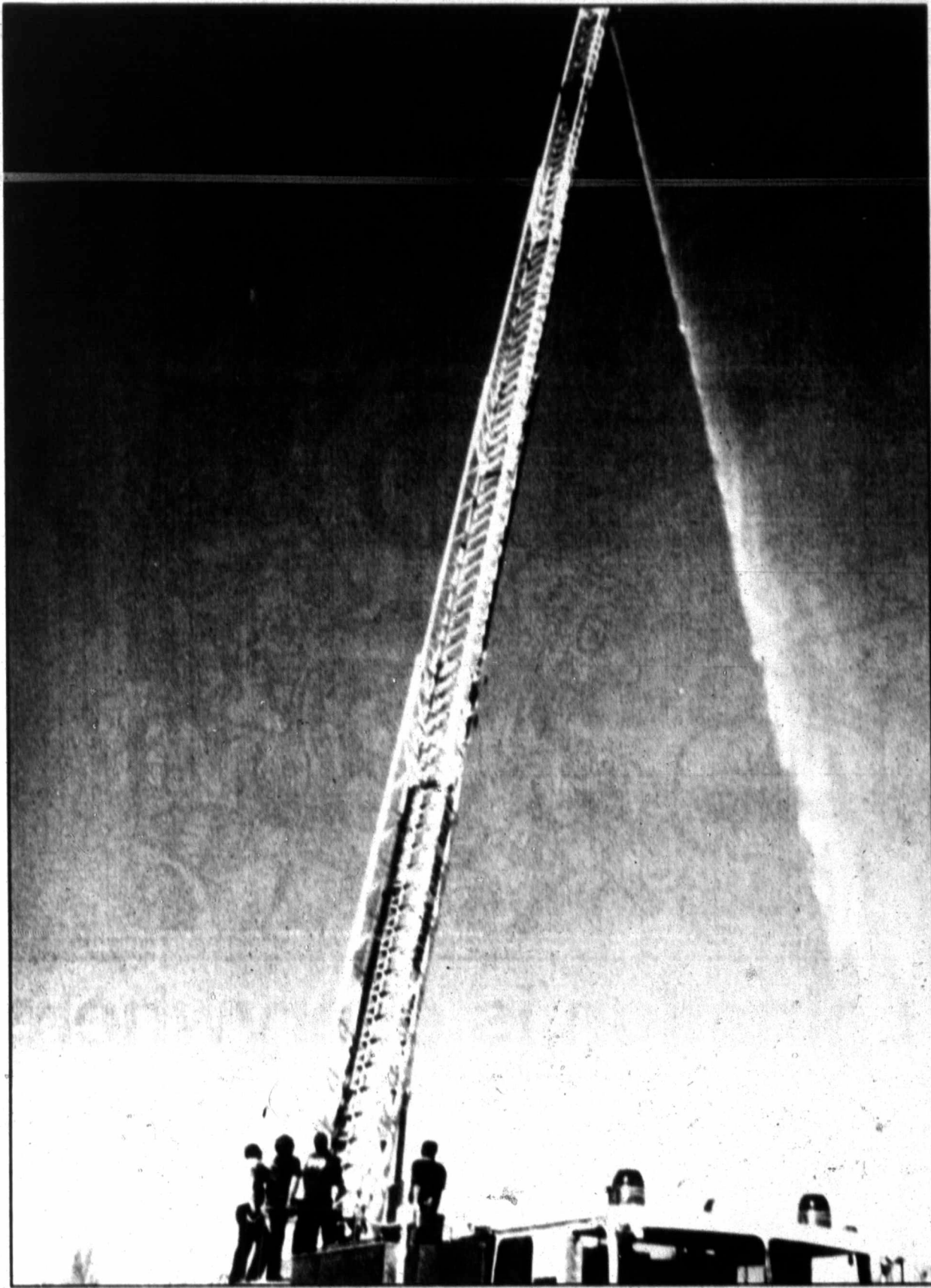
Tuesday morning temperature extremes in the south were 45 at Junction and Georgetown, to 72 at McAllen.

North Texas conditions today are forecasted to be partly cloudy and warmer. High temperatures will be in the upper 70s, with south to southwest winds at 10 to 20 mph.

Wednesday in the north will see increasing cloudiness with high temperatures again reaching up into the 70s.

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Practice makes perfect ...



(Pampa News photo by Danny Gowan)
Pampa firemen practiced using the department's extension ladder and sprayer recently at the Super Playground.

Go straight, come clean: D-FY-IT

Calendar of events

TOASTMASTERS

The Toastmasters will meet every Wednesday night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at the Furr's Cafeteria.

PAMPA PRISON MINISTRY

The Pampa Prison Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month at Central Baptist Church located at Francis and Starkweather at 7 p.m. sharp. For further information call Bob Andersen 665-4252 or J.B Walker at 669-2266.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star, has changed their meeting nights from the first and third Tuesdays to the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 420 West Kingsmill.

OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule - seven days a week - two meetings a day - noon till 1 p.m. no smoking, and Tuesday and Thursday 8-9 p.m. call 665-9702 for information.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Womens Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and BSA Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic Feb. 14 in First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, in Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse

in breast self-examination.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905, (806) 359-4673 or 1-800-377-4673.

ART SHOW FUND-RAISER

A "Spring Art Soiree" will be held beginning with a cocktail buffet at 6 p.m. followed by a live art auction with Tim Assiter on March 10 at Amarillo Civic Center. Show hours will be 11 a.m.-5 p.m. March 11 and 12-4 p.m. March 12. The Art Committee has established four levels of sponsorship. Host couples are assigned to an artist for the event to assist as needed. The proceeds will benefit High Plains Epilepsy Association.

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM

The White Deer Land Museum (112-116 S. Cuyler) visiting hours

are Tuesday-Sunday, 1 p.m.- 4 p.m. There will be history of the White Deer Land Co., and the early area settlers and outstanding arrowhead collection and art gallery. Elevator.

SHRINE MEETING

A Shrine meeting is slated at 6 p.m. Feb. 18 at the Sportman's Club located on South Barnes. Participants should bring a covered dish.

EMMAUS REUNION

Emmaus Reunion Group meets the second Thursday of each month. For more information call 669-3426 or 669-9226.

CLARENDON COLLEGE

Clarendon College-Pampa Center will offer GED testing on the fourth Monday and Tuesday of each month. Registration will be at 9 a.m. each day. Cost will be \$45 including a \$20 deposit. For more information, call 665-8801.

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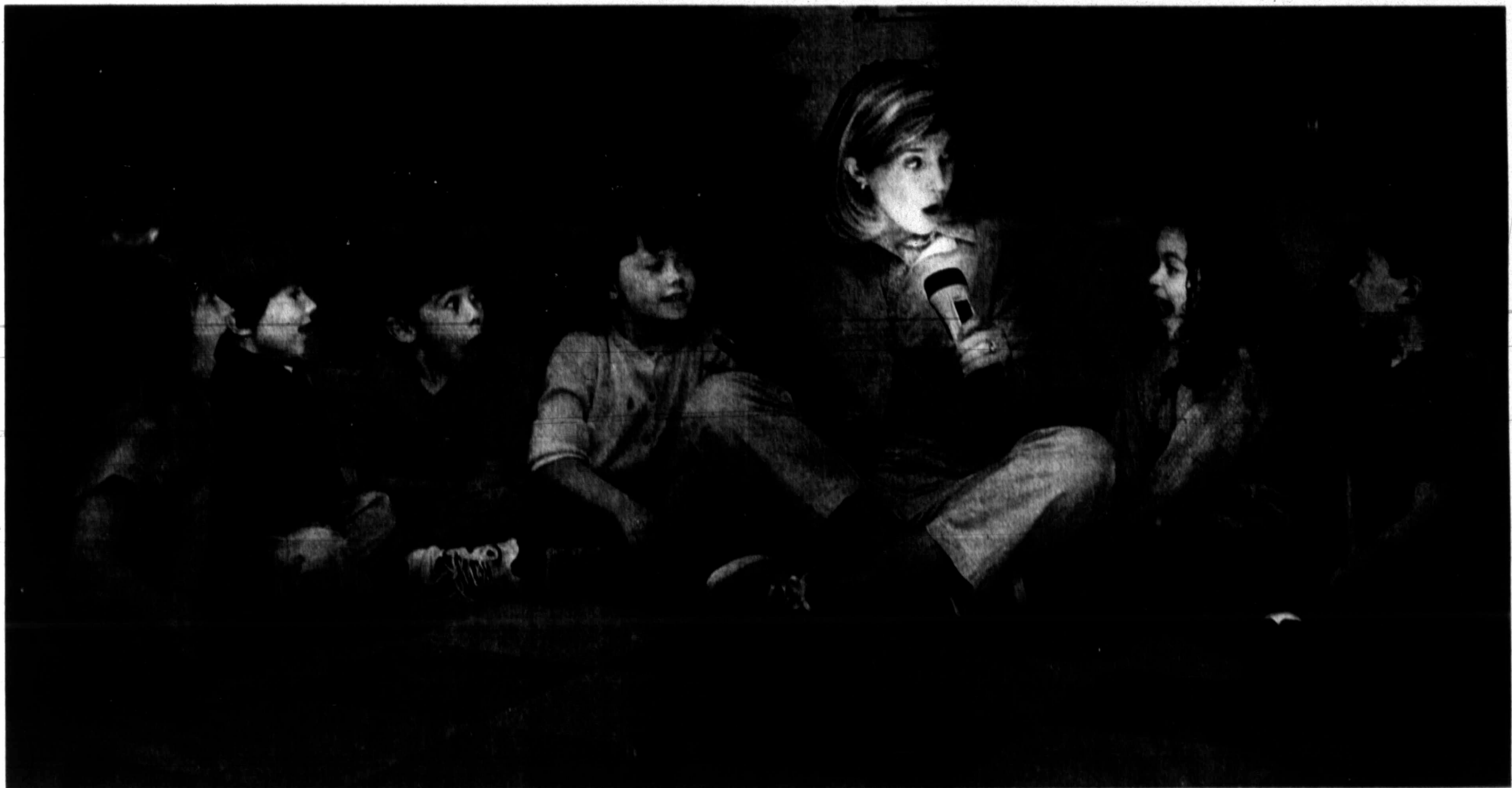
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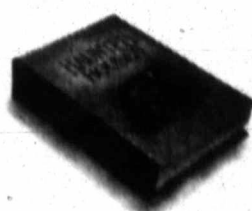
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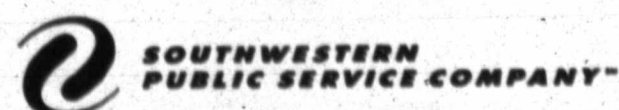


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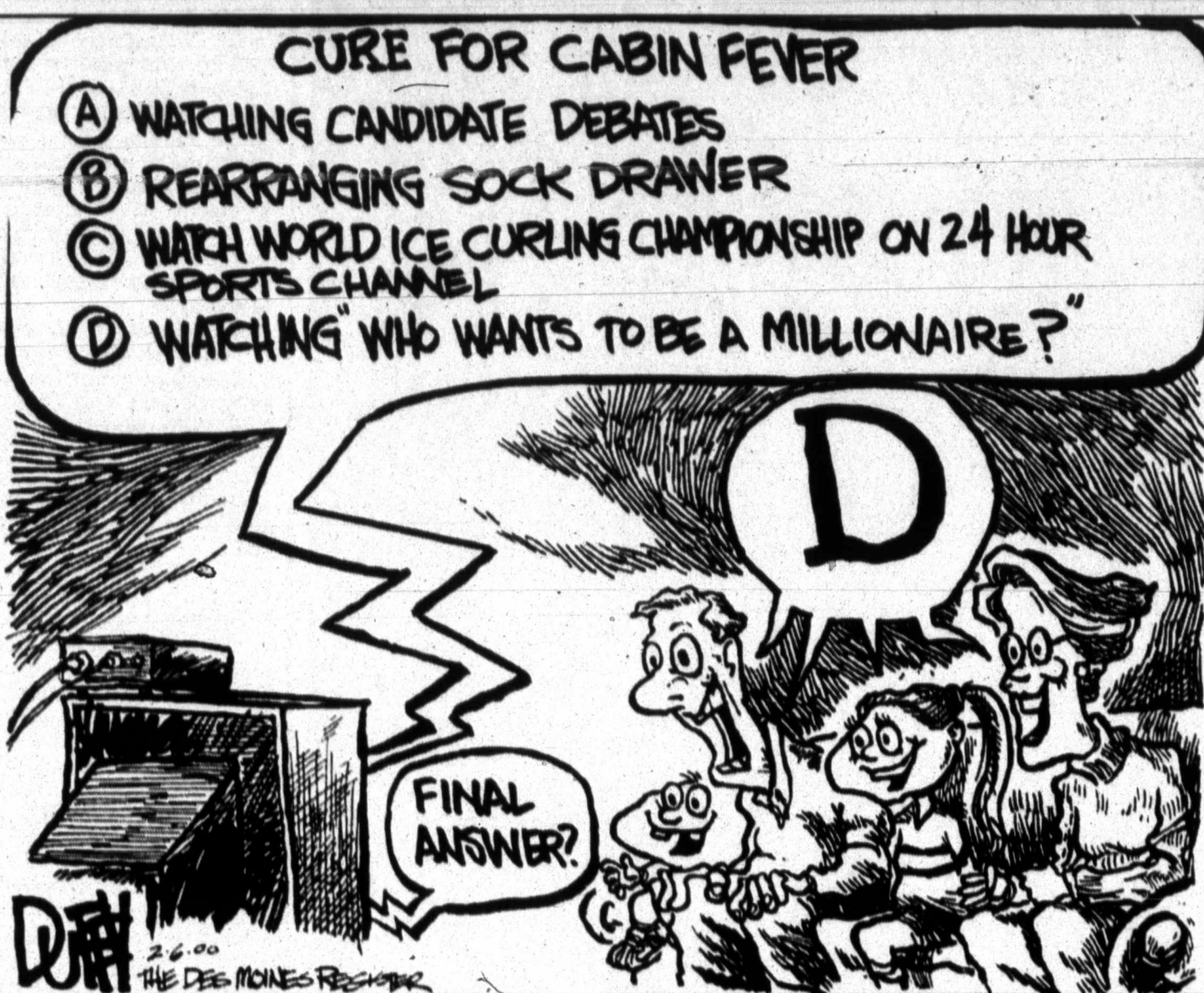
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Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from around Texas:
 San Antonio Express-News on layers of police waste time,
 money:

From school district truant officers and local constables through the Texas Rangers and on up to FBI special agents, there is no limit to the layers of police in South Texas.

There are park rangers and border patrolmen, airport police and military M.P.'s, drug agents and DPS officers, city police and county sheriff's deputies, literally tens of thousands of men and women wearing badges.

This newspaper has long been an advocate of city-county consolidation. The possible unification of local police forces into a single unit is one good reason to support the concept.

In that same spirit, a federal commission this week recommended giving the FBI control over the enforcement functions of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (now part of the Treasury Department) and the Drug Enforcement Administration, just like the FBI is part of the Justice Department.

However, the concept likely will die upon arrival on Capitol Hill for the usual reason: It is substantive change that uproots political turf.

ATF spokeswoman Ila Brown acknowledged only that she was aware of the report, and Art Resnick, a DEA spokesman, said the proposal had been "studied and rejected numerous times."

Meanwhile, Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers and Attorney General Janet Reno echoed Resnick, but promised to study the findings of a congressionally appointed commission headed by William Webster, former director of both the FBI and the CIA.

There is no question there are too many law enforcement layers, both locally and nationally. Combining some of them would both save money and allow better coordination of law enforcement efforts.

An anonymous federal official told the Washington Post the idea is not constructive, but admitted that lower-echelon employees think it makes sense.

Perhaps they see the waste and duplication and that a greater percentage of their income goes to support all these tax-supported law-enforcement fiefdoms.

Dead on arrival? We hope not. More consolidation, not less, is best.

The Victoria Advocate on education is prime presidential topic:

Although education has long been the responsibility of state and local governments — and rightly so — the issue has been a prime topic of contention in the presidential debates.

Texas Gov. George W. Bush emphasizes that, during his tenure in office, minority students in Texas have made considerable progress in closing the academic achievement gap. As president, Bush would give schools that receive federal funds for disadvantaged kids three years to shape up. Under his proposal, failure to improve would prompt Washington to provide parents with vouchers worth \$1,500 (the approximate average per-pupil federal expenditure, plus state matching funds). They could use that money to send their children to public or private schools of their choice.

Bush's tough approach does not include dismantling the elephantine Education Department. Rather, he would have the department provide numerous financial incentives to improve student performance. He also would give states greater latitude in spending federal funds.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., vying with Bush for the GOP nomination, talks about the virtues of competition and holding staff and students strictly accountable for their performance. He would go one step further by enlisting a pool of military and other retirees to tutor students in English, math and science. He favors merit pay and strict competency tests for teachers. Those who cannot cut it in the classroom, he believes, should be fired.

Vice President Al Gore has disgorged, a prototypical Democratic proposal that would cost \$115 billion over 10 years. His grandiose plan, which would swell the Education Department's budget by one-third, flows from the flawed premise that the federal government alone can fix underperforming schools. It brims with buzz phrases about closing failing schools and reorganizing them under "dynamic" leadership, complete with financial inducements.

Gore's empathy for children trapped in woeful schools does not include any attempts to see if allowing them to escape, via vouchers, to private schools, can help. Typical of Washingtonians who flatly oppose vouchers, even in pilot programs to see how they work, he sent all four of his children to private schools.

Democratic challenger Bill Bradley would give vouchers a limited try. The former New Jersey senator supports parental choice only for poor children who are stuck in sub-par schools. This modest freedom-of-choice advocacy has put him in the crosshairs of the teachers' unions, which view vouchers as a vehicle for undermining public education.

This isn't to suggest the National Education Association and the American Federation of Teachers would refuse to back Bradley if he turns out to be the Democratic nominee. The two unions historically support Democrats, and the NEA in particular cannot abide the Republican alternatives, Bush and McCain, since both favor cracking down on incompetent teachers and pushing other reforms it holds to be anathema.

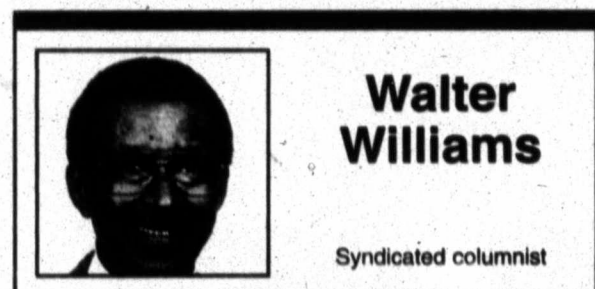
Price discrimination is everywhere

Ponder this. You're traveling to Los Angeles. You've gone through security check. Your luggage has been X-rayed. One wonders what else, in the name of security, is accomplished when you're asked at check-in to show a photo ID and questions like: Did you pack your luggage? Was it in your possession at all times? Did anybody give you anything to carry?

Airline companies always like to say, "According to federal regulations," we have to wear our seatbelts, obey crew instructions, and do this and do that. But as for a photo ID, the Federal Aviation Administration's website says, "The FAA does not prohibit the airline from transporting a passenger who does not present a photo ID." So why do airlines inconvenience passengers and ask the stupid questions? At least, part of the answer lies in economics.

Often people aren't charged the same price for what appears to be the same good or service. There are many examples of this: seniors get discounts, children are charged half-fare on trains, buses and airplanes, doctors often charge poor people lower fees, and theaters charge lower prices for matinee shows.

In grown-up economic terms, sellers practice third-degree price discrimination — where different people are charged different prices when that difference cannot be explained by differences in cost. For example, the fact that children



Walter Williams
 Syndicated columnist

are charged half fare for a flight from New York to Los Angeles doesn't mean they are half as costly to transport.

Price discrimination is a marketing strategy that produces higher revenue than simply charging everybody the same price. But to engage in price discrimination, you must be able to separate markets. Arbitrage must be prevented — a fancy term for people buying low and selling higher. It would defeat the airline's revenue goals if a child purchased a ticket at half price and an adult used it. Separating the adult market from the child market is easy. But other markets are more challenging, such as the businessmen market and tourist market. For the same trip, airlines charge tourists (spending seven days or a weekend day) lower prices than businessmen who go and come back the same day or the next day. The airline's marketing strategy is weak-

ened if businessmen use tickets priced for tourists. Demands for photo IDs help airlines separate markets by enabling them to determine who bought what ticket. "Security" questions about who packed your bags, whether anybody gave you anything to carry, etc., are thrown in for laughs to make the ruse plausible.

Don't call the Department of Justice crying about price discrimination. Price discrimination is everywhere; we all practice it and nothing's wrong with it.

For example, take a gorgeous young lady. Who is she more likely to get to buy her furs and wine and dine her at costly five-star restaurants: a handsome young guy or a fat, old, ugly cigar-smoking man? If you said fat, old, ugly, cigar-smoking man, go to the head of the class. The lady is practicing price discrimination — charging fat, old ugly, cigar-smoking men higher prices. By the way, it works the other way around, as per the admonishment of the Latin song with the lyrics, "If you want to be happy for the rest of your life, take an ugly woman for a wife."

As for the airlines, I'd like for them to be forthright and not use the FAA as an excuse. Just post a sign, "We engage in price discrimination and would like to see a photo ID to make sure you're traveling on the highest price ticket we can sell you."

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 15, the 46th day of 2000. There are 320 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 15, 1898, the U.S. battleship Maine mysteriously blew up in Havana Harbor, killing more than 260 crew members and bringing the United States closer to war with Spain.

On this date:

In 1564, Italian astronomer Galileo Galilei was born in Pisa.

In 1764, the city of St. Louis was established.

In 1820, American suffragist Susan B. Anthony was born in Adams, Mass.

In 1879, President Hayes signed a bill allowing female attorneys to argue cases before the Supreme Court.

In 1933, President-elect Roosevelt escaped an assassination attempt in Miami that killed Chicago Mayor Anton J. Cermak.

In 1942, the British colony of Singapore surrendered to the Japanese during World War II.

In 1965, Canada's new maple-leaf flag was unfurled in ceremonies in Ottawa.

In 1982, 84 men were killed when a huge oil-drilling rig, the Ocean Ranger, sank in a storm off the Newfoundland coast.

In 1989, the Soviet Union

announced that the last of its troops had left Afghanistan after nearly a decade of military intervention.

In 1992, Benjamin L. Hooks announced plans to retire as executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Ten years ago: President Bush and the leaders of Colombia, Bolivia and Peru met in Cartagena, Colombia for a drug-fighting summit.

Five years ago: The FBI arrested Kevin Mitnick, its "most wanted hacker," and charged him with cracking security in some of the nation's most protected computers. (Mitnick was released this past Jan. 21 after serving five years behind

bars.) A fire roared through a three-story nightclub in Taichung, Taiwan, killing at least 64 people.

One year ago: The body of Amadou Diallo, an unarmed West African gunned down by New York City police, was returned to his native Guinea.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Kevin McCarthy is 86. Country singer Hank Locklin is 82. Former Illinois Congressman John Anderson is 78. Comedian Harvey Korman is 73. Actress Claire Bloom is 69. Author Susan Brownmiller is 65. Songwriter Brian Holland is 59. Rock musician Mick Avory (The Kinks) is 56. Actress Jane Seymour is 49. Singer Melissa Manchester is 49.

Pro-life license plates cause uproar

In Florida, the Legislature authorized a specialty license tag that simply states "Choose Life." The pro-abortion folks went into orbit, filed suit and unloaded all of their politically-correct venom.

Nothing tells the truth about the pro-abortion crowd more vividly than the malicious reaction to a license plate which states "Choose Life." It's exactly what one would expect from people who believe that children in the womb can be killed if the children are inconvenient. As someone said, the Legislature ought to be fair and allow them a special license plate which states "Choose Death."

Of all the obnoxious people who support abortion, none are more obnoxious than those who, while not personally involved, fervently support abortion so that there won't be a lot of what they obviously consider to be inferior people cluttering up the place and spoiling their "quality of life." Talk about a Nazi mentality.

The whole pro-abortion/birth-control movement was begun by white, elitist racists who wanted to limit the numbers of people of color. Nowhere is there greater evidence of the price of ignorance than the fact that some civil-rights organizations honor Margaret Sanger, one of pro-abortion/birth-control movement founders who was racist to the core.

The second-most obnoxious people on the



Charley Reese
 Syndicated columnist

pro-abortion side are those politicians who say, "I personally don't believe in abortion, but I think others should have the right to choose." That, of course, is the precise equivalent of a politician saying, "I personally don't approve of homicide, but I think others have a right to choose it."

You cannot say, with any logic or sanity, that it is wrong to kill people unless they are babies still in the womb. There is one, and only one, justification for taking a human life, and that is in defense of another human life. To kill people for the sake of convenience is the ultimate in human corruption, more vile even than killing people for money or for political reasons.

Who says that human beings must be convenient before they can claim their God-given right to life? Well, the pro-abortion crowd, of course. Now you might get the idea that I don't like the pro-abortion crowd. I don't. I despise them. They are immoral supporters of a killing industry. In my view, they are totally

lacking in any redeeming qualities. I cannot imagine a man or woman sinking any lower in moral slime than to be an apologist for the abortion business.

If we had some political leaders with any backbone, they would simply outlaw abortion and ignore the Supreme Court ruling. Modern Americans have been brainwashed into believing that Supreme Court rulings are the law of the land. They are not. They are merely decisions related to particular disputes.

Moreover, no federal court, including the Supreme Court, has any power at all to enforce its decisions. If the decisions are to be enforced, they must be enforced by the executive branch. President Andrew Jackson ignored a Supreme Court ruling. He simply went ahead and enforced the law that the Supreme Court had said was unconstitutional. "It's Mr. Marshall's ruling, let him enforce it," Jackson said. He was referring to Chief Justice John Marshall. And, of course, Marshall was powerless.

Jackson was upholding the principle of separation of powers. The liberals' favorite president, Abraham Lincoln, said that if the Supreme Court can override the other branches of government, then the American people do not rule themselves but are instead ruled by an oligarchy appointed for life.

Unfortunately, the modern politician is missing two key ingredients of statesmanship: knowledge of his or her country's own history and a backbone.

U.S. Department of Education: Tax credits ease tuition payment crunch

WASHINGTON — Millions of students applying for federal student financial aid this year will find the process easier and faster than ever before, according to the U.S. Department of Education, the nation's largest source of college student aid. In addition, tax credits of up to \$1,500 per student for tuition expenses paid last year are available for 1999 federal income tax filers.

"Streamlined forms have cut paperwork significantly," said U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley, "and with electronic filing, a student's aid application can be processed in a matter of hours. Furthermore, tax credits can make college or training courses more affordable and reduce the amount of income tax families owe."

This year, an estimated \$51.4 billion in federal grants, loans and work-study opportunities will be awarded to some 8.4 million students out of 10 million applicants. Even students who are not financially needy enough to qualify for grants or federally subsidized loans are eligible for loans at interest rates lower than those offered by commercial lenders.

Some facts applicants may find useful: —Applying for federal aid is free. Filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid is the first step in the process. Students can file electronically or on a paper application. Most state and institutional

aid eligibility is determined by the FAFSA, so students should start there. Students are also encouraged to talk to the financial aid directors at the schools they hope to attend to learn about financial aid packages and other sources of assistance. Students can obtain a FAFSA at high school guidance offices, libraries or by calling the FSA Information Center toll-free at 1-800-433-3243.

—Electronic filing is faster, less error-prone. An estimated 12 to 14 percent of paper applications are returned for errors, adding time to the application process. By filing electronically, students can avoid delays because the software immediately identifies errors and allows for on-the-spot corrections. FAFSA is located at www.fafsa.ed.gov on the World Wide Web and can be accessed with many popular browsers.

—Reapplying for aid simplified. Reapplying for aid is simpler than ever. Students simply add a minimal amount of new information on the 2000-01 renewal form and update any information that has changed since 1999-00 (family size, for example). Students can also reapply electronically by using the renewal version of FAFSA on the Web. For renewal filing on the Internet, students are given an electronic access code or PIN that serves as the student's signature. Parents will still have to sign if the applicant is a dependent.

Check with the school financial aid administrator for questions about the renewal paper or electronic FAFSA or contact the FSA Information Center.

—PIN numbers are now available. The department will mail a PIN to new students who apply for aid in the 2000-01 award year. The PIN can be used to access the student's account information on-line, access renewal FAFSAs and take the place of the student's signature for FAFSA on Web applications in subsequent years. Beginning March 6, students can make corrections to an aid application through the Internet.

- Other useful tips:
- print carefully and clearly using only blue or black ink or pencil — no other colored ink accepted;
 - know your Social Security number;
 - use W-2 forms and carefully estimate tax information if federal income taxes have not yet been completed;
 - be aware of deadline dates for the schools to which you are applying;
 - some schools use only the federal form, others have a separate form for institutional aid so be sure to check with the school;
 - do not report parents when answering the question, "how many students in the family are attending college?" But do report oneself even if attendance is less than half-time.

• the forms are processed by computer so do not attach additional materials and write only in the marked spaces on the application, never in the margins;

• be sure to sign the application or separate signature sheet for electronic filers (except electronic renewal filers who are independent) and have a parent sign if required.

In addition to federal grants, loans and work-study, families can take advantage of education tax credits — up to \$1,500 for the HOPE tax credit for each student enrolled in the first two years of college or vocational school, and up to \$1,000 for the Lifetime Learning tax credit for those beyond the first two years of study for students enrolled in vocational, college, graduate and professional schools or adults taking classes part-time to improve or upgrade their job. These credits can be claimed by eligible taxpayers when they file their 1999 tax returns. In 1998, 4.7 million families received \$3.4 billion in education tax credits.

To take advantage of the HOPE and Lifetime Learning tax credits, taxpayers must complete and submit IRS form 8863 with their federal tax return. For more information, call the IRS help-line at 1-800-829-1040, read IRS publication 970 or visit www.irs.gov on the Web.

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B&B Pharmacy ... Customer service at its best

Husband and wife team Dennis and Donna Roark have owned and operated B&B Pharmacy since 1988. But what does B&B stand for?

"The pharmacy used to be at the intersection of Ballard and Browning," Roark said.

The 41-year-old football-dad Dennis Roark said he met his wife Donna in high school. He was a defensive end and she was a basketball player. In a Panhandle high school that doesn't exist anymore: Phillips High School, in a town that doesn't exist anymore: Phillips, Texas. The town was near Borger.

"About 1978 or 1979 there was an explosion at the Phillips refinery. They decided to move everything away from the refinery," Roark said. "To make a long story short, the town's not there anymore."

After high school young Dennis

decided to attend Southwestern Oklahoma State. He decided to follow in his big brother Ken's footsteps — he decided to become a pharmacist.

Ken Roark, who is 14 years older than Dennis, has a pharmacy in the Golden Plains Community Hospital in Borger. Dennis' parents Ernie and Virginia Roark are both retired and living in Borger.

Dennis and his wife Donna have two sons: 19-year-old Justin, who is attending Amarillo College, and 17-year-old Jason, who is a quarterback and safety at Pampa High School. Justin was a quarterback at Pampa High School, also.

The Roarks plan to stay in Pampa for a long time.

"I don't see myself doing anything else but this. Pampa is a nice town to raise kids in, I've seen worse," Roark said.

Roark believes Pampa has a chance to grow.

"I think it does if the city fathers, and the PEDC, make the right moves," Roark said. "I'd like to see Pampa grow a little bit. You've got to have an influx of young people."


Roark said B&B pharmacy offers something the larger pharmacies can't.

"We try to make customers feel comfortable. They feel comfortable coming in and visiting and asking questions. We try and stay away from the big chain impersonalness where you're just a number," Roark said.

Roark said it's important to get to know the customers, and customer needs. He said some drugs have interactions that can cause serious medical problems.

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Four in custody for fire that killed two firefighters

HOUSTON (AP) — Four people, including a juvenile, were arrested today for starting a blaze that killed two firefighters at a southwest Houston restaurant, fire officials said.

Lewis Mayo III, 44, and Kimberly Smith, 30, died at the scene of the pre-dawn fire Monday at a McDonald's restaurant.

Smith is the first female in department history to die in the line of duty, and she and Mayo are the department's first fatalities since 1996.

Assistant Chief Rick Flanagan said the juvenile was a McDonald's employee.

Fire officials said Pedro Israel Loreda, 19; Juan Manuel Torres, 17; and Allen Jerome Davis, also 17, confessed to burglarizing the McDonald's and setting the fire to cover up the break-in. The juvenile male arrested is 15, officials said. He also confessed, authorities said.

"We had no reason to believe this was an intentionally set fire," Chief Lester Tyra said this morning. "Houston arson (investigators) began developing leads after they found certain evidence. Later yesterday afternoon, we were notified of the potential that we did have suspects in this particular case."

The four were brought in for questioning early today and murder charges were pending. Police said it would be up to the Harris County district attorney's office to decide if the charge would be capital murder. A capital murder conviction could result in a death sentence.

Flanagan said the four apparently started the blaze with a blowtorch after burglarizing an inner office.

Mayo and Smith took a hose into the restaurant to fight the blaze from indoors and search for victims. When the flames spread, horns and radio calls alerted firefighters to get out.

The captain in charge traced his hose outside to safety, but the others never emerged. Mayo was found after the roof collapse but died en route to the hospital.

Smith's body, pinned in rubble, was recovered about four hours later. There were no other injuries reported from the restaurant, which was destroyed.

"When a member loses his or her life to an accidental fire ... we understand that, but it still hurts," said Robert Parry, spokesman for the local firefighters' union. "But when it's an arson fire, intentionally set — just plain murder — our broken hearts break even more."

Mayo, who joined the department in 1981, is survived by a wife and three children. Parry, who served alongside Mayo in the late 1980s, called him a "regular, stand-up guy."

Smith, a six-year veteran who was engaged to be married, was a regular representative of the department in the National Combat Challenge firefighter skills contest.

The last full-time Houston firefighter to die at a scene had been Capt. Jackie Ludwick, 43, who died battling a house fire in 1977.

Donations to the Last Alarm Club, the firefighters' union fund for fallen colleagues, can be sent to: Fire Fighter Local 341, 1907 Freeman, Houston, TX 77009.

Candidate visits



(Pampa News photo by Keith Anderson)

Justice Brian Quinn of the Seventh Court of Appeals gets a friendly handshake from former Republican Party Gray County Chairman Tom Mechler at The Pampa News offices. Justice Quinn is seeking reelection, and visited Pampa recently.

Two Columbine High students killed in sandwich shop shooting

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) — Two Columbine High sweethearts were found dead early Monday after a shooting at a sandwich shop within sight of their school, compounding the heartbreak in the community that suffered the worst school shooting in U.S. history.

The bodies of Nicholas Kunselman, 15, and Stephanie Hart, 16, were discovered inside the Subway shop where Kunselman worked. Investigators did not disclose a motive but ruled out murder-suicide.

Jefferson County sheriff's spokesman Steve Davis said the cause of death had not been determined, and he said he did not know whether a weapon had been found.

Investigators were reviewing a surveillance videotape from the restaurant, but, without elaborating, Davis said late Monday it was unlikely to provide clues. He also said there was no reason to believe the deaths were linked to the Columbine massacre.

"I hope it was just a robbery," said one of Kunselman's co-workers, J.J. Hodack, 22. "I've had more than enough of this. This stuff needs to stop."

The shooting was the latest in a string of tragedies that have hit the Denver suburb since

teen-age gunmen Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold killed 12 students and a teacher at Columbine on April 20 and then committed suicide.

Classes remained in session Monday, but at least 100 students stayed away. Students said some of those who did attend could be seen crying in the hallways. At least 25 counselors were kept busy most of the day, said Betty Fitzpatrick, health services director for the school district.

"It reminds me of everything. It's just like flashbacks," said Nathan Vanderau, an 18-year-old senior who knew some of the victims of last year's shooting as well as Monday's victims and is in counseling.

Among the other incidents that have added to the unease in the community:

— In October, the mother of a student partially paralyzed in the massacre shot herself to death.

— On Feb. 1, the body of an 11-year-old boy was found in a trash bin within blocks of the school. No arrests have been made.

— Last week, a Florida man pleaded guilty in Denver to sending a Columbine student an Internet message threatening to finish the massacre. The threat prompted officials to close the school for the Christmas holidays two days early. He faces up to

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five years in prison.

Friends said Hart enjoyed sports but was quiet and didn't go out much except to stop by the sub shop for only a month but had won the manager's confidence and often was assigned to close the restaurant at 10 p.m., Hodack said.

"Obviously, our boss trusted him. He's a good worker," he said.

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As investigators worked inside the shop about two blocks from the high school, Columbine students and relatives of the victims gathered in the parking lot, placing bouquets just outside police lines. They also wrote chalk memorial messages.

"Every week, there's something that happens

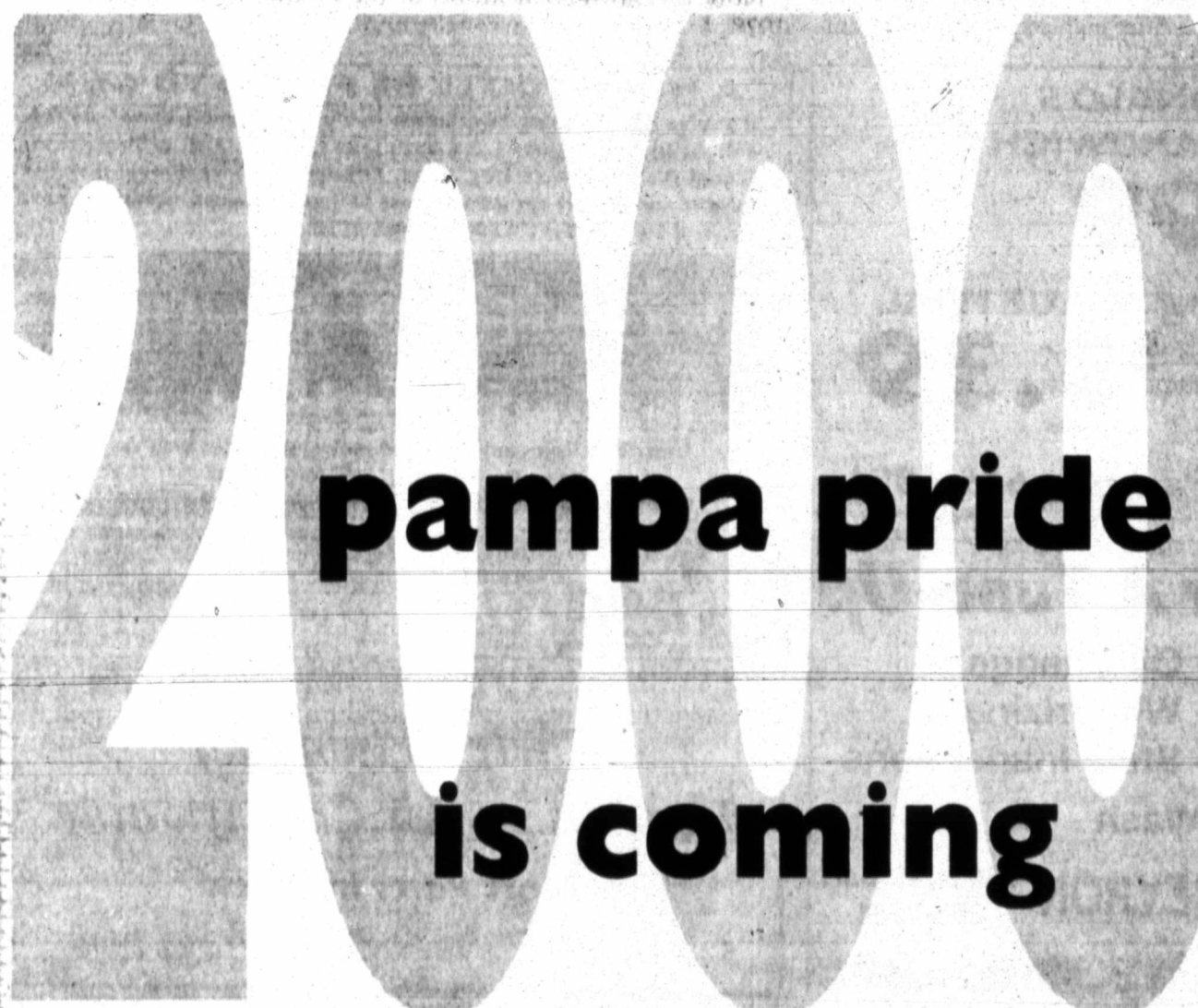
here," said Daniel Baker, who brought three friends to deliver flowers. "This is supposed to be a normal community."

Courtney Scott, an 18-year-old cousin of Hart, placed a heart-shaped bouquet of flowers with a banner reading, "I love you," outside the shop. She said Hart was not at Columbine the day of last year's shooting.

A school spokesman confirmed both victims attended Columbine last year but did not know if either was there when the massacre occurred.

News of another shooting in Littleton resonated in the Statehouse in Denver, where the House debated gun restrictions that were drafted in part because of the Columbine massacre.

"It's horrifying to me," said House Minority Leader Ken Gordon, a Denver Democrat who sponsored some of the measures. "We are not getting it done. We are not protecting the people of the state."



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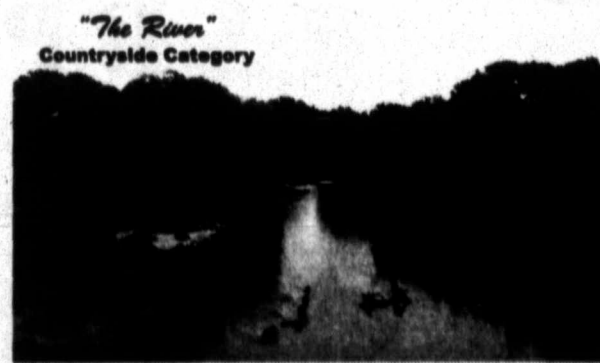


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Family: Three brothers, four sisters, mother and father.
Favorite Childhood Memory: Walking pipe lines over canyons some 100 feet from the ground.
When I Grew Up I Wanted To Be: Hired — the Depression was on.
My Best Friend was: Chief Chambless.
People Remember Me As Being: Poor, looking for work.
My Favorite Toy: BB gun.
My Favorite Game: Football.
My Favorite Radio Show: "The Shadow Knows."
The First Movie I Ever Saw & The Cost: Ken Maynard, 10-cents.
The First Phone I Ever Used Belonged To: The school.
The Person That Most Influenced My Life: My wife.
The Historical Event That Most Affected My Life & Why: World War II — lost five years of my 20s.
The Thing I Remember Most About The Depression Was: We were very poor.
The Biggest Honor I've Ever Received Is: Graduating from high school.
If I Could Change One Thing About My Past It Would Be: Go to college.
My Whole Family Enjoyed: Get together.
The Person From My Childhood I Wish I Could Visit With Today Is: Dale Stephern.
My First Job Was: Cutting grass for 10-cents an hour.
Year & Make of The First Vehicle I Drove: 1925 Chevrolet truck.
Cost of Gasoline When I First Drove: 12-cents a gallon.
On My First Date I Went To: A show.
My Favorite Hang Out Spot Was: Chink-A-Link.
The Fashion Trend Was: Overalls.
My Favorite Saying Was: What ever will be will be.
My Favorite Song Was: "Red River Valley."
Another Memory I Want To Share Is: I lived in Borger and Pampa since 1925. Don't try to predict the weather ...



Illiterate until 98, author says his life is just getting started

By SUSAN PARROTT
 Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — The old man grasped the pencil and drew a small X on the back of a sheet of notebook paper. "All those years, that was all I had," said George Dawson. "I been everywhere, but I could never write my name."

Dawson got by for nearly a century with two crossed lines. But everything changed in 1996, when he turned 98. A literacy volunteer arrived on his doorstep in a poor area in south Dallas. Adult education courses were being taught a few blocks away at the old high school.

Dawson didn't hesitate. He became the Dallas school district's oldest — and most celebrated — student.

"I never thought I was too old to learn," said Dawson, who turned 102 in January. "That was the most important thing I did, to learn one letter from another."

That was before he wrote a book about his life with the help of co-author Richard Glaubman, a teacher from the Seattle area. Published by Random House, "Life is So Good" will be available in bookstores this month.

It's only the latest chapter for the grandson of slaves, born on Jan. 18, 1898, in the East Texas town of Marshall. As the oldest of five children, he went to work instead of school. Life's lessons were never easy.

One of Dawson's earliest memories haunts him still. At 10, he recalled, he saw a black man lynched by a mob in downtown Marshall. Accused of impregnating a white girl, the 17-year-old was hanged from an old oak tree.

Witnessing the tragedy changed Dawson's life. "There was lots of lynchings. Lots of things going on," Dawson said, dabbing at tears. "I never did want to mix with people. I never said anything. I went on."

Dawson never became bitter during those days when a Klan hood sparked terror, when he had to drink from separate water fountains and could not talk to a white man without bowing his head.

He learned from his parents to focus on the good in life, and wait. "The sun is hot, but after a while it cools off," he said. "It's got to change."

And change even more. "Some things has changed and some hasn't," Dawson said. "I don't know whether it will ever get to where one man is the same" as another.

Dawson's father hired him out, at 12, to a white family for \$1.50 a month. The youngster lived on his employer's farm so that his own family would have one mouth fewer to feed.

When he turned 21, Dawson worked his way across the country, traveling by steam train. His inability to read meant he often was at the mercy of others.

Dawson once paid for a railroad ticket from Marshall to Cleveland, then found out it would only take him as far as St. Louis. "They wouldn't tell me the truth," he said. "I had to take what they'd say."

But still he traveled, sometimes buying tickets, sometimes riding with hobos. He went to Canada just to see snow. In Mexico, he ate for the first time in restaurants where men of all colors sat side by side.

Dawson built levees on the Mississippi, drove spikes for the railroads and worked in a sawmill. He met his first wife, Elzenia, while breaking horses in the Texas Panhandle.

They settled in Dallas, where Dawson worked two jobs. They had seven children, all of whom went to college.

"He'd always dwell on school and how to earn your own money," said Dawson's son, George Jr. "He said that if you had your own, you don't have to steal or worry. Without a job, you are dependent on others."

Dawson hid his own dependency, his illiteracy, for much of

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his life. He said he didn't really miss reading until 1947, when he couldn't make out the box scores of baseball great Jackie Robinson.

"Jackie Robinson was the first colored man to break into baseball with the white folks. I was working at Oak Farms Dairy then," Dawson recalled. "I remember saying, 'Hit that ball, Jackie.' He hit it."

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His teacher, Carl Henry, was nervous at first. "In my mind, I said, 'Oh my goodness! How in the world do I start teaching a 98-year-old man?'"

But Dawson approached schooling like everything else, wholeheartedly.

He soon insisted on learning cursive writing. When Henry tried to teach him to print, the old man told his teacher, "No son, I want to join them together."

Dawson's handwriting now is as good as Henry's. He's reading at a fifth-grade level and hopes to earn his general equivalency diploma.

And Henry's class has doubled in enrollment since Dawson joined.

"Some really thought they couldn't learn," the teacher said. "But when they saw what he's done, they changed their minds."

Sometimes Dawson sings slave songs, learned from his grandmothers, to fellow students. And sometimes he gives inspirational talks to schoolchildren, telling them, "I'm trying to get what you all don't want."

Dawson goes to school five days a week. In his free time, he loves to fish and watch Texas Rangers' baseball games on television.

He's lived alone since his fourth wife died 12 years ago, but he is visited often by his children, 19 grandchildren and more great-grandchildren than he can count.

Family photos line the walls of his tiny living room, and a tattered Bible, a gift for his last wife, rests on a cloth-covered coffee table. Dawson bought the Bible from a traveling salesman. He said he sometimes thumbed through it, the letters and words holding no meaning.

Now he can read it aloud at the church he's attended since 1928. His favorite passage comes from John 1:23: "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness."

Co-author Glaubman, who first learned about Dawson from a 1998 newspaper article, calls the old man's life a lesson for all. Dawson doesn't expect his life to change much with the publishing of his story. If he makes some money from the book, he might fix up his house or at least patch the leaky roof.

He's never been one to turn away from a challenge. "A man should think how far he can get in life," he said. "Never think you can't."

Take precautions with prescriptions

Some safety guidelines for buying and taking prescription drugs:

KNOW YOUR DRUGS: Tell your doctor that you want to know the name of each medication and why you are taking it. Then check the pharmacy labels to make sure that's what you're getting.

CHECK YOUR PILLS: Write down the dose and how often to take each drug on your medications list. Describe the color and imprint on each pill. If pills look different from those you usually take, ask your pharmacist why. It could be a generic drug, or it might be the wrong drug.

INFORM THE DRUGGIST: Tell your doctor that you want the purpose for the medication written on the prescription. Many drug names look alike when written poorly; knowing the purpose helps you and the pharmacist double-check the prescription.

WARN OF POTENTIAL PROBLEMS: Tell your pharmacist about any allergies and any drugs — including over-the-counter medications — you're taking. Don't assume they know.

INSIST ON COUNSELING: Talk to the pharmacist, especially the first time you pick up a drug. Remember that when you sign for the drug, you may be signing away your right to be counseled on how to take it.

READ THE LABEL: Do this each time you take a dose to make sure you have the right drug and that you are following the instructions. Make sure the label agrees with what your doctor has said you should take.

BEWARE OF SAMPLES: If your doctor gives you samples, make sure that he or she checks to be sure that there are no interactions with your other medications. Pharmacies have computers to check for drug interactions and allergies, but when your doctor gives you samples, this important check may be missed.

STORE CAREFULLY: Don't store medications in direct sunlight. Humidity, heat and light can affect medications' potency and safety.

(SOURCE: The Institute for Safe Medication Practices, a Warminster, Pa., nonprofit organization.)

Menopause and mood — it's not just your imagination

HOUSTON — Mood changes during menopause are as predictable — or unpredictable — as the weather.

Although clinical studies have found no scientific evidence that hormones affect mood, women know that menopause and mood are indeed linked. In a recent study funded by the Guild of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, the Center for Women's Health asked 30 menopausal women to keep a daily journal for one month. Participants also noted their general mood each day, using five scales: physical, emotional, cognitive, spiritual, and social.

The responses indicated that menopause does affect mood, but the way varies from woman to woman.

"For some, menopause was a time to pursue new things. For others, menopause was more of a 'balancing act,' with some days being positive and some negative," said Dr. Jennifer Hays with the Center for Women's Health.

"Don't let anyone tell you that changes you notice during menopause are not real," she said. "Your mood might be up, it might be down, or it might change every five minutes. But it is yours."

She encourages women to keep a journal of the changes during this transition: "It might be the doorway to growth," she said.

Toning the mind and the body important

HOUSTON — The traditional dangers of old age — osteoporosis, arthritis, and loss of strength, balance, agility, and aerobic capacity — can all improve with regular exercise, according to Dr. Robert Luchi, professor of medicine-geriatrics at Baylor College of Medicine.

If jogging, aerobics or golf don't appeal, you might consider the age-old practice of mind/body fitness known as yoga or pilates, its more modern counterpart.

You don't have to be a human pretzel to practice yoga. It is a very individualized practice, and you should never strain or stretch farther than is comfortable.

Yoga and pilates can be learned from books, but the best way is to attend classes where you can stretch, unwind and socialize. You'll also have an instructor available who will remind you to warm-up, progress slowly until you've mastered the beginning postures, drink plenty of liquids to prevent dehydration and avoid sudden twisting and flexing of joints.

To find a yoga or pilates class, check out the yellow pages, local Y, gym or fitness centers. Remember, the purpose of exercising is to keep active. There's a lot to be said for, "Use it or lose it."



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PAMPA NURSING CENTER
 FEATURE EMPLOYEE
 is
DENNIE HAYNES



Denny Haynes has worked at Pampa Nursing Center as a Certified Nurse Aid since June 1999. Her association with PNC began when she visited her mother, Lola Roach, who lived in the Secure Care Unit at the nursing home during the late stages of her Alzheimers disease. Mrs. Haynes came to know many of the residents After Denny's mother passed away, she continued to visit and volunteer on a regular basis. Mrs. Haynes then decided she would like to work full time with the Alzheimer's patients and has been a valuable asset to PNC ever since.

In fact, Denny received Employee of the Month for January 2000. When Denny was interviewed for this newspaper article she said "I really love these people, and you can quote me". We know that Denny, it shows.

Denny is married to Ronnie Haynes and has two children. Aaron is 17 and Lauren is 15 and both attend Pampa High School.

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Woman Swept off Her Feet Has Hard and Painful Fall

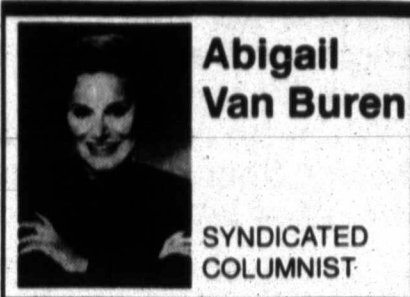
DEAR ABBY: Thank you so much for reprinting the "15 Reasons to Leave Your Lover, Warning Signs of an Abusive Personality."

I never thought I'd become involved in an abusive relationship. I'm in my mid-40s, female, with a graduate degree in education, a degree in psychology, and lots of professional experience with other people's problems.

I became involved with "Phil" at the age of 41 and was swept off my feet. He became verbally abusive from the moment we met, and he seemed to be everything I could have hoped for in a mate — attentive, kind, eager to please. Looking back, I see there were some early signs of the darker side of his personality, but at that time I dismissed them, thinking "nobody's perfect."

Real problems started about nine or 10 months into the relationship. He became verbally abusive and increasingly obnoxious, flying into a rage for no good reason, constantly talking about violence and guns, and making horrible racist remarks. Nothing I did or said was right, and he started degrading me. We broke up once and got back together. I was in a constant state of confusion, always thinking I was contributing to the problem. Well, I was — by staying in the relationship, enabling his abnormal behavior. Looking at the "15 Reasons," in his situation a solid 10 of the 15 fit, with two or three others fitting more loosely.

I finally left when he obsessively



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

fixed on the subject of guys who kill their girlfriends. He couldn't understand why I was scared because he was "just joking," and I was "crazy" to react.

It has been two months since our breakup, and I feel so lucky to be out of it, although my self-esteem needs a lot of healing. Thank you for printing the "15 Reasons" — they may help many women avoid a horrible experience.

OLDER AND WISER
IN LAS VEGAS

DEAR O AND W: You are to be congratulated for having distanced yourself from your former fiancé. His problems were not the kind you could fix — and his sense of humor was a natural disaster.

In fairness, however, not all abusers are male. The "15 Reasons" can apply equally to both sexes. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I have a son who was formerly gentle, good-tempered and had many friends. He is now

lacking all those traits. His live-in girlfriend beats him, isolates him and harasses him in front of her children. Her youngest son — age 12 — says his mom always starts a fight, and I have seen her do it. However, my son is crazy about her children.

Because the piece was not gender-neutral, I cannot send it to him. Women are also abusers these days. It's not just men anymore. And both are bad.

I'm writing to ask that when you reprint the article, you please use gender-neutral language instead of pinpointing one sex or the other. I'm sure I won't be the only reader who will appreciate it.

WORRIED MOTHER IN OREGON
DEAR WORRIED MOTHER:

In the future I will, but please don't wait for the "15 Reasons" to be printed again. Clip this column and give it to him with the previous column. He needs to understand that his companion's behavior is an indication of deep-seated personality problems that cannot be fixed without professional help and a sincere desire on her part to put an end to her destructive behavior.

For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

that involve further extending your horizons. Tonight: Others are only too happy to pitch in.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Another whispers important news in your ear. You cannot deny what you are hearing: your sixth sense has been telling you the same. Bosses can be demanding, but you know exactly how to handle them. Keep a secret. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Sometimes it is hard for you to change. Being able to detach, especially in your love life and with children, proves helpful. With your relaxed attitude, another is only too happy to reveal what is going on with him. Tonight: Join friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Focus your attention completely on work. You cannot change direction now. Another thinks you have a lot more knowledge than you might actually have. Do your homework. Make sure you have the information you need. Tonight: Try to leave work early!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Read between the lines. Often, it is what another doesn't say that tells you far more than what he does say. Listen to another's feedback: a child proves to be an unusual source of creativity. Allow your mind to roam; you find answers. Tonight: Surf the Net.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Work on pulling a project together, rather than breaking it apart. Others need not agree with you. Communication on the homefront proves to be supportive. You easily work with a kindred spirit. A relationship is enhanced

because of your willingness to trust. Tonight: Be with a favorite person.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You discover just how open others are. Listen to feedback. Share what is happening with a partner. What you might consider a dud idea proves to have valor. It might not sparkle, but it will work. A child or loved one remains demanding. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Dig into work. Clear your desk. Discuss expenditures at work with your normal insight. Discussions might weigh on you, especially as to their long-term implications. Nothing is written in stone just yet. Bring extra work home. Tonight: Get some exercise.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Trigger others' imaginations. Listen to feedback. Others clearly agree with you. Discussions are not only effective, they also have a humorous overtone. Allow spontaneity to play a bigger role in an important relationship. Tonight: Go with the moment.

BORN TODAY

Actor LeVar Burton (1957), singer James Ingram (1956), tennis player John McEnroe (1959)

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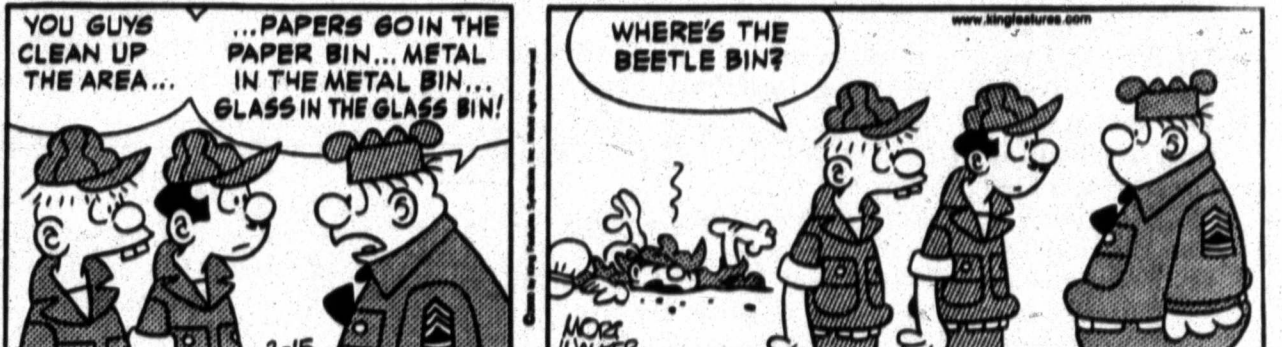
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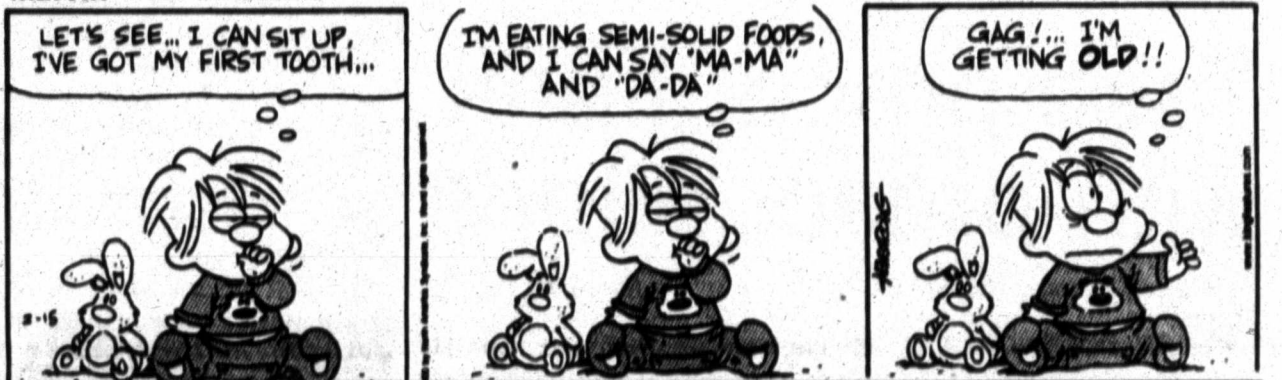
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Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16, 2000

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)

★★★ Examine security-related decisions of recent years. Make sure that what you've chosen will take you where you want to go. Communication is active, though you must express what is on your mind. Do nothing halfway presently. Tonight: Talk with family.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ You naturally make the right decision. Be clear about what you need and expect. Express your ideas. Be direct with friends and in meetings. Exchange ideas with a close tie. Together you spice up a project until it sparkles and is destined for success. Tonight: Visit with a friend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Deal with finances. Your instincts serve you with a money decision. Worry less; stay centered. Brainstorm with a boss, who is busy phasing in some important changes. Your contribution makes a difference. Play devil's advocate. Tonight: Treat yourself well.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Examine your choices and directions carefully. What could have been a great idea or a suitable goal might no longer be. Recognize that you and your needs have changed. Make plans

Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 News summary
- 6 Sparkler
- 11 Wipe clean
- 12 Wonderland visitor
- 13 Red-eye, e.g.
- 15 Golf aid
- 16 Old auto
- 17 Distress call
- 18 Computer sounds
- 20 Deadly
- 23 Bread-making need
- 27 Line of symmetry
- 28 Entreaty
- 29 Grammar concern
- 31 Heaped
- 32 Nebraska city
- 34 Blubber
- 37 Actor's prompt
- 38 Had dinner
- 41 Hero
- 44 Actress MacDowell
- 45 Vast expanse
- 46 Did some modeling
- 47 Papers, radio, TV, etc.

DOWN

- 1 Budget amount
- 2 Buffalo's lake
- 3 Hamster's place
- 4 Fire remnant
- 5 Long-winged seabird
- 6 Crate
- 7 Actor Wallach
- 8 Toupees' counter-parts
- 9 Canyon sound
- 10 Permits
- 14 Doctor's charge
- 18 Low singer
- 19 Old photo tint
- 20 Portly
- 21 Chopping tool
- 22 Light metal
- 24 Everything
- 25 Spot language
- 30 Hosted
- 31 Person of promise
- 33 Penguin's cousin
- 34 Trade
- 35 "Dear me"
- 36 Auction nods
- 38 Mature
- 39 Bangkok language
- 40 Sicilian volcano
- 42 Make knots
- 43 Rink material

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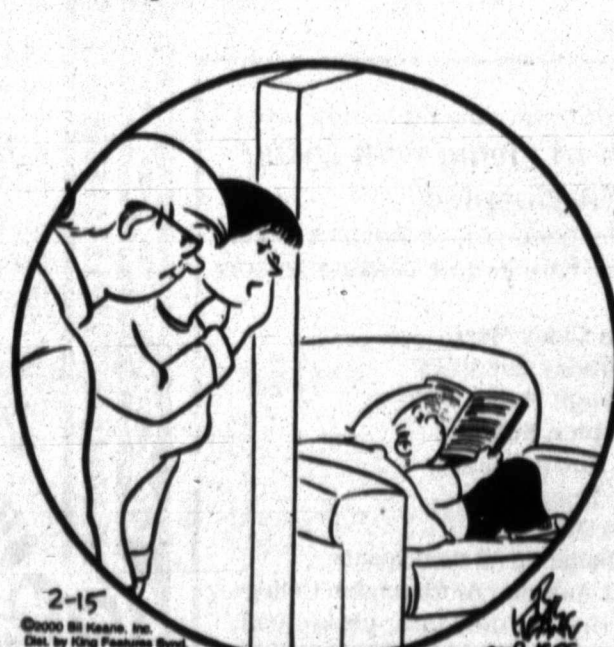
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Marmaduke



"Is there any chance you'll be done with your nap before our company gets here?"

The Family Circus



"Harry Potter IS a wizard. He's taken Billy's mind off Pokémon."

SPORTS

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GOLF

PAMPA — Hidden Hills Seniors held a 4-man scramble last weekend.

Results are as follows:

First place: Elmer Wilson, J.T. Lamberson, Ralph Ridgway, Dale Butler and Troy Bennett 61.

Second place: Bob Conway, Roy Porter, Marvin Allison and Everett Butler 64.

Third place: Darrell Phillips, Irvin Williams, Larry Heard and Doug Reeves 64.

Fourth place: Willie Nickelberry, Oscar Sargent, Reece Field, David Crossman and Paul Buchanan 65.

Fifth place: Travis Taylor, Charlie Rand, Jack Davis and Louis Haydon 65.

Closest to the hole: Louis Haydon, No. 6.

BASKETBALL

WHITE DEER — White Deer downed Panhandle 48-41 Monday night in a District 6-2A playoff game.

Nick Ruth had 16 points and Jerry Evans 15 to lead the Bucks in scoring. The win gives White Deer the third playoff spot in District 6-2A.

White Deer trailed by four (18-14) at halftime.

Tony Spahn was high scorer for Panhandle with 10 points.

In the girls playoff game, Quannah defeated White Deer 51-46.

Joycelyn Woods topped Quannah in scoring with 18 points. Haley Pittman chipped in 15.

White Deer was leading 30-29 going into the fourth quarter.

Pacing White Deer were Suni Jo Petty with 17 points and Courtni Lemons 11.

Quannah claims the third playoff spot from District 6-2A.

OBITUARY

LEESBURG, Ky. (AP) — Tony Bettenhausen, the youngest son in a famous auto racing family who drove Indy cars before becoming a team owner, died in a plane crash Monday. He was 48.

Bettenhausen, his wife, Shirley, and two men were killed when the plane crashed about noon on a farm some 30 miles from Lexington, said Brad Stevens, an executive with Bettenhausen Motorsports in Indianapolis.

Shirley Bettenhausen was the daughter of longtime Indy car driver Jim McElreath. The two men killed were identified as Russ Roberts, a partner in Bettenhausen's racing team, and Larry Rangel, an Indiana businessman.

The plane took off from Tri-City Airport in Blountville, Tenn., for Indianapolis, the Federal Aviation Administration said. The Bettenhausens were returning home from CART team testing in Homestead, Fla. Other details of the crash were not immediately known.

"Tony was always a gentleman," said Dick Jordan, a spokesman for the U.S. Auto Club. "We certainly will miss him, as will everybody in the racing community."

David Muzio, a National Transportation and Safety Board investigator, said Monday night that the plane had been in contact with an air traffic control center before the crash. He did not, however, know which one.

"I'm not aware of any report of difficulties prior to the accident," Muzio said during a news conference from the crash scene.

The wreckage was limited to a roughly 30-foot radius in a hilly area near some woods. About 80 to 85 percent of the wreckage was burned in a post-crash fire Muzio said.

Federal Aviation Administration investigators and representatives of the plane's manufacturers are scheduled to be at the site Tuesday to go over the debris path.

Seton Hall, Purdue return to top 25 college poll

By JIM O'CONNELL
AP Basketball Writer

Seton Hall was able to celebrate its return to the Top 25 for a few hours. Purdue gets two days and has hope it fares better.

While Cincinnati, which has the nation's longest winning streak at 15 games, was No. 1 in the AP college basketball poll Monday for the sixth straight week, and Stanford and Duke stayed second and third for the fourth straight poll, two newcomers moved in.

Seton Hall came in at No. 23, the Pirates' first ranking since they were sixth in the final poll of the 1992-93 season, and Purdue came in at No. 25, the Boilermakers' first appearance since mid-December.

Seton Hall didn't have very long to enjoy the number in front of its name as it lost 59-50 to No. 18 Connecticut on Monday night. Purdue doesn't play again until Wednesday against Iowa.

Cincinnati (23-1), which has

been No. 1 for a total of 11 weeks this season, received 66 first-place votes and 1,768 points from a national media panel. The Bearcats' only game last week was an 87-64 victory over DePaul.

Stanford (21-1), which beat Oregon and Oregon State last week, was No. 1 on five ballots and had 1,707 points.

Duke (19-3) had its 18-game winning streak broken by Maryland last week and then beat Georgia Tech.

Arizona and Tennessee each moved up three places to fourth and fifth, while Michigan State held sixth.

Ohio State dropped two places to seventh and was followed in the Top Ten by Oklahoma State, Syracuse and Indiana.

Florida led the Second Ten and was followed by Auburn, Tulsa, Iowa State, Temple, LSU, Texas, Connecticut, Kentucky and Oklahoma.

The last five teams in the rankings were Utah, Maryland, Seton Hall, Kansas and Purdue.

Seton Hall (18-5) moved into the rankings after winning five straight games and eight of nine, the only loss coming to Connecticut, which now has two over the Pirates this season. Last Monday, Seton Hall handed Syracuse its first loss of the season.

"I watched a lot of tape on them, and they are comfortably a Top 20 team in my opinion," Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun said.

Purdue (17-7) had been ranked as high as 19th before dropping out following a 20-point loss to Ball State.

The Boilermakers have won four straight, including a 70-67 victory over Michigan State.

Vanderbilt (16-5), which fell out from 22nd, lost to Alabama on Saturday.

The Commodores had been ranked the last four weeks, getting as high as No. 20.

Oregon had a two-week run in the rankings at 23rd and 24th. The Ducks (17-5) lost at Stanford last week before beating

California.

LSU used wins over then-No. 9 Auburn and then-No. 11 Kentucky to move from 25th to No. 16, the week's biggest jump in the rankings. Oklahoma State, which also beat two ranked teams last week — Kansas and Oklahoma — moved from 14th

to No. 8, the Cowboys' first Top Ten ranking since they were eighth on Nov. 29, 1993.

Kentucky's losses to Florida and LSU saw the Wildcats have the week's biggest drop, eight places to No. 19.

No. 13 Tulsa rips Rice

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — By the time Tulsa's defense finally let up, Rice had more turnovers than points.

Eric Coley scored 18 points and had eight steals as the 13th-ranked Golden Hurricane caused 35 turnovers in a 75-33 win over the Owls on Monday night.

"Tulsa played like a hungry basketball team for 40 minutes," Rice coach Willis Wilson said. "As a coach, that's very impressive."

Coley's 263rd career steal, leading to a dunk with 8 1/2 minutes to play, broke Tim Hardaway's conference record for steals.

Hardaway, a star guard for the Miami Heat, set the record for Texas El-Paso from 1986-89.

The Hurricane saved their most dominating game of the season for a national television audience.

"Coach told us a lot of people have never seen us play this year, and we want to make a great impact, a good showing, across the country for everybody to see we're not just a fluke or a surprise team in the Top 25," Coley said.

Marcus Hill added 11 points, including a 3-pointer in a 15-0 run in the first-half.

Hutto is new BR Commissioner

PAMPA — "I had more fun than anybody else in the Optimist program," declared David Hutto this week in accepting the position as Commissioner of the Optimist Babe Ruth League. "I am really looking forward to working with the parents, players and coaches in Babe Ruth baseball this season."

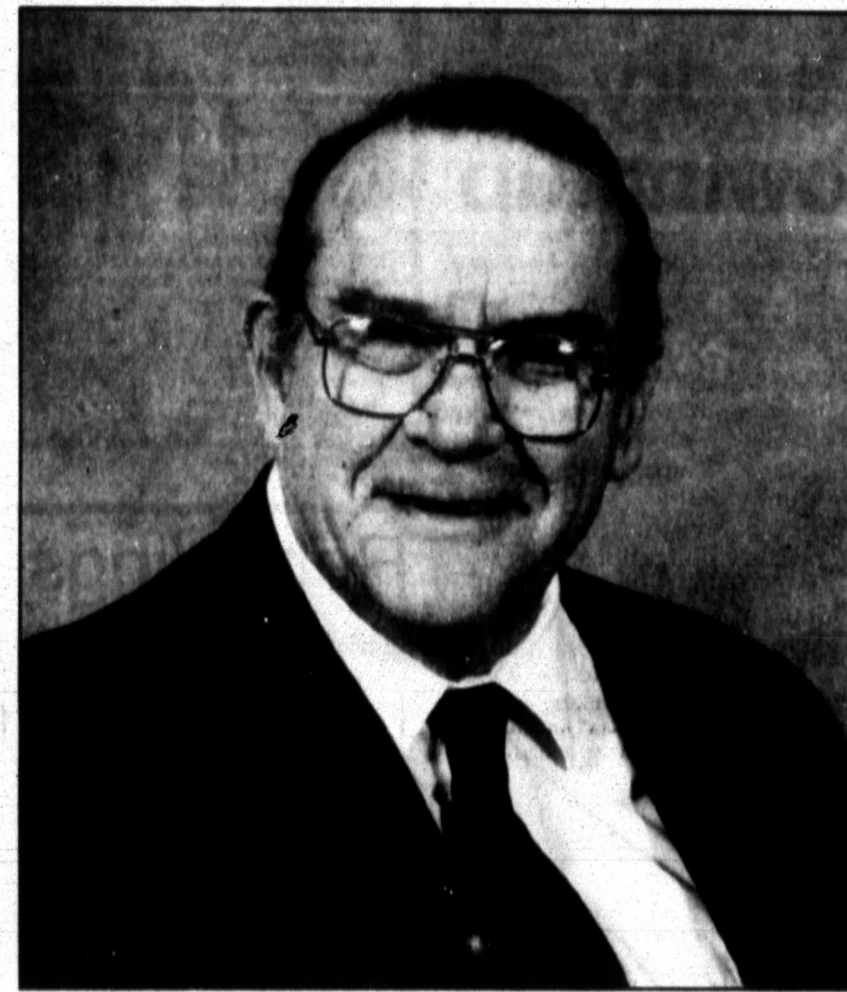
"Our league is for youths 13 to 15 years of age," Hutto said. "We are planning on having all 13 year old players who would like additional playing time to get together on weekends and play teams from other towns. We have already had coaches volunteer to work extra with this group. We are also checking with other communities to see if they would like to have a team in our league."

Hutto served as Commissioner in the Optimist 11-12 Major Bambino League last year. He coached a third and fourth grade team in the Optimist Tiger Football League last fall for the third year. He is on the Board of Directors of the Pampa Optimist Youth Club.

A member of the First Baptist Church, Hutto taught a youth Sunday School Class for five years and was a driver in the bus ministry. For a total of 31 years, Hutto has been a member of Pampa Masonic Lodge No. 966 and No. 1381. He is a 32nd degree Mason.

He and his wife of 41 years, Janet, have three children and seven grandchildren. He is a partner in First Southwest Insurance Agency.

"Coach Dennis Doughty and



David Hutto

his staff are going to conduct a special baseball clinic for all Babe Ruth coaches," Hutto said. "I think this will help our coaches to do an even better job of teaching baseball to our young people."

Hutto said all his children have all been through the Optimist program and really enjoyed it.

"Now my grandkids are involved in Optimist baseball and softball," he said. "This organization and this community has been very good to my family and me," Hutto concluded. "I am enjoying giving back. I can hardly wait until April gets here so we can get started."

MSU suspends four football players

WICHITA FALLS, Texas (AP) — Midwestern State University officials suspended four football players from the team Monday, a day after the men were arrested for taking part in a fight at a city club.

University officials said all four will keep their student status until student-conduct organizations review the incident.

Two of the players were accused of attacking two Wichita Falls police officers in the early Sunday melee, while the other two face lesser charges, according

to the Wichita Falls Times Record News.

David Sims, 20, and Kevin Ezell Hannah, 22, were both charged with aggravated assault on a public servant. Curtis Dean Williams, 22, and Ricardo Dyson, 21, were charged with resisting arrest and criminal trespass. All four are free on bond, according to a check of records at the Wichita County Jail by the newspaper.

A fifth man was also arrested at the club — Tommy's House of Music — after police said he tried to stop officers from arresting one of the players.

Stanley Atkins, 28, was charged with interfering with the duties of a police officer; it was not known whether Atkins is an MSU student.

Officers Tony Ozuna and Brian Sheehan were taken to a local hospital for treatment after the fight, then released later the same day. Ozuna was struck in the head with a beer bottle, while Sheehan was hit three times in the face, then struck with a bar stool.

University officials told the Times Record News they were "disappointed" by the allegations facing the football players.

SMU pulls off grass prank

DALLAS (AP) — While the old grass is drying out on Texas Christian University's football field, an intercollegiate prank has a new winter grass taking root — in the shape of the trademark formation of the band for rival Southern Methodist University.

A giant "M" has surfaced in green tufts on TCU's playing field.

On Nov. 26, the SMU band sprinkled winter rye grass seed on the turf of Amon Carter Stadium during the halftime show, according to The Dallas Morning News.

Now that the surrounding grass has gone dormant, the rye grass has sprouted into the outline of the band's "Diamond

M" formation in sharp contrast to rest of the field's yellowish hue.

But so far, the SMU prank hasn't angered TCU. Football coach Dennis Franchione thanked his Dallas rivals for providing some greenery.

TCU has cause for concern, however. The school's field supervisor thinks the band used an annual rye. And the grass could keep coming back for years.

In the 1950s, SMU played a similar prank on the field at the University of Texas. But that time the Mustangs' band used rock salt, instead of rye seed. The salt eventually killed off the grass in UT's Austin stadium to form the M shape.

Randall, Canyon return to make district interesting

Dennis Cavalier, PHS head football coach and Athletic Director, said the new District 3-4A alignment is one of those good news, bad news situations.

"It's going to make the district season longer and tougher in almost every sport, but it will make things more interesting," Cavalier said.

The University Interscholastic League expanded District 3-4A from six to eight teams beginning the next school year. Randall and Canyon move back into the district after a two-year absence.

"We've missed these two teams being in our district because they've been our longtime opponents. However, I was very much surprised by the consolidation of our district into eight teams and the moving around in the metroplex. But after looking at it a little longer, everything started to make sense," Cavalier said.

District 3-4A (Pampa, Dumas, Borger, Amarillo Caprock, Hereford, Palo Duro, Canyon, Randall) will be going against 4-4A teams (Andrews, Big Spring, Levelland, Lubbock Estacado, Plainview,



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Sports Editor

San Angelo Lake View, Snyder, Wolfforth-Frenship) in the first round of the playoffs.

The realignment did put a crimp in Pampa's 2000 football schedule, but the situation may be straightened out now.

"Plainview couldn't or wouldn't play us in our third game, so we had to do a little scrambling to find a team. We ended up scheduling Dalhart," Cavalier said.

Tentatively speaking, the Harvesters open with Dalhart, then follow up with Lubbock Estacado and Amarillo High. There is an open date before

the district season begins.

Congratulations to the Pampa swim team, and especially to Misty Moman, who qualified for the state meet after winning the gold medal at regionals last weekend in Lubbock.

Just a sophomore, Misty can only get better. Her 1:07.83 time in the 100 butterfly was three seconds better than her previous best.

Kim Green, Misty's aunt and a Pampa News employee, was at last weekend's regional meet. "She won the gold medal. I was so proud of her," Kim said.

Going against a solid lineup of traditional powerhouse swim schools, Pampa was a respectable sixth out of 12 teams that placed in the girls division.

Pampa was ninth in the boys division, but the Harvesters were only five points out of sixth place in the tightly-packed meet.

First-team Thunder



The Pampa Thunder won first place in the Amarillo High Plains Indoor Soccer U-8 Girls' League. They had a 7-1 record in the winter session. Team members are (front row, from left) Lara Heersema, coach Bino Facio, Savannah Hoover, Kylee Wyatt, Valeria Resendiz, Fabiola Soria and Kimberly Curtis; (back row, from left) Coach David Teichmann, Shelby Watson, Ashley Facio, Brooklyn Barker, Tessa Walker, Carly Teichmann, Kylee Wariner and coach Jimmy Barker. Not pictured is Vanessa Marquez. The team was sponsored by Caprock Engineering, Brown, Graham & Co., Richard Forbes and David's Golf Shop.

Friends remember Landry as 'tough, smart kid' growing up

DALLAS (AP) — When Bob Martin arrived in Mission, Texas, in 1938 to coach the junior varsity football team, he assembled two dozen freshmen and sophomores and held up a football. "Boys," he said, "the first thing I need is somebody to take this and initiate every play we make. We need a tough, smart kid."

A tall, lean freshman named Tommy Landry said, "Coach, I'll do it."

Martin's teams did well, but once Martin saw Landry throw a football through a rubber tire in Landry's backyard, he turned the young man into a quarterback. Mission won back-to-back district football championships.

"The kid had a good arm. He was growing tall, and he had some meat on him. I figured I needed me a quarterback and decided he'd be the one," Martin recalled in the book "Landry — the Man Inside," by Bob St. John, a longtime Dallas Morning News writer who retired at the end of 1999.

Don Bentsen, younger brother of former Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen, played high school football with Landry and remembered him Monday as "a tremendous competitor."

"He was a tough, tough football player who always gave it everything he had. He was an ordinary, laid-back, super guy who could do anything. If you were swimming and wanted to know how to dive, he'd teach you how to dive," Bentsen said Monday, two days after Landry died of leukemia at age 75.

Don Albrecht, an all-regional guard and teammate of Landry at Mission, recalled playing football with Landry and other boys in a park, yards and vacant lots when they were 10 or 11.

"I mean, there was no touch football. We didn't have any pads, but we'd play tackle. You

always got scratched up a little, but it made you tougher," Albrecht said.

Wade Spilman was Landry's best friend growing up in Mission, less than 10 miles from the Mexican border. On Monday, he proudly said he knew Landry "every day of his life."

"Tom and I were born one month apart," Spilman said. "We grew up together, in the same church, in a very family-oriented community. We were just inseparable growing up, and we maintained that friendship over the years."

Spilman, a state tennis champion in high school, didn't play football, but was a basketball teammate of Landry.

"Tom was just solid, anything he did. After he got to the University of Texas, Don Bentsen won the intramural heavyweight boxing championship and Tom won the light heavyweight championship," Spilman said.

When Landry was in high school, Texas teams didn't play for a state championship, but Landry led Mission to the district championship his junior and senior years. In a typical game, Landry ran for touchdowns of 55 and 60 yards and threw a couple of touchdown passes.

Landry was recruited to play football at Texas, but like many others, his playing days were interrupted by World War II.

In November 1942, just a couple of months into his freshman year in college, Landry enlisted in the Army Reserves and applied for pilot training in the Army Air Corps. It was shortly after the Landry family received word that Landry's older brother, Robert, was missing in action.

Landry was 23 when he returned to the University of Texas in 1946. Almost five years had elapsed since his freshman season as a Longhorn. He was

away from football so long the game had become difficult for him, but he was determined to succeed.

Could that have made Landry willing, many years later, to take a chance on Roger Staubach of the Naval Academy, who would be unavailable to join the Cowboys for four years because of military obligations?

"Well, he never really brought that up," Staubach said Monday. "There are some things people are just starting to learn about him, what a war hero he was, a bomber pilot in World War II. Coach Landry did tell me he felt I could come along quicker because of my maturity and academy background," Staubach said.

With Bobby Layne at quarterback, Texas coach Dana X. Bible used Landry at fullback and a defensive halfback specialist. In those days, colleges played platoon football with limited substitutions.

"Tom played football, and I kept his mother supplied with clippings about Tom, which it never even dawned on him to keep, he was so modest," said Spilman, who went on to serve four terms in the Texas Legislature.

In 1947, Landry's junior season, Texas lost 14-13 to an SMU team led by Doak Walker. The Longhorns finished 10-1, but were second to the Mustangs in the Southwest Conference. Texas capped the year by beating Alabama 27-7 in the Sugar Bowl with Landry playing every single play, both offense and defense.

His senior year, Landry was the leading rusher in Texas' 42-28 upset of Georgia in the Orange Bowl and signed a pro football contract as he walked off the field.

In 1960, he became the first Cowboys coach and remained on the job for 29 seasons.

NASCAR is standing pat on Chevrolet-Ford differences

By DICK BRINSTER
AP Sports Writer

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Through the eyes of NASCAR, fast Fords and slow Chevrolets seem to look alike.

But the success of the new Chevys in the first race this year for Winston Cup cars does not mean the sanctioning body will make no aerodynamic changes before the running Sunday of the Daytona 500. None are currently anticipated, however.

"We weren't surprised," senior vice president Mike Helton said Monday. "I think we were pleased that the three makes of cars could obviously run with each other in a 25-lap race."

He was alluding to the non-points Bud Shootout 24 hours earlier, during which the Chevy

Monte Carlos of Jeff Gordon and Sterling Marlin nearly stole the race from the seemingly uncatchable Ford Taurus of Dale Jarrett.

"Although there are differences of opinion, we think that we're pretty close to the mark on the balance of all three makes," Helton said. "But we're open-minded."

Perhaps the outcome of the Bud Shootout is misleading because Jarrett, Marlin and defending champion Gordon are all two-time winners of the Daytona 500.

But the Shootout box score — four Chevys, three Fords and three Pontiacs in the top 10 — certainly did nothing to dissuade NASCAR from its argument that specs for the 2000 season will make for equal competition.

"I felt confident that our guys

had done a nice job in doing all the research and analysis of trying to marry two new makes up with two new body styles at the same time," Helton said. "Even though the Taurus isn't a 100-percent remake, the Monte Carlo is and there was a significant-enough remake on the Taurus to have an impact."

Although the Daytona 500 is NASCAR's marquee event, the sanctioning body also must be concerned with the remaining 33 races.

"Daytona is a different animal," Helton said. "We have to be very patient and make sure that if there is a reaction necessary that we do the right one."

He knows that a week from Sunday the cars will not race at the 2 1/2-mile Daytona International Speedway but on the 1.017-mile track in Rockingham, N.C., where

Scoreboard

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Monday's Major College Basketball Scores
By The Associated Press

EAST
Connecticut 59, Seton Hall 50
Delaware 90, Hartford 72
Lafayette 71, Stony Brook 69
Navy 81, Colgate 47
Rutgers 79, Albany, N.Y. 60
St. Francis, N.Y. 82, Sacred Heart 87

SOUTH
Alabama St. 69, Alabama A&M 65
Belhune-Cookman 69, Morgan St. 64
Coll. of Charleston 83, Georgia Southern 67
Coppin St. 71, Florida A&M 61
Davidson 104, Chattanooga 78
ETSU 65, The Citadel 53
Liberty 76, Charleston Southern 60
Marshall 78, Ohio 72
Md.-Eastern Shore 59, Hampton 58
N. Carolina A&T 69, Delaware St. 55
N.C.-Wilmington 66, Belmont 58
Northwestern St. 60, Nicholls St. 48
Radford 73, Coastal Carolina 72
S. Carolina St. 89, Howard 60
Southern U. 79, Alabama St. 69
UNC-Greensboro 75, W. Carolina 53
VMi 78, Appalachian St. 69
Wofford 85, Furman 75

MIDWEST
Ball St. 89, Akron 68
Detroit 80, Siena Heights 71
E. Michigan 72, Cent. Michigan 59
Oklahoma 62, Nebraska 54

SOUTHWEST
Texas Southern 71, Ark.-Pine Bluff 62
Tulsa 75, Rice 33

FAR WEST
Wyoming 99, New Mexico 93

HOCKEY

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Eastern Division

Team	W	LSOL	Pts	GF	GA
Shreveport	31	13	5	67	195
Monroe	29	15	5	63	175
Lake Charles	29	18	3	61	199
Arkansas	21	18	8	50	183
Tupelo	19	23	2	45	188
Alexandria	15	27	8	38	145

Central Division

Team	W	LSOL	Pts	GF	GA
Central Texas	38	11	1	77	202
New Mexico	34	14	3	71	224
Lubbock	33	13	3	69	231
El Paso	26	19	5	57	203
Odessa	21	24	4	46	174
San Angelo	19	29	2	40	180
Amarillo	16	29	5	37	150

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NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory, one for a shootout loss. Shootout losses are separate from losses.

Monday's Games
No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games
Alexandria at Arkansas
New Mexico at Monroe
Fort Worth at San Angelo
Lubbock at Odessa

Wednesday's Games
No games scheduled

TRANSACTIONS

Thursday's Games
Amarillo at El Paso
Odessa at Lubbock

BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Agreed to terms with RHP Bryce Florio on a two-year contract.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Agreed to terms with RHP Bill Gimms on a two-year contract.
SEATTLE MARINERS—Agreed to terms with OF Mike Cameron on a one-year contract.
TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Jonathan Johnson and INF Scott Sheldon on one-year contracts. Named Les Parker scout.

National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Agreed to terms with OF Alex Ochoa on a one-year contract.
FLORIDA MARLINS—Agreed to terms with INF Amansy Garcia, LHP Armando Almanza, RHP A.J. Burnett, RHP Jared Camp, RHP Joe Fontenot and RHP Nelson Lara on one-year contracts.
MONTREAL EXPOS—Agreed to terms with 2B Wilton Guerrero on a one-year contract.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
CLEVELAND CAVALIERS—Signed F Pete Chilcutt to a second 10-day contract.
NEW JERSEY NETS—Waived C Michael Cage.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Named Hank Kuhlmann special teams coach.
ATLANTA FALCONS—Claimed LB Chris Drent off waivers from San Francisco.
ST. LOUIS RAMS—Announced the resignation of Frank Ganz, special teams coach.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Named Johnny Holland assistant coach for special teams and strength and conditioning.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
NHL—Suspended Pittsburgh RW Matthew Barnaby five games and New York Islanders D Eric Cairns four games for their off-ice confrontation during a game on Feb. 12.
Suspended San Jose D Jeff Norton four games for a stick-swinging incident in a game against New Jersey on Feb. 13.
DALLAS STARS—Assigned LW James Wright to Michigan of the IHL.
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Recalled F Stephen Leach and F Martin Sonnenberg from Wilkes-Barre-Scranton of the AHL.
Assigned D Sven Butenschon and D John Slaney to Wilkes-Barre-Scranton.

SOCCER
Major League Soccer
COLORADO RAPIDS—Acquired F Henry Zambrano from the NY-NJ MetroStars in exchange for a league allocation.

COLLEGE
FORDHAM—Suspended men's basketball F

PRO BASKETBALL

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	30	17	.638	—
New York	29	18	.617	1
Philadelphia	27	22	.551	4
Orlando	24	26	.480	7 1/2
Boston	21	28	.429	10
New Jersey	19	30	.388	12
Washington	15	34	.306	16

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	32	16	.667	—
Charlotte	27	20	.574	4 1/2
Toronto	26	21	.553	5 1/2
Detroit	25	23	.521	7
Milwaukee	26	24	.520	7
Atlanta	19	28	.404	12 1/2
Cleveland	19	30	.388	13 1/2
Chicago	10	37	.213	21 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	32	17	.653	—
Utah	29	18	.617	2
Minnesota	27	20	.574	4
Denver	21	27	.438	10 1/2
Dallas	20	28	.417	11 1/2
Houston	20	30	.400	12 1/2
Vancouver	14	34	.292	17 1/2

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	36	11	.776	—
L.A. Lakers	37	11	.771	1/2
Sacramento	30	18	.625	7 1/2
Seattle	31	20	.608	8
Phoenix	29	19	.604	8 1/2
Golden State	12	35	.255	25
L.A. Clippers	11	38	.224	27

Sunday's Game
West All-Stars 137, East All-Stars 126

Monday's Games
No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games
New York at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Denver at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Milwaukee at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Boston at Utah, 9 p.m.
Washington at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Portland at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Toronto at Indiana, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at New York, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Portland, 10 p.m.
Washington at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Red Wings avoid sweep by Coyotes

By IRA PODELL
AP Sports Writer

The Detroit Red Wings had plenty of incentive to beat the Phoenix Coyotes.

With a chance to sweep a three-game road trip and not wanting to go winless this season against Phoenix, the Red Wings scored three straight power-play goals in the first period Monday night and coasted to a 3-1 victory.

Igor Larionov, Pat Verbeek and Brendan Shanahan scored with the man advantage to give Phoenix a perfect road trip after wins over St. Louis and Colorado.

"It's big," Shanahan said. "We didn't want it to become a mental thing, and we were coming off a couple of big wins — especially coming back from 3-0 down against Colorado — and we had an opportunity to make this a special road trip."

"You saw that when we came out jumping and built up a big lead."

In other NHL games, it was Carolina 5, Toronto 2; Montreal 4, Florida 1; Pittsburgh 3, Vancouver 0; Anaheim 4, Chicago 3; and Los Angeles 4, Calgary 3 in overtime.

The Winnipeg-Phoenix franchise has only swept Detroit in two season series, the last in 1985-86 when the teams only met three times. The Coyotes won the first three meetings this season, but couldn't make it 4-0.

"They're a proud team," Coyotes coach Bob Francis said of the Red Wings. "They had in their mind that they didn't want to be swept, and we knew we had our work cut out for us."

The Red Wings are 17-0-4 when Verbeek has a point. Martin Lapointe had two assists, and Shanahan had one. The special teams were the difference for Detroit.

"Our power play won the game for us," coach Scotty Bowman said. "Basically, we went over some stuff before the game and made some changes. We were 0-for-6 last game, and this game we score three goals."

Hurricanes 5, Maple Leafs 2
Ron Francis scored two goals and sparked Carolina's four-goal outburst in the first 14 minutes to lead the Hurricanes to victory at Toronto.

Dave Karpa, Glen Wesley and Rod Brind'Amour also scored for Carolina, which won its third straight game.

The Leafs have lost four straight for the first time since April 1998.

Nik Antropov and Alexander Karpovtsev scored for Toronto.

Canadiens 4, Panthers 1
Jesse Belanger scored a pair of goals — his first in the NHL in almost four years — and added two assists to lead Montreal over Florida.

Belanger, recalled from Quebec of the AHL prior to the game, hadn't scored in the NHL since April 6, 1995, when he was with

the Vancouver Canucks.

Craig Darby and Sergei Zholtok also scored for Montreal.

Pavel Bure scored his league-leading 40th goal for the visiting Panthers.

Penguins 3, Canucks 0
Jean-Sebastien Aubin stopped 37 shots to lead Pittsburgh over Vancouver.

Aubin had a spectacular game on the day he became Pittsburgh's No. 1 goalie. Tom Barrasso was granted a leave of absence to return home to spend time with his father, gravely ill with brain cancer.

The shutout was Aubin's second this season and fourth of his career.

The Penguins are 14-1-1 in their last 16 games with the Canucks and are 10-0-1 against them at home.

Jaromir Jagr, Robert Lang and Aleksey Morozov scored for Pittsburgh.

Mighty Ducks 4, Blackhawks 3
Ted Donato scored with 2:10 left in the third period, giving Anaheim a win at Chicago.

Donato, who also had two assists, went over 300 points for his career.

The Ducks tied the game 3-3 on Kip Miller's goal with 8:29 left. Anaheim, which also had goals from Matt Cullen and Steve Rucchin, beat Chicago for the fifth time in seven meetings.

Tony Amonte recorded his fourth two-goal game of the season. Dean McAmmond added a goal for the Blackhawks.

Red Wings avoid sweep by Coyotes

downforce replaces speed as the most important factor for the cars.

"I think these are going to be very good downforce cars," said Gordon, who had predicted the Chevys would be slower than the Fords at Daytona.

The nature of the track, where drafting in the race means the hare isn't so much faster than the tortoise, means the 500 probably will be competitive — the Robert Yates Racing Fords notwithstanding.

But can the Chevys — unquestionably slower when running alone — take the measure of the Fords? The Chevy teams, hoping NASCAR will permit them to gain speed by lowering their spoiler angles, will have a final chance to prove they can't compete on Thursday, when positions 3-30 for the Daytona 500 will be

filled in twin 125-mile qualifying races.

"Can we run with the 88 and the 287?" asked Larry McReynolds, crew chief for Mike Skinner, the fastest of the Chevy drivers. "Probably not."

The 88, Jarrett, and the 28, teammate Ricky Rudd, already have the front row for The Great American race as a result of qualifying speeds last Saturday. But McReynolds, whose driver was the fourth-fastest in qualifying, thinks the vaunted Yates engines might be more of a factor than the aerodynamics of the cars.

At Daytona and Talladega Superspeedway, the longest and fastest of the NASCAR tracks, carburetor restrictor plates rob the engines of power and slow the cars.

"I think Robert Yates has turned a lot of attention to the

plate motors," McReynolds said. "They've got an awfully good race car and they've got a lot of power. There's no substitute for either one down here."

Helton won't dispute that, but is unlikely to order any change to the cars unless the qualifying races prove one of the three is terribly inferior to the others.

He's still concerned with the impact that would have on rest of the schedule.

But McReynolds is thinking only of Daytona, and hoping the balance of the week is not a continuation of what he says was defending series champion Jarrett toying with the field.

"I feel like that 88 played all day long," McReynolds said of the Shootout, which Jarrett won after passing Gordon on the final turn.

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County of Gray
TO: MELISSA CECILE DANIELS, Respondent (s)
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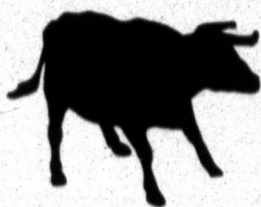
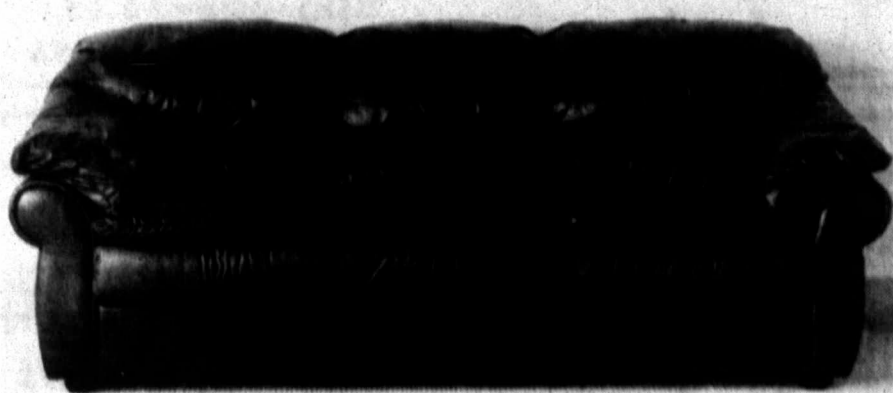


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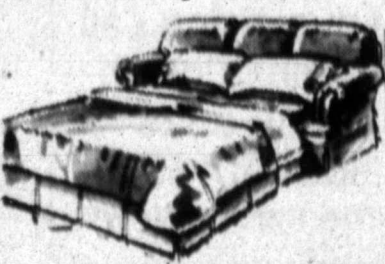
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As part of its "Ready, Set, Read!" project, Future Homemakers of America recently made and presented Valentine book markers to Lamar Elementary first graders. Above: (left-right) Destiny Engel, Lance Bookout, Taylor Dickson, Connie Nicholas and Lindsey Hampton.

Golden Spread Boy Scout Council holds awards banquet

Scouts and volunteers of the Golden Spread Boy Scout Council honored Eagle Scouts and outstanding volunteers during a 90th birthday celebration held recently at M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa. MC Tom Riney, executive board member, recognized over 260 volunteers and professional Scouters. Special service awards were presented and 108 Eagle Scouts were honored. The guest speaker was John Curry of Pampa. Curry discussed the benefits of Scouting. He and his father, Bob Curry, both served on the council executive boards of the Adobe Walls and Golden Spread Councils. Troop 86 Assistant Scoutmaster Darnell Grosz and Troop 10 Assistant Scoutmaster Rick Beecher introduced each Eagle Scout and told of the community contribution made by each young man. Richard Herbsleb presented each with a memento. The Order of the Arrow Lodge created and presented each Eagle Scout with a special anniversary patch. The 1999 class was sponsored by the law firm Brown and Fortunato of Amarillo. Mark D. White, council vice president, Program, presided over the National Court of Honor to present the Silver Beaver Award, the highest award bestowed by the council for outstanding service to youth in

Council president and National Council representative, Gary Stevens, presented the National Quality Council Award. Stevens noted, "This is the seventh consecutive year for the Gold Spread Council to receive this prestigious award. It is awarded for growth in membership, good stewardship of finances and endowment fund growth, by the National Office in Irving."

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Scouting as well as to church and community. Recipients of the Silver Beaver were Gina Albus of Pampa; Jak Stallings of Fritch; and Ron Boyd, Byron Burkhard and Terry Slade, all of Amarillo. Council president and National Council representative, Gary Stevens, presented the National Quality Council Award. Stevens noted, "This is the seventh consecutive year for the Gold Spread Council to receive this prestigious award. It is awarded for growth in membership, good stewardship of

Club news

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The CattleWomen meet the second Monday of each month. Many meetings are held at interesting locations such as the December meeting at the historic home of Amy Brainard in Canadian. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call (806) 256-3887 or visit www.texasattlewomen.org.

Preceptor Theta Iota

Preceptor Theta Iota Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Jan. 10 at Pampa Community Building and Jan. 24 in the home of Carol Carpenter. Ann Franklin served as hostess of the Jan. 24 meeting. The following business was conducted and announcements made: —Plans for the upcoming BSP Mardi Gras Casino and Dance slated Feb. 12 were discussed. The event is held annually to raise scholarship funds. PTI will meet for dinner prior to this year's fund-raiser in honor of sweetheart Janice Hubbard. —Carpenter read the article, "Just for Today." —Franklin described the gift bags to be raffled at the Mardi Gras Casino and Dance and Betty Schaffer reported a Zack Thomas autographed football would be awarded during the evening. The next meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 14 at the home of Carolyn Price.

Top O' Texas CattleWomen

Top O' Texas CattleWomen met recently with President Amy Brainard presiding. The following business was conducted and announcements made: —President Brainard urged members to participate in a promotion project. —Beef Gift Certificates were awarded to Tralee Crisis Center (\$200) and to the first three babies born in 2000 in Pampa, Borger and Perryton (3/\$25) including Adrianna Heredia of Borger, Juan and Rosa Madrid of Pampa and Brenda Ayala of Perryton. —Officers for 1999 are: Brainard, president, Canadian; Kay Stiles, first vice president, Wheeler; Janyth Bowers, second vice president, Groom; Carolyn Buckingham, secretary, Wheeler; and Dianne Buckingham, treasurer, Shamrock.

Altrusa

Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa met Feb. 8 at Pampa Country Club with President Kadda Schale presiding. Cinda Jennings and Sue Baker served as greeters. Guests Lori Fulton and Mary Fulton were among those present. The following business was conducted and announcements made: —The club will provide refreshments during the Schneider House Valentine Party Feb. 13 with the Put-Ons furnishing the entertainment. —A club-wide orientation will be at 7 p.m. Feb. 29 at Lovett Library. The orientation will serve as a make-up meeting. —Kerrick Horton, Karen Bridges and Schale were elected to serve as delegates to District Conference slated April 7-9 in Waco. Jeanne Mitchell, Anne Stobbe and DeLyn Gordzell are alternates. —Mayda King, Nominating Committee chair, presented the slate of officers for the coming club year. The new officers will be elected at the March business meeting. —Birthdays were received by Glyndene Shelton, Debi Waite, Linda Lamb, Sue Baker, Georgia Johnson and Pat Daugherty. The accent was given by Joan Gray on the responsibilities and duties of Altrusa officers. The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Feb. 22 at the country club.

20th Century Club

Twentieth Century Club met Feb. 8 at the home of Mrs. Buck Worley. Members answered roll call by recounting a memory from their wedding. Nancy Coffee presented a program on wedding customs around the world. The next meeting will be Feb. 22 at the home of Coffee.