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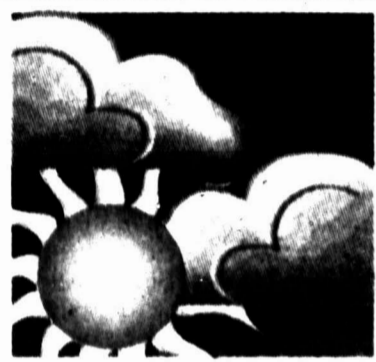
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PAMPA — The Gray County Republican Party will host an Open House at GCRP Friday from 5-8 p.m. The public is invited to come by, have a bite to eat and visit with the Republican candidates. GCRP Headquarters is in Suite 202 of the Combs-Worley Building, 120 W. Kingsmill. After Friday, Headquarters will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. or by appointment. The number is 669-1276 or 665-5563 to schedule an appointment.

One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The ticket was worth an estimated \$4 million. The ticket was sold in Fort Worth. The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 3-16-17-22-27-31. Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Country star George Strait is packing up his annual South Texas rodeo competition and moving it a little farther north. The singer has notified Kingsville city officials he is moving the George Strait Team Roping Classic to San Antonio, ending a tradition he and his family helped begin there 18 years ago.

News of the move spread through Kingsville, sparking dismay and disappointment in a town where businesses see a \$1 million boost each year thanks to the event.

- Ouida Moore Guice Rice, 81, registered medical technologist.
- L.A. Watson, 80, farmer.

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Paul and Vicky Helms gave up some of their time on Valentine's Day to tell the tale of their recent brush with Hollywood.

Stand in ... Hanging out on the movie set

A singing, guitar-playing, 43-year-old registered nurse and Pampan named Paul Helms stood-in for actor Billy Bob Thornton for a week of recent filming of "Wakin' Up in Reno," in Amarillo. When Helms isn't singing at the Tuesday night Big Texan Opry, or acting in Pampa's Central Baptist Church Pageant, or working as a registered nurse at Pampa Regional Medical Center, he's schmoozing with Patrick Swayze, Billy Bob Thornton, Natasha Richardson, and Charlize Theron. A stand-in helps camera crews prepare shots and scenes by standing-in for the actors and actresses; that is, standing (or sitting, or lying) exactly where the actor will stand. Crews can

adjust camera angles, and lighting, and sound, and not require the actual actors and actresses to stand exposed to crowds and inclement weather for hours. "Our job was to stand there and freeze to death," Helms said. How did Paul Helms become the stand-in for Billy Bob Thornton? A letter was sent to all Big Texan Opry performers, asking for extras for the movie. "I wasn't even going to call them," Helms said. But he did, and he was asked to fill out a profile at Anderson Talent Agency, in Amarillo. The receptionist noticed that his physical attributes

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Plumbing, wiring, fire exits greatest courthouse needs

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Larry Irsik of Architexas, an architectural firm hired by Gray County to assist with a restoration project of the local courthouse, was on hand at the Tuesday county commission meeting to conduct a public hearing on the master plan for the courthouse restoration project.

The application from Gray County includes three phases with the most critical needs of the building in the first phase. Issues include electrical wiring, plumbing and building alterations to allow courthouse inhabitants a second exit in case of fire.

County Judge Richard Peet said the first phase is estimated at \$4 million. The Texas Historical Commission is awarding grants for courthouse projects throughout the state. He also said if Gray County is awarded the grant and afterwards the commission decides not to implement the changes that the county is not obligated.

He said the remainder of building projects are included in Phase II and will be evaluated at a later date. Phase III includes landscaping and other outside changes. He said that phase will also be evaluated at a later date.

Commission members agreed to adopt a resolution with the City of Pampa with regard to an Enterprise Zone relating to economic development.

In other business the commission approved transferring two surplus vehicles from the sheriff's office to the Juvenile Probation Office.

The purchase of a new copier for the sheriff's office was also approved. Intra-budget transfer requests were approved and budget amendments requested by the county auditor for the end of the 1999 budget year were also approved.

No action was taken on an insurance prescription variance authority.

Political sign law put on hold

The city law restricting political signs to four square feet won't be enforced now as Pampa City Commissioners plan to amend the law to allow for larger signs up to 32 square feet in size.

City Manager Bob Eskridge said the enforcement moratorium was put in place after it came to the city's attention that the political sign limits are "too restrictive."

"What we are looking for here is intent," he said. "When the sign ordinance was passed last year I don't think anyone really realized how

restrictive the political sign limits were. The commission didn't really mean to do that."

The March 14 primary is the first election scheduled since the sign ordinance was enacted.

Eskridge said the matter came to the city's attention when a political candidate contacted the city's building official, Danny Winborne.

The first reading of the amendment will come at the Tuesday commission meeting at 6 p.m. at Pampa City Hall.

The work session is set for 5 p.m.



Emergency officials were called to the 1200 block of Hobart Wednesday at 3:50 p.m. after an unidentified man pulled his Ford pickup over to the side of the road and began regurgitating. An officer at the scene said the man was suffering from a "possible heart attack." The man was taken to Pampa Regional Medical Center. Officers had no record of the man's name and ambulance and hospital officials do not release names.

Don't forget the Images photo contest deadline is at 5 p.m. Friday!



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Services tomorrow

MARTINEZ, Patricio "Patrick" Francisco — Mass, 1 p.m., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Pampa.
RICE, Ouida Moore Guice — 11:30 a.m., Restland Wildwood Chapel, Dallas.
WATSON, L.A. — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Clarendon.

Obituaries

OUIDA MOORE GUICE RICE

RICHARDSON — Ouida Moore Guice Rice, 81, died Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2000. Services will be at 11:30 a.m. Friday in Restland Wildwood Chapel in Dallas. Burial will be in Restland Memorial Park under the direction of Restland Funeral Home of Dallas.

Mrs. Rice was born March 1, 1918, at Winsboro, La. She graduated from CE Byrd High School at Shreveport and attended Centenary College. She was a registered medical technologist. She married Otto Pete Rice, a retired geologist from Pampa, on Nov. 7, 1947.

She was involved in Camp Fire Girls, receiving the Wakan Award, and Richardson Heights Garden Club, earning ribbons for her flower arrangements. She belonged to Dallas Geological and Geophysical Auxiliary for over 40 years, Monday Night Bridge Club, Richland Park Homeowners Association and the Presbyterian Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Guice; and a brother, Wilton Guice.

Survivors include her husband of 52 years, Otto; a daughter, Ouida Ann Rice of Missouri City, Texas; a sister, Mary Ann Hitch of New Orleans; a sister-in-law, Lillian Rice Benedict of Fort Worth; a brother-in-law and his wife, Bill and Doris Rice of Pampa; numerous nieces and nephews; and many close friends.

L.A. WATSON

CLARENDON — L.A. Watson, 80, brother of a Groom resident, died Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2000. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Bryan Knowles, pastor of Martin Baptist Church, and the Rev. John Denton, of Berger, officiating. Burial will be in Citizens Cemetery under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mr. Watson was born in Red River County. He married Rose Lee Casteel in 1938 at Lakeview in Hall County. He was a farmer and lived at Martin near Clarendon for 32 years, moving to Clarendon a year ago. He was a member and a past president of Clarendon School Board and belonged to Martin Baptist Church, serving as deacon.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Rose; two daughters, Gay Cole and Doris Mills, both of Clarendon; two sons, Faylon Watson and Larry Bolles of Plainview and Lela Lester of Phoenix, Ariz.; a brother, Hap Watson of Groom; 15 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Martin Baptist Church, Citizens Cemetery of Clarendon or BSA Hospice in Amarillo.

Ambulance

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

Wednesday, Feb. 16

1:35 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

3:50 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Hobart and transported one to PRMC.

7:37 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of East Browning and transported one to PRMC.

8:13 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to 23rd at Price in mutual aid with Skellytown EMS and transported one to PRMC.

9:17 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony West.

Thursday, Feb. 17

12:40 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of Russell and transported one to PRMC.

2:13 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to a local residence.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....911
 Crime Stoppers.....669-2222
 Energas.....665-5777

Police report

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

Wednesday, Feb. 16

Joy Brown Bybee, 37, 617 N. Christy, was arrested on the charge of criminal trespassing of a habitation. According to the offense report, she trespassed a habitation in the 500 block of North Starkweather. Pampa Police Sergeant Tommy Pickering said the Starkweather house belonged to "an ex" of Bybee's, and that Bybee had been told several times to stay away.

Sheriff's Office

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

Wednesday, Feb. 16

James Edward South, 38, Mobeetie, was arrested on the charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department released the following accident reports Thursday, Feb. 17.

Saturday, Feb. 12

Madaline Dicie Garrett, 85, 311 N. Houston, "was traveling northbound on the 500 block of North Somerville when her little dog jumped on her lap," according to the police report, when she drifted, in her Buick Park Avenue, over to the right side of the road and struck a parked Chevy suburban belonging to Charity Harris, no age given, 604 N. Somerville. No injuries were reported.

Monday, Feb. 14

Harry Lee Lambright, 51, White Deer, was cited for leaving the scene of the accident and failure to yield right of way. Lambright, who was driving his Buick Park Avenue northbound on Hobart, attempted to turn left onto West Somerville, and struck a Mercury Capri driven by Daniel Ray Nicholas, 55, 2217 Aspen, who was heading southbound on Hobart. Lambright then discarded a sack containing alcohol and cigarettes and fled the scene of the accident, according to the accident report. A witness wrote down his license plate number. No injuries were reported.

Tuesday, Feb. 15

Carrie Seyfarth Johnson, 33, 925 Terry, was cited for failure to yield right of way in an open intersection. Johnson, driving a Mercury Mountaineer, was headed eastbound on East 24th when she collided with Mandi M. Martin, 25, 1601 Christine, in the intersection of Christine and 24th. Martin, in a Toyota Corolla, was heading north on Christine. No injuries were reported.

Wednesday, Feb. 16

Todd Lee Alvey, 32, 2325 Navajo, was cited for following too closely. Alvey, in a Chevrolet Lumina, was heading westbound on 23rd when a Mercury Sable, driven by Doyle Hartwell Beckham, 71, 2326 Aspen, stopped in front of him. Alvey rear-ended Beckham's Sable at the intersection of 23rd and Aspen, according to the police report. No injuries were reported.

Fires

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

Wednesday, Feb. 16

2:38 p.m. — Two units and seven personnel responded to a dumpster fire at the 1200 block of North Wells.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.24	Coca Cola	52 1/4	dn 1 5/16
Milo	3.00	Columbia/HCA	22 3/4	up 1/16
Corn	1.45	Eaton	71 1/4	up 1 3/8
Soybeans	4.18	Halliburton	37 3/4	dn 1 3/8
		IBM	5	NC
		KMI	26 11/16	up 5/16
		Kerr McGee	48 1/8	dn 1/2
		Limited	31 1/4	up 1/8
		McDonald's	33 15/16	up 9/16
		Exxon Mobil	78 3/4	dn 1 1/4
		New Atmos	17 13/16	up 1/16
		NEC	28 3/4	up 1/16
		Peasey's	16 1/16	dn 1/8
		Phillips	39 5/8	up 1/8
		Pioneer Nat.	7 11/16	dn 1/16
		SLB	65	dn 1
		Tenneco	7 5/8	up 5/16
		Texas	50 1/16	dn 5/16
		Ultramar	23 5/8	NC
		Wal-Mart	50 3/8	dn 2 3/8
		Williams	44 5/16	dn 11/16
		New York Gold	302.50	
		Silver	8.26	
		West Texas Crude	29.60	

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

Amsco	50 1/8	up 7/8
Arco	70 1/8	dn 3/8
Cabot	23	up 1/16
Cabot O&G	15	dn 3/16
Chevron	77 1/4	dn 9/16

STAND IN

matched Thornton's, and she asked Helms if she could take a picture of him. The picture was passed on to Sheryl Anderson, head of the agency.

"Sheryl walked up to me and said, 'I'm Sheryl Anderson — You do look like him.'"

Helms was asked to go to the Radisson in Amarillo for another interview.

"It was a strange interview. The main thing they asked us was — they wanted to make sure we were tough. The director of photography [William Fraker] had a reputation for being tough on crews," Helms said.

Helms got the job. He was told to bring a pair of cowboy boots to a location south of Canyon on the Tulla Highway Monday, Jan. 24.

"One guy described it to me as a traveling circus. There were large travel trailers, trailers for food, and makeup, and personal trailers for the actors, and bath trailers, and there was a big circus tent," Helms said.

The actors were called "first team," and the stand-ins were called "second team," Helms said, "the director would yell 'second team,' and that would be our cue."

"There were medical people that traveled with the movie, and a caterer from Italy," Helms said, "Anything that you wanted to eat, you could eat."

Tuesday the director had the four stand-ins sit in a Suburban. The Swayze stand-in sat in the driver's seat, and Helms sat in the front passenger seat. The two female stand-ins sat in the back. The director then asked everyone to get out except Helms.

"I turned around and said, 'How y'all doing?'," Helms said, "Then Patrick Swayze opened the driver's door and said to me, 'Hey how're you doing? It's cold out here.'"

But it was Thursday that Helms got an up close and personal view of Hollywood.

Director Brady had Helms and Kerbo stand in front of a book at the Big Texan that listed the names of everyone who had eaten the 72-ounce

steak. Brady then had Swayze and Thornton walk up behind Kerbo and Helms and tap them on the shoulder.

Thornton asked Helms, "Hey, can we look at that book?"

The incident was filmed, and Helms thinks it might be in the finished movie, which is to be released this fall.

Helms also got a chance to speak with Swayze that night at the Big Texan, as Swayze finished a chicken fried steak dinner.

"He asked us if we liked the lines he had to say [for that scene at the Big Texan]," Helms said.

All four stand-ins were asked to go to Reno with the movie crew. All four declined.

"I had my time in the spotlight, I was ready to go back to the hospital," Helms said, "For \$75 a day, I thought I'd go back to work at the hospital."

Helms said union stand-ins could make as much as \$590 a day, but that non-union stand-ins were only paid \$75 a day unless the day went longer than eight hours.

What is next for Paul Helms?

"If I could do anything, I'd move to Branson, Mo., to act in 'The Promise,'" Helms said. He said "The Promise" is a Christian play put on April through November.

The stand-in for Patrick Swayze was a Berger man named Tracy Kerbo. The stand-in for Charlize Theron was an Amarillo woman named Melinda Payne. Helms was not sure of the stand-in's name for Natasha Richardson.

Billy Bob Thornton wrote, produced, and acted in the hit movie "Sling Blade." Patrick Swayze acted in such movies as "Ghost," and "Dirty Dancing." Natasha Richardson is daughter of actress Vanessa Redgrave. Charlize Theron has acted in "The Devil's Advocate," and "Mighty Joe Young."

"Wakin' Up in Reno" is billed as a road comedy romance about two couples from Arkansas who take a vacation to Reno, Nev., to see a monster truck show. Along the way, they decide to stop in Amarillo to take a shot at The Big Texan Steak Ranch's famed 72-ounce steak.

Internet study about isolation draws criticism by detractors

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A new study which shows increased Internet use causes decreased face-to-face social interaction was roundly criticized by detractors as non-science.

"Presenting it as a scientific study is a bit of a reach. It's preliminary work and it doesn't tell us much," said Howard Fienberg, a research analyst with the Statistical Assessment Service in Washington, D.C.

The study was released Wednesday by researchers at the Institute for the Quantitative Study of Society.

It surveyed 4,113 American adults in 2,689 households. Respondents were provided with free Internet access and WebTV connections to facilitate the survey.

The study found that too much time on the Internet makes some people reclusive and less likely to interact with people face to face.

"The Internet could be the ultimate isolating technology that further reduces our participation in communities even more than television did before it," said Norman Nie, a Stanford political scientist

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Nielsen said the definition should include Internet-based environments such as chat rooms, message boards and e-mail.

About one-third of respondents said they were online five or more hours per week. Of those people,

13 percent said they spent less time with family and friends, 26 percent talked less to family and friends on the phone, and 8 percent attended fewer social events.

The study also found that most surfers use e-mail and have increased their online conversations with family and friends.

Fienberg suggested a more random selection of survey respondents studied over a longer period of time would produce more accurate indicators of Internet use and social effects.

The study prompted author and Internet use expert Jakob Nielsen to question its designers' definitions of human contact.

Nielsen said the definition should include Internet-based environments such as chat rooms, message boards and e-mail.

Nielsen said concepts of contact used in the study were ill-defined.

"How do you define what you count as personal contact?" Nielsen asked. "You could have had some other report a hundred years ago that said the telephone would cause a loss in social relations and human contact. The big problem is that the definitions do not hold in the new human experience."

In addition to scaling back personal contact, the study showed a quarter of regular Internet users who are employed increased the time they spent working at home.

Sixty percent of those same regular Internet users also said they watched less television and one third said they spent less time reading newspapers.

Police want shoe change

SUFFOLK, Va. (AP) — Rank-and-file cops here are digging in their heels in a dispute with the city's police chief over black leather oxford shoes — part of their standard uniform for 25 years.

The officers contend the shoes are too hot in the summer, too cold in winter, don't provide good traction during foot chases and are ugly.

"They're not real practical," police union attorney Michael Imprevento said Wednesday.

Last summer, Imprevento delivered the complaints to Chief Jimmy L. Wilson in a petition signed by about 100 officers. They asked for permission to wear more casual, comfortable shoes used by police in several neighboring jurisdictions.

The officers said, Wilson has ignored them.

The chief contends the petition contained duplicate signatures and the names of police department personnel who aren't officers.

Nevertheless, "the door has been left open for additional dialogue," the chief said.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Windy today with a high in the mid 60s and rain and thunderstorms possibly developing to the east of Gray County. Low tonight 28 and a chance of scattered rain. Tomorrow, variable cloudiness with a high of 48 and north winds at 15-25. The overnight low was 34.

STATEWIDE — Warm temperatures were prevalent across much of Texas early today.

City Briefs

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Gates to unveil newest Windows system for businesses today

REDMOND, Wash. (AP) — Microsoft Corp. today is launching its newest product, Windows 2000, a new operating system for business computers, as the company tries to maintain its dominance in the worldwide software market.

Although some companies have been running Windows 2000 on a test basis for months, Microsoft chairman Bill Gates will officially debut the massive software package at his company's Windows 2000 Conference and Expo in San Francisco.

The debut is nearly a year later than expected, but Windows 2000 has received praise from industry analysts and selected companies that have already installed it. With more than 35 million lines of computer code, it's one of the most complex software programs ever made, and the product upon which Microsoft has risked its future.

Despite its name, Windows 2000 is not a successor to the consumer-oriented Windows 98 but rather to the corporate system Windows NT 4.0. The new operating system, designed to power

business workstation computers and large computer servers that host networks and Web sites, is considered more stable and reliable than Windows NT.

Windows 2000 will cost \$149 for the desktop version and starts at \$599 for the version that will run servers. Microsoft is also offering different versions of the software for larger servers, those that run the massive databases needed for electronic commerce Web sites and Internet service providers.

Microsoft president and chief executive Steve Ballmer admitted that the delays in Windows 2000 have given Microsoft's competitors such as Novell Corp.'s NetWare and the grassroots Linux operating system an opportunity to gain converts. He added that Windows 2000 will help bring customers back.

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Skies were cloudy in the south with patchy fog reported around Del Rio and along the Coastal Bend. A few showers developed from Victoria through Houston to Beaumont. Temperature readings in South Texas ranged from the middle 60s to lower 70s. It was a bit more like the season in the Panhandle, which reported temperatures in the 30s. Extremes in West Texas ranged from 33 in Amarillo to 67 in San Angelo. Early this morning, a warm front extended from the central Permian Basin to north of Abilene and then eastward across Northeast Texas. A rich supply of Gulf moisture was being transported northward over the front, resulting in widespread low clouds from the low Rolling Plains to the Permian Basin and points to the south. High temperatures this afternoon should range from the 50s in the Panhandle to the 80s in parts of South Texas.



(Left-right) Mary Anna Lindsey, Sam Shields and Liza Harrison, members of Cabot Public Relations Team, and Pampa Police Chief Charlie Morris admire the flat-bed trailer donated to Pampa Police Department by Cabot Corp. The public relations team helped arrange the donation of the trailer which will be used to transport a backup generator.

Cabot donates trailer for PPD backup generator

Pampa Police Department recently received a donation from Cabot Corp., Pampa Plant. The donation was in the form of a flat-bed trailer that will be used to transport a recently acquired backup generator. The police department received the generator from Project Alliance and the City of Lefors. The City of Lefors gave

the generator to the PPD in support of its drug enforcement efforts in Gray County. It is anticipated that the generator will be used to support mobile communications; as an alternate power source for the 9-1-1 emergency services; and to provide lighting and other services at crime scenes or disaster scenes.

With the donation of the trailer from Cabot, the generator will be made portable and much more available to support these operations. Chief Charlie Morris would like to express his appreciation to Cabot Corp. for its support of this project and its continuing support of our community.



(Special photo) Business Professionals of America members recently participated in the Area IV Region 1 Leadership Conference in Lubbock. The BPA contest winners included: (front row, l-r) Ryan Bradley, Jimmy Story; (second row, l-r) Christi Lee, Lisa Estrada, Daisy Leal, Milissa Session; (third row, l-r) Jessica Conner, Kelleen Ebel, Ricky Morehart, Adam Fox, Jamie Mears; (back row, l-r) Daniel Dreher, Sean Stowers, Doug Belleau and Chris Hearron.

BPA members attend conference

Business Professionals of America Pampa Chapter recently attended the Area IV Region 1 Leadership Conference in Lubbock. Students competed with others from the panhandle and West Texas area in many different business-related events. Daniel Dreher, National Western Region vice president, Texas Board member and Pampa High School senior, spoke at the opening session. Jamie Mears, state vice president, brought words from the state officer team inviting everyone to the state conference in Plano in March. Eighteen students from Pampa participated in the many events at the Leadership Conference. The following students placed in general events: Sean Stowers, second place, Business Knowledge Skills; Doug Belleau, third place, Ryan Bradley, fourth place, Jimmy Story, fifth place, and Ricky Morehart, sixth place, Network Concepts. The following students placed as alternates to state competition: Belleau, Information Processing Specialist; Milissa Session, Payroll Accounting; Bradley, Computer Aided Graphics; Dreher, Application/Interview Skills;

Adam Fox, Extemporaneous Speaking II; Bradley and Story, Website Development Team; Dreher, Christie Lee, Stowers, Small Business Management. The following students won their events and will be advancing to the state competition in Plano at the Texas Leadership Conference March 2-5: Lisa Estrada, Spreadsheet Application and Analysis; Jessica Conner, Session, Estrada, Daisy Leal, Financial Analyst Team; Leal, Office Assistant; Kelleen Ebel, Administrative Specialist; Mears, Keyboarding Associate; Chris Hearron, Document Formatting Associate; Stowers, International Business; Story, Management Concepts; Lee, Entrepreneur. Several students were also recognized for their work in the organization and community by receiving their Executive Torch Award. These students had to earn 30 points in each of the following categories: Leadership, Service, Knowledge, Love, Hope, and Faith, Cooperation, Patriotism and Friendship. The students receiving this recognition included: Lee, Caryn Lowrey, Estrada, Stowers, Session and Leal.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 669-2331.

THEE PLACE

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

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP

If interested in the ADHD/ADD Sport Group call Connie at 669-9364.

EMMAUS REUNION

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

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. and 8-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday noon meetings are non-smoking. For more information, call 665-9702.

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.

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.

GREEN THUMB TRAINING

A Green Thumb training is slated from 1-3 p.m. Feb. 22 at Lovett Memorial Library, 111 N. Houston. Participants must be at least 55 years of age, be eligible to work in the United States and meet income guidelines. For more information, call the local Workforce Center at (806) 665-0938 or 665-2672, or the local field operations coordinator, Mary Ann Resch, at (806) 364-2743. Green Thumb, Inc., is a non-profit organization dedicated to strengthening families, communities and the nation by providing disadvantaged and older individuals with opportunities to learn, work and serve others.

PPQG

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 24 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. For more information, call (806) 779-2115. Visitors are welcome.

NATURE HIKE

A 2.5-mile nature hike is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. Feb. 26 along the Givens, Spicer and Lowry Running Trail in Palo Duro Canyon. The group will be discussing canyon history, geology, wildlife and plant life. All participants should bring plenty of water, sunscreen and good hiking shoes.

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"FRANKLY, I MISS THE OLD DAYS OF JOHN DILLINGER AND AL CAPONE."

Opinion

Sanctions strategy really isn't working

■ A trade embargo only makes things worse for all concerned.

Three separate recent news events provided stark evidence of why the United Nations' American-led policy of economic sanctions against Iraq is so dangerous, counterproductive and inhumane.

—First, U.S. sailors, leading a multinational force in the Persian Gulf, commandeered a Russian oil tanker that it suspected of transporting oil from Iraq, in violation of the embargo, and sparking a war of words with Russia.

—Second, the International Committee of the Red Cross released a report documenting how economic sanctions are causing desperation in Iraq, despite the oil-for-food program designed to reduce suffering.

—Third, the BBC reported on angry demonstrations in the streets of Baghdad by Iraqis demanding an end to sanctions. The traditional view is that sanctions are an act of war, so it shouldn't be surprising that such an act — isolating and even starving a nation until it submits to your dictates — would lead to dangerous confrontations with nations trying to take advantage of black-market conditions.

In the post-Cold War world, America should strive to help Russia, an unstable and nuclear-armed former superpower, become a peaceful and prosperous friend.

Not only has the Clinton administration angered Russia by expanding NATO and bombing Serbia, now it is piling on for the no-big-deal issue of a tanker full of gulf oil.

Sanctions, then, can further incite the Russian population, giving them one more reason to turn to an anti-American strongman. The Red Cross report is just the latest document pointing to the cruelty of sanctions. "The weakest and most vulnerable who suffer from sanctions are young children, pregnant women, the elderly, and people with chronic diseases," according to the report.

Note that Saddam Hussein is not listed as one of those suffering.

The anger in the streets of Baghdad is, in part, and outgrowth of the misery, and an indication of how much American policy could backfire. A whole generation of Iraqis is growing up with the view that America is the prime reason for that country's squalor and misery. Such hubris could lead, ultimately, to acts of barbarism and terror.

Confrontation with Russia. Starving children and old people. Angry demonstrations. What more evidence do American policy makers need to convince them to rethink this destructive, nearly decade-long trade embargo?

—Odessa American

Everyone knows when paper errs

Fried chicken, or is it fried children. A story appeared in *The Pampa News* Sunday which said that a fried children buffet would be served prior to a meeting of a local organization one night this week.

It was an obvious typo, but we have had some responders. One local mother emailed us, offering to contribute her 17-year-old son.

After our associate publisher emailed the story to one of our corporate bosses, he emailed back saying he had talked with his sister and she had offered her four children for the buffet.

The staff member who made the typo, who shall remain nameless, is one of the quietest and sweetest people at the office (So, you know it isn't me.) She is quite embarrassed by the error, but we have enjoyed teasing her. If she had children, I would say it was a Freudian slip. But then, it still could be.

Through the years we've all had our most awful embarrassing error stories. Mine was about 18 or 20 years ago.

A lifelong resident of Stinnett filed for the mayoral office, and I interviewed him for his announcement story. One of his direct quotes was, "The people of Stinnett are the greatest assets a community could have." When the typist in the composing room (this was before computers) typed the story she inadvertently left the t out of assets, and I missed it when I proofread. That omission of one letter certainly changed the entire meaning of this prospective politician's quote.

When the mayoral candidate read the newspaper that evening, he called me at home. He was not pleased. Upon informing me about the mistake, I began to laugh, and I couldn't stop. It was one of those times that if he had strung me



Nancy Young

Managing editor

up with a rope I would have laughed, I was hysterical. He was steaming. He might have been pretty close to holding a town hanging as his wife, who was a close friend of mine, told me later he was really, really angry when he called me. After I couldn't stop laughing, he began to laugh.

The typo was the topic of conversation in the community for several weeks. My friend's husband hadn't been able to campaign for the office due to illness in the family, but, as it turned out, he didn't need to do so.

He won an overwhelming victory with many people saying they voted for this lifetime resident because he told the truth. Now, I don't know about that.

When he ran for office again, I offered to be his campaign manager. He declined.

A co-worker at that time said I might have topped her most awful experience. Several years before, when the newspaper had hot type, she had written a headline which said "Passover services to be held." You guessed it! The P fell off and the paper went to press without it.

Readers who have contacted the newspaper regarding Sunday's typo have handled it very good-naturedly. I have heard reports around town the story has been submitted to Reader's

Digest. However, not all our errors are humorous.

We newspaper people often hear about mistakes in the paper. One of the major reasons for errors is the speed in which a story must be written in order to make deadline. Our customers want to read the most updated news stories, and it is our job to provide that information.

In our haste we may leave a word out, misspell a word or our phrasing may not be concise. Newspapers no longer have proof readers. When computers came in with spell check and similar functions, this human specialty went out.

Also, newspaper mistakes are laid bare for the whole world to see. How many people are aware when a restaurant serves a customer a cheeseburger when they ordered a hamburger? Or when a customer at a financial institution is borrowing \$200,000 and the check is typed with one word left out—thousand? How about when you get home from the grocery store and you are minus a sack of groceries?

These are all human errors, and they are aggravating. While we may tell our family and co-workers about these incidents, the number of people hearing our tale of woe is nothing compared to the 7,000 newspapers delivered to local residents. But that's the nature of the business. Most people are very nice about such incidents. Some are not.

We strive to get things right the first time, and want the paper to be perfect, but sometimes our humanness comes out.

Now, if anyone else wants to donate to the fried children buffet, just let us know. We'll pass along the information.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Feb. 17, the 48th day of 2000. There are 318 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 17, 1801, the House of Representatives broke an electoral tie between Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr, electing Jefferson president. Burr became vice president.

On this date:

In 1817, a street in Baltimore became the first to be lighted with gas

from America's first gas company.

In 1865, Columbia, S.C., burned as the Confederates evacuated and Union forces moved in. (It's not known which side set the blaze.)

In 1897, the forerunner of the National PTA, the National Congress of Mothers, was founded in Washington.

In 1904, Giacomo Puccini's opera "Madama Butterfly" was poorly received at its world premiere at La Scala.

In 1933, Newsweek was first published.

In 1947, the Voice of America began broadcasting to the Soviet Union.

In 1964, the Supreme Court ruled that congressional districts within each state had to be roughly equal in population.

In 1972, President Nixon departed on his historic trip to China.

In 1988, Lt. Col. William Higgins, an American officer serving with a United Nations truce monitoring

group, was kidnapped in southern Lebanon (and later slain).

In 1992, serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer was sentenced in Milwaukee to life in prison. (He was beaten to death in prison in November 1994.)

Ten years ago: Former President Reagan spent a second day in a Los Angeles courtroom, giving videotaped testimony about the Iran-Contra affair for the trial of his former national security adviser, John Poindexter.

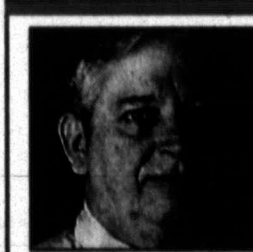
Primary elections are like a football game

A primary election is like a football game. There is very little that is sensible that can be said before the game is played and very little that is sensible that can be said after it is over.

The only thing the New Hampshire primary tells you is how the people there voted. The press, which has adopted Sen. John McCain as its poster boy (reason enough for any conservative to vote for somebody else), is trying to make more of his win than it deserves. The press is certainly making more of McCain's win than it did of Pat Buchanan's New Hampshire primary victory in 1996.

In Buchanan's case, it was his last primary win. He was quickly drowned in the big-state primaries where only people with big bucks can compete. I suspect the same will be true of McCain. After all, 51 percent of the people in New Hampshire who voted Republican did not choose to vote for McCain. I would not call a win by a man who received a minority of his party's votes a "landslide."

I personally don't care for McCain. He is, despite his campaign rhetoric, too much like Bill Clinton. He almost flunked out of the Naval Academy. He was widely known as a rounder and a womanizer. Some of the staff members on the Hill who have had the misfortune to work with him describe him in language not suitable for a family newspaper. As for being a war hero, I don't think being shot down and collaborating with the enemy constitutes heroism. POWs who endured the torture and didn't collaborate are the heroes. Some of



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

them died rather than do what McCain did. I don't judge him for that. Every man has his breaking point. I just object to his being called a war hero.

Many of the families of men still missing in action despise McCain for his belligerence toward them during the hearings on the POW-MIA issue. Further-more, he has been far more conciliatory toward the North Vietnamese than he has been to families who still demand an accounting of their missing loved ones. The North Vietnamese seem to have leverage over him, and that could very well be their knowledge of his behavior while he was their guest in Hanoi.

McCain was also Clinton's chief Republican cheerleader during the illegal NATO attack on Yugoslavia. As one of my colleagues described him, he's a "Serb-hating poster boy for The New York Times." As for his so-called campaign finance reform, it is, pure and simple, an assault on the First Amendment and an incumbent protection act.

You want him? You can have him. But I'll bet

anybody a case of beer that after he's been in the White House a year, you'll wish he were back in Arizona with his Keating Five buddies. His campaign against special interests is being financed by special interests. I don't think it's an accident that 35 Republican senators who presumably know him best are supporting George W. Bush.

And on the subject of campaign finance reform, that is the most misreported subject in American politics. The problem is the cost of campaigning, and that cost is primarily the high prices television, radio and newspapers charge candidates for their advertising. With our population, it is impossible to campaign without buying ads, and it is the price of those ads that forces the candidates to raise large sums of money.

Funny, but in all the moaning and braying about campaign finance reform from media types, nobody ever brings this up. It strikes me as hypocritical for organizations that gobble up campaign dollars by the millions to complain that candidates spend too much money. Maybe the government ought to force television and radio stations, which profit from use of the public airwaves, to give candidates a break on prices.

As for the rest of this long, long road to the White House, my advice is to read the results of the various elections and skip the pre- and post-election commentaries. It's bad enough to have to listen to the candidates without having to listen to journalistic banalities, too.

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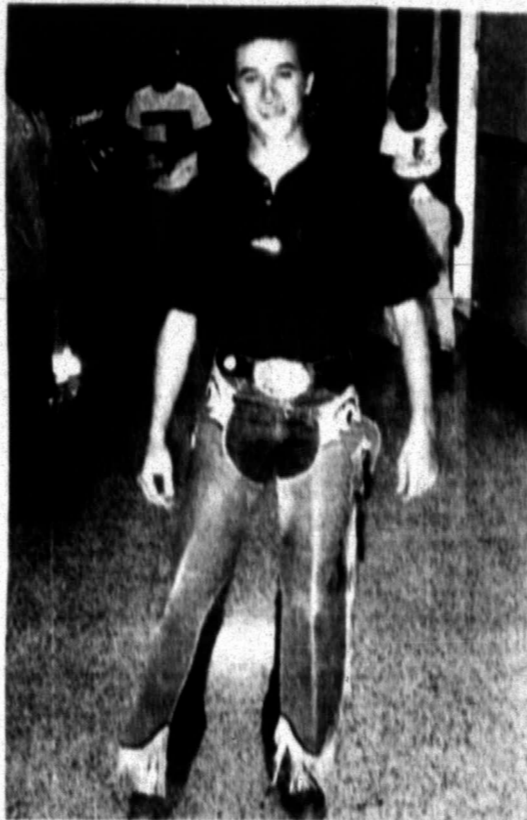
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Lefors High



Most attractive male still living, Lefors 1999

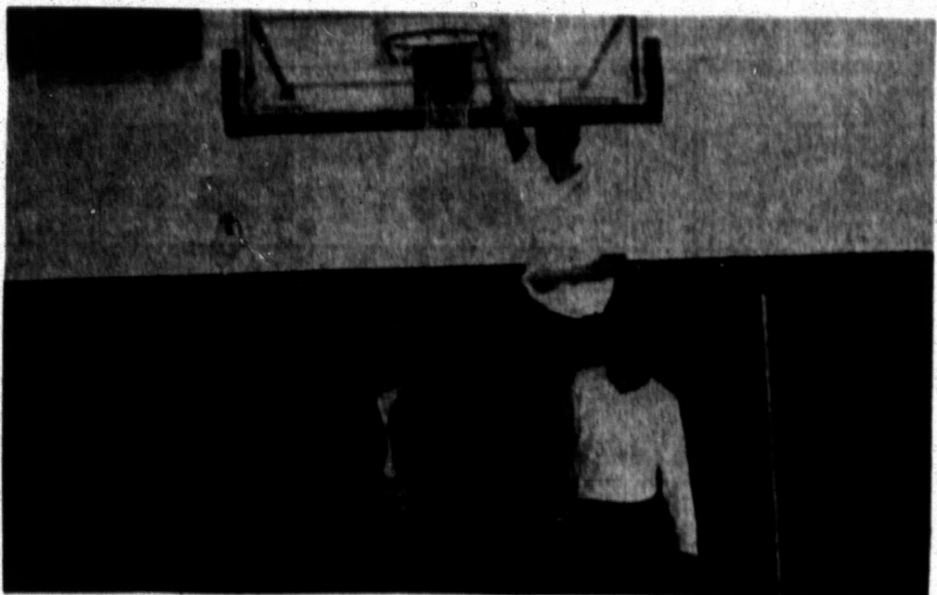
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"Who said there ain't no real cowboys in Lefors?"



Coach Moore shows his students, he still "has it".



The three stooges strike back!



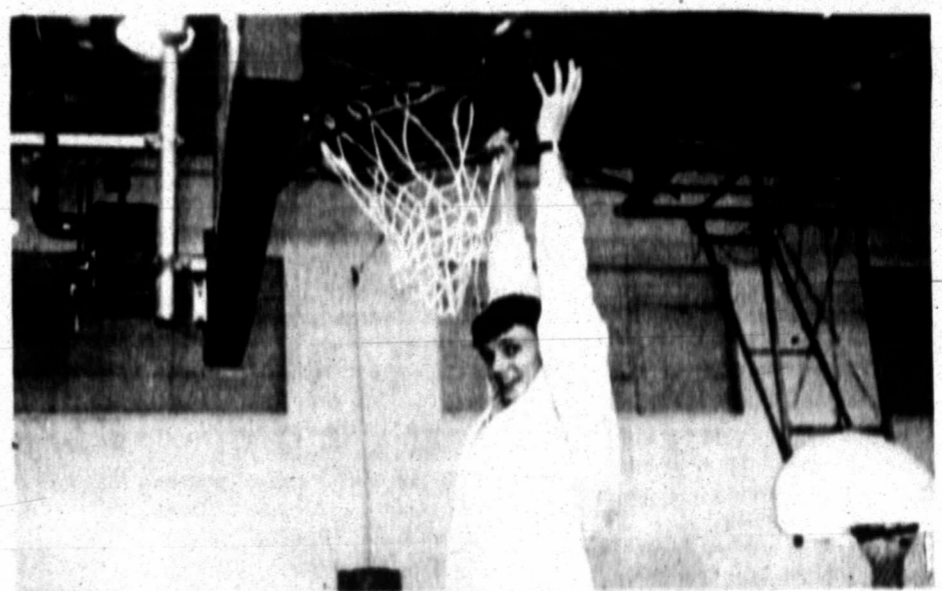
We all miss basketball practice, especially the gossiping.



Is that what we consider team spirit?



Desperately trying to be cool:
Michael, Todd, John

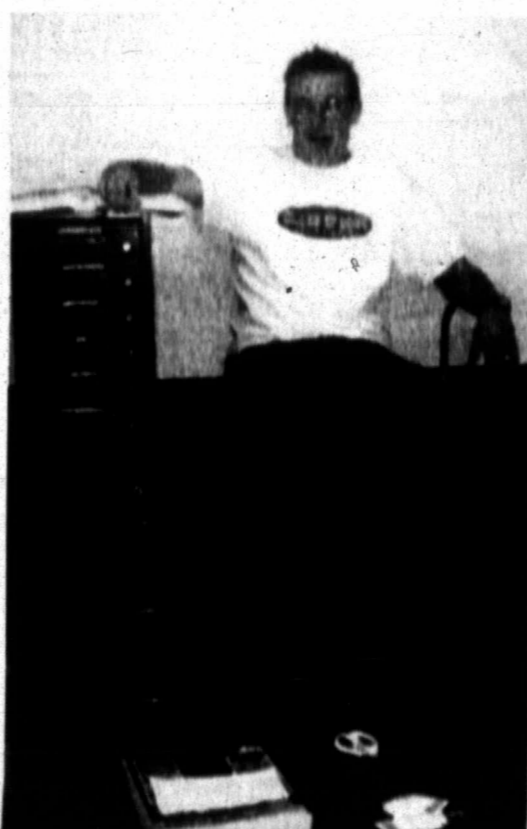


Attack of the 8 foot German !!



In Lefors we don't only sleep in class,
we walk the halls sleepin' too.

That's how Junior High prepares for "hard" High School.



Jeremy: "And now y'all
should get to work!"



How much money...!?

Coach Miller getting a piece of advice.

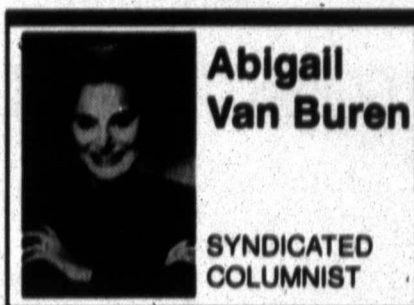


Man's Care for Disabled Wife Is Doing More Harm Than Good

DEAR ABBY: My father-in-law is retired with a good pension. He is the primary caregiver for his wife, who is paralyzed on one side and unable to carry on a conversation. She is getting worse and is practically confined to bed. He refuses outside help and is very controlling. While she was in the rehab center shortly after her accident, she was progressing well. She was even up on parallel bars. The only thing she does now is feed herself. She's incontinent and totally dependent.

No one in the family is willing to step in on her behalf to get the proper care she deserves. They are all afraid of her husband, and say it is up to him. It is painful for me to watch this happening. I am partially disabled myself and unable to do what I used to. How — and where — could I find resources to give this woman some quality of life? She's only 64.

CONCERNED IN THE MIDWEST



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

would be for you and your wife to contact their family physician and explain what's going on. Ask for a referral to a social worker or home health-care agency that can visit her and evaluate the care she is receiving.

Considering the level of care his wife requires, your father-in-law may be overwhelmed as the primary caregiver. He needs help, too, but his pride may be getting in the way. Perhaps the doctor can recommend

that he attend a caregiver support group where he can learn firsthand what other caregivers do in similar situations. It is vital that he receive emotional support. If the doctor can't help, the social services office at your local hospital can provide a referral.

DEAR ABBY: The letter you printed regarding the wedding letter invitation reminded me of the telephone call I received from the mother of the groom.

She informed me there was to be no shower for the bride. The bride and her mother were going shopping for the things the bride would need for her new home. Every item was to be gift-wrapped individually, and the name of the "donor" was to be written on each package.

Although I had already given the couple a generous engagement gift, I was "invited" to send a check to pay for "my" shower gift.

Incredulous, and thinking I had misunderstood, I asked the woman to repeat the request. Then I said a quiet goodbye.

NO DUMMY IN N.Y.C.

DEAR NO DUMMY: Just when I think I have seen everything, along comes another "believe it or not" letter. You weren't being invited to a shower; you were being solicited for a fund-raiser. Therefore, you were within your rights to handle it as you would any other telemarketing call.

Horoscope

FRIDAY, FEB. 18, 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)

Use your skills to determine what is necessary. You could be looking at a goal that seems unusually cloudy to you. Opportunity knocks as a friend comes up with several ideas. Network; reach out for others. You make new friends and contacts. Tonight: Let your imagination roam.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Opportunity strikes, out of the blue. A partner shares interesting information. You might find a boss difficult and testy. Be careful how you display your frustration. You tend to go to extremes. Follow your course with more self-restraint. Tonight: Home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Reach out, but try not to read more into what others are saying than what's actually there. News sends you in a new direction. Stay centered, and know what is workable for you. Your drive and focus can make or break a project. It's your call! Tonight: Hang out.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Getting what you want proves costly, but you might not care! A partner might have strong feelings about what is happening, though seeing eye to eye proves to be complicated. You need another's support in order to maximize a career offer. Tonight: Still indulging?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Go for what you want. Don't worry. Keep expectations clear and real-

istic. You have many choices to make; others seem willing to offer suggestions. Creativity and perspective are an unbeatable combination. Work with surprises. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Say little, and worry less about what is happening, if possible. Think rather than react. A partner has many different opinions; listen to them. Unexpected developments occur at work. Go with the flow. Flexibility counts. Tonight: Take some time off.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Friends surround you, and a close associate cheers you on. There seems to be little choice about which way to go. Recognize that another's extravagance could affect you. Discuss your worries and make strong choices for your future. Tonight: TGIF.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Another pushes you to assume responsibility. When you do, there is a general sigh of relief. Your fine sense of direction and your capabilities are a source of pride to those close to you. You get the job done, even if it means putting forth an extraordinary effort. Tonight: Could be a late night.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Get out of the office as quickly as you can. A lot can come up that detains you. Your high energy needs an outlet besides work. A change of scenery is just what the doctor ordered. Work with the unexpected, but don't get tangled in situations you don't want. Tonight: Escape for the weekend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Relax with a special partner. Worry less about the risk you might be taking. Financial options appear. Recognize your limits with a real estate investment. Do your homework; ask important questions. Nothing is frivolous. Tonight: A united front makes a big

difference.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Others knock on your door. You have difficulty finding privacy, even at home. You could become frayed and tired and could do the unexpected, upsetting a partner as a result. Take a walk. Pull away, if that means preserving the peace. Tonight: Where your friends are.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

So much hits you so fast that you could be overwhelmed. Sort through what you want to do. Aim for what you desire. Concentrate, and don't scatter. Others seek you out; popularity soars. You could get nervous if you think about all you have to do. Tonight: Go for a stress buster.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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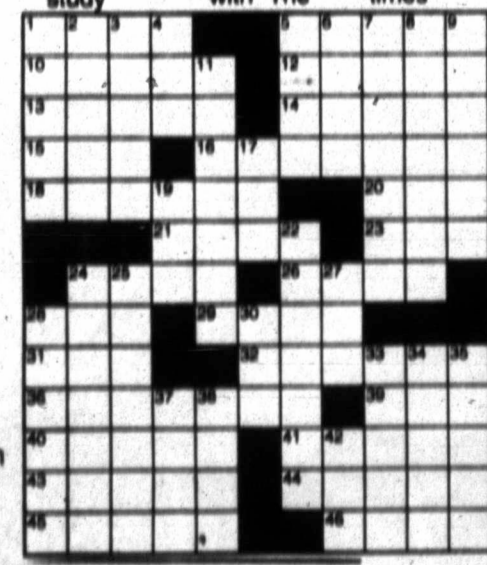
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- 5 Foundation
- 10 Similar
- 12 Winged
- 13 Paint
- 14 Ingredient
- 14 Fleet-related
- 15 Second-largest bird
- 18 Bargain-hunter's opportunity
- 18 Lid
- 20 Driver's ID: Abbr.
- 21 Cinch
- 23 Play part
- 24 British pound
- 26 A smaller amount
- 28 Have dinner
- 29 Aim for a fly
- 31 Broadway success
- 32 Up the creek
- 36 Reduce to mist
- 39 Exploit
- 40 Transplant a plant
- 41 Garth Brooks was born there
- 43 Stern with a bow
- 44 Sales pitch
- 45 Back's counterpart
- 46 Lushes

DOWN

- 1 Parking attendant
- 2 Texan landmark
- 3 Illuminated
- 4 — out (supplement)
- 5 Siam sound
- 6 Sighed cry
- 7 "Kojak" star
- 8 Stressed type
- 9 Choose
- 11 Lengthens
- 17 Coach
- 18 Parse-griean
- 19 Greek letter
- 22 Kapler study
- 24 "indeed!"
- 25 Not standard
- 27 Airport abbr.
- 28 "Doctor Zhivago" star
- 30 1975 musical, with "The"
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- 35 Diner offerings
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- 38 Longing
- 42 Good times



Yesterday's answer



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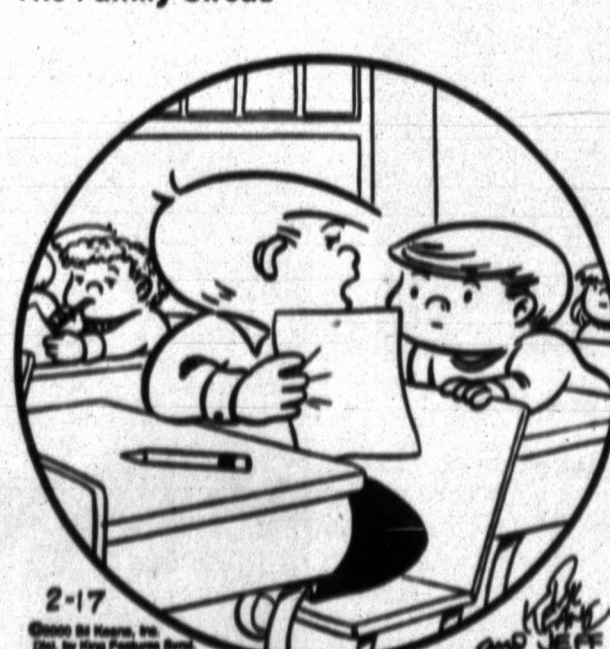
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Marmaduke



"I told you not to let Marmaduke unload groceries from the car. The bag of meat and cheese is missing."

The Family Circus



"I'm sure of number six. I saw it on 'Jeopardy' last night."

For Better or For Worse



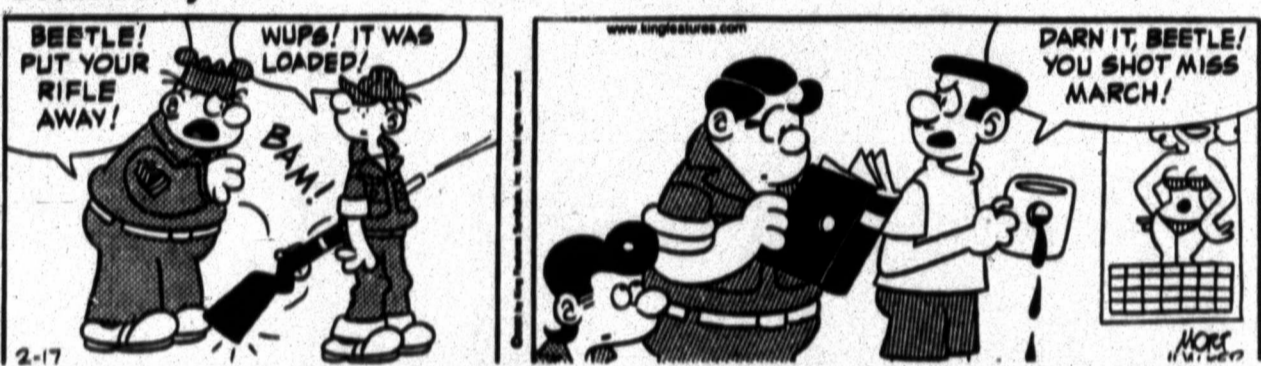
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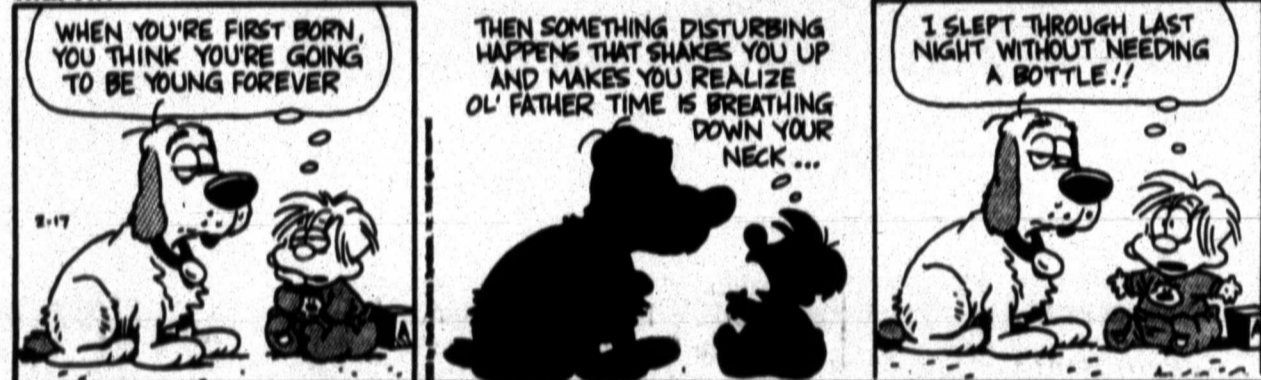
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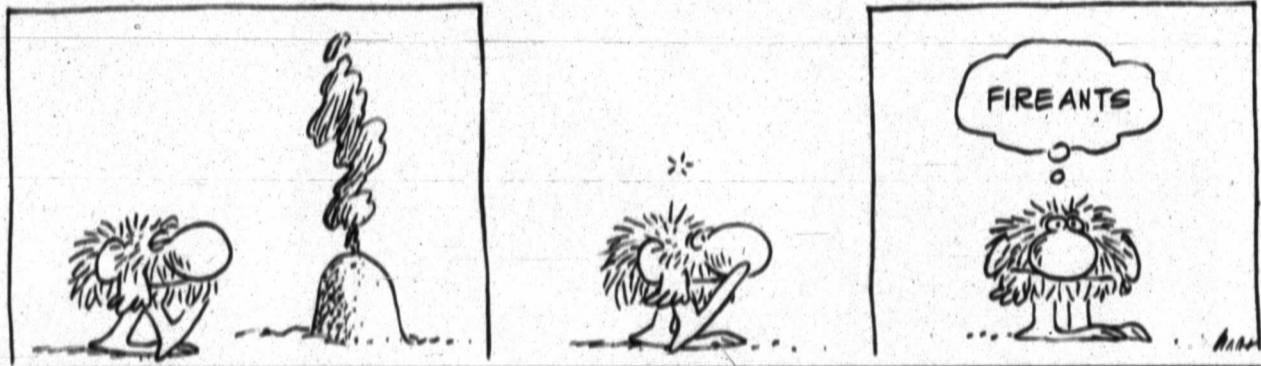
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TRACK & FIELD

CARBONDALE, Ill. — Barbara Wine of the University of Memphis-Tennessee placed third in the shot put at the Saluski-USA Track and Field Meet last weekend at Southern Illinois University.

Wine, a 1998 Pampa graduate, is a sophomore at UMT. Wine won regional and district titles in the shot while in high school.

SOFTBALL

CANYON — Pampa fell to Randall 11-1 in a high school girls' softball opener Tuesday.

The big inning was the second when Randall scored seven runs.

The Lady Harvesters are entered in the Borger Tournament today through Saturday.

SOCCER

PAMPA — The Pampa Soccer Association will hold signups for the spring season today through Saturday at T-Shirts & More from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

To participate, a child must be four years old by July 31, 1999. Parents need to bring a copy of the child's birth certificate to the signups.

Players who participate in the fall season do not need to sign up.

Cost of the program is \$30. This includes jersey, shorts, socks and insurance.

The Association guarantees each player, regardless of experience, at least 50 percent playing time.

T-Shirts & More is located at 111 W. Kingsmill in Pampa. For more information, call 669-1273 after 5 p.m. and leave a message.

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — The Pampa Special Olympics is hosting the Area 16 Special Olympics Basketball Tournament on Saturday in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Opening ceremonies tip off at 8:30 a.m., followed by the competition at 9:15 a.m.

There will be about 255 athletes from Pampa and the surrounding areas entered in the tournament.

The public is invited to come out and watch these athletes in action.

For information on Special Olympics, call Cindy Cooper at 665-2137 or 665-5477.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Gabe Muoneke scored 17 points, including eight straight in a key second-half run, to lead No. 17 Texas to a 68-57 victory over No. 8 Oklahoma State on Wednesday night.

Texas (18-6, 9-2 Big 12) led 40-33 early in the second half when Muoneke went on his scoring spree, getting all of his points by muscling his way close to the basket for short jumpers and layups to push the Longhorns' lead to 48-35 with 13:55 left to play.

Oklahoma State (20-3, 9-2) cut the lead to 48-44 on a three-point play by Desmond Mason but got no closer.

HOCKEY

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Stars won their first Stanley Cup last June behind the NHL's toughest defense. Little has changed this season.

Dallas killed seven Nashville power plays and rookie Manny Fernandez stopped 18 shots for his first career shutout as the Stars defeated the Predators 3-0 on Wednesday night.

The Stars have allowed two goals or less in 13 of their last 17 games.

"The Dallas Stars organization has proclaimed itself the toughest defensive team of the NHL," Stars defenseman Richard Matvichuk said. "We've proved it the last few years."

Pampa tennis team looks sharp in spring opener

MCKINNEY — With every player posting at least two victories, the Pampa High tennis team opened the spring campaign in the prestigious McKinney Invitational last weekend.

The 16-team tournament was composed of 12 Class 5A schools, including the 1999 5A state Team Tennis Champion, Abilene High. Pampa was among four 4A schools, including powerhouse Dallas Highland Park.

"What a great opportunity to play against these talented 5A and 4A schools," said coach Carolyn Quarles. "Every player we entered won at least two of their five matches, even our sophomore players. I was very pleased with our effort."

Pampa had outstanding performances from juniors Michael Cornelison and Bryce

Jordan in doubles. They finished fourth in a 32-draw, defeating Whinery and Boeka of Amarillo High in the second round, and going on to defeat the No. 1 seed, Eaton and Johnson of Abilene High, in straight sets 6-2, 7-5.

Seniors Emily Curtis and Emily Waters finished ninth in girls' doubles, winning four out of five matches during the weekend.

"I believe they (Curtis-Waters) were the second-best team in the draw. They simply drew the champion in the second round instead of the finals, which happens sometimes in big tournaments. They had very impressive wins over the other opponents."

The Harvesters travel to Lubbock on Friday for duals with Lubbock High and Plainview. There will be a

junior varsity quad this Friday in Pampa where Pampa plays against Amarillo High JV and Perryton varsity.

MCKINNEY INVITATIONAL Pampa results

Girls Doubles

Emily Waters-Emily Curtis def. Ryan-Nguyen, Allen, 6-0, 6-1; lost to Jones-Gowan, Plano, 6-1, 6-1; def. Rogers-McKenzie, Pesh, 6-3, 6-2; def. Roark-McCracken, Abilene, 6-4, 6-1; def. Harris-Elder, Coppell, 6-2, 6-0.

Helen Orr-Michelle Lee: def. Estrada-Rodriguez (EPA), 6-3, 6-7, 6-2; lost to Scott-Langstrom, Abilene, 6-0, 6-2; def. Rissman-Rogers, McKinney, 7-5, 6-7, 6-2; lost to Roark-McCracken, Abilene, 6-4, 6-4.

Boys Doubles

Michael Cornelison-Bryce

Jordan def. Beck-Tatachar, Allen, 6-1, 6-1; def. Boeke-Whinery, Amarillo High, 7-5, 6-3; def. Eaton-Johnson, Abilene, 6-2, 7-5; lost to Ramos-Sofman, Pesh, 6-3, 6-3; def. Patel-Darnell, Amarillo High, 6-3, 6-4.

Ryan Mills-Matt Rains def. Bautista-Varela, Montway, 6-3, 6-2; lost to Patel-Darnell, Amarillo High, 6-3, 6-2; lost to Britton-Waynon, Plano, 7-5, 2-6, 6-3; lost to Beard-Ewing, Amarillo High, 5-7, 7-5, 7-6; def. Wang-Crussis-PW, 6-2, 3-6, 6-1.

Girls Singles

Stacie Carter lost to Katherine Gillespie, Coppell, 6-1, 6-4; def. Heather Morris, McKinney, 6-2, 6-2; lost to McKenzie Swindle, Mansfield, 6-0, 6-0; lost to Jennifer Thornhill, Waxahachie, 6-7, 6-4; def. Dulce Iglesias, McKinney, 6-

2, 6-1.

Ashlei Jordan lost to Annett Lawler, Montwood, 2-6, 6-2, 6-4; def. Whitney Orr, Allen, 6-4, 6-0; def. Maida Rodriguez, Bryan, 6-3, 6-4; def. Dulce Iglesias, Coppell, 6-1, 4-6, 6-1; lost to Jennifer Thornhill, Waxahachie, 6-2, 6-4.

Boys Singles

Matt Cook def. Jordan Mullins, Duñcanville, 7-6, 7-6; def. David Hyman, Plano West, 6-2, 6-2; lost to Dustin Exposito, Amarillo High, 6-2, 6-3; lost to Clint Sumrow, Plano, 6-2, 6-1; lost to Cameron Cotton, Coppell, 6-0, 6-7, 6-1.

David Phillips lost to Bryce Hicks, Abilene, 6-1, 6-1; def. Tim Payovich, Waxahachie, 6-2, 6-0; lost to Joe Brawner, Mansfield, 6-4, 6-3; def. Cody Salomon, Allen, 6-2, 6-0; lost to Clint Knuckles, Mansfield, 6-3, 2-6, 6-1.

PHS girls rout Borger

PAMPA — There's quite a battle shaping up for the number one spot in the District 3-4A girls' soccer race and Pampa is right in the middle of it.

After Tuesday's matches, Pampa, Randall and Canyon are all tied for first place at 3-1.

The Lady Harvesters put the hurt on Borger with a 7-1 win Tuesday in Harvester Stadium. Randall handed Canyon its first district loss 3-1 Tuesday.

Pampa simply overwhelmed Borger on both ends of the field.

"We looked very good. There's a lot of talent on this team," said Pampa coach Lori Patulea.

Misti Northcutt and Candace Cathey led Pampa's scoring assault with two goals each. Sara Scott, Tiffany Nees and Lindsay Earl had one each.

Northcutt, Courtney Ritchey, Sarah Porter and Stephanie Goldsmith each had an assist.

Leslie McWilliams, the second-half goalkeeper, came through with a save for the Lady Harvesters.

The Lady Harvesters go to Amarillo to play Palo Duro on Friday. The match is scheduled to start at 4:15.

The next home match is Feb. 29 against Amarillo Caprock.

Soccer shutout



Tristan Brown (5) helped Pampa shut out Borger in a District 3-4A soccer match Tuesday at Harvester Stadium. Jason Hall scored two goals and Ryan Nash had one in the 3-0 victory. "It was a good team effort. Everybody played well," said Pampa coach John True.

Late-surgling Cyclones atop Big 12

By The Associated Press

In its first three seasons in the Big 12, Iowa State finished third, 11th and ninth.

So it's pretty impressive the 14th-ranked Cyclones took over first place in the conference this late in the season. Even more impressive was the way they did it.

Marcus Fizer had 15 points Wednesday night as the Cyclones beat No. 24 Kansas 64-62, their first victory in Allen Fieldhouse since 1982, a stretch of 17 games. It was also their first road victory over a ranked opponent since 1987.

"This is monumental," coach Larry Eustachy said after the Cyclones (22-3, 10-1) moved within two wins of the school record and extended their best conference start in school history. "For us to come in here and do it, it tells a lot."

In other games involving ranked teams Wednesday, it was No. 3 Duke 101, Florida State 68; No. 17 Texas 68, No. 8 Oklahoma State 57; No. 9 Syracuse 83, Pittsburgh 62; No. 12 Auburn 86, Vanderbilt 80; No. 16 LSU '97, Mississippi 53; No. 19 Kentucky 66, Alabama 54; No. 22 Maryland 92, Georgia Tech 70; and No. 25 Purdue 67, Iowa 59.

The Jayhawks (18-7, 7-4) took a 59-53 lead with 3:06 left on two free throws by Jeff Boschee, but Kansas committed turnovers on its next three possessions. Two of those were steals by Jamaal Tinsley that turned into layups.

Fizer, the Big 12's scoring leader at 21 points per game, hit an off-balance 16-footer with six seconds left to make it 63-59.

Boschee, who missed 15 of his first 16 shots, hit his last, a 3-pointer with 1.5 seconds left, but Paul Shirley's free throw ended the scoring.

"Those last three turnovers were mental turnovers," Boschee said. "I thought we were close to putting them away. Then they made some big shots."

This is the worst of coach Roy Williams' 11 seasons at Kansas.

"We lost our poise down the stretch," he said.

The crowd, Eustachy said, was the loudest he's heard all season.

"We just performed in spite of it," he said. "It was a game of spurts and we had a spurt at the end."

Nick Bradford and Drew Gooden each had 11 points for Kansas, which lost 74-66 at Iowa State last month.

No. 3 Duke 101, Florida St. 68

Jason Williams had 19 points and the Blue Devils (20-3, 11-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) started a new home winning streak by beating Florida State for an 11th consecutive time. Duke lost last Monday to Maryland, snapping a 46-game home winning streak. It is coach Mike Krzyzewski's 15th 20-win season in 20 years at Duke. Nigel Dixon had a season-high 12 points for the Seminoles (9-13, 4-7), who have lost seven of nine.

No. 16 LSU 97, Mississippi 53

Stromile Swift scored 18 points and Lamont Roland added 17 as

the Tigers (20-4, 7-4 Southeastern Conference) reached 20 wins for the first time since 1992-93, extended their winning streak to four games and won consecutive road games for the first time since 1995. Emmanuel Wade had 10 points for the Rebels (15-9, 3-8), who had won nine of the last 11 meetings between the teams, including the last seven.

No. 19 Kentucky 66, Alabama 54

Jamaal Magloire scored 16 points and Tayshaun Prince added 14 as the Wildcats (18-7, 8-3 Southeastern Conference) snapped a two-game losing streak despite going just 2-of-23 from 3-point range. Freshman guard Rod Grizzard scored 14 of his 20 points in the second half as the visiting Crimson Tide (11-12, 4-7) trimmed an 18-point deficit to only five late in the game.

No. 22 Maryland 92, Georgia Tech 70

Juan Dixon scored 18 of his career-high 33 points in the opening 12 minutes and added a career-best seven assists for the Terrapins (18-7, 7-4 Atlantic Coast Conference). Tony Akins scored 17 points and for the Yellow Jackets (11-13, 3-8), who are 0-6 on the road this season and winless at Maryland since 1994.

No. 25 Purdue 67, Iowa 59

Brian Cardinal had 18 points and 11 rebounds to lead the Boilermakers (18-7, 9-3 Big Ten) to their fifth straight victory. Jacob Jaacks had 18 points for the visiting Hawkeyes (11-13, 4-8), who had a season-high 23 turnovers and only 19 field goals.

Moman led all the way in winning 4A regional swim meet

PAMPA — Misty Moman left little doubt that she was going to win the gold medal and qualify for the state meet at last weekend's Class 4A regionals.

The Pampa sophomore came out strong and never let up in charging to a personal best time of 1:07.83 in the 100-yard butterfly at the Pete Ragus Aquatic Center.

"Misty led the whole way," said Pampa head coach Amy Seitz. "She beat the second-place girl by two seconds and third place by another second. She was awesome."

Moman placed ahead of Melissa Sheedy (1:09.93) of Big Spring and Tiffany Feaster (1:12.99) of Abilene Wylie. She also placed fifth in the 100 backstroke and was a member of the 200 freestyle relay team which captured fourth place.

Pampa advanced 17 individuals and two relay teams to the regional finals. Only the winner, however, automatically qualifies for the state meet. Second-place finishers have a shot at gaining an at-large invitation. Tamra Henthorn's fourth-place finish in the 500 freestyle was Pampa's

next best placing.

The top eight non-winning regional times across the state also gain an invitation.

It will still be an impressive performance by the Pampa team in the first-ever Class 4A regional meet.

"They were wonderful," Seitz said of her team. "A couple of them surprised me on how well they placed. But I expected them to have a good meet. They've been placing well all year."

Before this year, Classes 4A and 5A were grouped together in district, regional and state meets. Swimming was the only UIL sport to combine classes. With the odds more in their favor now, look for Pampa to qualify swimmers more often to the state meet.

"We've only got one senior leaving us," Seitz said. "The rest are all sophomores and juniors and we'll have some others coming up. We should have a real strong team again next year."

Moman will be participating in the state swim meet in another week at the Jamail Swim Center at the University of Texas in Austin.

Landry honored at private burial

DALLAS (AP) — When friends and fans memorialized Tom Landry in separate services today, they were sure to remember the former Dallas Cowboys coach for his dignity, class — and his trademark fedora hat.

The hat was so much a part of Landry's legacy that in a private burial ceremony Wednesday afternoon, his son, Tom Landry Jr., placed one inside the casket.

"Before it started, Tom Jr. actually placed his father's hat in the casket with his father," said Sparkman Hillcrest Funeral Home manager George Rohrer Jr.

During the hourlong service that was described as uplifting, Landry was eulogized as a man of character, competence, conviction and compassion.

The funeral, which was not

publicized at the family's request, was attended by 400 people, including 150 former Cowboys players.

At noon today, relatives and friends were invited to remember Landry in a service at Highland Park United Methodist Church, where the family has attended for 43 years. About 1,100 people were expected.

At 4 p.m., the city of Dallas and former players were hosting another gathering for about 2,600 fans at a downtown symphony center. Because the building is so small, most fans were asked to watch it on television.

If the mood of those services is anything like Wednesday's event, Landry's admirers will focus mostly on the good times from his 75 years.

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Seniors recognized



(Photo by Jerry Heasley)

Russell Robben was one of four Pampa seniors recognized during the final basketball game of the season Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse. Russell is pictured with his parents, Bill and Paula Robben. The other seniors playing their last high school game were Jesse Francis, Casey Owens and Stephen Vanderpool.

Rose leads Pacers past Raptors

By The Associated Press

Far removed from the bright spotlight of All-Star weekend, Jalen Rose recharged his game with a quiet Mexican vacation.

"I wanted to get away from the game, lay out and just breathe. I wanted to get my mind right," said Rose, who scored a career-high 32 points as Indiana beat Toronto 109-101 Wednesday night, the Pacers' franchise-record 19th straight home victory.

"I'd be lying to say every player doesn't want to be part of the All-Star weekend. But I had a great break.

"That can work two ways. You can come back and be sluggish and not be ready to play, or you can come back like we did tonight. Fortunately, we got off to a good start."

In other NBA games Wednesday night, it was the Los Angeles Lakers 92, Charlotte 85; Portland 99, Golden State 95; New York 93, Minnesota 89; Vancouver 92, Washington 87; and Orlando 129, Los Angeles Clippers 96.

The Eastern Conference-leading Pacers had a 14-1 run in the first quarter and led by as many as 22 late in the second period. But Vince Carter, held to four points in the first half, had 11 in the third quarter as Toronto got

back in the game.

"I just had to suck it up and try to contribute in the second half," said Carter, who finished with 21 points. "I just continued to shoot the ball and do the things I needed to do to help the team come back. They had a little too much firepower for us."

Rose, guarded by Carter, hit his first six shots and finished 12-for-23. The Indiana guard had 23 points in the first half.

"He wanted to show Vince how good he was, and he did it," Raptors coach Butch Carter said. "They wanted to make a statement that we couldn't be as good as they are, and they did."

Austin Croshere added 15 points for Indiana, and Dale Davis and Mark Jackson each had 13. Jackson also had 15 assists.

Lakers 92, Hornets 85
Kobe Bryant scored 15 of his 26 points in the final 15 minutes in Los Angeles' victory in Charlotte.

Glen Rice, acquired in a trade with the Hornets 11 months ago, had 21 points to help the Lakers extend their winning streak to five games and improve to 6-1 on the road against Eastern Conference teams. Shaquille O'Neal had 18 points and 14 rebounds.

Derrick Coleman led the Hornets with 19 points.
Trail Blazers 99, Warriors 95

Arydas Sabonis had 20 points and Scottie Pippen hit a 3-pointer with 38 seconds left as Portland beat Golden State.

Portland improved its NBA-best record to 40-11 with its sixth straight victory. Damon Stoudamire added 19 points, and Pippen had 16. Mookie Blaylock had 22 points for visiting Golden State.

Knicks 93, Timberwolves 89
Allan Houston made two free throws with 3.9 seconds left after missing a pair moments earlier as New York beat Minnesota.

Latrell Sprewell led the Knicks with 19 points, and Houston had 18. Kevin Garnett had 23 points and 13 rebounds for the visiting Timberwolves, who have lost four straight.

Grizzlies 92, Wizards 87
Dennis Scott hit a 3-pointer with 41.7 seconds left to break a tie as Vancouver beat Washington.

Mike Bibby had 21 points for the Grizzlies, who rallied from a 15-point deficit to send Washington to its 13th straight road loss.

Shareef Abdur-Rahim added 19 points and 14 rebounds. Mitch Richmond led Washington with 18 points.

Magic 129, Clippers 96
Darrell Armstrong scored 26 points and John Amaechi had 23 in Orlando's blowout victory over visiting Los Angeles.

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New York	30	19	.612	1 1/2			
Philadelphia	27	23	.540	5			
Orlando	25	26	.490	7 1/2			
Boston	22	28	.440	10			
New Jersey	19	31	.380	13			
Washington	15	36	.294	17 1/2			
Central Division							
Indiana	33	18	.673	—			
Charlotte	28	21	.571	5			
Toronto	27	22	.551	6			
Milwaukee	27	24	.529	7			
Detroit	25	24	.510	8			
Atlanta	20	28	.417	12 1/2			
Cleveland	20	30	.400	13 1/2			
Chicago	10	38	.208	22 1/2			
WESTERN CONFERENCE							
Midwest Division							
W	L	Pct	GB				
San Antonio	32	18	.640	—			
Utah	29	19	.604	2			
Minnesota	27	22	.551	4 1/2			
Denver	22	27	.449	9 1/2			
Houston	21	30	.412	11 1/2			
Dallas	20	29	.408	12			
Vancouver	15	34	.306	16 1/2			
Pacific Division							
W	L	Pct	GB				
Portland	40	11	.784	—			
L.A. Lakers	39	11	.780	1/2			
Seattle	36	20	.615	6 1/2			
Phoenix	30	19	.612	9			
Sacramento	30	19	.612	9			
Golden State	12	37	.245	27			
L.A. Clippers	11	40	.216	29			
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Philadelphia	28	17	10	1	67	161	129
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N.Y. Rangers	24	26	9	3	60	164	163
N.Y. Islanders	16	35	6	1	39	131	189
Northeast Division							
W	L	TRT	Pts	GF	GA		
Toronto	30	21	7	3	70	172	157
Ottawa	27	20	9	2	65	155	142
Buffalo	23	26	9	2	67	142	146
Boston	18	24	16	4	56	149	167
Montreal	21	29	7	3	52	131	137
Southeast Division							
W	L	TRT	Pts	GF	GA		
Florida	33	20	4	3	73	178	139
Washington	28	19	9	1	66	151	135
Carolina	24	26	8	0	58	149	161
Tampa Bay	12	36	7	6	37	142	209
Atlanta	11	40	4	4	32	122	210
WESTERN CONFERENCE							
Central Division							
W	L	TRT	Pts	GF	GA		
St. Louis	36	15	6	0	78	177	118
Detroit	35	17	6	1	77	187	151
Nashville	20	32	6	5	51	149	178
Chicago	19	30	7	2	47	158	180
Northwest Division							
W	L	TRT	Pts	GF	GA		
Edmonton	21	22	15	7	64	159	150
Colorado	27	23	8	1	63	157	145
Calgary	23	29	6	5	57	145	178
Vancouver	17	29	10	6	50	143	169
Pacific Division							
W	L	TRT	Pts	GF	GA		
Dallas	32	20	5	2	71	138	121
Phoenix	30	6	1	67	166	148	
Los Angeles	27	22	7	3	64	179	161
San Jose	25	29	7	7	64	165	154
Anaheim	25	26	8	1	59	157	162
Overtime losses count as a loss and a regulation tie.							
Tuesday's Games							
Ottawa 5, Carolina 1							
Washington 2, Colorado 1							
New Jersey 4, Philadelphia 2							
San Jose 4, N.Y. Islanders 1							
N.Y. Rangers 2, Tampa Bay 2, tie							
St. Louis 4, Atlanta 1							
Edmonton 2, Nashville 1							
Wednesday's Games							
Boston 3, Toronto 3, tie							
Buffalo 1, Pittsburgh 1, tie							
Montreal 5, Atlanta 0							
Florida 3, N.Y. Rangers 0							
Detroit 5, Vancouver 2							
Los Angeles 4, Chicago 1							
Dallas 3, Nashville 0							
Anaheim 6, Calgary 5, OT							

TRANSACTIONS

Wednesday's Sports Transactions
By The Associated Press

BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Agreed to terms with RHP Hippo Pichardo on a minor-league contract.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with LHP Doug Jones on a minor-league contract.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms with LHP Eric Gunderson on a minor-league contract.
National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Agreed to terms with OF Dmitri Young on a one-year contract.
MONTREAL EXPOS—Agreed to terms with OF Patrick Lannon and RHP Felipe Lira on minor-league contracts.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NBA—Suspended Dallas Mavericks F Dennis Rodman without pay for one game and fined him \$10,000 for his actions during a Feb. 15 game.
CHICAGO BULLS—Placed G Corey Benjamin on the injured list.
GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS—Traded G John Starks and a first-round draft pick to the Chicago Bulls, who traded F Toni Kukoc to the Philadelphia 76ers, who traded F Billy Owens and G Larry Hughes to Golden State, and G Bruce Bowen to Chicago.
MILWAUKEE BUCKS—Signed F Mirsad Turckan for the rest of the season. Placed G Darvin Ham on the injured list.
WASHINGTON WIZARDS—Activated F Michael Smith from the injured list. Placed G Reggie Jordan on the injured list.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
BALTIMORE RAVENS—Agreed to terms with TE Shannon Sharpe on a four-year contract.
DENVER BRONCOS—Signed CB Jeremy Lincoln and DL Jerome Davis. Claimed DE Toys Jones off waivers from the San Francisco 49ers.
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Signed DE Jay Williams. Released RG Anthony Redmon.
CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed DE Vaughn Booker to a five-year contract.
GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed DE John Vaughn.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed S Brian Walker to a two-year contract, and S Kelvin Sigler.
WR Corey Thomas and QB Todd Doxson.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Re-signed P Mitch Berger to a five-year contract.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Named Mike Woicik strength and conditioning coach, and Markus Paul assistant strength and conditioning coach.
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Tended a contract offer to St. Louis Rams' LB Charlie Clemmons. Named Mike McCarthy offensive coordinator and Frank Cignetti Jr. quarterbacks coach.
NEW YORK GIANTS—Named Tom Olivadotti linebackers coach.
TENNESSEE TITANS—Signed RT Fred Miller to a six-year contract and LB Randall Godfrey to a five-year contract.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
LOS ANGELES KINGS—Activated RW Donald Audette from injured reserve.
MONTREAL CANADIENS—Recalled F Dave Morissette from Quebec of the AHL.
NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Assigned D Vladimir Chabutin to Lowell of the AHL. Recalled LW Mark Lawrence from Chicago of the IHL.
OTTAWA SENATORS—Recalled C Kevin Miller from Grand Rapids of the IHL.

Country star moving rodeo to San Antonio

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Country star George Strait is packing up his annual South Texas rodeo competition and moving it a little farther north. The singer has notified Kingsville city officials that he is moving the George Strait Team Roping Classic to San Antonio, ending a summer tradition he and his family helped begin there 18 years ago. News of the move spread quickly through Kingsville on Wednesday, sparking dismay

and disappointment in a town where businesses see a \$1 million boost each year thanks to the event, according to the Corpus Christi Caller-Times. "It's shocking news," said Pushpa Malik, the owner of a local Howard Johnson hotel. "Those are the only days of the year that we are booked full. This will have a big impact." In a statement faxed to city officials from his Nashville office, Strait said he would hold the 18th annual roping classic on

July 7-8 at the Rose Palace, an equestrian facility between San Antonio and Boerne that he is affiliated with. Strait said San Antonio is more centrally located than Kingsville and is easier to reach for competitors and fans from across the country, according to the Caller-Times. Strait also said he will discontinue a concert traditionally held after the two-day competition so his associates can focus their efforts on the roping event.

Pampa High golf teams compete at Big Spring

BIG SPRING — Last week, the Pampa boys' and girls' golf teams both competed in the Big Spring Tournament.

The Lady Harvesters shot 366-353 for a 719 total to place 7th out of 22 teams. Maggie Cowan led the team with a 87-81, followed by Cortnie Allison 86-87, Stefanie Harwood 90-87, Cortney Locknane 104-98 and Annie Sims 103-102.

"We're still a little behind where we would like to be. Overall I was pleased," said Pampa coach Frank McCullough.

"We still have a lot of work to do. I feel our short game is still our greatest weakness and we work on that daily. It is always the last thing to come around.

The Pampa boys shot 324-328 for a 652 to take 11th out of 27 teams.

Matt Heasley led the Harvesters with scores of 77-77.

Daniel Williams was next at 84-81, followed by Cory Fowler 83-85, Anthony Tiedt 83-85 and Ryan Black 81-90.

"I felt we could have played better, but this was our first tournament of the spring. I wasn't too disappointed," McCullough said.

"The boys also have a lot of

Area students participate in JASON Project

■ Entire classes from schools throughout the panhandle will take turns visiting WT's Alumni Banquet Facility for one-hour segments of the interactive experience. The project will compare the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Aquarius Underwater Laboratory in the Florida Keys and NASA's International Space Station ...

CANYON — For the past few months, thousands of school-age youth from throughout the region have spent countless hours trying to unravel the mysteries of deep space and the deep blue sea — equal parts of this year's JASON Project curriculum. All their hard work will pay dividends Feb. 28-March 10 at West

Texas A&M University, where approximately 9,000 fourth- through ninth-graders are expected to take part in the advanced you-are-there telecommunication portion of the internationally acclaimed project. The public is invited to two free showings of the JASON Project at WT at 9 a.m. and again at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 4 in the Alumni Banquet Facility on campus.

Each year the JASON Project takes millions of elementary and middle schools students worldwide on scientific "expeditions" without taking them from the regions in which they live. The fun begins in classrooms, where JASON-trained teachers put their pupils through an award-winning curriculum to ensure they will be well versed in scientific principles relevant to the expedition. Funded locally by the Amarillo National Resource Center and administered by WT, this year's project is titled "Going to Extremes — Space and the Deep Ocean."

The expedition annually culminates at approximately 40 Primary Interactive Network Sites throughout the United States, Bermuda, the United Kingdom and Mexico, where students watch the expedition live and even control live-feed video cameras and communicate with on-site scientists. Last year, WT became one of three PINS in Texas.

"The question this year is 'why does man go where he cannot live?' The reason, of course, is to learn," Treasure Brasher, WT project coordinator and instructor of physics, said. "The fact that the world is as populated as it is does not mean there are no more frontiers or areas for exploration."

Entire classes from schools throughout the panhandle will take turns visiting WT's Alumni Banquet Facility for one-hour segments of the interactive experience. The project will compare the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Aquarius Underwater Laboratory in the Florida Keys and NASA's International Space Station as research platforms that enable humans to go beyond

their physical limitations to explore the unknown.

And making this year's expedition even more meaningful to WT attendees is the fact that Sunray ninth-grader Ashley Arnett is one of only 26 young scientists in the Western Hemisphere to be selected for the 1999-2000 JASON Project Argonaut program. Argonauts are student ambassadors for the JASON Project who often appear in the live broadcasts, and Arnett is scheduled to appear on several of the broadcasts that emanate from Houston's Johnson Space Center.

"Twenty-six student Argonauts in the JASON program sounds like a whole lot until you start looking around and realize there are about 40 PINS, and we had almost 8,500 students at our site alone last year," Brasher said. "We're really excited to have one of our young scientists chosen to be an Argonaut, especially after only one year of involvement in the project."

Unfortunately, the JASON Project's run at WT is in jeopardy as the U.S. Department of Energy recently cut funding from the ANRC budget, a portion of which had been used to underwrite the project on campus.

"We're already looking at other possible methods of funding next year's expedition because this is a really exciting program, the kind of thing that can have an impact on kids," Brasher said. "The JASON Project involves an approved, hands-on, integrated curriculum, and students are encouraged throughout the school year to perform local field investigations using the same scientific methods employed by scientists at the expedition sites."

"It's truly the best science program I've ever seen, and it would be a shame to see it end here because participation among area schools and teachers has increased by about 50 percent since we started this here a year ago. For a variety of reasons like spring break, they can't all come to the live broadcasts at WTAMU, but I would estimate that about 12,000 area students are using the JASON curriculum this year."

Amarillo to host Talent Search

In case you missed your chance at stardom when the Hollywood movie "Wakin' Up in Reno" came to Amarillo, you have a second chance.

Top modeling agencies, talent agencies, and recording companies are coming to Amarillo Feb. 25-27 at the Radisson Hotel to hold a talent search. Applications for the event can be picked up at your local United Supermarket. For more information call Carol Henderson at 1-800-352-1943, or visit www.modelswest.com.

The search is open to ages 4 and up. Competitions will include Singing, Runway, Photography, TV Commercial, Cold Reading, Swimsuit, and Bands. The price to enter is \$99. Daily admission for non-contestants is \$4, or \$6 for entire event if paid in advance. Application deadline is Thursday, Feb. 24, at 6 p.m.

Agents scheduled to attend include the following: Next-Worldwide; Mitchell-San-Francisco; Kim Dawson-Dallas; Karins-Miami, NY; Paris; Crew-Dallas; Paolo-Tomei-Italy; FM-London; Bellissima-San Francisco; Carolina Talent-Charleston; Zem-Osaka; Cing Deux Un-Tokyo; Madison-NY, Paris; Ford-NY, LA; Osbrink Talents-LA; Epic Records; Word Records-Nashville.

Pampa High Speech/Debate Team compete in tournaments

The Pampa High Speech and Debate Team recently competed in both the Randall High School Speech Tournament and the Canyon High School Speech Tournament.

At the Randall tournament, Kristina Hartman and Danny Kirkpatrick went to semifinals in Foreign Extemporaneous and Kirkpatrick and Mary Fetter went to semifinals in Original Oratory. Lacy Plunk and Richard Conner made the finals, placing seventh overall as a team in duet acting. Terry Hair and A.J. Swope, swing dance team, came away with a first place trophy in the Swing Dance Contest.

Placing at the Canyon tournament were: Hartman, semifinals, Foreign Extemp.; Swope, semifinals, Humorous Interpretation; and Fetter, semifinals, Original Oratory.



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Notice To Bidders Sealed proposals addressed to Board of Trustees, Grandview-Hopkins Consolidated Independent School District, Rt. 1, Box 27, Groom, Texas 79039 herein called "Owner," will be accepted for the Construction of:

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Bids will be received at the Grandview-Hopkins School Board Meeting Room located 18 miles South of Pampa, Texas on Highway 70 and 2.8 miles West on FM 293 in Gray County, Texas, until 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, 2006. Bids will be opened publicly and will be read aloud at that time. Plans and specifications have been prepared by and can be obtained by Stephen L. Butler, Architect, P.O. box 1307, 300 T-Anchor View, Canyon, Texas 79015 (phone: 806-655-9361). Bids shall be closed in a sealed envelope with the name of the project and bid category written on the outside of the envelope. Bid Bonds of not less than five (5%) of the highest contract amount will be required with the bid on contract amounts of \$25,000 or more payable to the Owner. A Performance and Payment Bonds will be required of the successful bidder of \$25,000 or more.

There will be a pre-bid walk thru for all prospective bidders at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 2, 2006 at the Grandview-Hopkins C.I.S.D. offices at 18 miles South of Pampa, Texas on Highway 70

1 Public Notice

and 2.8 miles West on FM 293 in Gray County, Texas. This pre-bid walk thru is optional but the prospective bidders will be responsible for all content discussed at this meeting. All prospective bidders are strongly urged to attend.

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Man gets 60 year prison term for 9th DWI

WACO, Texas (AP) — A man with eight previous drunken-driving convictions is going to jail after getting another DWI — this time after swerving in front of a Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission agent.

Lynnwood Anthony Vrba, of Leroy, was sentenced to 60 years in prison Wednesday after his ninth DWI conviction. The conviction, handed down in the 54th State District Court, came after a jury of six women and six men determined Vrba is guilty of felony DWI in a 1998 incident on Loop 340 in Bellmead.

Prosecutors introduced records during the three-day trial that said Vrba had been convicted of eight DWIs between 1968 and 1995, two of which were felonies, according to the Waco Tribune-Herald.

Defendants with at least two prior DWI convictions can be charged with felony DWI on subsequent arrests, the newspaper said. Those with at least two prior felony convictions can be charged as habitual criminals and receive tougher sentences.

Vrba also was convicted of murder without malice in the 1971 killing of a bartender, testimony showed. He also was convicted in

1987 of two felony counts of unlawfully carrying a weapon on a licensed premise.

In the 1998 incident, TABC agent Danny Pavlas and John Basham, a justice of the peace candidate who was riding along with him Sept. 20, said that a car driven by Vrba swerved into their oncoming lane.

Later, after a police officer stopped the 56-year-old Vrba, Pavlas arrived and noticed Vrba seemed unsteady on his feet, leaned on his car for support, smelled strongly of alcohol and urinated on himself, according to testimony.

Basham testified that Vrba refused the officer's request for a field sobriety test, saying, "No, I don't need a test to tell you I'm drunk. I'm drunk. This ain't my first rodeo."

Vrba testified that he is a disabled veteran and a manic depressive who was taking three types of medications that possibly enhanced the effects of two beers.

Vrba must serve at least 15 years before becoming eligible for parole.

Texas round up

Some state scholarships go unclaimed

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Texas colleges returned nearly \$3 million this school year in scholarship money set aside by the state to help high school graduates pay for higher education.

One problem was that many colleges had trouble identifying students eligible for the money offered by some programs, the San Antonio Express News reports.

Students earning the state's two highest diplomas, which indicate more rigorous course loads, are eligible. Students with a basic diploma don't qualify.

The 1999 Legislature allocated \$100 million for two years for the program. Statewide, colleges returned \$2.82 million of the \$18 million originally set aside for this

Study suggests jealousy is healthy

AUSTIN (AP) — Despite conventional wisdom, a new study by a University of Texas researcher suggests jealousy could be one of the best ways to hold a relationship together.

"Jealousy is as important as trust in keeping couples together," said David Buss, a UT psychology professor. "It's kind of a double-edged sword."

While extreme jealousy can lead to domestic violence or emotional abuse, Buss said, in many cases "absence of jealousy people interpret as their partner doesn't love them."

During eight years, Buss interviewed men and women about their relationships to determine how jealousy was used. He estimates about 10,000 people participated.

Almost all the individuals surveyed acknowledged experiencing at least one episode of intense jealousy.

Agreement on recreating conditions of Waco siege

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Six shooters armed with everything from pistols to submachine guns will dart from post to post and fire their weapons in detailed sequence, before grenades are launched overhead and an advancing tank crushes glass and aluminum siding.

These are the moves approved Wednesday as part of a court-ordered recreation designed to put to rest questions about whether federal agents fired shots at the Branch Davidian compound on the last day of the April 1993 siege near Waco, Texas. They will be recorded on special infrared cameras attached to a Night Stalker aircraft flown by a U.S. Air Force pilot and a helicopter flown by a British Royal Navy pilot.

However, it remained uncertain whether media would be allowed to witness the event, tentatively expected to take place March 18 or 19 at Fort Hood, Texas.

The decision to open the test still rests with U.S. District Judge Walter Smith of Waco, who is presiding over a wrongful death lawsuit the Branch Davidians filed against the government.

Perot's supporters push for Ross redux

WASHINGTON (AP) — Reform Party leaders are launching a petition drive to draft founder Ross Perot into the presidential race, saying the Texas billionaire is a natural to pick up the reform banner if Sen. John McCain loses the GOP nomination.

"A McCain defeat could produce a vacuum that Perot could fill," said National Party Secretary Jim Mangia.

With a chairman loyal to rival Jesse Ventura ousted Saturday during the party's shout-fest in Nashville, the coast is clear, Perot's supporters say.

It would be the third time Perot has run for president on the ticket of the party he founded, after finishing with 19 percent of the vote in 1992 and 8.5 percent in 1996. This year, he would face former Republican Patrick Buchanan in a fight for the party's presidential nomination and for the \$12.6 million in federal matching funds that come with it.

Such a challenge would not deter the conservative columnist, Buchanan said this week.

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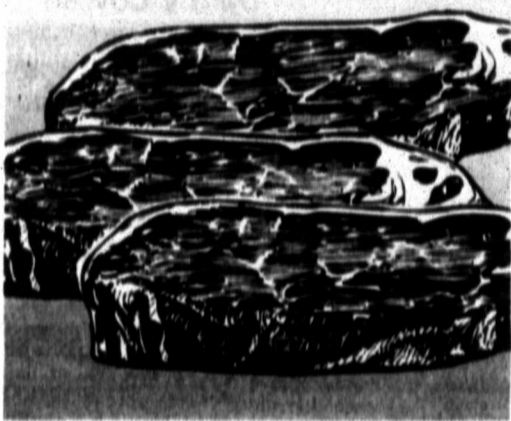
MURDER CRIME: The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals on Wednesday upheld the conviction of death row inmate Franklin Dewayne Alix, the "one-man crime wave" who in 1998 killed a Houston man after robbing and raping the victim's sister. Police also suspected Alix of committing another robbery that night, two more the next day and three more murders during a five-month crime spree.

...TEXAS POLITICS: Court records show that a candidate for the Texas House and her husband owe nearly \$32,000 in delinquent income and property taxes. Democrat Stella Roland says her husband handles the family finances and that she knows little about the family's dealings.

...MOSES CHARGES: A Texas construction worker accused of killing a farmer and wounding two police officers in a shootout never had fired a shot on anyone in his home county, said a sheriff's deputy familiar with the suspect. Clinton Lannis Moses Jr. faces several charges in Montague County, including drug possession and theft.

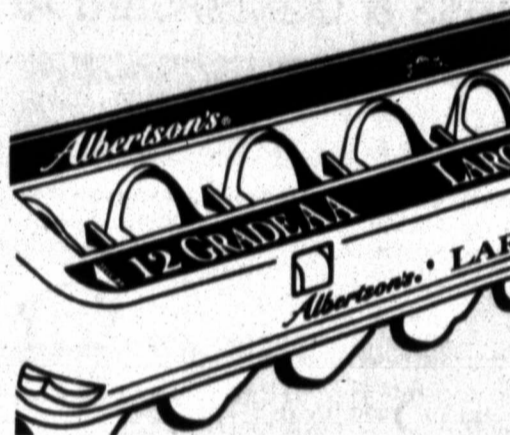
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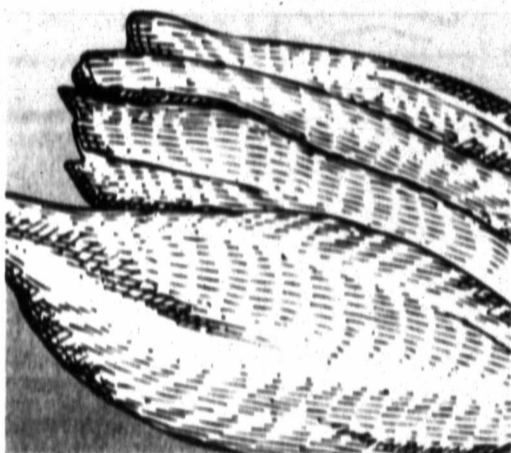
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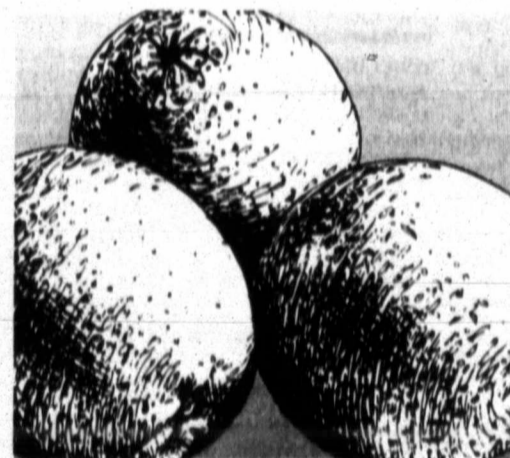
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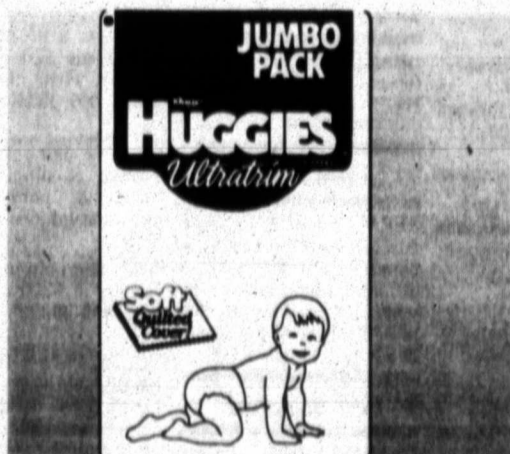
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