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Albertsons supermarket in Pampa to shut down

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

The Albertsons supermarket in Pampa is one of 30 marked as unprofitable and slated to be closed in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. An unspecified number of stores in other parts of the country are also to be closed, according to a story from the Dallas Morning News' Web site.

Steve Stockton, store director of the Pampa Albertsons, confirmed this morning that the Pampa store would be one of those closed. "We heard yesterday," he said concerning the closure.

"Not exactly, no," Stockton said when asked if he knew when the Pampa store would close.

The 75 local Albertsons employees may transfer to other stores in the chain if they wish, Stockton said.



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Pampa's Albertsons store to close.

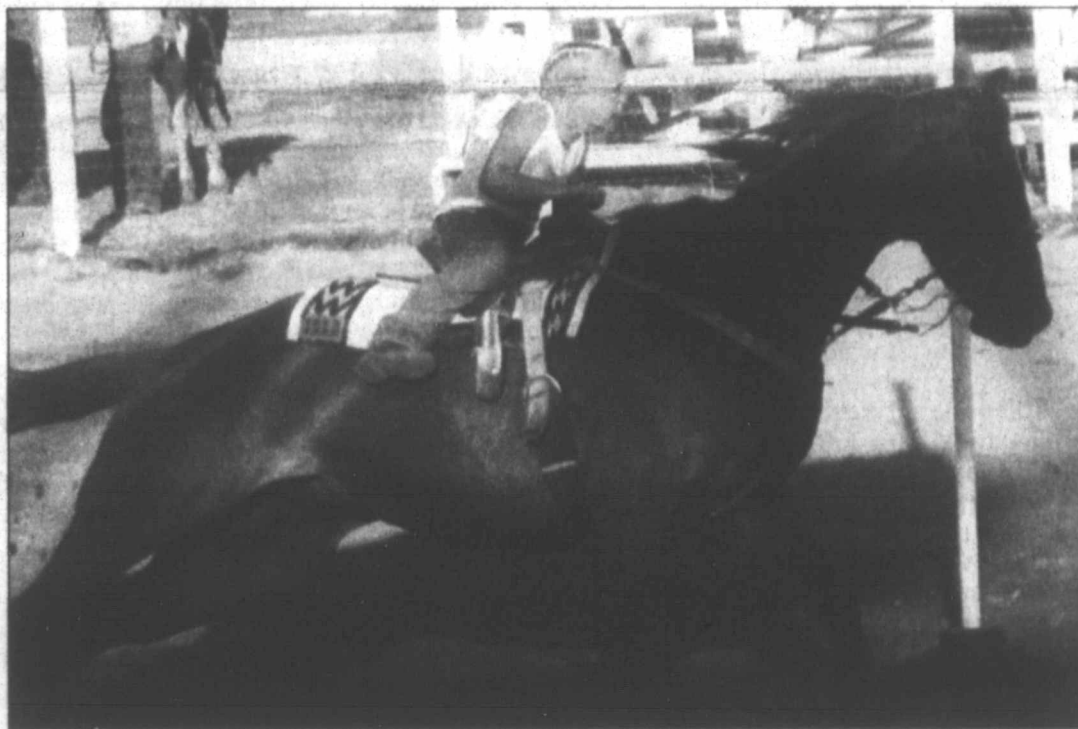
"They always have that opportunity," he said. Most of the stores in the Dallas-Fort Worth area

which are slated for closure are in direct competition with Wal-Mart Supercenters, according to the Dallas

Morning News. Albertsons Inc. had sold Jan. 23 to an investment group with approval by the

boards of all companies involved. Shareholders approved the deal last week.

Heading home



Pampa News photo by AARON PEPPER

Rilee Didway turns for the home stretch during her run in the Girls Group III Pole Bending competition. Rilee failed to place in this event, but took a first place in the barrel race and third places in flag race and goat undecorating events. Complete results are listed on page 9.

Autopsy: Woman overdosed

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Final autopsy results on a woman who was brought to Pampa Regional Medical Center Feb. 22 in the cab of a semitrailer show alcohol and cocaine intoxication at the time of death, according to Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Kurt Curfman.

"There was no foul play, and no trauma of any kind," Curfman said of the autopsy results received this week from the Lubbock medical examiner's office where the autopsy was performed.

"It's not a natural death, and not a homicide. I will list it as undetermined," Curfman said of the cause of death.

Vicki Lynne Willis, also known as Vicki Lynne Long, 37, was taken to PRMC during the noon hour Feb. 22 by Jesus Antonio Cantu, 54, of Houston in a semitrailer rig he was driving after he said he could not awaken her, according to information from Gray County Sheriff's Office.

Willis had been a passenger in the truck

and had been asleep in the sleeper portion of the cab while Cantu made a delivery in Pampa. Originally of Hattiesburg, Miss., Willis' last known address was in Germantown, Tenn.

She was pronounced dead at PRMC at 12:29 p.m., and the incident was reported as an unattended death.

Cantu was making a delivery in Pampa from an unknown starting point somewhere south at the time of the incident, according to GCSO Lt. Joe B. Hoard. The trailer of the rig was empty at the time Willis was taken to the hospital; Cantu had already made the delivery, Hoard said.

B & B Transportation of Houston was Cantu's employer and the owner of the truck, which was impounded for a period of time during investigation of the woman's death.

During questioning of Cantu, it was determined that the Immigration and

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Relay for Life team meeting Thursday

The American Cancer Society Gray County Relay For Life is scheduled June 23 and 24.

A Team Captain meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday to organize teams and activities, according to Pam Dalton, President of the American Cancer Society's Gray County Unit. The meeting will be at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, south entrance.

"Anyone signed up for a team or those interested in having a team are invited to attend," Dalton said.

The Relay for Life is an all-night "celebration of

life" event honoring survivors and remembering loved ones lost to cancer.

"Former and current cancer patients, their families, businesses, civic organizations, and the public are invited to take part in this team event," Dalton said.

Relay For Life is a family-oriented event where participants enjoy the camaraderie of a team and also raise funds to support the activities of the American Cancer Society.

"Participants camp out at the Relay site and when they are not taking their turn

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Getting ready to burn

Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Mike McComas, left, of High Plains Cruisers and City of Pampa employee Clay Hubbard use a power trowel to smooth freshly-poured concrete donated by the city for the annual Burnin' the Bricks in June weekend. See story on page 3.

Advertisement for the 7th Annual Business Expo on Saturday June 24 at 9:00 AM at MK Brown Auditorium.

Obituaries

Services tomorrow

SOUTHERN, Edna Violet — 10 a.m., Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ, Pampa.

Greenspan: Adverse impact of high oil prices showing

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Wednesday that while the country has been able to absorb sharp increases in oil prices, high energy costs are beginning to stunt economic growth.

But he also said sharply higher oil prices have not produced any "serious erosion" of world economic activity.

"The United States, especially, has been able to absorb the huge implicit tax of rising oil prices so far," Greenspan told a Senate hearing. It was his first appearance before Congress since leaving the Federal Reserve in January.

He added, "recent data indicate we may finally be experiencing some impact."

Greenspan said high oil prices, exceeding \$70 a barrel and pushing gasoline costs beyond \$3 a gallon in many areas, are due to a sharp decline in spare global oil production capacity, refinery shortages and, to some extent, market speculation.

But he said market speculators also have

been able "to hasten the adjustment" to higher prices and eased the shock to the economy.

American business "to date has largely succeeded in finding productivity improvements that have contained energy costs." But he said consumers "are struggling with rising gasoline prices."

Greenspan said with limits on U.S. oil reserves "we are not going to be a price setter in oil anywhere in the foreseeable future" unless there is a significant reduction in demand.

"We're out of the market essentially as a very critical player with respect to price," Greenspan told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

He said "current oil prices over time should lower to some extent our worrisome dependence on petroleum" with the development of alternative fuels and broader use of electric-hybrid cars. This "would help to wean us of our petroleum dependence," Greenspan said.

Edna Violet Southern, 92

Edna Violet Southern, 92, of Pampa, Texas, died June 5, 2006, at Pampa. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 8, 2006, at Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ with Glen Walton, minister of Bell Avenue Church of Christ of Amarillo, and Rodney Tedford, minister of Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Southern was born Feb. 2, 1914, in Muldrow, Okla. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1936. She married Morrison Prescott on March 31, 1931, and they were married for 19 years.

She later married Noel Southern on March 19, 1966. He preceded her in death on Feb. 3, 1998.

She owned and operated the Bobbett Hair Salon, retiring in 1976 after 22 years of service. She was a member of the Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

She was an avid china painter and quilt maker.

Survivors include one daughter, Mary Lou

Winegeart of Pampa; one stepgranddaughter, Peggy Greb of Lawton, Okla.; three sisters, Gladys McCutchen and Faye Cooper, both of Amarillo, and Ruby Williams; one brother, Morris Belote of Longview; three grandchildren, Sabrina East and David Winegeart, both of Pampa, and John Winegeart of Lubbock; eight great-grandchildren, Jason Winegeart of Amarillo, Kylie Winegeart, Kaitlin Winegeart, Kassidy Winegeart, Jon East, Brittin East and McKinsie East, all of Pampa, and Jamie Leigh Winegeart of Lubbock; one great-great-granddaughter, Bailey Winegeart of Amarillo; and two stepgrandchildren, Dana Cooper of Dallas and Tom Trimpa of Lawton, Okla.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Vernon Belote, Ernest Belote and L.D. Belote; and three sisters, Melba Bruce, Martha Spires and Helen Been.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6-7 p.m. Wednesday, June 7, 2006.

Memorials: Odyssey HealthCare, 6900 I-40 West, Suite 150, Amarillo, TX 79016.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.



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Gray County Weather

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high around 93. Southeast wind around 10 mph.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 68. South-southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high around 98. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Thursday Night: Clear, with a low near 70. South wind between 15 and 20 mph.

Friday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 98. South-southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 70. South-southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph.

Saturday: Partly cloudy and hot, with a high around 98. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. South-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday: Partly cloudy and hot, with a high near 97. West-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low near 65.

Monday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 94.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 66.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny and windy, with a high near 94.

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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

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

Four traffic stops were made, resulting in at least one arrest.

Traffic complaints were received from the 100 block of West 30th, the intersection of Browning and Sloan streets and the intersection of 19th and Fir streets.

Animal complaints were received from the 1000 block of Charles, the 200 block of North Russell, the 400 block of North Hobart and the intersection of 25th and Fir streets.

Found property was reported in the 300 block of South Gray and the intersection of Mora and Dogwood streets, where a bicycle was found.

Lost property was reported in the 1800 block of North Wells. Personal checks and a debit card were lost.

A runaway and an assault were reported in the 600 block of Doucette.

A welfare check was made in the 100 block of South Russell.

Civil matters were reported in the police department lobby and the 2400 block of Christine.

Violation of a court order was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in the 900 block of East Malone.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 700 block of East Malone, the 900 block of South Wells and twice in the 900 block of East Malone.

A suspicious person call was received from the 1300 block of East Kingsmill.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the 2500 block of Charles.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1300 block of East Kingsmill.

Domestic violence and assault were reported in the 300 block of Roberta.

Assault was reported in the 1200 block of East Foster.

Identity theft was reported in the police department lobby.

Theft was reported in the 400 block of North Faulkner. A bicycle valued at \$25 was taken.

Theft was reported in the 800 block of East Craven.

Burglary of a habitation was reported

in the 300 block of Anne. One window was scratched and another was broken. Taken were four \$50 bills, one \$10 bill, two \$1 bills, a ball peen hammer, a piece of gray brick and a wooden T-ball bat, for a total estimated damage and loss of \$962.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 100 block of North Sumner.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today.

Tuesday, June 6

Kimberly Barnes, 28, of Pampa was arrested in the 1000 block of North Hobart by Pampa Police Department on a capias pro fine for no seat belt.

Wednesday, June 7

Steve Cory Gardner, 20, of Pampa was arrested in the 1300 block of East Kingsmill by PPD for public intoxication.

Fire

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

Tuesday, June 6

9:23 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to Central Park on a Dumpster fire.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, June 6

9:02 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of West 25th and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

10:58 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 11000 block of FM 750 and transported a patient to PRMC.

12:16 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of South Banks and transported a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of White Deer:

Wheat	4.29
Milo	3.48
Corn	4.37
Soybeans	4.76

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

OXY	95.86	-1.93
BP PLC ADR	69.48	-0.58
Cabot Corp	33.33	-0.21
Celanese	19.60	-0.28
Cabot Oil Gas	42.22	-0.91
Coca Cola	43.54	+0.04
VLO	59.99	-0.86
HAL	72.80	-0.58
TRI	40.87	+0.82
KML	100.63	-0.13
XCEL	18.76	-0.09
Kerr McGee	106.09	-1.52
XOM	60.05	-0.35
Nat'l Oilwell	65.12	-0.96
Limited	26.69	+0.42
Williams	21.79	-0.37
MCD	33.55	+0.24
Atmos	26.82	+0.04
Pioneer Nat	39.48	-0.30
JCP	65.93	+0.71
COP	61.20	-0.70
SLB	62.85	-1.11
Tenneco	24.20	-0.03
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COP CORNER

Targeting abandoned vehicles

Here comes the second installment on the old car situation in Pampa. My question this week is "Do you have a junk vehicle on private property?"

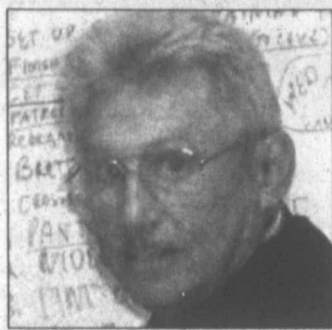
When Officer Brown takes care of the junked vehicles parked on the street, he will start on those that are on private property. He has already started, a little bit, because there are a couple of places that needed immediate attention.

Notices to these property owners have already gone out and court dates are set. Once again Officer Brown will seek the property owner's cooperation in taking care of the vehicles.

Junk vehicles on private property offer a different set of circumstances, according to State Law and City Ordinance. They still present the same community concerns as vehicles on the street, but the owners have some other options of how to take care of the problem.

Once again though, if forced to, we will abate the nuisance with the tools we are granted. I want to stress that vehicles, classified as junked vehicles, can be legally kept on private property such as a wrecker service or a salvage business.

There are other legal means, fearing I might misstate the law I am going to leave it to you, the property owner, to find out if you are



Courtney

in violation or if you are legal. The place to look is the City of Pampa website at www.cityofpampa.org.

On the menu on the left of the page move the cursor over the words "City Government." A menu box will appear. Click on "Pampa City Codes." This will bring you to a page with the heading "Franklin Legal Publishing."

On the left side there will be a menu that has the word "Pampa" with a plus sign in a box. Click on the plus sign and the list of city ordinances is displayed. Click on Chapter 8 and then on Article 8.03 "Abandoned and Junked Vehicles." If you are still not sure, then call Officer Brown at 669-5700. He will be happy to assist.

I hope everyone with join with the Police Department on this issue. There can only be positive outcomes from making Pampa a better place to live.

Cop Corner is provided by Pampa Police Department and Lt. Fred Courtney.

Relay

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walking or running, they take part in fun activities and enjoy local entertainment," Dalton said.

Teams from companies, churches, organizations,

hospitals, and schools collect donations and can win a prize for their efforts.

To be involved on the 2006 Relay For Life contact Pam Dalton at 665-0356.

For more information on cancer, call the American Cancer Society's 24-hour hot line at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit the Web site www.cancer.org.

Autopsy

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Naturalization Service wished to have him detained.

"He had a resident alien card. We ran it, and they placed a hold on it," Hoard said.

Cantu was detained Feb. 22 for the INS and transferred to one of their faci-

ties on Feb. 23, according to Gray County Jail records.

Cantu and Willis had been common-law husband and wife, Curfman said in an interview Feb. 24.

Willis' medical history and toxicology screens showed that she was dehydrated at the time of death. She was also suffering from epilepsy, with seizures in the past but under control at the time of death, Curfman said.

Sex offender held in slaying

DANDRIDGE, Tenn. (AP) — A registered sex offender suspected of strangling a Clemson University student with her bikini was headed back to South Carolina to face charges Wednesday, and authorities said he is suspected in at least two other sexual assaults.

Jerry Buck Inman has been talking to investigators since his arrest late Tuesday near his parents' home in Dandridge, Jefferson County Sheriff David Davenport said.

"It seems like he was just wandering around, finding vulnerable people — women — and preying on them and

conducting sexual assaults and getting progressively worse," Davenport said. "This may be just the tip of the iceberg."

Inman, 35, was arrested on warrants for murder, rape and kidnapping in the death of Tiffany Marie Souers. DNA from her South Carolina apartment led authorities to Inman.

"He didn't know the victim," Davenport said Wednesday. "It is our information he was driving around in the (victim's) neighborhood and saw her and he liked her looks."

Davenport said he expects Inman will also be charged with an attempted rape.

Senate rejects gay marriage amendment

By LAURIE KELLMAN

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate on Wednesday rejected a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriage, dealing a defeat to President Bush and Republicans who hoped to use the measure to energize conservative voters on Election Day.

Supporters knew they wouldn't achieve the two-thirds vote needed to approve a constitutional amendment, but they had predicted a majority of votes. Instead, they fell one short, 49-48.

That was one vote more than they got last time the Senate voted on the matter, in 2004.

"We were hoping to get over 50 percent, but that didn't happen today," said Sen. David Vitter, R-La., one of the amendment's supporters. "Eventually, Congress is going to have to catch up to the wisdom of the American people or the American people will change Congress for the better."

"We're not going to stop until marriage between a man and a woman is protected," said Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan.

Wednesday's vote fell 11 short of the 60 required to send the matter for an up-or-down tally in the Senate. The 2004 vote was 48-50.

Supporters lost three key "yes" votes. Two Republicans changed their votes from yes in 2004 to no this time: Sens. Judd Gregg of New Hampshire and Arlen

Specter of Pennsylvania. The third was Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., who did not vote this time because he was traveling with Bush.

All told, seven Republicans voted to kill the amendment. The four others were Sens. Lincoln Chafee of Rhode Island, Susan Collins of Maine, John McCain of Arizona, Olympia Snowe of Maine and John Sununu of New Hampshire.

Gregg said that in 2004, he believed the Massachusetts Supreme Court decision legalizing same-sex marriage in that state would undermine the prerogatives of other states, like his, to prohibit such unions.

"Fortunately, such legal pandemonium has not ensued," Gregg said in a statement. "The past two years have shown that federalism, not more federal laws, is a viable and preferable approach."

A majority of Americans define marriage as a union of a man and a woman, as the proposed amendment does, according to a poll out this week by ABC News. But an equal majority opposes amending the Constitution on this issue, the poll found.

"Most Americans are not yet convinced that their elected representatives or the judiciary are likely to expand decisively the definition of marriage to include same-sex couples," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a possible presidential candidate in 2008. He told the Senate on Tuesday he does not support the amendment.

The tally Wednesday put the ban 18 votes short of the 67 needed for the Senate to approve a constitutional amendment.

Republicans had hoped for a better showing given their four-seat gain in the Senate after the 2004 election, with supporters predicting more than 50 votes in

favor of sending the measure for an up-or-down vote, called cloture.

Asked whether Bush could have done more than voicing his support for the measure in recent days, Brownback replied, "He could have done more, but he doesn't have a vote in this one."

Sen. Wayne Allard, R-Colo., acknowledged supporters of the amendment never were sure how the votes would fall Wednesday.

"We have never really, I don't think, got a real hard grip on the cloture vote," Allard told reporters. "Since the last election we had, we figured we would know where everybody was."

But the defeat is by no means the amendment's last stand, said its supporters.

"I do not believe the sponsors are going to fall back and cry about it," said Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah.

"I think they are going to keep bringing it up."

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New concrete pad poured for Burnin' the Bricks

This weekend's Burnin' the Bricks competition will see the use of a new concrete pad this year.

The concrete pad, at Recreation Park, will be used for the burn out competition, in which entrants vie to see who can create the most smoke and noise by spinning their rear wheels without moving forward.

The burn out contest begins at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Other events include a car show Saturday at the park, with judging from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; a cruise along

Pampa's old drag from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday; a dance from 9 p.m. Saturday to 1 a.m. Sunday at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion; and quarter-mile drag races beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday at Perry LeFors Airport.

For more information, call Denver Bruner at 665-8783 or e-mail ddbruner@sbcglobal.net. Information is also available from the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, 669-3241 or on their Web site at www.coc.pampa.com.

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Citizens Against Crime to meet Thursday night

Citizens Against Crime will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Lovett Memorial Library.

The group last met on May 4. The meetings are free and open to the public.

"Anyone with concerns or worries about what's going on in the city can voice their opinions," said Derrell McCathern, an organizer of the group.

For more information, call 665-8659 or 662-2405.

Viewpoints

Gas price issues is a twofer for President Bush

All of Washington is asking the same question these days: Can President Bush improve his ratings while we continue to suffer daily combat losses in Iraq? The results of the latest Fox News/Opinion Dynamics survey answer the question with a resounding — if hard to believe — “yes.”

Asked to describe in their own words what issues they most hear people talking about, 29 percent mentioned gas prices, 13 percent cited Iraq, and only 9 percent reported hearing about immigration around the water cooler or the kitchen table.

As incredible — and almost

sacrilegious — as it seems, Iraq has faded as the dominant political issue even though we are still losing 50 to 60 good young men and women there every month.

And — even after a prime-time speech and a solid week of congressional action on the subject — immigration runs a distant third to pump prices as the major topic of conversation these days.

In fact, even though polls show approval of Bush's recent speech, the survey reports that the president's approval rating dropped another three points to 35 percent. Soon it will be as Elton John said: too low for zero.

The growth of the gas-price issue presents Bush with an incredible opportunity to change the subject of our political debate from a problem he can't solve before the 2006 elections — Iraq — to one he can begin to solve — gas prices.

The danger for Bush, of course, is that he is an oilman. And a Texas oilman at that. Republican and Democratic populists alike reject the idea that the imbalance of supply and demand is driving up gas prices and

report instead that they see a conspiracy of oil company executives at work. So long as he seems still an oilman, they see Bush as part of the problem, not part of the solution.



Dick Morris
Columnist

And they have a point. With oil stockpiles at near record levels, the oil futures market seems to be irrationally betting on higher and higher prices, driving the costs ever upward.

There is a very good chance that the market will come back to reality and that

prices will settle down again, regardless of long-term changes in demand or supply. But Bush must get on top of the issue — particularly if there is a chance to show progress before November, 2006, he must stake out his program so he can crow about how well it worked.

The key for the president is to show how independent he is of big oil by leading the movement toward alternative fuels in a big way. He should declare the equivalent of the bomb-building Manhattan Project and embark on a crash course to switch us from gasoline to alcohol — and hydrogen

based fuels.

By moving away from gasoline, he can rebut the presumption that he is in the pocket of the oil companies and become the leader of a national crusade against gasoline.

And he can bring it back to Iraq and the War on Terror — pointing out that his drive for alternative vehicle fuels is the key to disempowering the radical Islamists. Without our oil money, they are nothing. So, for Bush, the gas price issue is a twofer.

Dick Morris was an adviser to Bill Clinton for 20 years.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, June 7, the 158th day of 2006. There are 207 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 7, 1776, Richard Henry Lee of Virginia proposed to the Continental Congress a resolution calling for a Declaration of Independence.

On this date:

In 1753, Britain's King George II gave his assent to an Act of Parliament establishing the British Museum.

In 1769, frontiersman Daniel Boone first began to explore the present-day Bluegrass State.

In 1848, French postimpressionist painter Paul Gauguin was born in Paris.

In 1864, Abraham Lincoln was nominated for another term as president at his party's convention in Baltimore.

In 1929, the sovereign state of Vatican City came into existence as copies of the Lateran Treaty were exchanged in Rome.

In 1948, the Communists completed their takeover of Czechoslovakia with the resignation of President Eduard Benes.

In 1967, author-critic Dorothy Parker, famed for her

'The history of the world shows that when a mean thing was done, man did it; when a good thing was done, man did it.'

— Robert G. Ingersoll
American lawyer and statesman (1833-1899)

caustic wit, died in New York.

In 1972, the musical "Grease" opened on Broadway.

In 1981, Israeli military planes destroyed a nuclear power plant in Iraq, a facility the Israelis charged could have been used to make nuclear weapons.

In 1998, in a crime that shocked the nation, James Byrd Jr., a 49-year-old black man, was dragged to his death behind a pickup truck in Jasper, Texas. (Two white men were later sentenced to death for the crime; a third received life in prison.)

Ten years ago: The Clinton White House acknowledged it had obtained the FBI files of House Speaker Newt Gingrich's press secretary, former Bush chief of staff James A. Baker III and other appointees from Republican administrations, calling it "an innocent bureaucratic mistake."

Five years ago: A three-judge panel of the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rejected Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh's request for an execution delay. A federal judge refused to stop plans for a World War II Memorial on the National Mall in Washington D.C.

One year ago: President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair embraced a tentative plan to forgive the debt of poor African nations.



All we get from our ancestors are genes

I don't feel guilty about slavery. I don't feel guilty about the fate of Native Americans. In fact, I don't feel guilty about anything that happened prior to the date of my birth.

I never owned a slave or desired to, nor did I ever shoot an Indian and steal his land. I say this because there are a lot of special-interest groups trying to lay guilt trips on Americans of European ancestry. That is nothing more than a con game. All we inherit from our ancestors are genes.

The past happened as it happened, and there is nothing we can do about it. The Persian poet Omar Khayyam had it right when he said, "The moving finger writes; and, having writ, moves on: nor all your piety nor wit shall lure it back to cancel half a line, nor all your tears wash out a word of it."

People who never owned slaves who apologize to people who were never slaves only succeed in making pub-

lic fools of themselves. Our ancestors don't give half a cow pie what we think of them. People who were never slaves and want people who never owned slaves to pay them money are just trying to pull off a con job.

Good luck if they can find somebody stupid enough to fall for it.

We can learn from the past, but that's it. We can't change it. We can't reproduce it. Nor are we responsible for it or for anything that was done or not done in the past. We can read stories about it and look at relics that have survived, but the past and all the people who inhabited it are gone forever.

It might help matters if people would remember that from the moment they are conceived, they are under a death sentence. Life is short,

shorter for some than for others. If people want to spend the only life they will ever have moaning and groaning and complaining about the past, then be my guest.

The rest of us, in the immortal words of G u s McCrae in "Lonesome Dove," are going on to Montana.

This life, right here and right now, is all you're going to get. You'd better smell the roses while you can, because you and the roses will disappear sooner than you might think. All that junk, all those honors and awards you worked for, will be left behind for the living to pick over and discard. You will be forgotten, as indeed we all will. Therefore, if you aren't enjoying what you're doing, then don't do it.

Some Americans even make a project out of recre-

ation. I watched a neighbor playing tennis once, and whenever he made a bad shot, which was often, he grimaced and cursed. Hey, tennis is a game, and if it's not fun, don't play it. The few games of golf I played, I had a great time, because it didn't bother me a bit that my score was in triple digits. It was the doing, not the tallying, that I enjoyed.

The old Japanese samurai, when first awaking, would imagine his death that very day. It might sound morbid, but it heightened his enjoyment of the day, since he was reminded that it could be his last. Furthermore, having reconciled himself to death, he didn't fear it.

The past, which no longer exists, can nevertheless be a drag if people allow it to. Sometimes we Southerners are accused of wanting to re-fight the War for Southern Independence. Actually, we don't. Losing once was

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Charley Reese
Columnist



Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ June 4
San Antonio Express-News on FutureGen:

Two Texas sites are among those being considered for a \$1 billion federal research project designed to produce almost emission-free power from coal.

A generation of nearly pollution-free coal power plants would be good news for the nation, and FutureGen represents the type of enlightened research that the Department of Energy should be commended for financing. Private funds also will be used to construct the 275-megawatt plant.

A dozen sites in seven states remain in the chase for the project, which was announced by President Bush in 2003.

Texas Railroad Commissioner Michael Williams is leading the Texas effort to win FutureGen.

One Texas site seeking to make the final cut is near Odessa, and the other is between Waco and College Station.

The West Texas site offers a perfect location for marketing the carbon dioxide that will be produced and stored as part of FutureGen. That byproduct can be used in oil recovery operations.

The Central Texas site has the benefit of being at the mouth of a lignite coal mine.

Regardless of whether one of the Texas sites wins the project, Texans

will benefit from the research.

Williams recently noted that one-third of the state's electrical power is coal-fired. FutureGen will pioneer the use of a clean gasification process as an alternative to burning pulverized coal.

Carbon dioxide is only one of several marketable byproducts that will be spawned by FutureGen.

The list of potential sites will be reduced to three later this month, and the site will be chosen about nine months later.

Coal must remain part of the energy mix in the nation, and FutureGen marks a huge step forward in protecting the environment while helping meet the nation's energy needs.

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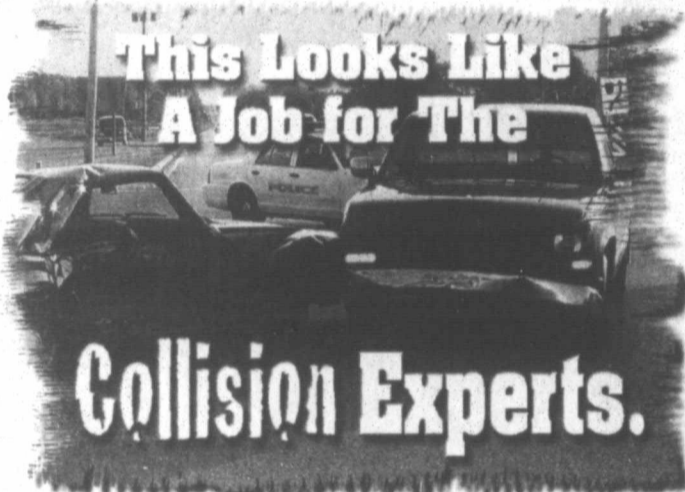


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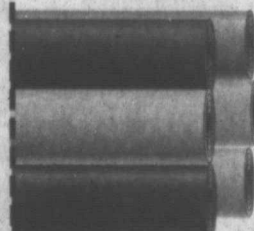
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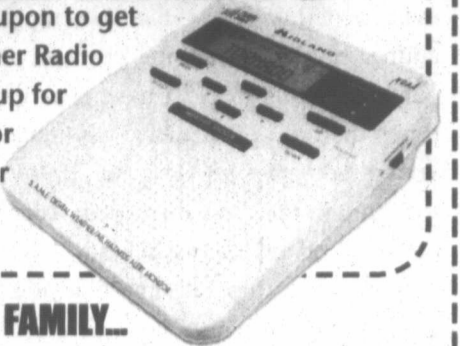
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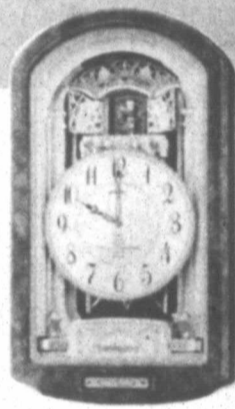
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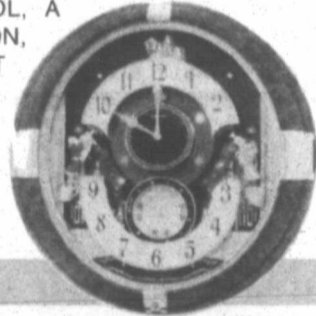
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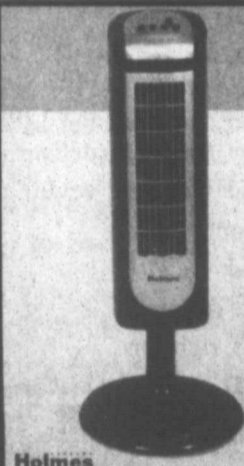
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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Last night, on a popular television reality show, the host repeatedly addressed a 70-something-year-old participant as "young man." I have seen it many times before, of course -- young man, young lady, sweetie, dear, etc. In my opinion, this borders on disrespect, regardless of the good intentions behind it. My parents actually stopped shopping at a local grocery store because the staff was always calling them "young people." They were embarrassed, and I don't blame them. I know people are trying to be nice, but I wonder how many seniors feel the way my parents do. Can't people extend kindness without being patronizing? -- **JENNY IN PASCO, WASH.**

DEAR JENNY: Many people feel exactly as your parents do. You would think that people would be more sensitive, but many service personnel in their 20s, 30s, 40s and older make the same mistake. The way to combat it is to speak up when it happens, or, as your parents did, stop patronizing the establishment. (Nothing hits home like a sagging balance sheet.) One woman I know told me recently how she handled it when a young server in his 20s called her "young lady" as he was taking her order. (She's 50.) Her reply: "Well, little man, I'll have the ..."

DEAR ABBY: I am 11, and there is a boy I like. I'll call him "Cole." He knows I like him, and for Valentine's Day he gave me a necklace and earring set. All my friends, and even my mother, think that we are boyfriend and girlfriend. But I don't know for sure. I think the boy should ask the girl to be his girlfriend before they are officially boyfriend and girlfriend. Am I right or wrong? -- **PERPLEXED IN MESQUITE, TEXAS**

DEAR PERPLEXED: Sometimes boys are too shy to make a formal request. However, when a boy gives a girl a gift on Valentine's Day, you can be sure it means he has special feelings for her. I vote with your friends and mother.

DEAR ABBY: I am due to have my third baby, delivered by the same doctor who delivered my first two children. I know some women who, after the birth of their child, have sent flowers to the doctor's office as a thank-you. I also know some women who have given the flowers they received in the hospital as gifts to the nurses' station and delivering doctor. Is it customary to send a thank-you to an obstetrician, or am I thanking them with my "business"? (And they are certainly paid handsomely for it!) Also, is passing along flowers received in the hospital a traditional thing to do, or is it cheap and tacky? -- **EXPECTING IN LYONS, COLO.**

DEAR EXPECTING: Leaving the bouquets is not tacky. Many patients leave them for hospital staff to enjoy after they are discharged. Some do it out of gratitude and generosity; others because they don't want the hassle of transporting the flowers. You are under no obligation to send flowers to your doctor after the delivery. However, after three children, it would be a gracious gesture to write your doctor a note of appreciation for the way you have been treated during your pregnancies and deliveries. Money is no substitute in conveying that message.

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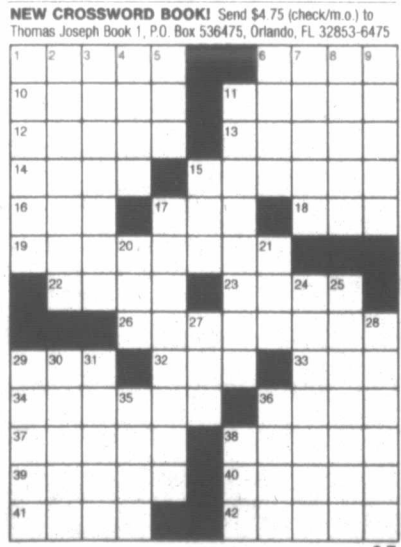
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 - 17 Convoy member
 - 18 Chum
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 - 22 Staying power
 - 23 "Pygmalion" writer
 - 26 Arcade ending
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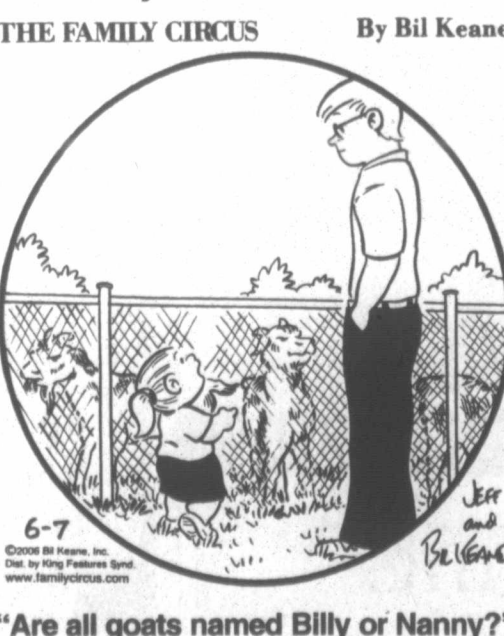
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- 1 Macy Cochran, Pampa
- 2 Mackenzie Parks, Pampa
- 3 Rilee Didway, Pampa

Boys Group III

- 1 Ethan Oxley, Pampa
- 2 Kory McConnell, Hereford
- 3 Colten Ensey, Pampa

Girls Group IV

- 1 Lesley Chester, Pampa
- 2 Bailey Wichert, Pampa
- 3 Promise Mundell, Pampa

Boys Group IV

- 1 Gatlin Taylor, Pampa
- 2 Spencer Nicholson, Lefors
- 3 No Qualified Time

Pole Bending Girls Group III

- 1 Taylor Prall, Fritch
- 2 Macy Cochran, Pampa
- 3 Alexis Stull, Dalhart

Boys Group III

- 1 Kory McConnell, Hereford
- 2 Yanice McCuiston, Pampa
- 3 Christian Leigh, Pampa

Girls Group IV

- 1 Lesley Chester, Pampa
- 2 Kelsey Ham, Fritch

3 Promise Mundell, Pampa

Calf Riding Boys Group IV

- 1 Joseph Slatten, Pampa
- 2 Reno Glasgow, Pampa
- 3 Aaron McKee, Borger

Goat Undecorating Girls Group III

- 1 Macy Cochran, Pampa
- 2 Marlee Youree, Pampa
- 3 Rilee Didway, Pampa

Girls Group IV

- 1 Lesley Chester, Pampa
- 2 Kelsey Ham, Fritch
- 3 Kelcei Dees, Boyd

Boys Group IV

- 1 Spencer Nicholson, Lefors
- 2 Aaron McKee, Borger
- 3 Gatlin Taylor, Pampa

Barrel Race Girls Group III

- 1 Rilee Didway, Pampa
- 2 Marlee Youree, Pampa
- 3 Mackenzie Parks, Pampa

Boys Group III

- 1 Yancie McCuiston, Pampa
- 2 Ethan Oxley, Pampa
- 3 Kory McConnell, Hereford

Girls Group IV

- 1 Lesley Chester, Pampa
- 2 Kelsey Ham, Fritch
- 3 Kelcei Dees, Boyd

Boys Group IV

- 1 Aaron McKee, Borger
- 2 Gatlin Taylor, Pampa
- 3 No Qualified Time

Glo-Valve 4, Cabot Corp. 2

In a mistake filled game, Glo-Valve Service prevailed over Cabot Corporation 4-2 Tuesday to maintain its hold on first place in the Pampa Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken League.

Latigo Collins won his second game of the year for Glo-Valve against no defeats allowing no runs or hits in the first two innings. He struck out five and walked two. Zach Graves was charged with two unearned runs on one hit. He struck out three and walked two pitching the third and part of the fourth inning. Reid Miller recorded six outs in the fourth and fifth innings allowing no runs or hits. He walked four and struck out two. Cody Davis finished up for Glo-Valve by striking out the side in the sixth inning to earn a save.

Collin Killgo pitched a complete game for Cabot. He permitted two earned runs on six hits. He struck out six, walked one and hit a batter. Glo-Valve had runners on in every inning, but after the first three innings, Killgo worked out of trouble every time.

Mistakes began early. Miller began Glo-Valve's half of the first inning with a single to left field. He took second on an overthrow, stole third and came in to score when a throw got away from the third baseman. Collins walked, stole second and third and tallied on a passed ball.

In the second inning Glo-Valve's Daniel Hulsey made it 3-0 with a blast over the

left center field fence.

Cabot scored all of its runs in the top of the third inning as Glo-Valve's defense developed a severe case of erroritis. Brandon Yates lead off the inning by being safe on an error. Killgo singled for Cabot's only hit of the game. An error allowed the runners to move up a base. Successive errors scored both runners narrowing Glo-Valve's lead to 3-2.

Glo-Valve got one of the runs back in the bottom of the third on a triple by Miller and an infield out hit by Collins.

In the fourth inning Cabot had two runners on and no outs. Collins ran down a potential passed ball and

threw to Landon Powell at third base to catch a runner attempting to steal to thwart a potential rally.

In the fifth inning four walks produced an unusual end to an inning as the runner from third base missed home and was tagged out by an alert Collins. Glo-Valve wasted a double and a single by Graves and a single by Schrade Thompson going scoreless after the third inning. Cabot left nine runners on base.

Miller was the leading hitter in the game with a single, a triple and two runs scored. Graves also had two hits for Glo-Valve.

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Clemens taken deep in tuneup game

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) - As Roger Clemens began to scuttle a bit in his minor-league tuneup, his son Koby went to the mound with some inspiration.

One more strikeout, Koby told him, and the 9,222 fans in attendance Tuesday night would get a free gallon of windshield wiper fluid. It worked as Clemens struck out the next two.

"He's a funny guy, isn't he?" the future Hall of Famer said of his son.

With Koby behind him playing third base, Clemens made the first step in his return to the Houston Astros by pitching three innings for the Astros' Class A Lexington Legends.

He showed pinpoint control and a sharp fastball in three innings of work against the Lake County Captains, a Cleveland Indians affiliate. The only real blemish was a long home run.

Next up is probably a start Sunday at Double-A Corpus Christi, Texas, followed by another one June 16 at Triple-A Round Rock, Texas. The Rocket could be pitching in the big leagues by June 22 against Minnesota.

The 43-year-old Clemens is accustomed to facing the likes of Yankees center fielder Johnny Damon, but it was Captains center fielder Johnny Drennen who took him deep Tuesday night.

Drennen, the third hitter Clemens faced, drove a fastball off the party deck beyond the right-field wall for a solo homer.

Drennen said he got "goose bumps," but Clemens joked he just gave him a pitch to hit because

they share the same uniform number - No. 22. "I'm sure I'll visit him tomorrow - ask him how that room service was," Clemens said.

Next up was Matt Fornasiere, who also hit the ball hard - lining a double to right-center.

The only other hit Clemens allowed was a weakly hit infield single in the third.

Otherwise, Clemens was hardly touched. He threw 62 pitches, allowed no walks and only the one run while striking out six - two in each inning.

He tipped his hat and pumped his fist to thunderous applause by a Legends' record crowd as he came off the mound after the third. Clemens departed with the Legends ahead 5-1. They went on to win 7-4.

CITY SOFTBALL

Summer league registrations to be in by Friday

The City of Pampa Recreation Department will offer the following leagues for Summer Softball:

— Men's Open

— Mixed Open

The entry fees or sponsor fees for teams are \$200 per team (\$185 if team is currently sanctioned).

The player's fee is \$15 per player with a minimum of 11 players for Men's Open and 12 players for Mixed Open.

The entry deadline is June 9 at 5 p.m. There will be no teams added after this date.

Schedules will be available after 1 p.m. on June 14 at the Recreation Office.

Play will begin the week of June 19.

Roster forms, fact sheets and bylaws are available at the Recreation Office at City Hall, room 204 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Forms can also be downloaded via the Internet at www.cityofpampa.org.

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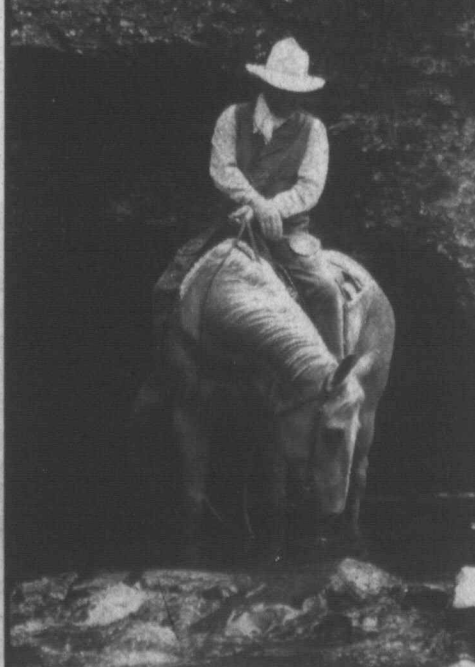
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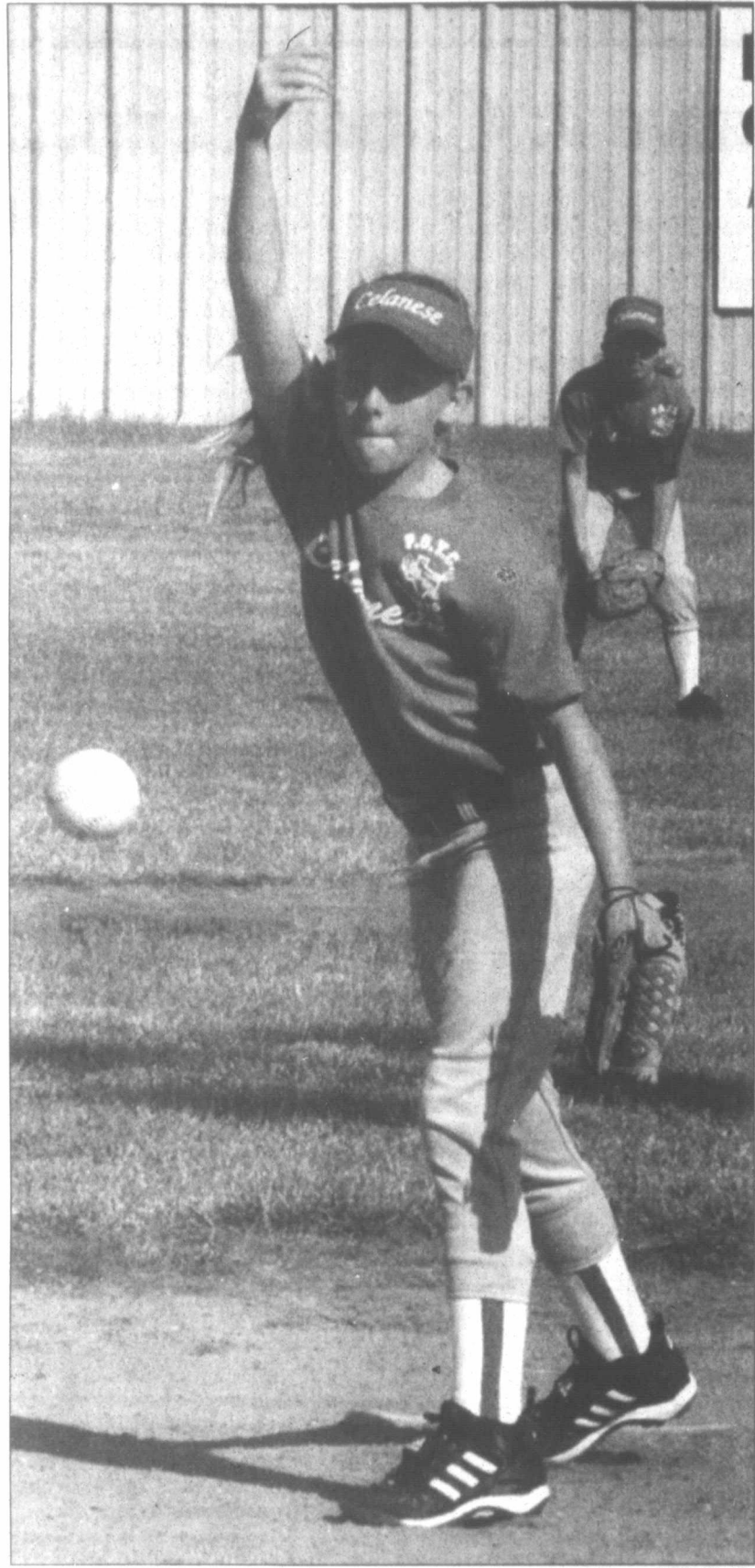
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Picture perfect



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Alex Stevens shows solid form and concentration during a game between her Celanese team and Carmichael-Whatley Friday afternoon at Pampa Optimist Park.

Rodriguez, Astros breeze by Cubs

HOUSTON (AP) - Astros manager Phil Garner thinks Wandy Rodriguez might have benefited from watching Carlos Zambrano come close to a no-hitter against Houston.

Rodriguez threw seven shutout innings to lead the Astros past the Chicago Cubs 4-1 Tuesday night for their first victory since re-signing Roger Clemens.

"I thought Wandy must have paid attention to what was going on last night because he really mixed his pitches up," Garner said. "He used his changeup effectively and his fastball when he needed it."

Lance Berkman homered and Chris Burke drove in two runs as Houston broke a five-game losing streak, rebounding after getting only one hit in an 8-0 loss to Zambrano and the Cubs on Monday.

Pitching on three days' rest

because Roy Oswalt is injured, Rodriguez (7-3) allowed five hits, struck out one and walked three. The lefty outpitched Kerry Wood and leads the team in wins.

"This was my best game of the year," Rodriguez said through a translator.

Clemens was also on the mound Tuesday night, in Lexington, Ky. He showed pinpoint control and a sharp fastball during his tuneup for Houston's Class-A Lexington Legends.

Playing alongside his son, Koby, he gave up a long home run but otherwise looked like his old self in three innings of work against the Lake County Captains, a Cleveland Indians affiliate.

"My arm is great," said the 43-year-old Clemens, who came out of retirement again to re-sign with the Astros last Wednesday. "One step down, two to go."

Next up is probably a start Sunday at Double-A Corpus Christi, Texas, followed by another one June 16 at Triple-A Round Rock, Texas. The Rocket could be pitching in the big leagues by June 22 against Minnesota.

Back in Houston, Chad Qualls worked a hitless eighth and Brad Lidge gave up a two-out RBI double to pinch-hitter John Mabry in the ninth before closing it out.

Preston Wilson doubled in the second inning and scored when Wood overthrew third base on a bunt by Rodriguez for an error that put Houston ahead 1-0. It was the first time the Astros had led since Wednesday against St. Louis.

"He tried to make a super play on that bunt which led to that three-run inning," Cubs manager Dusty Baker said. "He was just trying to stop them from getting anything and he ended up getting sunk."

Rangers rock Royals, 6-2

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) - Kevin Millwood sure seems at home on the road.

Millwood pitched seven strong innings Tuesday night to lead the Texas Rangers to a 6-2 victory over the Kansas City Royals, improving to 5-0 on the road.

"I don't know. I don't feel any different at home than on the road," he said. "It just so happens that I've won a few more games on the road."

Millwood (7-3) gave up two runs and seven hits, throwing 109 pitches in his first outing in a week after taking a couple of days off with a stiff back. He appeared to get stronger as the game went on, retiring eight of his last nine batters with the only baserunner reaching on an error.

"I don't know if I was getting any stronger,"

Millwood said. "I feel like my mechanics were getting better. I was able to make some adjustments and get a little more comfortable out there."

Millwood struck out five, walked one and said he felt no ill effects from the back stiffness.

"The back felt fine," he said. "Hopefully, it feels the same tomorrow."

Francisco Cordero worked 1 2-3 innings for his fourth save.

Brad Wilkerson hit a home run and doubled and played a role in two of the three rallies for the Rangers, who improved to 16-10 on the road and sent the Royals to their eighth straight loss at home.

Texas started the scoring in the second on Wilkerson's 12th homer, a shot to center. The Rangers have homered in 44 of their 57 games.

NCAA WOMEN'S CWS

Series summary

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Thursday, June 1
Arizona 3, Oregon State 2, 9 innings
Texas 2, Arizona State 0
Northwestern 6, Alabama 5, 10 innings
Tennessee 4, UCLA 3

Friday, June 2
Arizona 2, Texas 0
Northwestern 2, Tennessee 0

Saturday, June 3
Arizona State 3, Oregon State 1, *Oregon State eliminated*
UCLA 4, Alabama 1, *Alabama eliminated*
Tennessee 3, Arizona State 1, 9 innings, *Arizona State eliminated*
UCLA 2, Texas 0, *Texas eliminated*

Sunday, June 4
Tennessee 1, Arizona 0
Northwestern 3, UCLA 1, 8 innings, *UCLA eliminated*
Arizona 6, Tennessee 0, *Tennessee eliminated*

Championship Series (Best-of-3)
Monday, June 5
Arizona 8, Northwestern 0
Tuesday, June 6
Arizona 5, Northwestern 0, *Arizona wins championship 2-0*

Wednesday's Sports Briefs

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Federal investigators searched Arizona Diamondbacks reliever Jason Grimsley's house as part of their investigation of steroid use in baseball.

Thirteen agents searched Grimsley's house in Scottsdale, Ariz., for six hours, according to Internal Revenue Service Agent Mark Lessler, who would not say what they found.

In seeking a judge's permission for the search, investigators who cracked the BALCO steroid scandal here said Grimsley initially cooperated in the probe. He withdrew his assistance in April, but not before he allegedly made "extensive statements" about illegal drug use, "for the purpose of performance enhancement," according to the court documents.

IRS Agent Jeff Novitsky told the federal judge that investigators wanted to search the right-hander's house for "any and all records showing contact or relationship with any and all amateur or professional athletes, athletic coaches or athletic trainers" regarding illicit drug use and purchases.

NEW YORK (AP) - Hard-throwing righty Luke Hochevar, back in the draft after failing to reach a deal with the Los Angeles Dodgers, was selected by the Kansas City Royals with the No. 1 pick.

Taken by the Dodgers as the 40th overall pick out of the University of Tennessee last year, Hochevar and agent Scott Boras did not sign. The 6-foot-5 pitcher had been staying in shape by playing for the independent Fort Worth Cats, and is still working with Boras.

HOUSTON (AP) - Houston Astros ace Roy Oswalt was placed on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to May 30. Oswalt, 5-3 with a 3.11 ERA, has been diagnosed with a mid-back strain on the left side.

TENNIS

PARIS (AP) - Once a teen sensation herself, Venus Williams lost to a 17-year-old upstart at the French Open.

Nicole Pietrangeli pulled off her second successive shocker at Roland Garros, beating Williams 6-7 (5), 6-1, 6-3 to earn her first Grand Slam semifinal berth.

Williams was the lone American, male or female, to reach the second week of the tournament. At 25, the five-time Grand Slam winner was the oldest women's quarterfinalist, and she again came up short in her 10th try for a Roland Garros title.

Also eliminated was Martina Hingis, meaning the French Open remains only

major event she has yet to win. Two-time runner-up Kim Clijsters won 7-6 (5), 6-1 over Hingis, a five-time Grand Slam champion who played in the tournament for the first time since 2001.

Clijsters' opponent in the semifinals Thursday will be fellow Belgian Justine Henin-Hardenne, a two-time champion, who beat Anna-Lena Groenefeld 7-5, 6-2.

Top-ranked Roger Federer won his 26th Grand Slam match in a row, beating No. 12-seeded Mario Ancic 6-4, 6-3, 6-4.

PRO FOOTBALL

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) - Brett Favre was back on the field, a day after being held out of a voluntary practice.

Packers coach Mike McCarthy said he planned to hold the quarterback out of Monday's practice all along - despite comments last week that led most to believe Favre would take part in all four practices this week.

Favre worked out Monday but didn't practice with the team.

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - The New Orleans Saints traded linebacker Courtney Watson to the Buffalo Bills on in exchange for tight end Tim Euhus.

NEW YORK (AP) - Former New York Giants defensive end Robert Taylor, who played in the 1963 NFL championship game, has died after complications following surgery for colon cancer. He was 68.

PRO BASKETBALL

MIAMI (AP) - Battling a sinus infection, Miami guard Dwyane Wade did not work out with the Heat.

Wade attended practice, "but didn't do anything ultra-live," Heat coach Pat Riley said. Wade went to team meetings and planned to fly with the Heat to Dallas.

Miami will practice in Dallas today, then play Game 1 of the NBA finals there against the Mavericks on Thursday night.

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) - The New Jersey Nets have exercised the option on coach Lawrence Frank's contract for the 2007-2008 season.

TRACK AND FIELD

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Co-world record holders Justin Gatlin and Asafa Powell will race in the 100 meters at the London Grand Prix on July 28, USA Track & Field said.

The two were scheduled to race at the British Grand Prix in Gateshead, England, on Sunday. But Gatlin's agent, Renaldo Nehemiah, pulled him out of the meet, saying there never was a contract for the Olympic champion to run against Powell.

United League Baseball standings

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Edinburg	W L Pct. GB
Edinburg	18 1 .947
San Angelo	11 8 .579 7
Alexandria	9 10 .474 9
Amarillo	7 12 .368 11
Rio Grande Valley	7 12 .368 11
Laredo	5 14 .263 13

Tuesday's Games

Edinburg 9, Alexandria 6
Amarillo 4, Rio Grande Valley 1
San Angelo 9, Laredo 5
Wednesday's Games
Alexandria at Edinburg
Amarillo at Rio Grande Valley
San Angelo at Laredo
Thursday's Games
Alexandria at Edinburg
Amarillo at Rio Grande Valley
San Angelo at Laredo

Major League Baseball Linescores

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston 001 000 000 - 1 8 0
New York 000 010 10x - 2 9 1
Pauley, Seanez (7) and Varitek Wang, Farnsworth (8), MRivera (9) and Posada. W-Wang 6-2. L-Pauley 0-1. Sv-MRivera (12). HRs-Boston, DOrtiz (17). New York, BWilliams (3).

Oakland 103 000 030 - 7 8 0
Cleveland 020 012 100 - 6 10 1
Zito, Calero (8), Street (9) and Kendall Westbrook, Sauerbeck (7), RBetancourt (8), FCabrera (9) and VMartinez. W-Zito 6-3. L-RBetancourt 0-1. Sv-Street (10). HRs-Oakland, Kotsay (6), EChavez (13), Thomas (14). Cleveland, Sizemore (11), Hafner (16).

Los Angeles 110 002 323 - 12 17 1
Tampa Bay 100 000 001 - 2 5 1
ESantana, Donnelly (8), Romero (9) and JMolina Kazmir, Harper (7), Harville (9) and THall. W-ESantana 5-3. L-Kazmir 7-4. HR-Los Angeles, Figgins (4).

Toronto 011 001 210 - 6 13 1
Baltimore 101 001 100 - 4 8 0
Taubenheim, Downs (6), Speier (7), Schoeneweis (7), Frasar (8), BRyan (9) and BMolina Bedard, Britton (7), Rleal (8), BChen (9) and RaHernandez. W-Downs 1-0. L-Britton 0-1. Sv-BRyan (14). HR-Toronto, Rios (11).

Detroit 020 100 000 - 3 8 1
Chicago 010 000 03x - 4 8 0
Robertson, Zumaya (7), Rodney (8) and IRodriguez, VWilson (3) FGarcia, McCarthy (7), Jenks (9) and Pierzynski. W-McCarthy 3-3. L-Rodney 4-2. Sv-Jenks (16). HRs-Detroit, Thames (10), Shelton

(12), Inge (12). Chicago, Dye (17), Cintron (1).

Texas 010 302 000 - 6 11 1
Kansas City 010 100 000 - 2 9 0
Millwood, Bauer (8), Mahay (8), FCordero (8) and Laird Elarton, Bautista (6), Affeldt (9) and Bako. W-Millwood 7-3. L-Elarton 1-7. Sv-FCordero (4). HRs-Texas, Wilkerson (12), Kinsler (4). Kansas City, Teahen (3).

Minnesota 000 010 010 - 2 10 0
Seattle 000 201 10x - 4 10 0
Liriano, Guerrier (7), Crain (8) and Mauer FHernandez, Guardado (8), JMateo (8), Sherrill (8), Putz (8) and Johjima. W-FHernandez 5-6. L-Liriano 4-1. Sv-Putz (9). HR-Minnesota, Kubel (2).

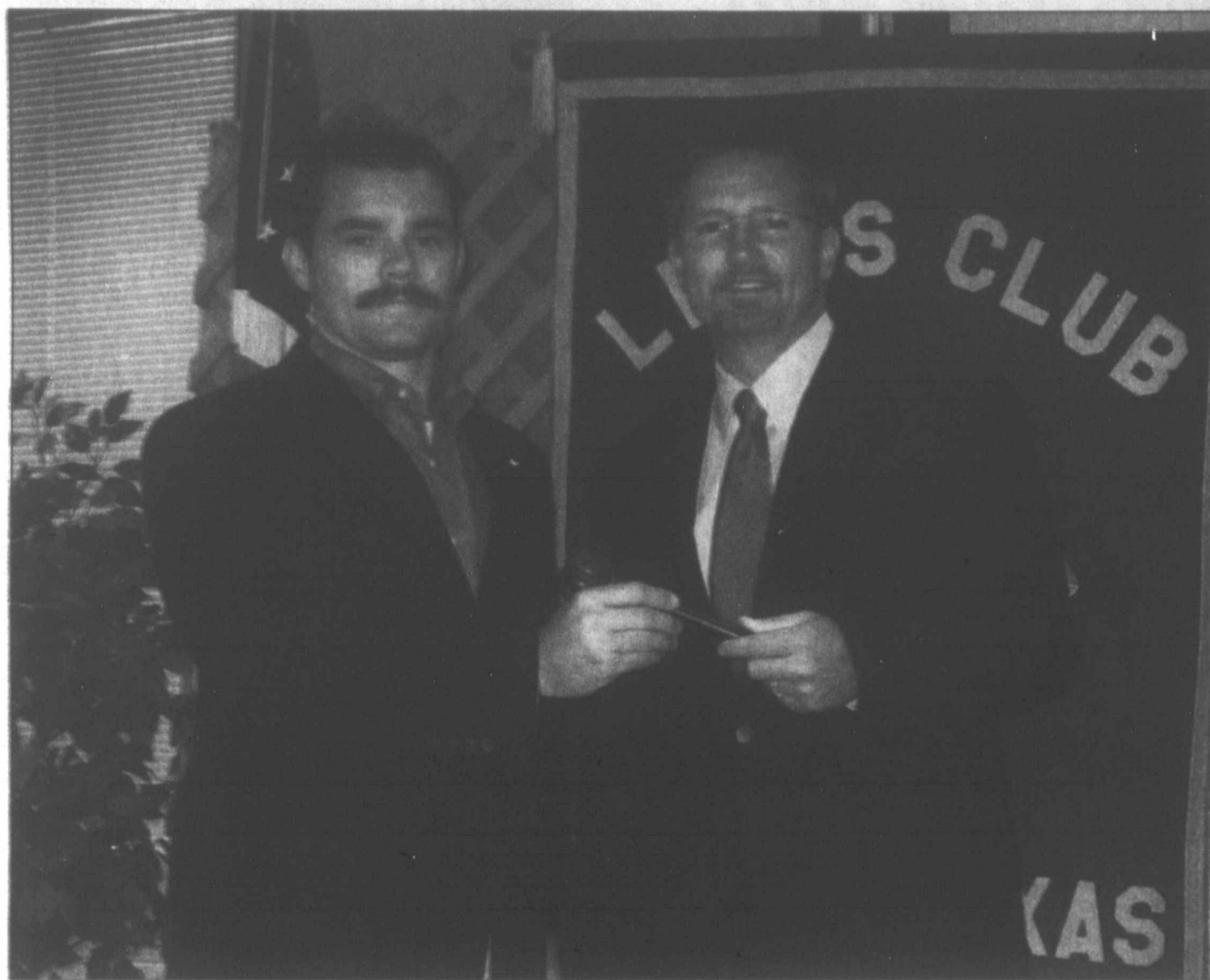
NATIONAL LEAGUE

Washington 100 020 000 - 3 8 2
Atlanta 021 100 01x - 5 9 0
Hill, Rauch (7), Bray (8) and Fick HoRamirez, Ray (9) and BPenar. W-HoRamirez 2-1. L-Hill 0-1. Sv-Ray (3). HRs-Washington, ASoriano (22). Atlanta, AJones (15), LaRoche (10).

San Diego 000 000 010 - 1 3 1
Milwaukee 111 200 00x - 5 11 0
Peavy, Sweeney (4), Embree (7), Adkins (8) and Bowen Bush and DMiller. W-Bush 4-5. L-Peavy 4-6. HRs-San Diego, AGonzalez (6). Milwaukee, Koskie (7).

Chicago 000 000 001 - 1 7 1
Houston 030 100 00x - 4 11 0
Wood, Ohman (4), Marmol (5), Eyre (7), Howry (8) and HBlanco, Barrett (7) WRodriguez, Qualls (8), Lidge (9) and Munson. W-WRodriguez 7-5. LWood 1-2. HR-Houston, Berkman (16).

Lions Club banquet



▲ Brad Pingel, Boss Lion, for 2005-06, recently turned his gavel over to Greg Brown at the Pampa Lions Club Installation Banquet. Brown is the new 2006-07 Boss Lion.

◀ Roger Klause, professional magician, entertained Pampa "Lions" at Pampa Lions Club's Installation Banquet recently.

Reese

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enough. But we will honor our Confederate ancestors whether anybody likes it or not. We honor them for their bravery and devotion to duty. But we live in the present, not the past.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Jerry Lewis to direct musical version of 'The Nutty Professor'

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Jerry Lewis, who played "The Nutty Professor" in 1963, has a wacky new scheme: staging the film as a Broadway musical.

The first show is planned for January at the Old Globe Theatre in San Diego, where the 80-year-old comedian has a houseboat, he said. Lewis will direct the show, which he aims to have on Broadway by October 2008.

The show will be produced by The Michael Andrew Company. Andrew, a 41-year-old crooner and comedian who fronts The Atomic Big Band, is set to play the lead, the bucktoothed Julius Kelp, who invents a potion that transforms him into the suave Buddy Love.

"I had an awful lot of inquiries about it for years, and I never really bothered to pay much attention to it," Lewis, who lives in the Las Vegas area, told reporters Tuesday.

"I saw this kid perform, and he wanted very much to do that, and he had money," Lewis said. "I said, 'With those pockets, we'll give it a shot.'"

The company bought the rights to develop "The Nutty Professor" into a musical in March, executive producer Ned McLeod said. The story also was remade in 1996 into a movie — which Lewis co-produced — starring Eddie Murphy.

Andrew said he was inspired by Lewis' comedy at an early age.

"When I was 8 years old, I saw that movie and it pretty much formed what I wanted to do for the rest of my life," Andrew said. "I never knew it would be as direct as it's going right now."

Lewis has battled pulmonary fibrosis, a crippling lung ailment, in recent years, keeping him off the stage.

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