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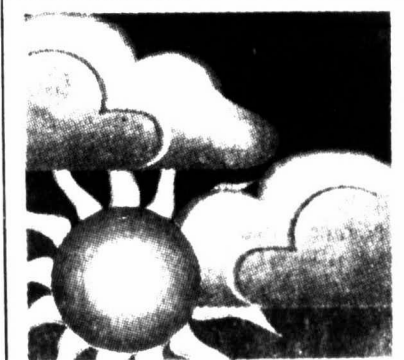
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United Way check-in Thursday
 The fourth United Way volunteer check-in luncheon is set for 11:45 a.m., Oct. 12, at Genesis House, 615 Buckler Ave., with three of the 19 United Way agencies - Genesis House, Boy Scouts, and Girls Scouts - hosting. All campaign workers are invited to attend.
Library open house to show off computers
 PAMPA - Lovett Memorial Library, 111 N. Houston, invites everyone to come and check out its new computer lab during an open house slated from 4:30-5:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 12, at the library. Trainers from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will be on-hand to demonstrate and to answer any questions. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

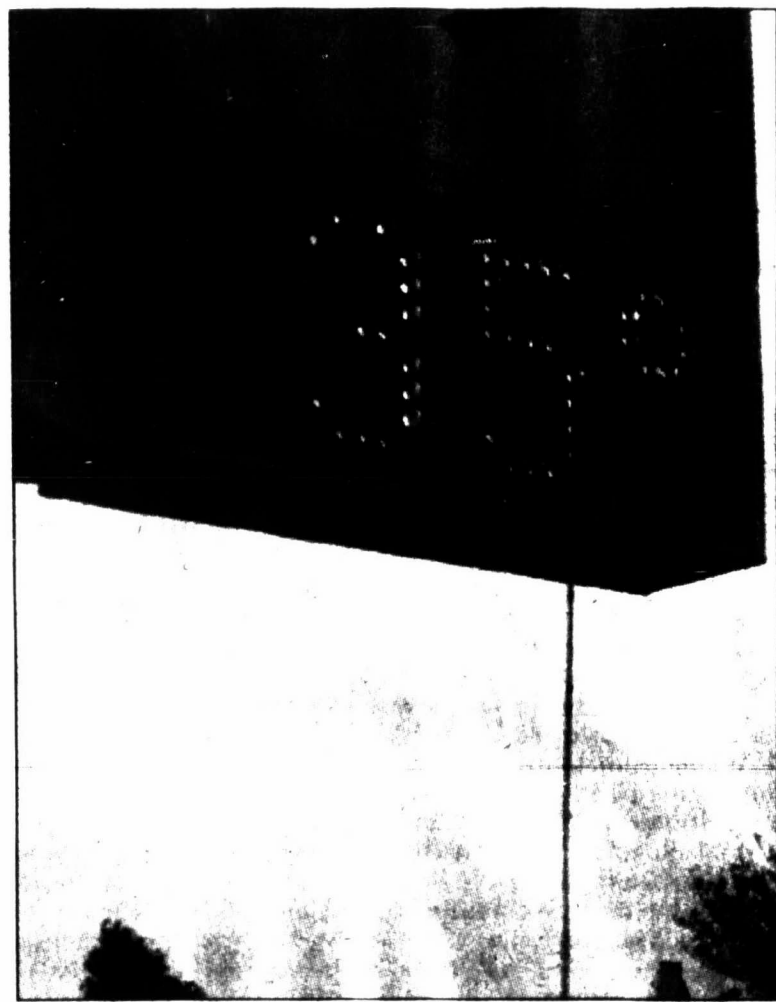
TCU receives \$10.5 million gift
 FORT WORTH (AP) - Texas Christian University has received a \$10.5 million donation for a building to house the M.J. Neeley School of Business' James A. Rytzel Center for Entrepreneurial Studies. The gift was from Stephen R. and Sarah Smith, whose children attend TCU.

• Charles James Rankin, 58, brother of a Pampa resident.

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Big cool down ...



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Pampans awoke to a cold morning today as is reflected by the time/temperature sign at Bank of America. All should expect the same tomorrow as the overnight low should be 35 degrees with tomorrow's high reaching only the 45-degree mark.

Mother reports daughter missing

Police are investigating the disappearance of an 18-year-old Pampan, who has been missing since last July.
 Patricia Bishop, 1035 S. Clark, filed a missing persons report with police Thursday, saying she had not seen or heard from her daughter Jessica Danielle Bishop, 18, in more than two months.
 Deputy Chief Jerry Young said Mrs. Bishop told police that she last spoke with her daughter on July 25 when she left for a two-week trip to the Dallas metropolitan area with friends.
 According to police reports, Jessica Bishop left with Darrell Davis, Jericka Mote and David Rosalez about 8 p.m., July 25, in Davis' vehicle. She has not been heard from since, Young said.
 Mrs. Bishop told officers that she had heard "in an indirect way" that Davis' vehicle had broken down in Dallas and her daughter had left to try to find another way home to Pampa.
 Police are continuing to investigate the matter, Young said. He asked anyone having any information that could help locate the missing girl to contact the Pampa Police Department at 669-5700.

Deputies work theft cases; reward offered

Gray County Sheriff's deputies today continue to investigate two thefts of equipment so large and heavy, special equipment would have been needed to commit the crimes.
 Gregory Campbell, RR 1, Box 1-G, reported the theft of a civil defense system with speakers valued at \$2,300, said Chief Deputy David Russell.
 Russell said Campbell, an electronics buff, told deputies he had purchased three civil defense systems at an auction recently. The theft of one of the systems is believed to have occurred sometime in the past two weeks, he said.
 Mary Dukin, who also lives at the rural residence east of Pampa, said a \$1,000 reward is being offered for the return of the system.
 "This is really terrible to have someone come through the gate and take something that belongs to you," she said. "This is not the first time this has happened to us. We've had stuff stolen before."
 (See THEFTS, Page 2)

Texas agriculture losses continue to mount

By PAM EASTON
 Associated Press Writer
 LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — A cold front rushing across Texas is little comfort to the state's farmers and ranchers who now have lost an estimated \$827 million this year to the lingering drought.
 "We're going to have a cool front come through here, but what we need is some wet weather," San Angelo cotton and wheat farmer Russ Weatherford said Thursday. "It looks like it could be a real tough winter."
 The latest estimate of \$827 million is an increase on August's \$595 million tally. By month's end, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs said losses could swell to \$1 billion.
 Combs said the high agriculture deficits soon could slow Texas' booming economy. The state has lost \$5.5 billion to the drought over the last five years.
 "We have a high-tech economy

that is booming, but when you look at agriculture, it makes up a large part of our economy," Combs said.
 The current plight of agriculture producers isn't much different from the crunch oil producers felt in the 1980s, Combs said, and the ripple effect could soon spread from the rural agriculture-based communities of West, Central and South Texas to the grocery store shelves of Dallas and Houston.
 "People (in rural areas) are

Cemetery foundation seeks funds for Fairview

By KATE B. DICKSON
 Associate Publisher

A newly formed non-profit foundation has as its goal to raise funds to pay for need capital improvements in the nearly 100-year-old Fairview Cemetery, said foundation board member Bill Hite.

"It's a pretty cemetery, it's an old cemetery and some of the city's founders are buried there," Hite said. "But it's hard to pay the bills with the money we generate."

The cemetery receives money from lot sales and it also charges for burials and marker settings.

Some income is also derived from interest earned on the perpetual care fund. Twenty percent of each lot sale goes into the fund. Its principal can't be touched.

Lance DeFever, cemetery manager and secretary of the board of the Fairview Cemetery Association Board of Directors, said the foundation has received approval from the IRS for donations to be tax deductible.

But for the first two years the foundation will be limited to soliciting and accepting donations from individuals "in order to establish a track record," DeFever said. "After two years we can go after grants from foundations."

DeFever said John Curry, active community volunteer and school board member, has agreed to help the group fund raise. Projects awaiting

money include an irrigation system and more trees and shrubs.

In addition to Hite, other foundation members are Lee Fraser, president; Wesley Green, vice president; and members at large Bill W. Waters and Harold Price.

The first grave in Fairview Cemetery was that of C.B. Dobbs who died of heart disease on Aug. 23, 1904.

History has it that Dobbs was found dead in his bed that morning and, in compliance with his wish, he was buried on the "highest hill" in Pampa.

At that time there were no ministers, no undertakers, no embalmers and not very many people in Pampa — a small village of less than 200 population.

Dobbs had been employed by White Deer Lands to put in a demonstration farm just west of Kingsmill on the north side of the railroad track.

T.D. Hobart, manager of White Deer Lands, had been authorized to deed 10 acres for a cemetery, but the land had not yet been surveyed. Early on the morning of Dobbs' death, Hobart, Will Wilks and M.K. Brown surveyed the 10 acres and located the grave site. Then Wiley Vincent, Charlie Tignor, Pat Dobbs and Brown dug the grave. Joe Lewis also helped.

Dobbs was buried the next day in a coffin that had been ordered from Johnson Mercantile Store in Miami — a larger town than Pampa. It was delivered by train.

Celanese gift boosts United Way fund drive

A \$75,000 pledge from Celanese Chemical Corp. and a \$25,000 match from Williams Energy boosted the Pampa United Way's annual fund drive to just under the halfway mark after the third check-in meeting Thursday.

Pampa United Way has reached 49.7 percent of its goal of \$350,000, announced Katrina Bigham, executive director.

Thomas Lix, a United Way loaned executive, reported at Thursday's check-in luncheon that Celanese has pledged \$75,090 to the current campaign. Despite corporate cutbacks, he said

the employees' generosity "didn't slide down hill." A goal of \$50,000 had been set for employee giving. Celanese employees exceeded their goal by pledging a total of \$50,060. Celanese Corporation added a 50 percent match to make the total pledge to \$75,090.

Celanese Corporation's donation brought the the United Way fund drive total to \$148,418, according to Bigham. A match from \$25,595 from Williams Energy boosted the campaign total to \$174,013 — less than \$1,000 away from 50 percent of this year's goal.



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Thomas Lix, United Way loaned executive from Celanese Chemical Corporation, presents a donation for \$75,090 from Celanese and its employees to Katrina Bigham, executive director of the Pampa United Way. Bigham said the pledge has helped the local fund drive reach 50 percent of the \$350,000 goal.



Go Harvesters!!

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(Special photo)

Puppets help educate youngsters about epilepsy.

High Plains Epilepsy Education program tours area schools, teaches children about epilepsy

This article is one in a series of articles of profiles on the agencies and organizations supported by Pampa United Way. This information is being provided by Pampa United Way as part of its 2000 "Lead the Way!" fund-raising campaign.

Eleven-year-old Brian McDaniel experiences seizures. Some of his imaginary childhood peers are afraid of him. Others fear that the 11-year-old (actually a three-foot puppet) is going to die. Still others say that Brian is crazy, according to scripts from a "Kids on the Block" puppet program designed to educate children about epilepsy.

In reality, Brian has epilepsy. This format is used to educate school age children about epilepsy and the steps to take if they see someone have a seizure. Joanne Spinoza is Brian's partner in the 10-minute script. The puppets themselves stand about three-feet tall and wear size four toddler clothing. Staff and volunteers from High Plains Epilepsy Association in Amarillo provide the voices for the puppets. The puppeteers wear all black clothing, including black hoods and gloves, during the 10-minute skits. The concept, a part of Bunraku puppet style, is to make the puppeteers blend into a black backdrop. After each program, there is a question-and-answer session with the children. The puppet program is used for grades first through fifth.

The education of individuals regarding the different types of seizures and the first aid that is appropriate for each type of seizure can begin as early as Pre-K. This education process focuses on the understanding of what a seizure is and how to assist the individual having a seizure.

For the pre-K and kindergarten age group a flip chart is used that tells a story about Dotty the Dalmatian, a dog who has epilepsy. A video is also shown. In the video, a child talks about what it is like to have a seizure and what the children can do to help someone who is having a seizure.

The educational format for the junior high and high school students is different. A short quiz is given at the beginning to obtain a better understanding of the information the group already possesses about epilepsy. The quiz is used as a discussion too. A short presentation is given regarding what epilepsy is, how you get

epilepsy, the different types of seizures, what first aid is appropriate for each seizure, the tests that are used when diagnosing someone with epilepsy, the importance of medication and the type of physician who treats epilepsy. A video is also played showing individuals having different types of seizures and the appropriate first aid being administered.

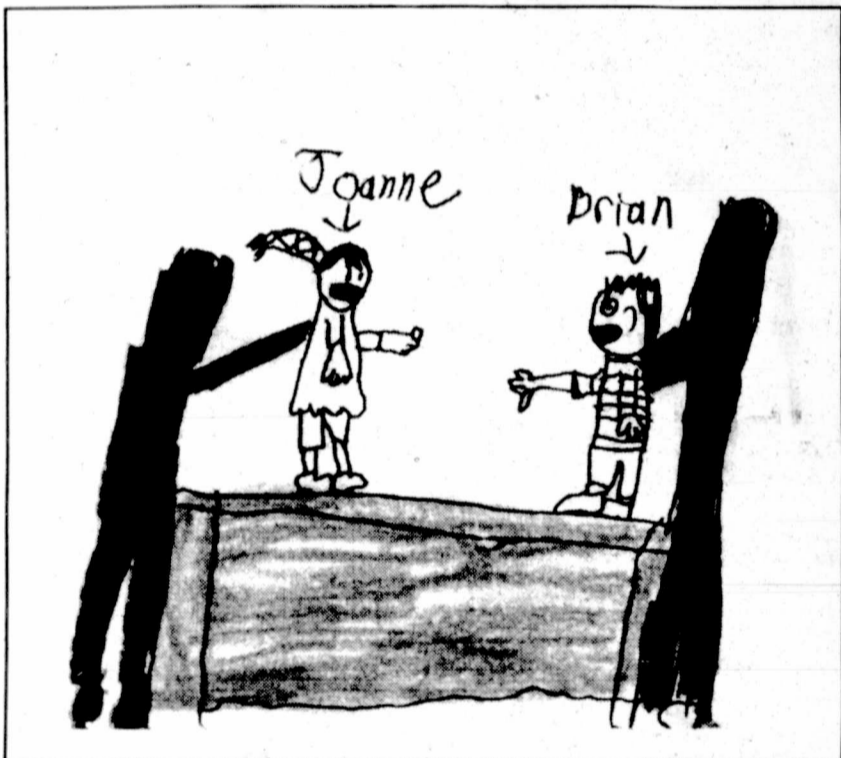
The HPEA also has available a "School Alert" packet designed for school nurses. This packet contains brochures specific to dealing with epilepsy in the school. A poster, describing the different types of seizures and

first aid, is also available.

A licensed social worker is in Pampa the second Tuesday of each month at the Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. For more information call the HPEA office at 1-800-806-7236.

The mission of High Plains Epilepsy Association is to further the understanding and the acceptance of individuals with epilepsy.

The programs and services of the organization are provided at no charge. HPEA is funded in part by the Pampa United Way, Texas Department of Health, foundation grants and two annual fund-raisers.



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To everyone who worked on Museum Day and helped us make it a success. The efforts of Board Members, Volunteers, Merchants, the Band, Antique Car Owners, County Residents and Staff were extended far beyond the greatest expectations. We appreciate your donations, your time and most of all your presence at the activities on Museum Day. We are grateful for your involvement and look forward to being with you in future endeavors.

The Winners in the People's Choice Car Competition were:
 Bill Crawford - 1st
 Troy Skarke - 2nd
 Maurice Schooler - 3rd

The lucky winner of the Quilt was Mrs. Joe (Sara) Wheeley of White Deer. AGAIN, THANK YOU, CARSON COUNTY AND SURROUNDING AREAS!!!
 Donations for the Prendergast portrait are still being accepted.

West Texas A&M Counseling Services to present child behavior seminar

CANYON — West Texas A&M University's Career and Counseling Services will present "Changing the Behavior of Your Child — Understanding the Motivations of Misbehavior and Techniques to Change Misbehavior to Good Behavior" from 9 a.m.-12 noon Friday, Oct. 20 in the Virgil Hensen Activities Center Ballroom.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the ballroom and the seminar will begin at 9 a.m.

"Everyone weighs the pros and cons before making a decision," Dayna Schertler, clinical social worker at WTAMU's Career and Counseling Services, said. "Behavior is learned. If misbehaving gets a certain amount of attention, then that behavior is being encouraged to continue."

Chris Sharp and Rick Smithson, seminar presenters, will help parents and professionals working with children to identify the "pay-offs" of misbehavior. The group will explore methods of changing misbehavior through the use of video, computer presentation and hands-on exercises.

Sharp is a counselor in private practice for Focus Counseling in Amarillo. He earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and his master's degree in education/professional counseling from WT.

Smithson is lead counselor and program specialist at the Youth Center of the High Plains. He also operates Team Building Adventures using a portable ropes course. Smithson earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and religion from Wayland Baptist University and his master's degree from Fort Worth Baptist Theological Seminary.

"Everyone is invited to attend the seminar," Schertler said. "We would encourage those with children to come, but also education or psychology majors as well."

The cost of the seminar is \$15 before 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13 or \$20 at the door. The seminar is free to WTAMU students. Mental health professionals will receive three continuing education units for attending. For more information, contact the WTAMU Office of Career and Counseling Services at (806) 651-2340.

PHS Theater One presentation



(Special photo)

Kaylie Breck and Brewer Hoggatt rehearse for Pampa High School Theater One's presentation of A.R. Gurney's "The Dining Room" slated at 8 p.m., Monday, Oct. 9 in the high school auditorium. The play is open to the public. Donations will be accepted at the door.

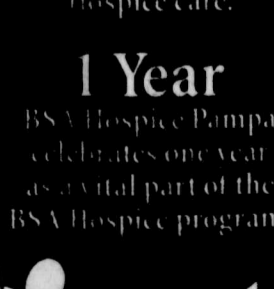
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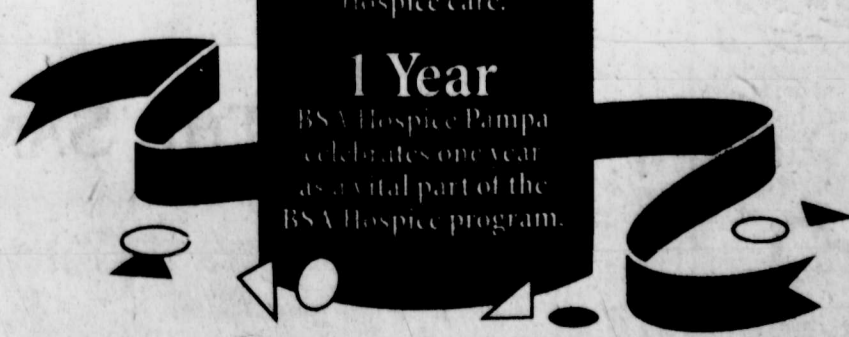


Facilitated by BSA Hospice Director Sharon Hutchison, RN, the Open House program will address our 20th Anniversary theme, *The Vision Continues*.

Featured guest speakers include Dr. Raymond Laycock, Mayor Bob Neslege, Dr. Ron Rankin, and Reverend Doug Yates. Musical performances by Wanetta Hill and the Austin Elementary School Choir and Joe Martinez are also planned.

Please join us for an inspirational and informative program, music, tours of our offices, light refreshments, and fellowship.

For more information, contact BSA Hospice at 806-665-6677.



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RELIGION

Minister's musing ...

What a delightful, glad, glorious prospect—Thus to look upon the beautiful city of God! What a precious revelation is this vision! "And there came unto me one of the angels ... and talked with me, saying, 'Come hither, I will show thee the Bride, the Lamb's wife.'" And when John looked upon her he saw a city, great and holy, the new Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God. So our eternal home is a city, real and actual. It is called the Bride, the Lamb's wife. The Bride is to live in a golden city whose builder and maker is God. The Bride is the Church.

When we come to live in that beautiful city of God, we shall see not only these who have been saved in this age and in this dispensation, the Bride of the Lamb. But we shall see also those who have been converted and saved from the days of Abel to the last martyr slain by the antichrist. All of God's redeemed saints will live in that beautiful and holy city. John saw the city coming from God out of heaven. It is not coming "from" heaven as though the city might be nearby. But it is coming "out of" heaven. When we go to Heaven we enter that beautiful city. That is where we go when we die. That is where the marriage supper of the Lamb is going to be in Heaven. That is where the wedding feast is going to be in Heaven. And in God's providence, at the end of these climactic days, out of Heaven will descend our incomparable and beautiful home.

Through the years, and now through the centuries, the hands of our dear Savior have been fashioning what no architect in this life could ever dream of or think of. He is building a city and a home for us in glory and its size is tremendous. "And the angel measured it and it measured twelve thousand stadia." One thousand five hundred miles - it is a city as though it began in Maine and extended all the way down to Florida. It is so vast in length, breadth and height that the city of God would cover all of Ireland, all of England and Great Britain, all of France, all of Spain, all of Germany, all of Austria, all of Italy, all of European Turkey and half of Russia. One thousand five hundred miles one way, one thousand five hundred miles the other way, and one thousand five hundred miles upward. Built streets upon street, story upon story, in the beautiful, golden city of God.

We now go inside of the beautiful city through one of its gates made out of solid pearl. There is a sermon in the fact that the gates are pearl. Heaven is entered through

By Pastor
Jimmy Flynn
Iglesia Bautista
Emmanuel

suffering and travail, through redemption and agony, through the blood and the cross. A pearl is a jewel made by a little animal that is wounded. Without the wound the pearl is never formed. We enter Heaven "through the gates of pearl and I saw no temple". Therein: For the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it. There is NO need for a temple in heaven.

The city itself is a sanctuary, God's presence is there. There is no need of veils, curtains, ceremonies, rites, altars, covenants, arks, and intermediaries. We shall live in the presence of God and shall worship immediately and directly. Our song shall be JEHOVAH SHAMA, God is here. There is no need for a temple for God is manifest as he was in the Garden of Eden. This is Paradise restored and regained. We shall see our Lord face to face. "And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon ... for the glory of God did lighten it and the Lamb is the light thereof." The glory of God is his garments, it is the iridescence, it is the incomparable, effusion of color and light that stream from his person. When Moses came down from the mountainside his face shone. He had been with God on the Mount of Transfiguration. The face of our Lord became bright above the glory of the sun. Paul on the road to Damascus saw the light of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. There is an inherent beauty and glory in the city because Jesus is there and the Lamb is the light thereof. All light and glory and hope and blessing stream from his blessed face. From the beginning in Genesis to the last benediction in the Revelation it is Jesus as he was then, is now, and ever shall be - world without end - Amen.

John now describes a remarkable parallel between what he sees in the paradise of God and what is described in the first and second chapters of the book of Genesis. "And he showed me a pure river of the Water of Life. Clear as crystal - in the midst of it and on either side of the river was there the Tree of Life which bore twelve manner of fruit." In

Eden there was a beautiful river with four branches which watered the Garden. Here again is the life giving river. As the psalmist said, there is a river, the streams whereof as cool, clear water, and by the side of the stream flowing in the midst of the streets of the city is the Tree of Life. The Tree of Life taken from us in the Garden of Eden is restored to us here in heaven.

John continues - "The throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it: and his servants shall serve." How many times do you hear people say, "I cannot imagine heaven being interesting; we are just to sit and do nothing." There is no estimation of Heaven being such a thing as that. In the Garden of Eden God said he needed someone to till the ground. When he made the Man he placed him in the Garden that he might dress it and keep it. He was to have dominion over things above and things around and things below. There was a tremendous assignment and responsibility for the first man in the Garden of Eden. There is every indication that Heaven follows the same pattern. For example, in the parable of the pounds when the Lord blessed the man who had gained ten pounds, he said, "You shall have authority over ten cities." To the man who had made five pounds, he said, "You shall have authority over five cities." There is vast administration in the future kingdom of God. Nations are mentioned. Governments, responsibilities are described. We shall all work together in that incomparable civilization and each man will have his place according to his faithfulness in this world. "His servants shall serve Him."

Now John speaks of the most climactic and meaningful blessing of all - and they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads." This is what it is to be in Heaven, namely to look upon the face of God, our Lord, and to be with him and one another forever. Incidentally, there are gates of pearl. Incidentally, there are streets of gold. Incidentally, there is a wall of jasper. But most important, we have our Lord and one another. I can hear the Lord as he asks, "On what street would you like to live and what mansion would you like to call your home?" And I can hear a true saint reply, "Dear Lord, any street, any mansion, just so the windows open on the palace of the Great King. That I may see him come and go." Does it strike a chord in your heart? Any street, Lord. Any house, Lord. Just so I may see thy blessed and precious face and that we may be together in Heaven.

Religion briefs...

Rushing Wind Emmaus to meet

Rushing Wind Emmaus will meet for a potluck dinner, followed by a praise and worship service, at 6 p.m., Oct. 14 at First United Methodist Church, 201 S. Main, Miami. The board of directors will meet prior to the evening service at 4:30 p.m. and a sponsors' training will be conducted. Visitors are welcome. A nursery will be provided.

Gospel music at Fellowship Baptist Church

The Fellowship Baptist Church at Francis and Warren will host the Wiedel's and the Hamptons in a free concert Saturday night at 7. These Southern gospel groups will perform Sunday morning both during the 10 a.m. Sunday School hour and during the 11 a.m. worship service. A nursery will be provided. A love offering will be accepted.

BGCT board wants to divert some funds from SBC for Texas

By KEN CAMP
Texas Baptist Communications

DALLAS — The Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board at a recent meeting recommended a \$52 million budget for 2001 and a proposal redirecting up to \$5 million from some Southern Baptist Convention institutions to meet needs in Texas.

The board voted to recommend a budget that redirects to Texas causes a projected \$4 million from Southern Baptist Convention seminaries and close to \$1 million from the SBC Executive Committee and the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission in Nashville, Tenn. The budget recommendation will be presented to the annual BGCT state convention in Corpus Christi, Oct. 30-31. In addition to the recommended \$52 million Texas budget, the BGCT anticipates channeling an additional estimated \$20 million to worldwide causes.

The board accepted the report and approved the recommendations of a special committee that has been studying seminaries supported by either the BGCT or the Southern Baptist Convention. Messengers to the 1999 BGCT in El Paso called for the appointment of the study committee to examine the financial resources, theological positions and philosophies of the seminaries, and to report its findings to the BGCT Executive Board.

The seminary study committee recommended that a \$1 million cap be placed on BGCT Cooperative Program money sent through this giving avenue to the six Southern Baptist Convention seminaries.

The committee recommended that the funds be distributed to the SBC seminaries on a pro-rata basis determined by the number of Texas Baptist students attending each school.

Churches will continue to have the opportunity to direct funds as they choose, as they have in previous years. If church-directed funds sent from churches through the BGCT meet or exceed the \$1 million total, then the support for Texas students in SBC seminaries will be considered to have been met, according to the committee's report.

The committee recommended that the remaining money — an estimated \$4 million — be dedicated to BGCT-supported schools that train ministers — Truett Seminary in Waco, Logsdon School of Theology in Abilene and Hispanic Baptist

Theological School in San Antonio.

In its report, the seminary study committee cited theological changes, financial inequities and irregularities, faculty concerns, trustee problems and questions regarding enrollment in graduate-level theological education at the Southern Baptist seminaries.

"This study found significant evidence of theological shifting within the six SBC seminaries," the report stated. "The most notable theological change is found in the content and creedalism of the new 2000 Baptist Faith and Message statement. This new document has changed many of our cherished Baptist and long-held Christian beliefs."

In particular, the study committee expressed concern that seminary administrators and trustees would use the new statement of faith as an "Instrument of doctrinal accountability" that would not be subject to any question or criticism.

The report cited needs in Texas for additional funding, particularly to meet the challenge of a rapidly growing Hispanic population.

In his report to the board, BGCT Executive Director Charles Wade emphasized the importance of remaining free and using that freedom to proclaim the gospel.

Wade noted the changes that have occurred in Southern Baptist seminaries in recent years and the proposal to redirect funds from them to Texas causes.

Wade said some who have supported the current direction in the Southern Baptist Convention have justified their actions by saying they were standing against liberalism which "has never been a problem in Texas," anyway, he added.

Last contact: Death row chaplain

By MICHAEL GRACZYK
Associated Press Writer

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — For some of the most vilified people in Texas, the comforting right hand of Jim Brazzil is their last human touch before they slip into unconsciousness and die.

"You watch that man take his last breath, and you watch his eyes set and they just have that blank stare ... You can see his shirt pounding, then all of a sudden you see it begin to slow and then it stops," said Brazzil, a Southern Baptist minister who for five years has been chaplain at the state prison that houses Texas' death chamber.

"The intensity of that moment — sometimes you can feel the spirit leave — I don't know how to describe it."

Brazzil has prayed, laughed and cried with more than 130 murderers executed by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

The busiest death house minister in the country, he shrugs off the scrutiny paid to Texas' aggressive execution pace and the role of Gov. George W. Bush, the GOP presidential candidate. "The politics don't make any difference to me," he said.

What does matter is helping the person facing lethal injection.

"If I'm not in there, he's going to be by himself and I believe I can make a difference in his life just by loving him," said Brazzil, a 50-year-old father of three and grandfather of four.

"And I've had victims' families get angry with me because I've taken that position."

The condemned inmate — a needle in each arm — is secured with cream-colored leather belts to the steel table. A warden stands close to the inmate's head. Brazzil is near the feet, his hand resting on the inmate's right leg between the ankle and knee.

"I feel his heart, I feel him tremble," Brazzil said. "When that last moment is gone, he enters into the presence of God."

Convicted killer John Satterwhite spent several hours with Brazzil shortly before he was executed in September.

"He's helped me in a whole lot of ways spiritually," Satterwhite told The Associated Press less than an hour before his execution. "He's wonderful. You can't get a better person. I'm at peace."

Born in Temple, Brazzil studied at Howard Payne University in Brownwood and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth. After taking up church postings, he was drawn to volunteer ministry in county jails, and once, on a church-sponsored trip to the Ukraine, he preached at 11 prisons.

"I came back home with a firm commitment I really wanted to go into prison work," he said.

Two years later, he took a 50 percent pay cut to become a state prison chaplain.

He witnessed his first execution on Sept. 19, 1995, at the Huntsville Unit, commonly known as "The Walls." Condemned murderer Carl Johnson, proclaiming innocence but saying he had found peace, received injection for gunning down a security guard at a Houston supermarket almost 17 years earlier.

"I felt like I had finally found a niche," said Brazzil, now in charge of prison chaplains over a wide area of East and North Texas.

Jim Willet, the Huntsville Unit warden, said Brazzil helps the inmates make it through their final day.

"He communicates with the inmate and he prefers approaching them through Christianity," Willet said. "But if they're not willing, he's just willing to be a person available."

Brazzil generally will go to the Terrell Unit, about 45 miles east of Huntsville where death row inmates are housed, a day or two before a scheduled execution to introduce himself to the condemned prisoner.

"I want him to see my face," he said. "All they know is you're that 'killing chaplain' from over at The Walls."

It's one of several nicknames given to Brazzil, who also acknowledges being known as the "sinister minister" or "cardinal of

the chamber."

On execution day, they meet again and he introduces the prison staff when the inmate arrives at a holding cell adjacent to the death chamber at The Walls.

"I talk through the bars," Brazzil said. "The most frustrating part to me is when he has something working in the courts. His lawyers have always said: 'Don't say anything to anybody and don't discuss your case with anybody.' He comes over here and that's on his mind and he's not ready to deal with his spiritual realm and not really ready to face death."

"When he hears from the courts and hears he's been denied, my time is very short. But that's the very most productive time I have, when reality hits."

Besides addressing spiritual needs, he tries to calm the prisoner.

"He helps the officers as much as the inmate," said Maj. Kenneth Dean, who oversees many procedures that precede an execution. "Just his presence kind of soothes everybody."

What do inmates say to him?

Some make confessions, even after proclaiming innocence in public. "I can't die hurting my parents," one told him. One cried uncontrollably, worried about God forgiving him. "He reached through the bars and grabbed my legs, just weeping," Brazzil said.

The inmate asked if the chaplain would hold his hand during the execution. He couldn't, but offered to rest his hand on the prisoner's leg, something he often does.

Another sort of tradition is offering the condemned a chance to write in his Bible, and to read other inmates' final thoughts written there.

"Here's some guys who have been where you are," he has said, handing the prisoner the

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dog-eared, quarter-century-old book that has accompanied him around the world and hundreds of times into prison.

It has helped comfort many inmates since the first note he received.

He had been praying and reading Scripture with Karla Faye Tucker, the convicted ax killer, as she awaited execution in 1998. When Brazzil left to talk to the warden, Tucker borrowed his Bible.

The next day, while preparing for her funeral, he opened the book. She had written and signed a page inside.

"Thank you for bringing the love and fellowship of Jesus to me as I was preparing to be face to face with Him," she wrote. "I love you in Christ."

"It was very eerie," Brazzil said. "It brought the tears."

A few days later, another anxious inmate was awaiting death and Brazzil remembered Tucker's message.

"I have something that may give you comfort," Brazzil told him.

The inmate added another handwritten message. The messages now have grown to some two dozen, although Brazzil said he never asks an inmate to record his thoughts.

"I just do it when there's some pretty intense emotions, when there's some fear and they're needing some comfort."

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Let's Talk
Real Estate

by Jim Davidson
Realtor

KITCHEN UPDATE

Along with the bathroom, the kitchen is of the utmost importance to prospective buyers. This does not mean that sellers must undertake expensive renovations in order to make their kitchens more attractive to buyers. That would not be cost effective. It usually helps, however, to make some inexpensive changes that render the kitchen more appealing. Among these is a kitchen cabinet facelift that involves refinishing doors and drawer fronts, as well as replacing old hardware. At the same time, sellers may want to consider replacing worn countertops, and even sinks. If linoleum or vinyl flooring looks shabby, it can make a big difference to have it replaced with new material in neutral colors. In the kitchen, neatness counts.

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Happy Couple With 10 Kids Found Time for Each Other

DEAR ABBY: I agree with your answer to "Happily Married Husband," who revealed that five husbands in his circle of friends have gotten divorces because their wives spent too much time with their children and they felt displaced.

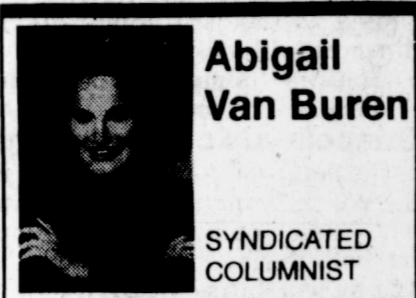
Like many other couples, my husband and I were busy, and we didn't have enough extra money to go out. So once a month, we enjoyed a candlelight supper at home. I wore something sexy and used our best china. We ate at a small table after the children were finished eating, and we danced to romantic music on the record player.

Abby, you were right that couples must find time for each other. We did, and we've been happily married for 45 wonderful years.

STILL ROMANTIC IN MANSFIELD, MASS.

P.S. We're the parents of 10 terrific children.

DEAR STILL ROMANTIC: I applaud your obviously successful (and fruitful!) union.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

Sometimes couples become so pressured they have trouble budgeting time to spend together. Being disciplined enough to do so can mean the difference between a marriage that succeeds and one that doesn't. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Many religions preach that man is head of the household and his wife and children must be obedient to him. This is one reason why abuse occurs. Unless spouses are equal and share responsibilities as mature adults, they will experience a serious imbalance in

their relationship. When children are the first concern of both parents, they will find joy in each other as well.

It's unfortunate when one of the parents dumps the total burden on the other. The immature spouse demands "Mommy's" (or "Daddy's") full attention and is the one who will most likely seek affection elsewhere. Irresponsible mates pursue self-pleasure. It's as simple as that. If families work together, they stay together.

BETTY NELSON, MILACA, MINN.

DEAR BETTY: We're now living in a time when many parents teach their children that marriage is a full partnership. It touches me to see young fathers out with their infants carried in slings next to their hearts, or pushing toddlers in racing prams while exercising. When both spouses participate in child rearing, it makes for healthier, closer families.

your strong leadership capacities from Wednesday on.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Others have strong ideas about what they want. You don't need to do much, but don't be surprised when you have to regroup and change your plans more than once. Be loving with a family member whose nerves could be raw. Tonight: Just go along for the ride. This week: Deal with others one-on-one. Take time to digest different points of view.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Get a head start on a project if you can. Consider signing up for a course in yoga or some other subject. Others feel welcomed by you as you roll out the red carpet. Your caring speaks. Tonight: Go with the flow.

This week: Others clearly hold the cards this week. Let them play out. You watch.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Laugh at another's unpredictability and enjoy him for what he offers. You might opt for a major expenditure or purchase that adds a lot to the moment and, potentially, to your life. You can't seem to avoid a risk. Why fight it? Tonight: Play the night away.

This week: Dig into work and don't get into other's people stuff. On Wednesday, you're more in the mood for socializing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** You clearly adore another. You feel as if a loved one might be a bit off-the-wall. You also might wonder how much you contribute to this odd behavior. Lie back and observe rather than playing up to this person. Do something special for an older relative. Tonight: You don't have to go far.

This week: Your mind draws you into never-never land. By Wednesday, you're forced to funnel this energy into work.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Others surprise you with their words and actions. Do not take another's behavior personally. Distance yourself and get a perspective. Get feedback from a trusted friend who has insight. Let your sense of humor emerge. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

This week: Though you try not to let

your personal life interfere with your work, it just might. Maybe you'd better deal with the issue.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Your finances could see peaks and valleys if you don't check your spending. You might covet certain items that you feel are important. Only you can make that judgment call. A friend means more to you than you realize. Tonight: Order in or go out.

This week: Make calls and reach out for others. Don't let a lack of response affect you. Nail what you want.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** Let your personality continue to speak. Don't settle for something you don't want. Others join you with plans, and you have a good time wherever you go. When you appear in public, others know just how happy you are. Go for what you want. Tonight: Just be yourself. This week: Expenses pile up, but you know how to handle this problem. Schedule important actions from Wednesday on.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Sit back and watch. You could be amused by your insights. Maintain a loving stance with someone at a distance. Your caring means a lot to another. Express who you are and what you want. Let another know how you feel. Start discussing the future. Tonight: A good movie.

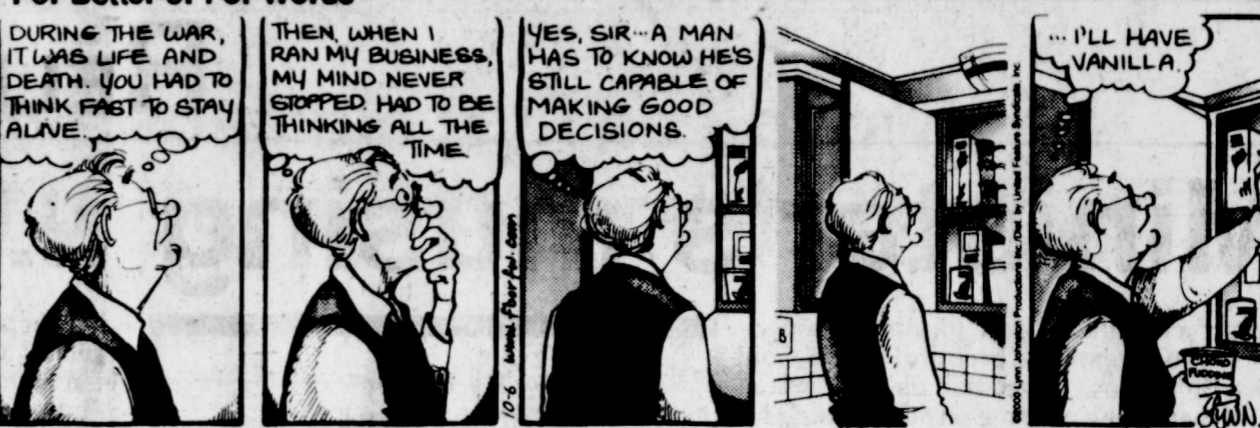
This week: Your personality jumps over barriers. You're busy making money this week.

BORN TODAY

Civil rights leader Jesse Jackson (1941), actor David Carradine (1936), actor Matt Damon (1970)

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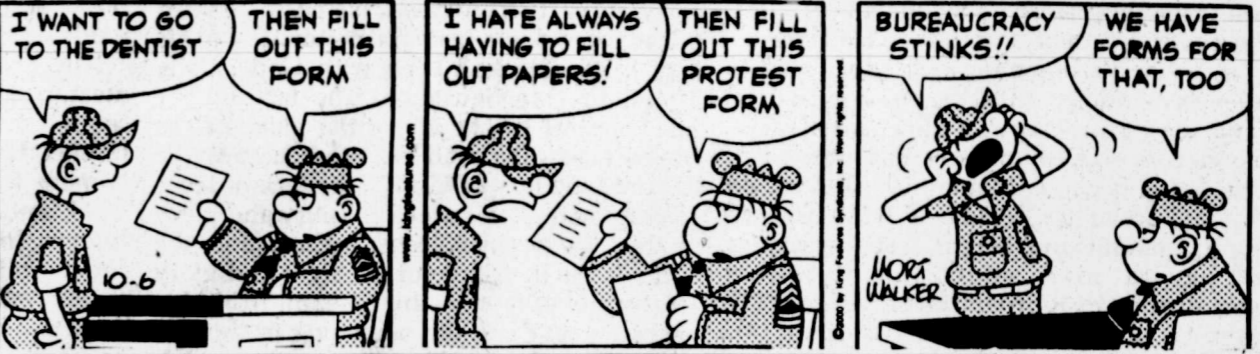
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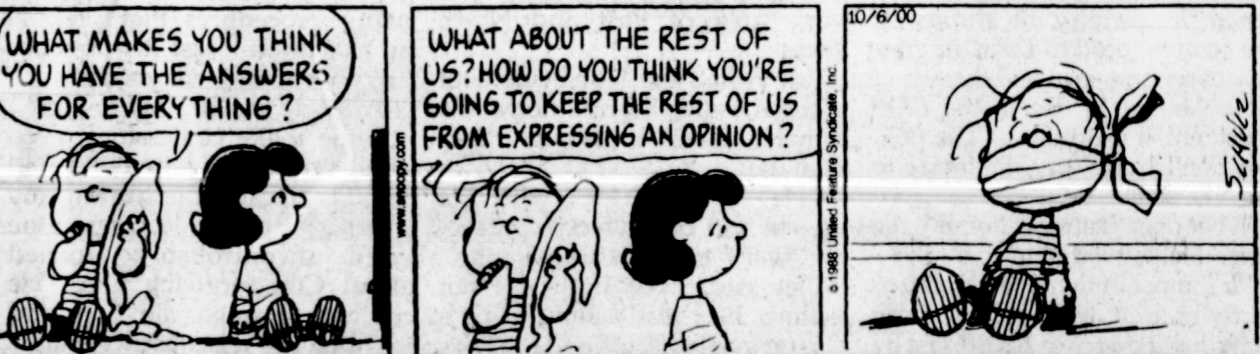
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Horoscope

SUNDAY, OCT. 8, 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)

***** Unexpected developments might have you regrouping. Make different plans or indulge yourself by doing something you want to do. Bring friends together. You enjoy yourself wherever you are. A loved one appreciates your extra caring. Tonight: Where your friends are.

This week: Avoid strong actions until Wednesday, when the moon pops into your sign and energizes you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** You are unusually content with others. Let another make plans. Give in to spontaneity, and romantic feelings will build. If single, someone you meet today could become very special. Trust another to express his needs. Tonight: Out and about.

This week: "All's well that ends well" becomes your theme this week. Remember that through the rough moments.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** You might not be sure what to do with the unexpected. Someone who might be quite different has an interesting way of energizing you. Understand what is important in a relationship. Tonight: Take off.

This week: Accept responsibility on Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday and Thursday, zoom in and make your wishes known.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Let a loved one or dear friend decide what is suitable. You could be pleasantly surprised by his choice. Allow more feelings to come out. Caring breeds in the present atmosphere of spontaneity. Tonight: Go along with another's wishes. This week: Read between the lines, and you'll gain professionally. Demonstrate

Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 43 Happened

1 Coat put on wet

6 Airship

11 Bugs the boat bugs him

12 Tybalt's killer

13 Agenda

14 "— to Hold Your Hand"

15 Service reward

16 Skill

18 Diamond club

19 MGM mascot

20 Young king, for short

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24 Picnic invader

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27 Indiana river

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31 Pizzeria

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33 Took to the sky

34 Spots for computer choices

35 Toward

36 the wake

37 Spanish gold

Marmaduke



"Why doesn't Marmaduke have to wash his paws before he eats?"

The Family Circus



"I sharpened this pencil till it's the sharpest you can get."

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SPORTS

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GOLF

PAMPA — Hidden Hills Seniors held a 4-man scramble this week at Hidden Hills.

Results are as follows:
First place: B.F. Dorman, Carol Pettit, James Lee and Wayne Jones 63.

Second place: Bob Brandon, Kenneth Williams, Pat Montoya, Bill Brown and Ron McDaniel 63.

Third place: Larry Ogden, Charles Terrell, Preston Cox and Bill Stephens 64.

Fourth place: Bill King, Waldon Haynes, Louis Haydon and Jim Ashford 65.

Closest to hole: Larry Ogden, No. 15.

FOOTBALL

DENTON, Texas (AP) — Freshman Scott Hall threw two touchdown passes and ran for 91 yards as North Texas beat Division I-AA Samford 41-6 on Thursday night to snap an eight-game losing streak.

Hall threw a 4-yard touchdown pass to Robert Whitehead late in the first half, and connected with Byron Curtis on a 36-yard scoring play early in the second half.

Michael Hickmon ran for 91 yards and a touchdown for the Eagles (1-3), who led 20-0 after the first quarter.

The Eagles opened the game with a 77-yard drive on nine running plays that ended with JaQuay Wilburn's 2-yard TD run.

On Samford's fourth offensive play, Gary Reed fumbled an option pitch, which bounced back 25 yards before linebacker Corry Pertile picked it up and raced 31 yards for a touchdown.

Samford dropped to 3-3.

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — The University of Texas System has given El Paso County an ultimatum: sell the Sun Bowl for \$1,600 — the value given in a university-funded appraisal — or else lose it by eminent domain.

The ultimatum, which came in a letter from the UT System to County Judge Dolores Briones, is the latest wrinkle in a dispute over the county's proposed changes to UT's 99-year-lease of the stadium for the University of Texas at El Paso.

"It's a serious piece of correspondence, but, as the letter states, if the system receives a rejection or no response then the system will proceed with eminent domain," Richard Aduato, assistant to UTEP President Diana Natalicio, told the El Paso Times in Friday's editions.

System regents voted Monday to take over the Sun Bowl by using eminent domain — a government agency's right to take private property — but sent the letter to the county this week in an attempt to resolve the dispute before taking the matter to court.

El Paso County Commissioner Charles Hooten said his position has not changed with the UT System's most recent offer.

"We have already said that we would consider selling the Sun Bowl for market value, but for \$1,600? That doesn't even pass the straight-face test," he said.

Administrators at UTEP want to start a \$9 million project to modernize the football stadium and build a sports center. But they need the county's approval to make structural changes to the Sun Bowl, which is leased to the university for \$1 a year.

"The quickest, best and cheapest is to go ahead and give them a lease amendment to give them everything they need and not ask anything in return," said Hooten.

He said he plans to add an item on next week's Commissioners Court agenda so that commissioners could do that.

"We tried valiantly, but they don't want to negotiate," he said.

Baylor hopes to snap loss streak

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Baylor will attempt to break a 14-game Big 12 losing streak this weekend against Texas Tech as the Red Raiders try for their first conference victory since implementing a new pass-based offense under new head coach Mike Leach.

The Red Raiders were 4-0 going into conference play when they bumped into arch rival Texas A&M, who scored two touchdowns in the final 6:58 and had three interceptions and a blocked punt leading to 20 points for a 33-15 win last weekend.

"Texas A&M was a gracious host through the third quarter and then it ended," Tech Chancellor John T. Montford joked this week.

Tech hopes to be anything but gracious to Baylor Saturday as the Red Raiders attempt to overcome inconsistent play, which has plagued the team all season.

"We need to block better and run better and go to the hole better," Leach said. "It's just a matter of emphasis and addressing the problems we have."

Shortly after the A&M game, Leach said he would take a closer look at running back Shaud Williams and consider him as a possible starter against Baylor. Tech managed only 23 yards rushing in their loss to A&M.

The move could mean a reduced role for the other Williams, the better-known Ricky.

Ricky Williams sat out last season with an injury to his left knee. He plans to play without his knee brace for the first time against Baylor.

As a sophomore two years ago, Ricky Williams was fourth nationally in rushing, averaging 143 yards per game. He is gaining just 51 yards per game in Tech's revamped pass-based offense.

Leach said his star running back appears a step slower than he was before he was hurt.

Williams doesn't deny he's slower, but says his knee brace is what's slowing his stride. However, Williams already this year has suffered a shoulder injury and hyperextended his left knee again.

"Ricky has gotten banged up some this year and for depth purposes, it's important to develop some people," Leach said.

Shaud Williams is averaging 14 yards rushing and 25 yards receiving per game in limited action.

Meanwhile, Baylor (2-2, 0-1) is still getting used to an unexpected quarterback switch. Greg Cicero was lost early on to a season-ending collarbone fracture.

Guy Tomcheck has since led Baylor to a 28-13 victory over South Florida two weeks ago. Last week, Baylor lost 31-17 to Iowa State.

Head coach Kevin Steele says his team should be able to control Tech's pass-based offense if Baylor sticks to its system, forcing Tech to play the Bears' game.

"One of the biggest things as far as playing unique offenses ... is experience in your own system, and not trying something different to try and stop it," Steele said. "If you just draw up the defense of the week on the board, especially with a young team, it's not gonna happen."

Rivalry returns to spotlight

DALLAS (AP) — No matter what happens at the Cotton Bowl on Saturday, No. 10 Oklahoma and No. 11 Texas already have contributed to the history of their great rivalry.

This meeting — the 95th in 101 years — marks the first time in 16 years that both programs are ranked this high for their annual matchup on the second Saturday in October.

"At one time, the team that was winning this game had a chance to make a run at the national championship," said Longhorns coach Mack Brown, who was the Sooners' offensive coordinator in 1984.

"Now, it's maybe even more intense because it's a league game. So it means something to the conference race and with us both being in the top 15, it means more on the national level than it has in a long time."

The last time both were so good at the same time was 1984, when No. 1 Texas tied No. 3 Oklahoma 15-15 on a last-second field goal. This is the first time since that both teams come into the game among the top 15.

Still, the rivalry remains unique.

Played in a stadium three hours from both campuses and always during the State Fair of Texas, half the crowd wears orange and the other half red. The excitement begins to boil when players gather in the tunnel before kickoff.

"We understand where we're at and what the history is," said Sooners coach Bob Stoops, who can be blamed for only one of OU's three straight losses to UT. "We all get e-mails and letters throughout the year, telling us."

The Sooners (4-0, 1-0 Big 12) are in the top 10 for the first time since '95 and are coming into this game undefeated for the first time since '93. Oklahoma needs to keep momentum going because its next two games are against No. 4 Kansas State and No. 2 Nebraska.

"This is definitely a big month for us," said OU slotback Damien Mackey. "When you go into an OU-Texas game, there's always going to be pressure because this game means something personal to both teams."

"But going into this game, we're looking at it as we're No. 10, they're No. 11 and we both have goals we want to reach. This game is going to



(Photo by Grover Black)

Pampa's Dustin Everson carries the ball in a 9th grade B game against Valleyview Thursday night.

Pampa freshmen are unbeaten

Pampa freshmen continued their unbeaten season, beating Valleyview 21-7 Thursday night in Randall.

Two of Pampa's touchdowns came on pass plays. Andrew Curtis threw a 50-yard TD pass to Jesse Tarango and Derek Lewis threw a 15-yard TD pass to Joe Meraz.

Curtis added another touchdown on a 30-yard run.

Defensively, Johnny Moore had an interception and end Garrett Johnston blocked two quarterback pass attempts.

Pampa boosted its record to 5-

0. Pampa lost the B team game 21-0.

Max Vinson had a good defensive game for Pampa. Don Wright had an interception.

Palo Duro downs Dumas

AMARILLO — Palo Duro downed Dumas 26-20 in a District-34A game Thursday night in Dick Bivins Stadium.

The Dons snapped a 16-game losing streak with the victory. They are now 1-4 for the season and 1-1 in district play.

Dumas is 0-2 in district and

3-2 overall.

Terrance Posey led the Dons offense with three touchdowns, one on a 74-yard pass from Charlie Love.

Posey finished with 188 yards rushing on 25 carries.

Palo Duro held a 13-7 lead at halftime.

JV champion



(Special photo)

Pampa sophomore Liz West won the Amarillo Junior Varsity Singles Tennis Tournament this fall.

Cardinals take Game 2 from Braves and Glavine

ST. LOUIS (AP) — One more victory, and the St. Louis Cardinals will pay off a 4-year-old debt.

In 1996, the Cardinals were one game away from the World Series before the Atlanta Braves overcame a 3-1 deficit by outscoring them 32-1 in the next three games. After whipping another Braves ace in a 10-4 Game 2 victory Thursday, the Cardinals are poised to advance again.

"I think we're showing right now that we can play good baseball and beat teams that think they're going to beat us," said Jim Edmonds, who tied a division series record with three doubles and had two RBIs.

"Hopefully, we can get it done." The Cardinals have only three players left from the 1996 team. But manager Tony La Russa

won't let them forget what happened.

"We recognize this is a three-win series, not a two-win series," La Russa said. "Nobody is celebrating."

They have some reason to celebrate considering the way they treated Greg Maddux and Tom Glavine. Maddux lasted only four innings in a 7-5 loss on Tuesday and Glavine suffered through his shortest outing in 255 appearances, giving up seven runs in 2 1-3 innings.

The Cardinals were 6-for-12 against Glavine, who finished the regular season with 14 scoreless innings. He hadn't been chased this quickly since last two innings in a 7-5 loss to Los Angeles on Aug. 19, 1993.

Glavine's only worse postseason outing was a two-inning stint in Game 6 of the 1992

NLCS against Pittsburgh in which he allowed eight runs. St. Louis' three left-handed hitters were 4-for-6 with a homer, two doubles and five RBIs against him.

"It wasn't good," Glavine said. "Everything I threw in there, they hit."

Maddux and Glavine, who have combined for six NL Cy Young awards, have given up 12 earned runs in 6 1-3 innings for a 17.05 ERA.

"It's hard to believe what you're seeing with the way these two games have gone," pitching coach Leo Mazzone said. "We're so spoiled with the great pitching we've had over the years."

Will Clark overcame a 2-0, first-inning deficit with a three-run homer. He also connected off Glavine on Aug. 4 in his first

home at-bat since joining the Cardinals.

Carlos Hernandez also homered in the second, and pinch-hitter Mark McGwire connected as a pinch-hitter in the eighth off Mike Remlinger.

Only the second NL playoff matchup of 20-game winners was a blowout, with the Cardinals leading 8-2 after four innings. Darryl Kile, making his second postseason start, limited the Braves to two runs and four hits in seven innings.

"You saw the Kile that's been here so many times this year," La Russa said of Kile, who struck out six and walked two. "Against a really great team, he just shut them down."

Chipper Jones had an RBI single and Brian Jordan drove in a run with a groundout in the first as Kile struggled with his con-

trol. But after Andres Galarraga's two-out double, Kile retired 13 batters in a row.

The Braves didn't score again until Andrew Jones homered and Brian Jordan had an RBI single off Mike Timlin in the eighth.

"We stunk," Chipper Jones said. "The officiating stunk. The only thing that didn't stink was the Cardinals."

The Braves are in danger of failing to make the NL championship series for the first time since 1990. They head home hoping either Maddux on three days' rest or Kevin Millwood (10-13) can win Game 3 on Saturday at Turner Field. Garrett Stephenson (16-9) is likely to start for the Cardinals.

"Hopefully," Chipper Jones said, "a change of scenery will help."

Take it to the Goal?



(Special photo)

Nick Robbins (left) passes the ball to Aaron Ledbetter for a shot at goal at a recent game held at the Pampa Soccer Association's South Naida fields. Both players are members of the Under 14 boys soccer team, sponsored by Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance. The team is coached by Anne Zumseg.

Pampa Soccer Association

Table with columns for Results, Standings, and U-6 & U-8 Sponsors. Results include games ending Week 3-Oct. 1 for U-16 Boys, U-14 Boys, U-14 Girls, U-12 Boys, U-12 Girls, Under 10 Boys, U-10 Girls, and U-10 Boys. Standings are listed for Week 3-Oct. 1 for U-12 Boys, U-12 Girls, U-10 Boys, and U-10 Girls. Sponsors include CTW Bank Rims, Centramedia, Classic Lube 'N Wash, Clifton Supply Company, Computer Sales & Tech, Computech Computers Inc., Culligan Water, Davis Electric Co., Dean's Pharmacy, Edward D. Jones, FNB of Borger, Ferguson Enterprises, FirstBank Southwest, Franks Foods, Guardian Corrosion, Hall Auto Sound, JerSk'n's Paintball, Kids Stuff, Medicine Shoppe, MetLife Auto & Home, Parsley's Roofing, Payless Gifts, Praxair, Scarab Manufacturing, Snappy Services, T-Shirts & More, VFW Post 1657, Ware Chevrolet.

Scoreboard

Baseball Scoreboard section containing National League, American League, and League Championship Series results. Includes dates from Tuesday, Oct. 3 to Monday, Oct. 16. Lists teams like St. Louis, Chicago, Oakland, New York, San Francisco, and their respective scores and game times.

TCU goes for 10th straight win

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — No. 14 Texas Christian has attained a good balance. On offense, the Horned Frogs are ranked first in the country in pass efficiency and have headline-stealing runner LaDainian Tomlinson, the nation's third-leading rusher (170 ypg) and a legitimate Heisman Trophy candidate. TCU is pretty good on defense, too, ranking first in the nation in scoring defense (6.75 ppg) and second in total defense (199.8 ype). They join Clemson as the only teams ranked in the top 15 of all four major defensive categories — rushing, passing, scoring and total defense. "I cannot register one ounce of disappointment or dissatisfaction," said TCU coach Dennis Franchione. "We have so much maturity on this team. They know they have to go out and perform every week, and they have a deep passion to continue to do well." The Horned Frogs (4-0, 1-0 WAC) go for their 10th straight victory when they play Hawaii (0-3, 0-2) on Saturday. Only top-ranked Florida State (17 games) and No. 2 Nebraska (10 games) have longer winning streaks. What a turnaround from the 10-game losing streak TCU had in 1997, the season before Franchione became the coach. It's the longest winning streak for the Horned Frogs since 14 straight from 1937-38. Sophomore quarterback Casey Printers is 12-2 as the TCU starter, and is 33-for-44 passing for 493 yards and seven touchdowns the past three games. He was 14-of-17 in last weekend's 24-0 win at Navy. While TCU continues to improve, Hawaii is headed in the other direction. The Warriors are looking for their first win this season after a breakthrough 9-4 record in 1999 under coach June Jones. Still, the Horned Frogs insist they aren't looking past the Warriors, who arrived in Texas on Wednesday to have time to adjust for the regionally televised game that starts at 11 a.m. Central. That's 7 a.m. in Hawaii. "You always look for an advantage. An 11 a.m. kickoff is like an eighth day of the week for me, and if it makes their trip a little harder, we want every plus we can get," Franchione said. "They are talented, like Arkansas State when they came in with an 0-3 record. That's the most talented team we've played," said defensive end Aaron Schobel, whose six sacks this season have increased his school record total to 30 1/2. "They lost a lot of people to the NFL, but they are coming together." Arkansas State was beaten by TCU 52-3. The Horned Frogs are favored by five touchdowns over Hawaii. TCU's most impressive win came in the second week when the Horned Frogs won 41-14 against Northwestern, which followed that loss with wins at Wisconsin and Michigan State.

Payton's run-scoring single in 10th inning lifts Mets over Giants

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — There's one more amazing chapter in the New York Mets' wild playoff history. Jay Payton's RBI single in the 10th inning and John Franco's game-ending strikeout of Barry Bonds lifted New York to a 5-4 victory over the San Francisco Giants on Thursday night. But the Mets didn't even their division series at 1-1 without another dose of the postseason theatrics that seem to follow them everywhere in October. From the '69 Mets' miracle title run to Robin Ventura's grand slam single last year in the NL championship series against Atlanta, New York can't seem to simply win in the postseason. Closer Armando Benitez caused much of the drama when he allowed J.T. Snow's pinch-hit homer off Pacific Bell Park's brick wall in right field, blowing a three-run New York lead in the ninth. "Stuff like this seems to happen to the Mets," said Darryl Hamilton, who scored the go-ahead run. "Last year, you always wondered what crazy thing was going to happen next. It's hard on the fans and it's hard on us, (but) it's great when we win." Starter Al Leiter dominated the Giants for eight excellent innings, but was reduced to a cheerleader in the 10th after Benitez failed yet again in the postseason. Leiter was one of the first players out of the dugout when Franco got the first postseason save of his 16-year career. "I feel bad for Armando. He's been there for us all year," Leiter said. "Doesn't seem like we do it easy, but that will hopefully build momentum for Game 3." The series continues Saturday at Shea Stadium. With Bonds and Jeff Kent on base and New York leading 4-1 with one out in the ninth, Snow launched the first pinch-hit homer of his career. The ball hit the facing of the walkway over right field, and landed maybe 2 feet to the left of the foul pole. "When I hit it, I just hoped it stayed fair," Snow said. "Of course, none of that matters right now." As the Giants' fans went wild, Benitez's shoulders sagged into an all-too-familiar pose. He allowed three game-deciding hits the 1997 AL championship series while he was with Baltimore, including a game-winning, series-ending homer by Cleveland's Tony Fernandez that broke up an 11th-inning scoreless tie. "I've been in a lot of hard situations. I'm not scared by nothing," Benitez said. "It's not easy. It's very hard. I just try to relax and do my job." Felix Rodriguez, one of the game's top setup men for San Francisco this season, had a night that made Benitez's look good. He allowed a two-run homer by Edgardo Alfonzo in the ninth that looked like nothing more than insurance at the time. Rodriguez was still on the mound in the 10th when Hamilton, who missed nearly four months of the season with an arthritic left toe, lined the ball to right-center for a double. Payton followed with a short single that brought home Hamilton. "We knew we were going to get another chance to go up there and swing the bats," Payton said. "Fortunately, it worked out for us." Benitez started the 10th, but gave up a single to Armando Rios. Mets manager Bobby Valentine called for Franco, the 40-year-old former closer who has been with the team since 1990, longer than any other player. Franco kept the ball in the infield and ended things dramatically by throwing a called third strike past Bonds, a curveball that hooked just over the inside corner. Bonds, who didn't speak to reporters after the game, flung his bat in protest as the Mets, who scored all five of their runs with two outs, celebrated. Franco and Benitez wrapped each other in a joyous hug on the field. "Tonight was my turn to pick Armando up. He's picked me up," Franco said. The Giants lost home-field advantage after manager Dusty Baker made a costly decision in the 10th. He could have gone to the bullpen for closer Robb Nen, but the double-switch would have taken right fielder Ellis Burks out of the game. Baker didn't want to lose Burks' bat, so he trusted Rodriguez. Until the late-inning dramatics, the game was dominated by Leiter. He pitched 4 2-3 hitless innings at one stretch and appeared poised to get his first postseason win since 1993. After allowing a run in the second inning, Leiter held the Giants hitless for the third until the eighth. He didn't allow another runner to reach second base until the ninth. The Giants lost starting pitcher Shawn Estes in the third inning when he sprained his left ankle by jamming it into second base. He was called safe on the play, then was tagged out when he left the base. Kirk Rueter filled in admirably with 4 1-3 scoreless innings. Timo Perez had a two-run single in the second for New York. San Francisco got a run in the second on Burks' RBI double.

Clinton, Congress agree on plan to protect public lands

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress sent President Clinton a compromise \$58 billion transportation bill Friday that would establish a national drunken driving standard and is loaded with election-season goodies for lawmakers: Highway projects for every state.

The House approved the massive measure by 344-50, and minutes later the Senate gave it final legislative approval by 78-10. Clinton's signature is expected. The bill would pressure states to adopt a 0.08 percent blood-alcohol content as the standard for determining drunken driving by threatening to gradually cut federal highway aid for states that do not do so, by up to 8 percent, beginning in 2004.

Currently, 18 states and the District of Columbia have 0.08 laws, and in Massachusetts evidence of a level of 0.08 is considered evidence but not proof of drunkenness. Thirty-one states define drunken driving as 0.10 percent blood alcohol content. Advocates say the lower levels will save hundreds of lives.

Opponents, which included the restaurant and alcohol industries, said the measure would penalize social drinkers while leaving the real problem unaddressed: repeat offenders who drink heavily.

Fueling the bill's passage was its sheer size. Its \$58 billion was \$7.3 billion more than last year's level, \$3.3 billion more than Clinton requested, and nearly \$3 billion higher than earlier versions passed by the House and Senate.

Included were billions of dollars for highway, mass transit and other projects for lawmakers' home districts, including dozens of projects that had not appeared in the earlier House or Senate bills.

These included \$100 million for a bridge crossing the Mississippi River at Greenville, Miss., home state of Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.; and \$28 million to connect Interstate 90 and state road 79 in South Dakota, home to Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

On Thursday, the Senate voted 83-13 to send Clinton an \$18.8 bil-

lion Interior Department bill, for fiscal 2001 establishing the massive land conservation program and making a \$1.2 billion down payment on it. With the House having already approved the measure, it now goes to Clinton for his promised signature.

Friday's votes meant that only five of the 13 spending measures for the fiscal year that began Sunday have cleared Congress. And of those, Clinton has threatened to veto one that finances energy and water projects because of a dispute over water levels on the Missouri River.

The Senate voted 95-1 Thursday to keep federal agencies open through Oct. 14 while budget talks continue, another bill Clinton will sign. The first temporary extension expires Saturday morning.

The new program for purchasing fragile lands, maintaining parks, preserving wildlife and other conservation initiatives marks a major victory for Clinton, who has made expanding public parklands a priority. It was far smaller than a \$45 bil-

lion, 15-year program that passed the House but was bogged down by Westerners in the Senate. Even so, the measure would more than double last year's federal conservation spending.

Amid burgeoning federal surpluses, the overall Interior bill was \$3.9 billion bigger than last year's measure, \$2.4 billion more than Clinton had requested and more than \$3 billion larger than earlier House and Senate versions.

Barely a month before Election Day, it was loaded with hometown projects for lawmakers from every state. That ranged from \$288,000 for wolf recovery efforts in Idaho to \$487,000 to restore a carriage barn at the home of the poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, which is now a national historic site in Cambridge, Mass.

"This is our business ... to see to it that the lands and historic sites and facilities of the United States of America are properly maintained," said Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a

frequent critic of such spending, did not see it that way and released a 20-page list of "objectionable" projects.

"The spigot is on," he complained.

The Clinton administration succeeded in removing language from the Interior bill that would have exempted New Hampshire's White Mountains from planned Forest Service protections. Also deleted was a section that would have blocked consideration of removing Snake River dams in Washington state to help strug-

gling salmon populations.

Western commercial interests won their own victories. These included permission for some ranchers using federal lands to renew grazing permits without environmental reviews, and money to enable loggers to remove debris from some national forests.

The bill also contained \$105 million for the National Endowment for the Arts, \$7 million more than last year and the agency's first significant increase since the GOP took control of Congress six years ago.

Higher heating prices even if winter is mild

WASHINGTON (AP)— Even with a normal winter, consumers are likely to spend an average of \$190 to \$240 more this year to heat their homes if they use natural gas or oil, an Energy Department report predicted Friday.

With an expectation that colder weather will return this year after three unusually mild winters, the report said a long cold spell could strain supplies of natural gas and heating oil despite the introduction of emergency oil supplies from a government reserve.

"Potentially it could be a somewhat difficult winter if we have a sustained cold spell," Mark Mazur, acting administrator of the department's Energy Information Administration, said in releasing the report.

Mazur said, most customers, including residential users should be able to get oil and natural gas, although some "interruptible" industrial customers — which agree to switch to alternate fuels if there is a supply problem — may encounter shortages.

"The customers may not like the price," Mazur said at a conference of state energy officials on the winter heating situation.

Additional oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve will ease the supply situation by producing 3

million to 5 million barrels more heating oil and diesel fuel, Mazur said. He said the EIA analysis also did not take into account the new stockpile of 2 million barrels of heating oil in the Northeast, which would be released only if there is a severe supply interruption.

"Fuel oil inventories remain very tight," said the EIA report.

Crude oil stocks are 17 million barrels below levels a year ago. Distillate stocks (heating oil and diesel fuel) remain 40 percent below a year ago along the East Coast, where people rely heavily on oil to heat their homes. Natural gas stocks are 9 percent below the five-year average for this time.

Adam Sieminski, an oil analyst at Deutsche Bank Securities, told the conference that many users appear to be stocking up early on heating oil. That could affect demand later and "prices could go down sharply" if the winter turns out to be mild.

Mazur noted that refineries have been operating at high capacity, but that primary inventory levels of heating oil and diesel fuel remain below normal. He said the agency has not determined "where the additional production amounts are going" but he did not discount the possibility that some was being exported.

Unemployment rate falls 3.9 percent in September

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's unemployment rate unexpectedly fell to 3.9 percent in September and total employment rose by 252,000 after posting two months of declines. The jobless rate for blacks fell to a record monthly low.

The surprising decline in the jobless rate from August's 4.1 percent rate matched the 30-year low reached in April, the Labor Department said Friday. As a result, the unemployment rate for blacks in September fell to a monthly low of 7 percent, surpassing the previous record of 7.2 percent rate, also reached in April.

President Clinton, hoping to keep a Democrat in the White House come the November presidential election, said the report offers evidence of the Clinton-Gore administration's sound economic track record.

"Thanks to our economic strategy and the hard work of the American people, we reach another dramatic milestone in our unprecedented economic expansion," Clinton said.

The jobs picture in September was affected by a number of factors. The return of 87,000 workers after a strike against Verizon Communications added to total employment, which is seasonally adjusted, while the departure of 27,000 temporary census workers subtracted from job growth during the month.

The report also showed that American businesses boosted their private payrolls by a seasonally adjusted 288,000 in September. Most of the employment gain came from hiring in the services industries, the government said. But that was tempered by widespread job losses in manufacturing.

On Wall Street, stocks dropped. By early afternoon the Dow Jones industrial average had lost 87 points and the Nasdaq index was down 95 points.

Many analysts had predicted the jobless rate would hold steady at

4.1 percent and that total employment — private and government payrolls — would grow by roughly 250,000.

Even with the solid job growth, average hourly earnings, a key gauge of inflation pressures, moderated in September, rising 0.2 percent to \$13.83 an hour, down from a 0.4 percent increase in August.

While job and wage growth is good for workers, economists worry that a too-strong combination might worsen inflation. They fear that employers would woo scarce workers with big boosts in wages and benefits, adding costs that could be passed along to consumers as higher prices.

The Federal Reserve has boosted interest rates six times since June 1999 to slow the economy and stave off inflation. On Tuesday, the Fed passed up a chance to raise rates for a seventh time, but held the door open to further rate increases should inflation flare up.

Paul Kasriel, chief economist for Northern Trust Co., said the report reinforces the Fed's wisdom in keeping open the possibility of additional rate increases down the road.

"I don't see anything in this report per se that would force the Fed's hand on Nov. 15 to tighten," Kasriel said. But he also wouldn't rule out a rate increase at the November meeting, depending on what other economic data between now and then say about the economy.

The Labor Department said that after adjusting for the return of striking communications workers and the departure of census workers, employment grew by a more moderate 204,000 during September.

In the services industry, the engine of job creation in the United States, 200,000 positions were added, with large gains at job training services. Employment increases also were reported in health services, and in engineering and management firms. Retailers added just 1,000 jobs.



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Mood disorder affects way of life

By **MARCIE BENNETT**
COPY EDITOR

Imagine being so worried that you could not sleep at night. One minute you are calm and the next you are in an uncontrollable tantrum for no apparent reason. Trying to express your feelings is impossible because your mind is racing so quickly your mouth cannot keep up. These conditions are what lead sophomore Betsy Crossman to attempt suicide.

Crossman has a condition known as bi-polar disorder.

The mood swings started for Crossman when she was 12 years old.

"I'd be really calm one minute and the next I'd be flipping out," she said.

Additional emotional stress was added with the death of her mother in February of 1998.

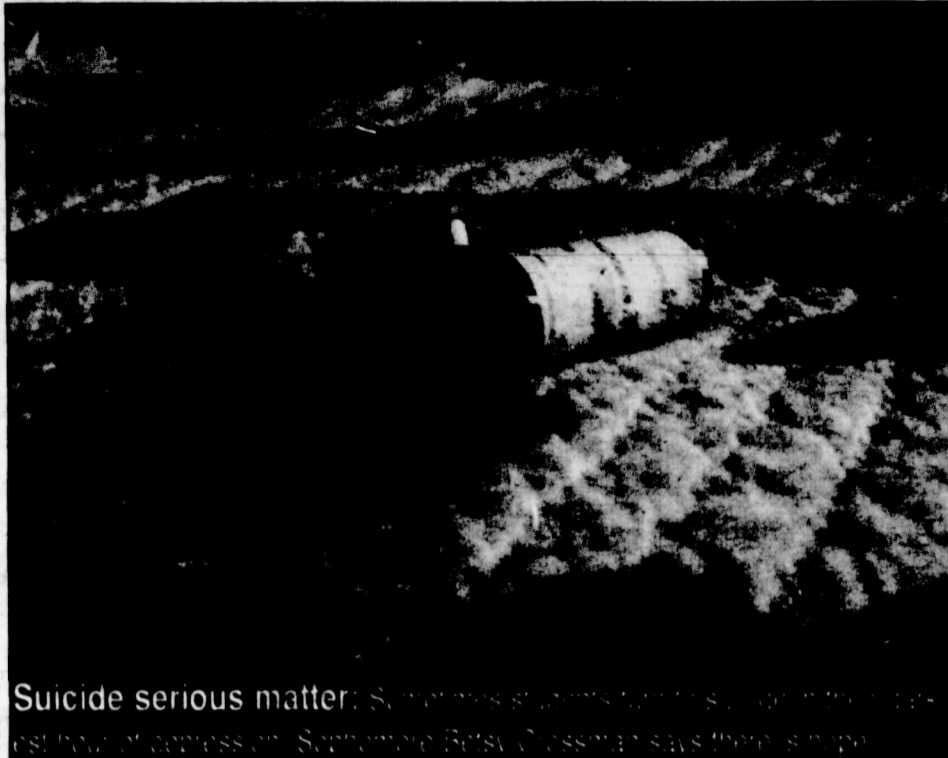
"Ever since my mom passed away I've been having emotional problems," Crossman said.

She started seeing a counselor shortly after her mother's death. Within about a year Crossman was diagnosed as having bi-polar disorder. She was then given medication to help control the condition.

According to Crossman, she was not eager to take her medication.

"I didn't think that I needed it," she said. "I thought I should be a normal person."

This desire to be what-



Suicide serious matter: Senior Betsy Crossman says "bi-polar disorder" is a serious matter.

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Groovin' too close is wrong way to move

By **SEIDRICK DREW**
STAFF REPORTER

Students caught groovin' the wrong way could be suspended from future dances, according to administration and student council representatives.

Student council dance committee members

were told that "freak dancing" must stop by Principal John Kendall after the first student council dance earlier this month.

"Freak dancing," as students call it, and "dirty dancing," as Kendall calls it, is a current dance style that some students say teachers and administrators are

making too big of a deal about.

"Teachers make it seem as though we are on top of each other on the floor," sophomore Wendy Arreola said.

Other stu-

dents have the same insight on this issue.

"I think they are making a big deal out of it. If they do not like it, they should not look at it," senior Johnny Cortez said.

While some do not agree with this new change, others said they felt differently.

"I do not think the teachers are making a big deal about this issue. I feel that you should be able to dance the way you want, but if you have to sit in each others lap there should be a stop put to it. Some of the dancing is just gross," junior Dasirae Davis said.

Davis is not the only student who thinks this way.

"The teachers are just doing their jobs. So, to me they are not making a big deal out of this," junior Samantha Jasso said.

Some said stopping this style of dance could make the dances boring and could make

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Freak dancing: Less students will be invited to school dances like the one shown above if they perform "dirty dancing."

Beware: New set of eyes watching over school

By **JUDY PEPI**
DESIGN EDITOR

"The hallway smelt of boiled cabbage and old rag mat. At one end of it a colored poster, too large for indoor display, had been tacked to the wall. It depicted an enormous face of a man. It was one of those pictures which are so contrived that the eyes follow you about when you move," wrote George Orwell in his book 1984.

Students said they feel like their every move is being watched since the installation of surveillance cameras in the hallways.

There is also some debate over whether or not teachers and students are in favor of the new cameras, especially since not all of the staff nor the student body were informed about the cameras.

"I don't think it's right because it's like they are trying to spy on

people," freshman Chris Perez said.

There are two cameras on the first floor that are currently being used.

"These are just another set of eyes in case teachers or I am not around," Officer Colby Brown said.

Each camera costs approximately \$150. Money for these cameras was provided through grants.

"As we get money we will buy more," Brown said.

However, these surveillance

cameras are not, and will not, be in the classrooms.

"If they were, teachers- as well as students would know about it," Principal John Kendall said.

On the other hand, this change does please some people.

"I'm glad because they can see what the kids are doing in the hall- and also they will know what they bring

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MOOD DISORDER:

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she thought was a normal person lead her to stop taking the medication.

"I was thinking impulsively, just crazy," she said.

This impulsive thinking, according to Crossman, lead her to try to overdose by taking over 100 pills.

"After that I went to the emergency room where they pumped my stomach," she said.

Crossman said she expressed immediate regret for what she had done.

"I wish I wouldn't have done it. It was the worst experience of my life," Crossman said.

Her memories of the experience still haunt her, according to Crossman.

"I'm scared to take pills," Crossman said. "I'm so scared something's going to happen. Every once in a while I have flashbacks of being in the hospital."

After her hospital stay Crossman went to a pavilion to help her deal with her problems.

"It helped me a lot," Crossman said. "It's a place where you can just go to let everything go."

Crossman said negative stereotypes of what a pavilion actually is anger her.

"It makes me mad because they talk about it like it's a place where they put you in a straight jacket," she said.

Dealing with the gossip and the rumors when she got back to school was difficult, according to Crossman.

"I came back to school and everyone knew," Crossman said. "I didn't want to talk about it."

According to Crossman she was judged unfairly by her classmates.

"They don't want to hear what you have to say or care about your feelings," she said.

Crossman is now able to

talk about what she went through.

"If somebody wants to know what I've been through I'll tell them," she said. "Maybe I can teach them something."

According to Crossman, she is finally beginning to get her life back in balance.

"I'm just now getting to where I can do things on my own," she said. "It's hard work"

Betsy said she wants everyone going through hard times to remember that things always change, no matter what.

"Things will get better," Crossman said. "Once you hit rock bottom there is nowhere to go but up."

GROOVIN':

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students not show up for future dances, but to others they will go and find a way to have fun.

"I will still go to the dances. I do not dance that way and I do not like seeing it done. So if they do away with it, I will go to all the dances and get my groove on the right way," Davis said.

On the other hand, some students said they think it will not work.

"I will go make an appearance only because I have to, being in student council, or otherwise I would not go. No one wants to dance to heavy metal or slow jams all night. In this case the school will lose money from the students who do not attend," Cortez said.

Some students said they un-

derstand where the teachers are coming from on this issue because they might do the same thing.

"If I was a teacher, I would not want to walk around and see this type of dancing, but I cannot stop the way people like to dance. However, if my job was to protect the interest of the students at dances, then I would stop it," Jasso said.

But some students said they would not mind in this case.

"I would not mind if I was a teacher. If I see that they are having fun with their friends in a bunch, then it would be okay. But if they get too freaky, then I would tell them to back off," Arreola said.

Teachers say this style of dancing is inappropriate because to some it is sex.

"If people are rubbing their private areas against each other, to me it is sex. As a school district promoting Worth The Wait, allowing this type of dancing is being hypocritical," Susan Bromlow said.

Other teachers echoed this situation.

"Students should dance like they are dancing in front of their parents or a person they respect," teacher Tanya Elms said.

Whether the dancing is right or wrong, students can be disciplined if they ignore the situation, future dances

could be canceled.

"Students can be kept from coming to dances. But the dances are up to the student body. If they choose to keep this up and it causes a problem, we are obligated to stop it," Kendall said.

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and also they will know what they bring into the school," freshman Christina Rodriguez said.

Kendall said that as the years go by, there will even be cameras in the parking lots because of previous thefts.

"Cameras are in different places for different purposes," Brown said.

Future plans include the purchase of a \$2000 camera that will be on the roof to watch the parking lots as well as the entrances.

"Everything that happens at school affects the whole community," Brown said.

The future cameras will be run during school, but they will have motion detectors at night which will make the camera move with any little movement.

"I think it's a good idea because they can catch people if they are doing something bad," freshman Paul Conaway said.

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NEWS — in Brief

Hall of Fame inductees introduced during assembly

Bill Waters, PHS class of 1943 and Harold Courson, PHS class of 1952, were honored in front of the entire student body and of community citizens during the fifth annual PHS Hall of Fame Induction last Fri., Sept. 29. Dawson Orr,



Superintendent of the Independent School District and John Kendall, principal, announced two outstanding PHS alumni who contributed significantly to the betterment of Texas and its citizens who were inducted.

Yearbook student senior recognition ads on sale

Attention senior and senior parents: Yearbook senior ads are now on sale. Letters went out last month to parents. Color ads are due today and black and white ads are due by November 3. Ads can be paid for in payments. See Miranda Bailey for details. However, all ads must be paid in full by deadline dates. Email mmbailey @ pan-tex.net for more information.

D-FY-IT sells stadium blankets

D-Fy-It advisory members are selling stadium blankets for \$20 each at the game and will also be taking orders for JV and Freshmen games.

Speech and Debate tournament set for end of month

Pampa High School hosted a speech and debate tournament on Sat., Sept. 16. There were 15 schools from the area, as well as Grand Prairie and Lubbock participated. Amarillo was the sweepstakes winner in this tournament. The runner-up was Grand Prairie and the second runner-up was Tascosa High. The speech and debate team will compete for the first time on Oct. 21 at Coronado High.

FCCLA hosts first leadership meeting

FCCLA hosted an area wide leadership meeting Tues., Sept. 19. Justin Lemons, state vice-president and Dustin Johnson, regional vice president of parliamentary law conducted workshop on leadership and citizen.

PHS campus clubs, organizations to get group photos taken Nov. 7

All school groups, clubs and organizations will be

photographed formally for the 2001 yearbook by Blunk's Photography on Tue., Nov. 7.

Sponsors and all club members will be photographed together for each organization throughout the course of the school day.

Students must order yearbooks through mail

Yearbooks will be sold through the mail this year for \$50 each. Students filled out wish lists and now Jostens will mail those home to parents. Parents have the option to pay for what the student selected or ignore the letter all together. Either way, Josten's will handle all orders and questions at 1-800-846-4686.

Little Harvester offers advertising for future issues

Interested in advertising in this year's Little Harvester? Leave a message for Callie Veal or Shauna Broaddus at 669-4800. The Little Harvester will publish every three weeks for a total of 11 issues this year, Call or email calliev@yahoo.com or sbfrompampa@webtv.net for more information.

New nurse replacing Karen Weeks

School nurse Karen Weeks retired after 12 years of service to PHS students. Nurse Latishia Walker joined the staff Mon., Sept. 25.

Girls cross country places in past three meets

According to Coach Mark Elms, the cross country girls placed fourth, first, and second in the last of their three meets before running in one of their largest meets a week and a half ago.

German exchange students arrive on campus today

A "Meet the Germans" dance is scheduled Sat., Oct. 7 in the MPAC building from 9 to 12 midnight, according to Coach Jamie Greene. All students are invited to attend.

Ten ways any high school student can make ending domestic violence his or her business

1. Cultivate a respectful attitude toward girls in your school and female members in your family. Avoid behaviors that demean or control women.
2. When you are angry with your friend, girlfriend, boyfriend, sister, brother, or parent, respond without hurting or humiliating them. Try to use non-violent, respectful response to resolving conflicts in your family.
3. If you have a friend or family member who is afraid of his/her parent, or who is being hurt, refer her to the 24-hour, toll free Tralee Crisis Center, Pampa, Tx 1-800-658-2796.
4. Ask and learn about domestic violence. Give a presentation in school. Develop a web banner -- use www.fvptf.org/publiced/banners.html for help.
5. Call the police if you see or hear any violence in progress.
6. Talk to your friends, neighbors, and family members when they belittle women, make a joke about violence, or ignore a battered woman.
7. Contact your student government about conducting a safety audit of your school and instituting a violence-free program for your school.
8. Write the music producers, movie companies, Internet businesses, video game producers, and TV stations to speak out about violence against women. Use www.fvptf.org/celebrity/dvontv.html for help.
9. Build a general agreement among your classmates and friends that abusive behavior and language is not OK and will not be tolerated.
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BY SHAUNA
BROADDUS
EDITOR IN CHIEF

I would just like to let everyone know that *The Little Harvester* staff does everything in their power to make the very best newspaper possible.

We receive complaints yearly with every issue. Some things never change. And I appreciate comments, good and bad, because this means you are reading our paper. Besides, this is something that makes us want to prove ourselves to everyone. Still I think that our paper has come a long way and is better than other high school papers that I have seen.

This last issue we personally received one letter to the editor regarding our typos and mistakes and I would like to respond to it. For every issue we have eight different deadlines

and it takes us three weeks to fit all these deadlines in and do the very best we can with them. Plus, we don't have the luxury of spending all day on the paper. We get one hour at the most each day.

According to Ms. Gregory, it only takes a few minutes to proofread, and it may take that long to check one story, but we have at least 15 stories to proofread and even after we proofread them there will still be mistakes in here because we are human.

On top of that, we are a high school publications department with a newspaper staff of 10 and I'm pretty sure that in high school, and even in college, there are very few people that turn in an English paper and get it back without any red marks on it.

One of our many deadlines is called production Saturday, which is where we work on laying out our paper on the Saturday before our final printing press deadline. We work from 10 in the morning until 10 at night. After 10 people look at a

12 page paper for 12 hours, everything starts to look the same and fewer mistakes are seen. And believe it or not, most of us do use spell check, although it doesn't always catch everything.

Nobody is perfect and because of this we will probably always have mistakes in our paper. Right now this is a learning experience and I think that as long as we are learning, everyone else should learn something too. I believe people need to learn how to look past all the mistakes and see how much we have learned from writing the stories. I would also like everyone to read the stories for what they are and not to dwell on how many spelling, grammar or punctuation mistakes there are.

Yes, we are a newspaper and I understand how important good grammar is to our credibility as journalists. And yes, I understand that our paper isn't the very best it could possibly be, but we try and I wish that people out there would take the time to look at things from our point of view.

In addition, I would like to take this time to address a letter written in the Sept. 24 issue of the Pampa News

regarding *The Little Harvester* staff reporter Tim Williams's column entitled "Driving, Old Ladies, Onions..."

He is a teen-ager, and we are a generation with very little patience. He wasn't writing out of disrespect, it was just random griping. Everyone likes to complain, his just gets published.

It may have seemed disrespectful, but in all due respect, you old ladies gripe about teen-agers just as much as we complain about them.

Tim wasn't saying that the old ladies groceries weren't as important as his milk, he was just saying that he was in a hurry and most old ladies don't have as much energy as teen-agers do and it takes longer for them to do a simple task like going shopping.

I'm not saying that the elderly aren't as important as we are because they are. All I'm saying is that we all like to find things wrong with other people. Honestly, it doesn't matter what your age, it all still seems disrespectful to the people it is directed to, but we do it in good fun.

Who's going out with who?

Judy complains about gossip

by Judy Pepi
Design Editor

People these days cannot have guy friends without someone or everyone thinking you are dating, talking, or messing around.

That irritates me. People just need to mind their own business.

If I want to tell you who I am talking to I will. Otherwise, stay out of my business.

I cannot walk down the hall with a guy in between class, because before I even get to my class people are already asking stupid questions.

I think gossip is the biggest problem in Pampa.

If a person is misinformed about someone else

that person goes and tells the whole world and that is when it turns into a rumor.

Another thing I am tired of is people always asking me about other people's business.

If you want to know ask them.

I understand people gossip because they do not have anything else to do.

Individuals like that need to get on with their lives or just plain start one.

I am not saying I do not inform myself of what's going on around me.

I am just saying I do not go around like a hungry beaver wanting to know everyone's personal life.

In the morning, I stand and hear the girls that stand near me say, "I have major gossip."

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Trash cans: Why can't people put their trash where it belongs?

By TIM WILLIAMS
DIGITAL EDITOR

I know my truck isn't the newest at school, or even the best looking, but I worked hard to get it. I would like to take care of it. Unfortunately, some students do not care if it is taken care of.

You see, every once and a while I will get home and notice a passenger in the bed of my truck. That passenger is trash. It would be okay if I put it there, but guess what, it wasn't me.

That's right, someone keeps on putting their trash in the bed of my truck. Apparently they feel that the weight of a half empty coke can is more than they can

stand. So what do they do? Throw it in the bed of someone's truck. If the weight truly is a problem, then that person is what I would call weak, very weak.

I don't notice the unwanted passenger usually until I get home, which usually means the half empty coke is spilled all over the bed of my truck.

When I thought about who could have done it, I came up with the conclusion that it was not

someone who owns a truck. They too have probably felt the sorrow of a sticky truck bed before. So, it either had to be someone with a car or a bike. Since there are no bike racks at the school, I then eliminated one of the two. So that, for the most part, left me with car owners and their passengers.

Let me ask all those who own a car something. Do you want to find a coke spilled all over the hood of your car? Do you want to have to go to the car wash to get ketchup smears off your windshield?

hidden from anyone. We feel like like we should have been told out of common courtesy. Telling us is just the right thing to do. Also Kendall said that the reason for the cameras is a safety precaution because of all the thefts this summer. We think that the crime would have declined considerably if people would have known that they are being watched all the time. Whether it is out of common courtesy, or to avoid an invasion of privacy, our authorities should have told us about the cameras because the cameras have changed our lives, even if it is a slight change, without any warning.

"Do you want to find a coke spilled all over the hood of your car? Do you want to have to go to the car wash to get ketchup smears off your windshield?"

I didn't think so. But if I find the person that keeps leaving the trash in my truck, and they own a car, this fate awaits them.

However, they could choose another option if they do not want to make trips to the car wash daily.

You see, these people have clearly stated that they feel they own the bed of my truck. If they didn't, they wouldn't put their trash there. I can safely say the bed of my truck is at least half the total length of my truck. So, when they start paying half of my truck payment, I will be more than happy to allow them to do this.

It's scary that the future of America can't even properly throw their trash away. All I can say is if this is the future of America, I'm moving to Canada.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

The new surveillance cameras in general do not make us mad. They are not going to harm us; they will only help us. We do think the authorities should have told everyone.

There are not that many people that know about the cameras. The reason for this, according to Principal John Kendall, is be-

cause the cameras aren't being put up in classrooms so there wasn't a reason to tell everyone.

Actually, the teachers and the student body should have been notified, because some people don't want other people watching them pick their nose while walking down the hall. It is also like your mom going through your drawer and seeing everything you have. It is an invasion of privacy.

The cameras are no big secret, they weren't meant to be

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I recently had the opportunity to read the Volume 52, Issue 1, dated Friday, September 2000, of the *Little Harvester*. I thoroughly enjoyed the selection of topics selected.

As a graduate of Pampa High School, I have just relocated back to Pampa after 31 years of being away, of course, we were not fortunate enough to have such a representation of the students and their views back then.

I would like to make a suggestion to you if I may. Journalism is most effective when it has been carefully proofed and revised for errors in grammar and punctuation. I found it disconcerting to see so many misspelled words and poor sentence structure, along with the lack of punctuation at the end of sentences, etc. It only takes a few extra minutes to spell check and

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These are suggestions I hope you will find made in good taste to help improve your wonderful publications.

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Ready, set, fight: students discuss problems behind fighting

BY TESS KINGCADE
STAFF REPORTER

An adrenaline rush runs over you. You start pouring sweat. Everyone swarms in a big circle around you. Yelling, screaming, everywhere. Although there may be some question as to who started the fight and who hit who where, the underlying question continues to be why the fighting began in the first place.

"Because they were talking smack," junior Cody Gardner said.

Talking "smack" seems to be the big reason most teen-agers gave for fighting these days. Bitter words are exchanged and the fight begins. But another reason students said, is the pressure they feel by their peers.

"Friends will joke about it and keep on till you do actually fight," junior Jose Alfaro said.

One student said

"Fighting is not always good because you could hurt yourself, but it sure is fun," Shorter said.

fighting doesn't necessarily accomplish anything, but does make some people think before doing it again.

"You fight, you get it over with and hopefully they wouldn't ever want to fight ever

again," junior Abel Shorter said.

Students said that fighting does not make things better or worse, while others say fighting gets right down to the point and ends things fast. Some students just enjoy fighting, they said, because fighting feels like a sport.

"I like to fight it gives me a good rush; it lets me get out all the anger I have in me," Alfaro said.

Before and after a fight is when most emotions start coming out. Some said they feel hurt, some feel scared, while others said they feel like they are on a natural high.

"Before I fight I feel so pumped and after it I feel even

more pumped up," Shorter said.

Last year there were 10 fights and 25 assaults reported on campus. According to campus officer Colby Brown, assaults are when a person hits another person and the other person does not hit back.

"People are fighting over the same reasons they fought over in kindergarten," Brown said.

Most fights are caused by peers or because of uncalled "trash talk," he said.

"We were driving down the road and some people flipped us off and we go out and started beating them up," Gardner said.

Talking things out is another option. But trying to talk things out does not always work. This is what sometimes leads to the trash talk and then that's when fights begin to brew.

"Talking things out is okay, but you never know when

they might try to cheap shot you in the jaw," Alfaro said.

There are many consequences for fighting at school. The first time someone fights they get arrested and a \$250 fine in addition to six months school probation.

"Ninety percent of the kids here are fine, and it's those 10 percent who are changing the rules and fighting at school," Brown said.

Brown stated fighting is caused by many problems and peers have a lot to do with it, he said. Friends try to get friends to fight, gossip gets started about someone and it spreads. In the end he said, no one really has a good reason what they fought over.

"Fighting is not always good because you could hurt yourself, but it sure is fun," Shorter said.

Faithfulness exceptional quality in teen-age relationships

BY DUSTIN DURRETT
CIRCULATION EDITOR

Guys cheating on girls. Girls cheating on guys. Unfortunately, cheating is what some relationships are all about. From long distance relationship problems to careless thinking, students provided many different reasons as to why they cheat.

Some students cheat on their boyfriends and girlfriends

because they are kept apart from each other for awhile, like when away on vacation or other reasons.

"I cheated on my ex-girlfriend with another girl I met on a cruise, and it just happened because I was a distance away from her," junior David Phillips said.

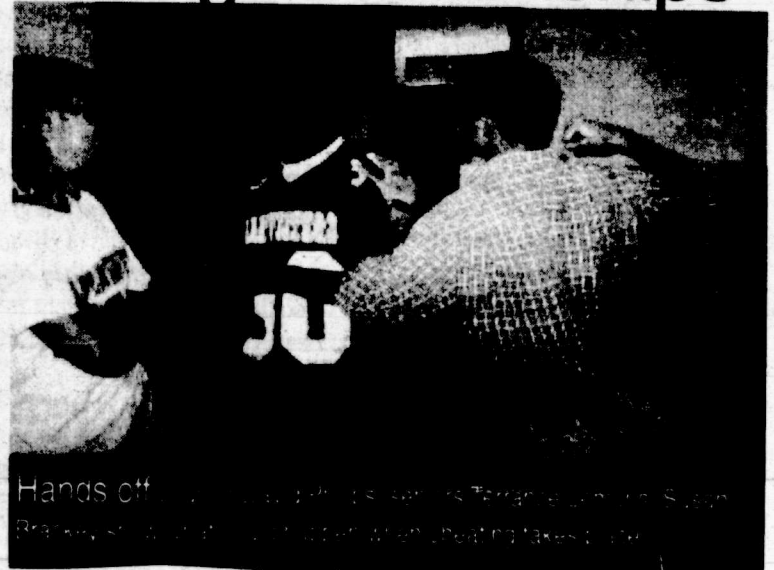
In other cases, the reason behind it is because it just happens.

"On a trip that I never got to go on with my girlfriend and two

of her friends. They met three guys and from then on every weekend for a couple of months, they were spending it with the three guys in Borger," senior Justin Leos said.

Many students have different opinions on cheating.

"I don't think it is fair for either one of the them, because one could really be trying hard to make the relationship work and then all of a sudden the other one turns around and cheats on them," junior Stephen



Hands off... [Caption text is partially obscured and difficult to read]

Pierce said.

Students who have been cheated on said, it can hurt the other's feelings, and cause them to stereotype members of the opposite sex.

"It makes you not want to trust guys, when it happened to me, I cried," junior Stephanie Gattis said.

Some students just go out with people for no reason; there are no feelings behind it.

It's all about just having to be with someone.

"I cheated on him because, I didn't really like him and I just went out with him because I felt sorry for him," freshman Neisha Rodgers said.

Some students said that

not all relationships are based upon lies and deceit. Some relationships are based upon trusting one another.

"I have never cheated or been cheated on before, senior Breck Hoggatt said," I have only dated one girl my whole high school career."

Even though many relationships do not work out, there are those few who really make it work and worth while.

"Work makes a relationship work," Counselor Dale Ammons said, "A lasting relationship depends on both parties compromising because you can't have your way all the time."

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Gary Utsey sets his sights on stardom

BY ANGELA PHILLIPS
PHOTO EDITOR

Many people don't know Gary Utsey, but this young singer is making his dreams come true. Fourteen-year-old Gary Utsey sings a little bit of rock but mostly rock-country.

"Pop rock," Utsey said, is his favorite kind of music because, "my voice fits it better and I'm used to it."

Utsey said pop rock is easier to write songs for him.

Utsey was eight when he started singing.

"I started singing in local ar-

reas and I got an agent who helps me get jobs," Utsey said.

Gary has also been in contests.

Gary's agent is Shirle Anderson and his manager is Nancy Utsey, who just so happens to be his mom.

"My manager's always there to make sure everything is running smoothly," Utsey said.

With his mom as manager, Gary said they spend plenty of time together. Gary's mom started singing when she was 20-years-old.

"We sing duets together,"

Utsey said.



Gary Utsey

Utsey said he has met famous stars and he has also had the opportunity to star in a movie.

"I starred in a movie with Patrick Swazey called *Waking Up In Rhino*," Utsey said.

Utsey said that most of all, he likes getting to meet big stars and opening up for performers like Kenny Chesney.

But things haven't always been very good according to Utsey. Utsey said the thing he dislikes the most is getting turned down by agents.

"It's a hard business to get into but you've got to keep trying," he said.

Although Utsey may have

a show to do, there is also school work that has to be done.

"There have been a couple of times where I have gotten home late, but it doesn't affect my school work," Utsey said.

Some people refer to Utsey as the Nashville boy, but no one knew if he had ever been to Nashville.

"Yes, I was in a big contest about a half year ago. I'm going back at the end of the year," he said.

Although Utsey hasn't gotten a record deal yet, he said he's going to stay at it even after he graduates.

"It's my dream," he said.

Smoking hard habit to kick Teen-agers discover downfalls of smoking

BY TIM WILLIAMS
DIGITAL EDITOR

Some say quitting is the easy way out. But when it comes to smoking, quitting is one of the hardest paths to take.

"The more I keep smoking, the harder it is for me to quit," senior Luis

Solis said.

Smoking is hard to quit according to experts, because it contains a drug called nicotine.

"Young people can be addicted in less than a week," school nurse Karen Weeks said.

In addition to becoming ad-

dicted, school officials said that smoking can lead to other drugs.

"It is a gateway drug," Officer Colby Brown said.

Even if the use of tobacco does not graduate into other drug use, smoking can be harmful by itself, according to Weeks.

"Tobacco kills you. It does nothing good for you," Weeks said.

Some teens realize the danger but still cannot quit.

"Sometimes when I think about it, it bothers me that I have no con-

trol over it," Solis said.

Other students who do not smoke said they find smoking unappealing.

"I think it is very unattractive and I feel sorry for those who do smoke because it is hard to quit," Maegan Dyer

said.

Another aspect of smoking is the cost.

"Before you smoke your first cigarette, think of how much you are going to spend a year buying them. Smoking is expensive," Solis said.

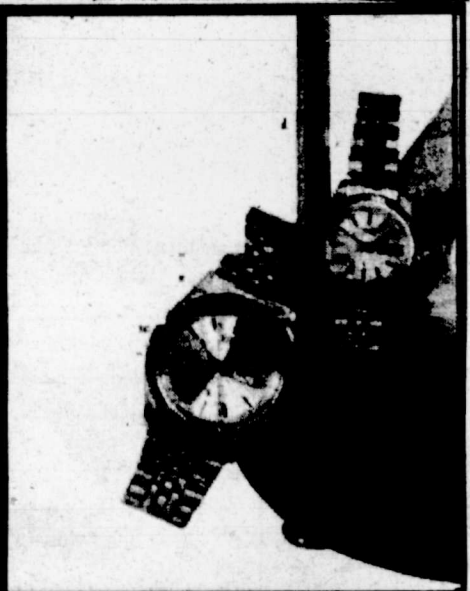
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Football team digs up time capsule

BY TESS KINGCADE
STAFF REPORTER

Football players both now and in the past were united in spirit weeks ago. Head Football Coach Dennis Cavalier decided to dig up a time capsule he buried 12 years ago at the beginning of his Pampa coaching career.

I thought it was cool to see what the past teams left for the future teams," senior Tony Beck said.

"The intent of the capsule was to instill a motivation to improve the level of play and to build a legacy for other teams to follow," Assistant Coach Andy Cavalier said.

As a way of motivating his players, Dennis Cavalier promised the 2000-2001 team he would dig up the capsule if the boys won their game against the Amarillo Sandies after 13 years of losing to their rival. And as a result of the team's victory, Dennis Cavalier kept his promise.

"We feel privileged because Coach Cav felt like we deserved to dig up the capsule after it was buried for 12 years," senior Jeff Warren said.

After spending about a half hour digging, Cavalier and his team unearthed a box containing symbolic trinkets such as pennies, nickels, a hat and a horse figurine - all items which held special meaning to the 1988 team.

"I thought it was cool to see what the past teams left for the future teams," senior Tony Beck said.

The varsity football team said they feel like they have accomplished something very important, and are very proud.

After this season the varsity will bury a new capsule, and set a new goal for the new teams in the future.

"I really do not think our football team has reached its peak, but rather the level that the football team of 1988 was challenged with. There will be a new capsule buried and a new challenge will be issued," Dennis Cavalier said.



A moment from the past:
(above) Senior Jeff Warren shows his enthusiasm for the team's time capsule by displaying one of the first pieces of dirt dug from the time capsule's grave in at the football field.

(left) Assistant football Coach Heath Parker surrounded by fellow team members during the ceremony.

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Pampa Homecoming Harvesters win another

BY RICHARD ANDERSON
FOR THE LITTLE HARVESTER

The fans were screaming in the stands as the Harvesters ran onto the home field to battle the Palo Duro Dons Fri., Sept. 29, 2000.

The excitement had been building in everyone all week and now the moment of truth had finally arrived. Who would arise victorious?

The game started with the coin toss going to the Dons. Early in the game, things started to look bad for the Harvesters when they fumbled the ball and the Dons recovered it in Harvester territory. The Dons could not finish the job and had to settle for a field goal.

Penalties were being called left and right on both teams during the game by the referees who were keeping an eagle eye on the players.

Suddenly, with a huge drive from the Harvester offensive line, the first Homecoming 2000 touchdown was scored.

It started to look grim for the Dons as time and time again they tried to score, only to be pushed back with brute force by the Harvester defense. The crunching of pads could be heard every time the two teams collided.

Finally, halftime arrived with the Harvesters in the lead 14-3. The Harvester fans erupted with support for the team as the band marched out on

the field sporting new uniforms and playing renditions from Earth, Wind, and Fire. Next came a performance from the color guard.

Halftime was over and the players ran back onto the field for the final showdown. The Dons started the second half off strong, driving the ball into Harvester territory, but it was hard going against the Harvester defensive line.

Then, in the last quarter, the Dons scored their first and last touchdown of the game. The Dons tried to score again, but it was of no avail. The clock hit zero and the Harvesters won 27-9.