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PGWCD looks at study areas, creates conservation area

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

WHITE DEER -- The Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District board of directors did away with one study area in Gray County, extended others and delineated four more this week. They also created one conservation area in northwestern Carson County.

The district creates study areas when there is a 1.25 percent decline in the water table. Conservation

areas are created when there is a continued decline and there appears to be a solution to slow or stop the decline.

"That's the next step in the process," said C.E. Williams, general manager of the district.

When an area is upgraded to a conservation area, monitors are installed on the wells in the area.

Because of continued decline and expansion of the study area in northwestern Carson County, the board

decided to proclaim the area as a conservation area.

The study area south of Pampa was eliminated because there was no further decline and very little water production.

Because the decline in the study area of southeastern Carson County is driven by a lack of water rather than production, the board voted to continue to maintain the study area, Williams said.

The water table in the study area

in Donley County has dropped over a five-year period, but last year it was up. The board voted to also maintain it as a study.

A study area in Wheeler County will also continue to be watched because, although it has consistently shown an annual three-foot drop, there is little or no pumping of water there.

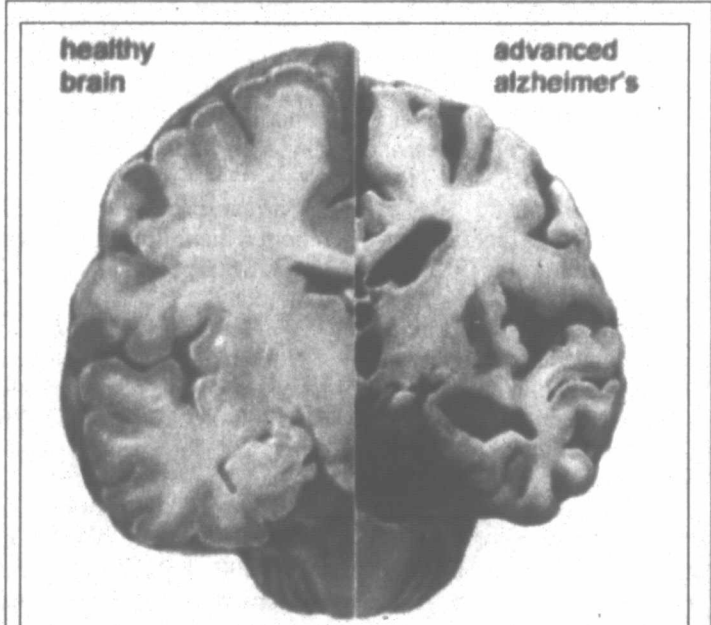
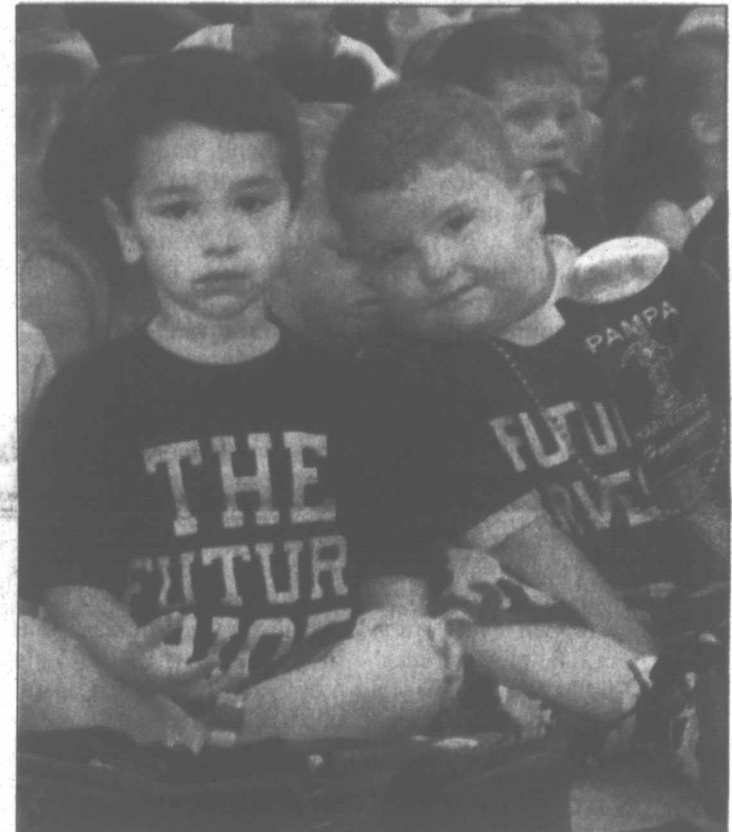
The board also voted to watch

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Austin Elementary celebrates 50 years



Pampa News Photos
by KERRI SMITH
Teresa Humphrey Reed, left, who will be 105 years old in December, was one of the first-grade teachers at Austin Elementary in 1957, which was the first year the school was open. Reed was a special guest at an assembly this morning celebrating the school's 50th anniversary. At right, Austin kindergartners William Karson, left, and Caleb Snapp enjoy the assembly celebration. They are decked out in their homecoming attire.



Alzheimer's Day recognized today

By KERRI SMITH
Staff Writer

Today has been set aside as World Alzheimer's Day, the 101st anniversary of when the disease was first discovered. Even though new information has been learned over the years, there is still a lot to learn about the disease.

A memory walk has been scheduled for Oct. 6 at John Stiff Memorial Park in Amarillo by the Star Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. Since 1989, Memory Walks have raised more than \$225 million for research and treatments.

In 1906, a physician named Alois Alzheimer presented

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Homecoming parade



Pampa News photos
by KERRI SMITH
Pampa High School's marching band The Pride of Pampa, above, proudly entertains those watching the homecoming parade Thursday afternoon. At right, Kalynn Jones shows off her school colors on her horse. The Harvesters meet the Berger Bulldogs at 7:30 tonight at Harvester Field.



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Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 85. South wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 65. South-southeast wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 83. South wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 64. South-southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 80. North-northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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Texas unemployment falls by 4.2 percent

DALLAS (AP) — The statewide unemployment rate fell to 4.2 percent in August, the Texas Workforce Commission said today, due to a sharp decline in people counted as no longer looking for work.

The jobless rate had been 4.4 percent in July.

Seasonally adjusted non-farm employment rose by 10,400 jobs, but total civilian employment fell 23,700 from July, the commission said. Civilians counted as unemployed fell even more — by 36,200, or 7 percent, to 476,700.

The statewide unemployment rate was adjusted for seasonal trends in hiring and firing, which most economists believe gives a better picture of the job market.

Midland had the lowest unemployment rate in the state, at 2.8 percent, with Odessa and Amarillo next at 3.3 percent. The McAllen-Edinburg-Mission area had the highest rate, 6.1 percent. Local figures were not seasonally adjusted.

Ron Lehman, who represents employers on the state commission, said companies are adding workers in many industries, especially services, which added 5,500 jobs in August.

The biggest increase was in government jobs, at 6,800. The leisure and hospitality industry added 3,500 jobs. Natural resources and mining, which includes the oil and gas industry, added 1,600 positions, as did education and health services.

Stocks

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

Wheat.....NA
 Milo.....NA
 Corn.....NA
 Soybeans.....NA

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

OXY	64.52	+0.64
BP PLC ADR	71.86	+0.81
Cabot Corp	38.90	+0.43
Celanese	36.80	+0.20
Cabot Oil Gas	36.89	+0.11
Coca Cola	56.55	+0.24
VLO	70.72	+0.63
HAL	38.65	+0.30
XCEL	22.11	+0.16

Anadarko	53.57	+0.61
XOM	92.92	+0.83
Nat'l Oilwell	143.48	+3.31
Limited	22.59	+0.26
Williams	33.85	+0.23
MCD	54.91	+0.04
Atmos	28.51	+0.28
Pioneer Nat	46.06	+0.70
JCP	66.60	+0.17
COP	88.90	+0.49
SLB	107.46	+0.19
Tenneco	32.07	+0.27
CVX	94.91	+0.74
Wal-Mart	44.50	+0.18
OKE	47.35	+0.35
New York Gold	739.90	
Silver	13.47	
West Texas Crude	83.32	

Sidewalk art



Ashten Standerfer and Cassidy Terry showed their school spirit recently during art class by expressing themselves on the front walk of Pampa Junior High School.

Emergency Services

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

Five traffic stops were made which resulted in one arrest.

Traffic complaints were reported in the 1100 block of Sierra and the 1900 block of North Hamilton.

Domestic disturbances were reported in the 800 block of North Wells and the 800 block of North Nelson. No injuries were reported.

A kidnapping report was made in the police department lobby.

Animal control officers made stop concerning animals in the 700 block of North Naida, the 1500 block of North Zimmers, the 200 block of North West, the 1000 block of East Brunow and the 400 block of Hughes.

Suspicious persons were reported in the 300 block of North Hobart, the 1100 block of North Hobart and the 600 block of West Crawford where an arrest was made.

Lost property was reported in the police department lobby.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 800 block of North Duncan, the 800 block of North Nelson, the police department lobby, the 700 block of East Murphy, the 2800 block of North Charles, the 1000 block of North Wells and the 100 block of East

Craven. Telephone harassment was reported in the 700 block of North Frost.

Warrant service was attempted at two locations which resulted in one arrest.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2800 block of Perryton Parkway.

Thefts were reported in the 600 block of North Russell and the 1400 block of North Hobart.

An alarm was reported in the 2100 block of North Lynn.

An assault report was made in the police department lobby.

A civil matter was reported in the 800 block of North Nelson.

A medical call was made in the 1300 block of East Kingsmill where an arrest was made.

Agency assistance was provided on Highway 60 west and the 2200 block of North Perryton Parkway.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 700 block of East Murphy.

Escort service was provided at the Gray/Carson county line which resulted in an arrest.

A prowler was reported in the 100 block of South Sumner.

Welfare checks were made at the intersection of Wells and Somerville, and in the 1100 block of South Varnon.

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

Thursday, Sept. 20
 Berkley O'Brien, 36, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa Police Department for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Tanya Kay Jacobs, 31, of Skellytown was arrested by PPD for failure to maintain financial responsibility, no valid driver's license and failure to appear for bail jumping.

Joseph E. Lecompte, 24, of Salisbury, Md., was arrested by GCSO for public intoxication.

Friday, Sept. 21
 Carl W. Dunn, 52, of Pampa was arrested by PPD for theft of property, less than \$50.

Leo Dan Badillo, 18, of Pampa was arrested by PPD for no valid driver's license. Phillip Daniel Littrell, 37, of Amarillo was arrested by PPD for public intoxication.

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

Thursday, Sept. 20
 9:03 a.m. — One unit and four personnel responded to the 1200 block of North Wells on a call for medical assistance.

10:52 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1800 block of North Nelson on a call for medical assistance.

12:06 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1200 block of North Wells on a call for medical assistance.

12:32 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to

the 1200 block of North Wells on a call for medical assistance.

4:59 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1300 block of North Hobart on a gas leak.

Friday, Sept. 21
 One unit and three personnel responded to the 1100 block of Varnon on a call for lifting assistance.

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

Thursday, Sept. 20
 8:19 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded 13-miles south on Highway 70. No transport.

9:03 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

10:38 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local assisted living facility and transported a patient to PRMC.

10:53 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of North Nelson and transported a patient to PRMC.

11:37 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Jordan prison unit and transported a patient to PRMC.

12:31 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported a patient to PRMC.

5:53 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Kingsmill. No transport.

8:21 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Recreation Park and transported a patient to PRMC.

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Disease

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a case to his colleagues at a small medical meeting in Tübingen, Germany, regarding a patient of his who had recently died. He explained that five years earlier a 51-year-old woman named Auguste D. came to see him for rapidly failing memory, confusion, disorientation, having trouble expressing her thoughts and having suspicions about her family and hospital staff.

He found that her symptoms did not fit any diagnosis that he knew of. She died after suffering for four years of decline that eventually left her bedridden and mute. After her death, he performed an autopsy and found dramatic shrinkage in her brain with widespread dead and dying cells. He also found two types of microscopic deposits in her brain that he had never seen before.

This disease soon entered the medical literature as "Alzheimer's disease" and the brain deposits became known as "plaque" and "tangles." In 1915, Alzheimer died at the age of 51, never suspecting that his encounter with this woman and her disease would one day touch the lives of millions and drive a massive international research effort.

According to statistical data gathered by the Alzheimer's Association, Alzheimer's is the most common of all dementia diseases, accounting for 50-70 percent of all cases. This disease is caused when nerve cells in the brain begin to deteriorate and die,

which leads to information transfer at the synapses to fail.

It is believed that something triggers the overproduction of a protein called beta-amyloid in the brain or reduces the brain's ability to dispose of it. Beta-amyloid fragments gradually accumulate into microscopic "plaques." Another hallmark of the diseases are "tangles," which form when different protein known as "tau" twists into strands inside the dead and dying neurons.


Symptoms usually begin with a person having difficulty remembering new information. As the damage in the brain spreads, the person experiences confusion, disorganized thinking, impaired judgment, disorientation and having trouble expressing themselves. As the disease progresses, the person will need help dressing, bathing, eating and using the bathroom. Finally, the disease robs the person of the ability to communicate and recognize loved ones.

Most people with Alzheimer's are 65 or older. The Alzheimer's Association estimates that 13 percent of people 65 or older and nearly half of all people age 85 or older have the disease. They say that every 72 seconds someone in the United States develops this disease. In 2000, Texas had 270,000 people living with the disease. It is estimated that 340,000 Texans will have Alzheimer's in the year 2010, an increase of 26 percent over the 10-year span.

The FDA has approved five drugs that temporarily slow the worsening of symptoms for about 6 to 12 months in half of the people


What do you think?

Do you have any special plans for homecoming?



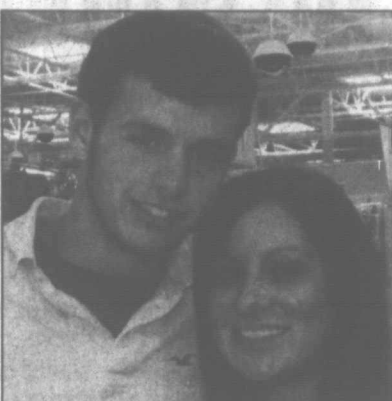
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"I'll be working Friday night or I'd go to the football game."



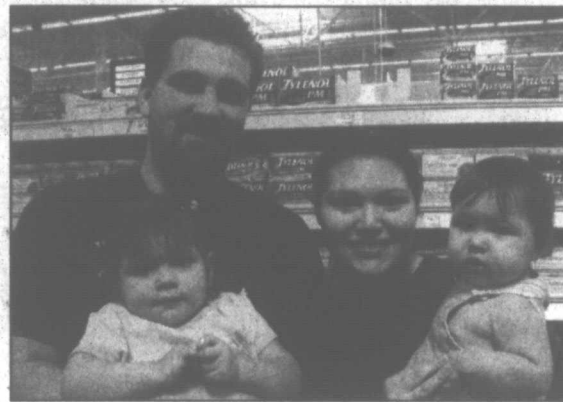
Brandi Garcia
Stay at home mom

"I'll take my kids to the parade and maybe to the game. I'm not sure about that yet."



Tyler Morris, PHS Sr.
Ashley Hernandez, PHS Jr.

"We are planning to go out and eat a good steak, go to the game and probably go to the dance."



Larry & Nicky Lawley
neice Zoe Jara, 18 months
daughter Isabel Lawley, 12 months

"We might take our daughter & neice to the parade. We have to wait and see what the weather is like to decide if we'll take the kids to the game."

Water

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study areas in western Roberts County, in southeastern Gray County near McLean and north and east of Clarendon.

The study and conservation areas are reviewed annually, Williams said.

In other business, the district board voted to continue to tax goods in transit. Manufactured goods stored in the district more than 175 days will be taxed.

"It's almost an inventory tax," Williams said.

The district also agreed to sell tax delinquent properties in Potter and Donley counties.

They approved domestic well permits for Alvin Garcia in Potter County, Wondell R. Lutrell in Donley County, Corey Coronis and Rusty Stevens in Gray County, Dr. Mark Ford in Gray County, Steve Gray in Donley County and Roger Knight in Potter County. They also approved four domestic well permits for the Mays Trust in Potter County.

The board approved an application by Larry B. Rogers for a stock well in

Roberts County and an initial production permit application by Becky Epps in Roberts County and a transfer of 50 percent ownership of water rights to Mesa Water LP.

There were two requests to amend existing permits.

The board granted the amendments to McIntyre Christner, who requested a change in their contiguous acres from 9,200 acres to 239 acres, and to Larry B. Rogers, who requested a change in his contiguous acres from 7,000 to 160.

improve cognitive health. For information about the Memory Walk in Amarillo, go to the Web site www.actionalz.org/txstar or write to 1400 Wallace, Amarillo, Texas 79106-1708. Information is also available on a 24-hour helpline at 1-800-272-3900.

PHS grad publishes book

Author Ted McIlvain is a 1967 Graduate of Pampa High who has returned home for his class reunion this weekend. His book, "Playground to Podium: Building Confidence for Speaking ... A Parent's Guide" was published last month.



McIlvain

children. "Playground to Podium" simplifies the technical theories of human behavior for practical use.

McIlvain earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Central Florida, and a master's from Texas Christian University.

His book is a look into the world of public speaking. He urges parents to enhance personal self-esteem while building confidence in their

He is a member of First United Methodist Church of Grapevine and is Adult Christian Education Director of First United Methodist Church in Arlington.



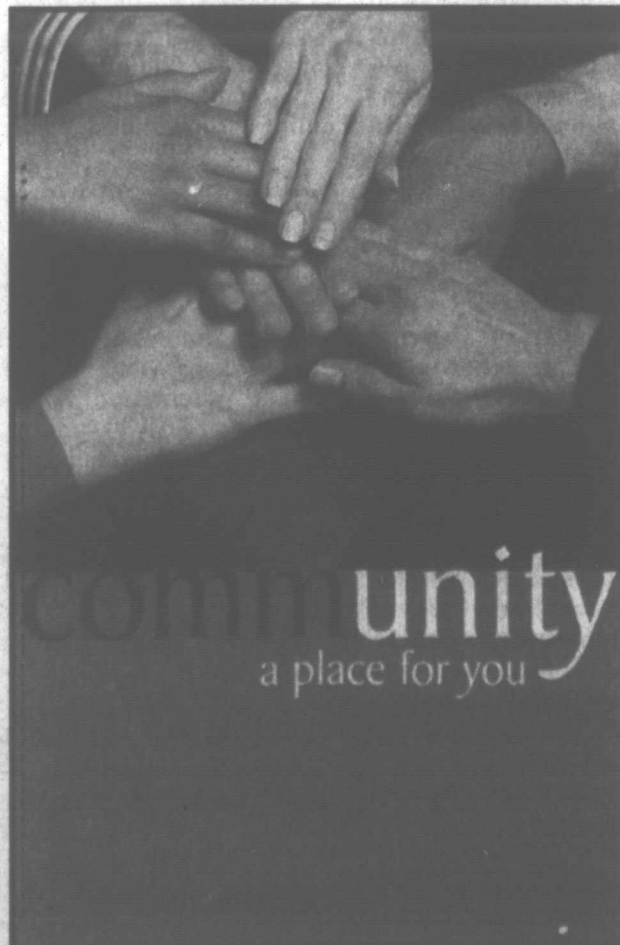
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Randall S. James, Banking Commissioner
Texas Department of Banking

The Centennial Anniversary was a most rewarding day for everyone associated with the bank and the celebration marks a significant historical event in the history of Texas. We are very proud to recognize the past 100 years of service.



Viewpoints

The stuff in high school REALLY doesn't matter

This is homecoming week for Pampa and there are a lot of events planned for the students and also Pampa residents and alumni. It's really a lot of fun to see all of the school spirit in the air and how the town comes together for a common theme, but it is also a reminder of how this event and others affect high school students.

I went to take pictures at the homecoming parade Thursday and some of the girls were wearing their homecoming mums and guys their homecoming garters. I heard one girl say to some others, "I'm really depressed because my mum

isn't as big as yours and mine isn't as pretty."

I don't have a teenager yet and I'm sure my son will feel the same competition and want to be like everyone else and be popular, but I'm going to do everything in my power to not let that happen (maybe it's totally inevitable with teenagers).

When I was in high school, I got a mum my sophomore and junior years from guys I was dating. Neither of these guys had a lot of money so my mum was very modest, but I was really happy with them. Hey, at least I'd received a mum. Some girls didn't even get

one. And when I was in high school, the guys didn't wear garters.

When it came time for the prom my senior year, I wasn't dating anyone and all my guy friends were already going with someone else, so another girl who didn't have a date either and I decided to go together. At the last minute, her brother and his friend decided to go with us so we did have dates. But, we were happy and content to go without dates.

Kerri Smith
Staff Writer

I wish more teenagers realized that all of this popularity stuff in high school just doesn't matter. I graduated in the top 10 percent of my class, a lot higher than most of the real popular girls. This allowed me easy access to college when some of the popular students had to apply and be accepted.

I soon began to realize that "in the real world after high school" being popular, skinny or having great skin or hair doesn't help you get

into college or get you a good job. What matters is being studious and trying your hardest and being nice and compassionate to others.

When we had our 10 and 20 year reunions, I was made even more aware of this fact. Some of the people who were popular and pretty in high school didn't have very good lives later. Some of them had been married and divorced a few times. Some had really out of control kids. And some of them never had really good jobs.

Here I was, still overweight and still having acne, but I was happy and had a great life. I'd lived all over

the U.S. since my husband was in the Navy and some of those people had never been out of Texas. Since I moved so much, I had a lot of very neat and fun jobs over the years. I was happily married to a wonderful guy and had basically had a great marriage.

Like I said before, it's hard to get teenagers to realize that all this stuff in high school doesn't matter, but try and let them know that being a nice, compassionate, studious person is far better than being pretty, skinny or popular. In the end, it just doesn't matter.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Sept. 21, the 264th day of 2007. There are 101 days left in the year. The Jewish Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur, begins at sunset.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 21, 1938, a hurricane struck parts of New York and New England, causing widespread damage and claiming some 700 lives.

On this date:

In 1792, the French National Convention voted to abolish the monarchy.

In 1897, the New York Sun ran its famous editorial that declared, "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus."

In 1937, "The Hobbit," by J.R.R. Tolkien, was first published.

In 1948, Milton Berle made his debut as permanent host of "The Texaco Star Theater" on NBC-TV.

"I never think of the future. It comes soon enough."

— Albert Einstein
German-born physicist (1889-1955)

In 1957, Norway's King Haakon VII died in Oslo at age 85.

In 1957, "Perry Mason," starring Raymond Burr, premiered on CBS-TV.

In 1970, "NFL Monday Night Football" made its debut on ABC-TV as the Cleveland Browns defeated the visiting New York Jets, 31-21.

In 1982, Amin Gemayel, brother of Lebanon's assassinated president-elect, Bashir Gemayel, was himself elected president.

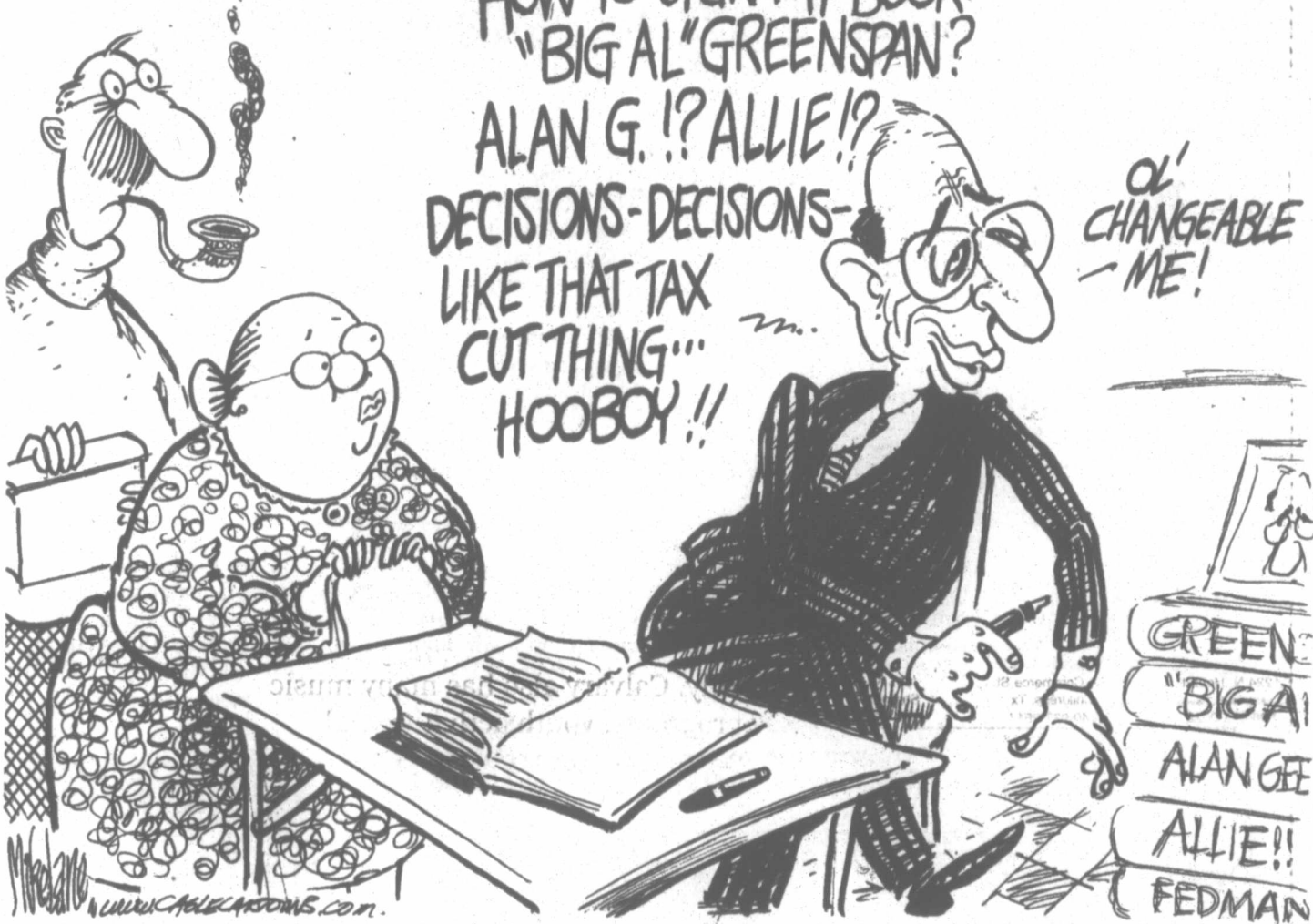
In 1982, National Football League players began a 57-day strike, their first regular-season walkout ever.

In 1987, NFL players went on a 24-day strike, mainly over the issue of free agency.

Ten years ago: Saying their persistent demands for a special investigation had been vindicated, senior Republicans insisted Attorney General Janet Reno seek appointment of an independent counsel to look into White House fund-raising activities, a day after the Justice Department revealed it had begun a preliminary review.

Five years ago: A defiant Iraq said it would not abide by a U.N. resolution imposing new conditions in the weapons inspections issue or threatening war. Israel planted its flag in Yasser Arafat's West Bank compound and threatened to blow up his offices in an effort to make the Palestinian leader surrender militants or leave into exile. Angelo Buono, Jr., whose gruesome killing of young Los Angeles women in the 1970s earned him the nickname "Hillside Strangler," died in a California prison; he was 67. Miss Illinois Erika Harold was crowned Miss America at the pageant in Atlantic City, N.J.

One year ago: The White House and rebellious Senate Republicans announced agreement on rules for the interrogation and trial of suspects in the war on terror.



The month of reports will yield nothing

This is the month of the reports. The Government Accountability Office has already made its report on the war in Iraq, next comes a Marine general, and then the big kahuna, Gen. David Petraeus. All of the reports are predictable, and none of them will sway President Bush from his stay-the-course policy. Nor will the Democrats find the courage to stop the war.

The reports can be summed up as we are making some progress here, not so much there, and we need more time. And, of course, more money. The rhetoric will be like the wind, full of sound and fury, signifying nothing. Keep in mind, too, that the Bush administration people lie like a drunken fisherman.

The Bush technique is to just repeat talking points, even when confronted with

facts that contradict them. Rep. Charles Boustany, a Republican congressman from Louisiana, is typical of the Bush parrots. He tried to get away with the talking point that sectarian deaths

are down. CNN's Wolf Blitzer pointed out that Iraqi Health Ministry counts show that civilian deaths are increasing. The congressman then indicated he meant sectarian attacks.

That might be true, because there are very few Sunnis left in Baghdad for the Shiite militias to murder. Practically all of the 2 million displaced and refugees are Sunnis. Baghdad is now virtually all Shiite.

But the congressman tried

to get away with another talking point. "Well," he said, "I would have never thought that four members of Congress would be able to walk through the streets of Fallujah."

"But you had a lot of security," Blitzer said. "A platoon of Marines," Boustany said. The little weasel would never have mentioned the Marines if Blitzer hadn't called him on it. He meant to leave the misleading impression that four American congressmen could safely take a stroll unescorted in Fallujah, which is not so.

Besides having been virtually destroyed, with most of its people killed, imprisoned or driven out, in

Fallujah all cars have been banned since May. A Sheik Salim put it well when he said: "To say that Fallujah is quiet is true. You can see it in the streets. The city is practically dead, and the dead are quiet."

Bush, by the way, really hacked off some of the Iraqi government officials by spending his eight-hour visit on an American military base. He did it to make the claim that al-Anbar province is pacified. That's not true either. In July, citizens of Anbar killed 20 American soldiers. The only thing that's happened is that the Sunni tribal leaders have turned on al-Qaida and started killing its members.

Now the U.S. is arming some of the Sunni militias, which infuriates the Shiite militias. You tell me how we

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Charley Reese
Columnist

Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ **Sept. 9**
Houston Chronicle on reforming care for the mentally retarded:

On the leafy banks of the Brazos River stands a friendly home, a place where hundreds of Texans gratefully entrust their children: the Richmond State School. From the accounts of many parents one might think there is no safer place for someone with mental retardation.

These accolades differ from recent, sickening accounts of mistreatment in the state schools, including Richmond. Yet neither the Richmond advocates nor the law enforcers pursuing the

accusations are lying. The varying portraits of Texas' state school system, the country's largest, show how multifaceted are the needs and experiences within this gigantic network. Acting on recent reports of atrocities in the schools, lawmakers need to keep both perspectives in mind.

Above all, state-sponsored care for the retarded needs to do far more than simply avoid headline-level mistreatment. Instead, Texas has to give retarded citizens options that allow each individual to live safely and fully.

As the Richmond parents' group and others like it make clear, abruptly closing state schools would be a catastrophe for some. When the schools work, families say, they are the best places for many residents, especially people with

severe mental or behavioral deficits, or whose elderly guardians won't be alive to help them if alternative living arrangements fail.

Though all state schools pathetically compensate their rank and file, many staff members have lovingly cared for their charges over decades, families attest. "Parents take comfort," said Susan Payne, whose sister lives in a state school, "knowing (their children) are somewhat contained and have necessary supports within easy reach ... On-campus programs and classes give the client the freedom to come and go" without leaving the property.

Contrary to these parents' fears, however, no lawmaker is calling for

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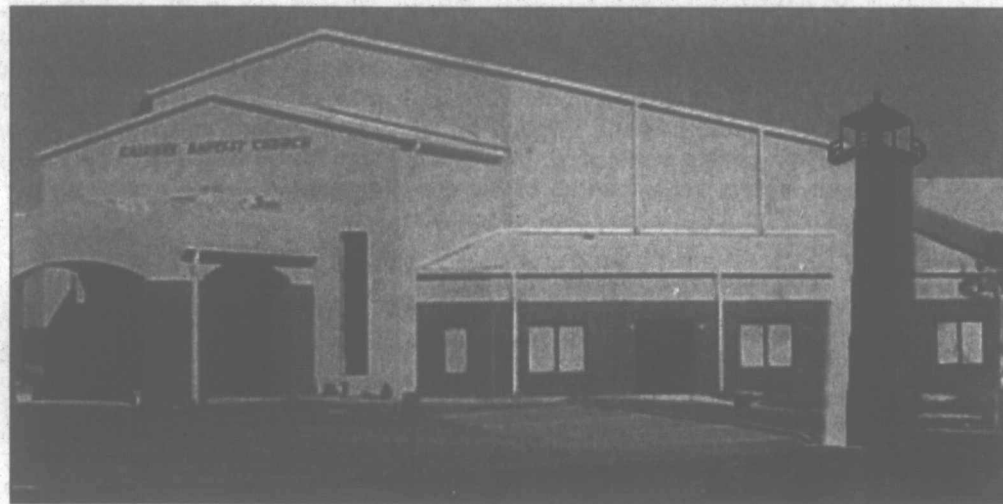
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Calvary Baptist Church

Church name: Calvary Baptist, 900 E. 23rd St., 665-0842. Also known as The Lighthouse on 23rd Street.

Minister: Pastor Richard Bartel.

Services: Sunday — 8:30 a.m. Television broadcast on cable channel 5, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 6 p.m. Evening Worship.

Activities: Hosts one of Pampa's largest and most exciting Vacation Bible Schools with more than 200 children attending, usually in late July. Calvary also has many music programs, youth activities and camps, and other activities throughout the year.

Members: 300 in attendance each Sunday.

Denomination: Southern Baptist.

How long here: Calvary just celebrated their 75th anniversary.

Goals: Recently finished building "Lighthouse Park" to be used and enjoyed by Pampa residents. Considering building a family life center and activities building.

Other activities: The church operates a food pantry which provides free food to needy residents. Also operates "For Heaven's Sake Day Care," a full service child care facility open 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The church provides school supplies to needy families in August.

Main goal: To be a lighthouse to Pampa, to be a place where hurting people can seek help and strength through a relationship with Jesus Christ and to be a place where they can grow in their faith and fellowship with other believers.

Church message: Jesus Christ is the answer to eternal life and He is the solution to our everyday struggles and problems. Calvary Baptist wants to lead people to a faith in Jesus Christ.

Responsible parties: Pastor Richard Bartel, Music Minister Gary Jameson, Youth Minister Mike Laurence and Children's Director Sherry Etheredge.

Information: Calvary Baptist is a family oriented church, ready to serve your entire family, ranging from small children and youth to adults of all ages. Our church has been one of the fastest growing churches in the past 15 years because of our relevant sermons which apply to everyday issues, our contemporary music and worship style and our ministries to teenagers and children. Come experience the excitement and see why lives are being changed at "The Lighthouse on 23rd Street."



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Religion

Religion in the news ...

China church leader released from prison after 3-year sentence related to Bibles

BEIJING (AP) — A leader of China's underground Protestant church has been released from a three-year prison term for distributing Bibles and other religious literature without a business license, an overseas monitoring group said.

Pastor Cai Zhuohua returned to his Beijing home in good physical and mental condition, the China Aid Association said in a statement.

The association, based in the U.S. city of Midland, Texas, said Cai had been told not to speak about his prison experience and to report to a local police station once a month.

Cai's pretrial detention appeared to have been counted toward his sentence. He had been detained about 14 months before he was convicted in November 2005.

Cai had been sentenced for "illegal business practices" after police searched a warehouse managed by Cai and found more than 200,000 pieces of Christian literature, including Bibles.

China's government-controlled church maintains a monopoly on the printing and distribution of religious literature and other church materials.

The Chinese government only allows worship in churches run by state-monitored religious associations, although millions of Christians risk harassment or worse by gathering in independent church groups, often run out of private homes.

Cai's lawyers said he gave away the religious materials for free and denied he was running a business.

China's officially atheistic Communist government denies persecuting believers, but says all religious groups must follow the law and place love of nation above all else.

Romanian Orthodox bishop collaborated with the communist-era secret police, council rules

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — A Romanian Orthodox bishop was an informant of the communist-era Securitate secret police and was ordered to infiltrate groups of Eastern Rite Catholics, a council studying Securitate archives said.

Andrei Andreicut, bishop for Alba in northwest Romania, was recruited in the 1980s and pressured into signing a written pledge to be an informant under the code name 'Ionica.' The Securitate particularly wanted him to spy on members of the banned Eastern Rite Catholic Church, the state council for studying the Securitate archives said Sept. 13.

Andreicut said he didn't harm anyone.

The bishop had come from a family of Eastern Rite Catholic believers, who accept the authority of the pope but can follow different rituals than Roman Catholics. Eastern Rite churches were banned in 1948 when the Communists came to power.

Andreicut was coerced into signing a pledge promising to inform or else risk being sent to jail, said

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Church briefs

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 511 N. Hobart, will present a Beth Moore series titled "A Heart Like His" starting at 10 a.m. Sept. 28 at the church. Workbooks will be available at the first meeting. The program is open to the community. For more information or to sign-up, call 665-1167.

HEREFORD — Wesley

United Methodist Church in Hereford will host its 27th annual Festival of Arts and Crafts from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 1 at the Community Center in Hereford. A limited number of booths are available. Booth rental fees are \$10. To request an application or for more information, call (806) 364-0774, (806) 364-5789 or (806) 364-4419.

MINISTER'S MUSINGS

Holy Spirit can alter things when our own weak muscles and will can't ...

I recently got a call from a friend I haven't heard from in several years. I had lost whatever information I had on Matt, and it felt so wonderful to catch-up on each others lives. After I hung up the phone from our visit, my mind started running through all of the times that we shared. One stuck out more vividly than all of the others. That will be the focus of today's article.

His name was Michael Barnes. He was 12-years-old and assigned to my Pop Warner football team in Ontario, Ore. I was out of town doing a revival in Minnesota on the first day of practice. Before practice the next day, Matt called me and warned me about a boy on our team.

Matt told me, "He is mouthy, rebellious and a trouble causer."

My response was, "Well, if he doesn't change he certainly won't be on our team very long."

In over 20 years of coaching young boys and girls, I never met a more disrespectful, mouthy, bad attitude kid than Michael was on that first day. He was a little pudgy, and so the running of the first day just about did him in. Then after shooting off his mouth a couple of times and getting double and triple push-ups and sit-ups as his payment, he was just about exhausted, but his fiery attitude didn't waver for even a moment. Every coach knows that fiery can be an awesome thing if it is under control.

Then the moment of truth came. He mouthed off something disrespectful and got 10 push-ups, mouthed off again, got 10 more, mouthed off again, got 10 more,

mouthed off again, got 10 more and mouthed off again and got 10 more — 50 push-ups in all. And the only reason that he shut his mouth was that I told him that if he said one more disrespectful thing I would kick him off of my team, and I would refuse to sign his transfer slip to play on another team.

Mike Sublett
Hi-Land Christian



He began his push-ups. By the time he got to 20, his arms were beginning to shake and by 30 he was just about to give up. At that moment, I believe that God gave me the answer for Michael. I hollered out his name and ran over to him and dove on to the ground in front of him and started screaming in his face as loud as I could. Over and over again, I yelled for him to quit and how that he could never do these push-ups. It worked! Michael got mad and popped off the rest of his 50 push-ups. Nobody was happier than me.

I grabbed Michael and threw him as high as I could in the air and caught him when he landed. Then I started yelling out praises on him to all of the other boys on the team.

"I knew you could do it Michael. I knew you could. Did you boys see that? He did 50 push-ups after everything else we've done. Now that's a hard working boy!"

I let him get a drink, and then we had a talk. I told him that if he was going to be disrespectful he may as well turn his uniform in that day.

Michael resolutely said, "Coach, if you'll let me stay on the team, I won't be a problem again, I promise."

And he wasn't. In fact, Michael Barnes won more hustle awards than any other player I ever coached. No boy ever tried harder or worked harder than Michael. Before football season started, Michael was in the school office almost every day for causing trouble. During that football season, he wasn't in the office a single time. For eight weeks, he became a completely different boy.

What's the point?

Change is possible.

Some changes are possible through will and muscle. God will never help anyone make those changes. Those He leaves up to the individual, but some changes cannot be conquered through will and muscle. Those changes require the power of the Holy Spirit of God.

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit," says the Lord (Zechariah 4:6). If you've been trying to make some changes in your life by your will and muscle and haven't been too successful, then maybe it is time for you to surrender to Jesus Christ.

If you will, He'll send the Holy Spirit to dwell your body — God's new temple. And one thing is for sure: The Holy Spirit can make every change in your life that muscle and will can't. It's all up to you now. God bless.

The American flag reminds me of Jesus

On March 22, 1975, I attended a gathering of Christian people. We all stood for the opening prayer, had the American flag presented and gave the Pledge of Allegiance. Looking at the flag, it began to show me that it represented Jesus, and I would like to explain as follows:

ONE. Seeing the red first reminds me of the blood that Jesus shed for me. That if the blood of Jesus would have not been shed, I could not have eternal life and also to be free from the bondage of the enemy.

TWO. Seeing the stripes reminds me of the stripes that Jesus suffered, that His body was the supreme sacrifice for not only me but

those who would accept Him, that He suffered and bled that I might live in this country in freedom.

THREE. Seeing the white reminds me of the purity that comes when Jesus gave His life, and that life has set me free and forgiven me of all my sins. No longer do I have to travel in darkness but in the light of His beauty and holiness. It reminds me that Jesus was the perfect lamb put on the altar in my place, and He forgave me of all my wrongs. My sins were as scarlet, now they are white

as snow.

FOUR. Seeing the blue reminds me of the great heaven that Jesus has gone and prepared for me because He said, "I go to prepare a place for you."

JESUS, while on this earth, was a carpenter, and can you picture how the great architect built a place in heaven for you and me? When the Bible says it was not built with human hands!

FIVE. Seeing the stars reminds me of the one great star that appeared on the night of His birth. The supreme architect of the uni-

verse hung each star in its place and made them all. The first American flag had 13 stars — this reminds me of the 12 disciples and Jesus.

SIX. It is no wonder to me at all that Jesus chose this great nation to answer the call to a lost and dying world. Isaiah 43:21 says, "This people have I formed for myself. They shall shew forth my praise." I praise God first that I am a Christian and next that I live in America. My prayer is that God continue to bless this holy nation, and that I never, never hold back the tears when I sing the songs "Star Spangled Banner" and "God Bless America" or say the Pledge of Allegiance to God and country.

Dr. Jimmy Flynn
Evangelist

Hill tribe Christians face difficult challenges ...

By PETER ENAV
Associated Press Write

SAPULOU, Taiwan (AP) — Sixty years after Roman Catholic and Presbyterian missionaries first converted large numbers of Taiwanese aboriginals in their leafy mountain villages, Christianity here is entering a new phase. Adherents are leaving the faith.

Faced with a declining agricultural economy in their hard pressed rural communities, more and more upcountry Christians are moving to Taiwan's bustling cities, where worldly temptations and a bewildering social framework are challenging their beliefs.

At a recent Sunday morning service in the nearby community of Laolauran, American Presbyterian missionary John McCall tried to rally the faithful, as local hill tribe pastor Sakulu translated his Mandarin Chinese sermon into the aboriginal language of Paiwanese.

"God loves you and he is your father," McCall said. "You're all the children of God."

But the church was mostly empty, and the worshippers included few if any young adults.

"I used to go to church," said Dzwo Yung-gung, who recently returned to the area to work at the Dawu Mountain National Education Center. "But now I don't. My faith has fallen away."

The attitude of Dzwo and thousands of hill tribe

Taiwanese like him represents a fundamental challenge to McCall and the legion of local pastors he and his predecessors have helped train at three Presbyterian seminaries around the island.

Ever since Canadian George Mackay came to Taiwan in 1871, the center of the missionary enterprise on the island has always been its hill tribe people, whose ancestors migrated here from south Pacific islets about 6,000 years ago.

The Paiwan and others once proved much more receptive to Christianity than their lowland neighbors, who followed Buddhism, Confucianism and Taoism.

Today, some 65 percent of the hill tribe population of 460,000 is Christian, about equally divided between Presbyterians and Catholics, according to government statistics. That compares with about 2 percent of Taiwan's 22.5 million Han Chinese, who originated on the Chinese mainland, where they constitute a large majority.

Sociologist Jonathan Unger of Canberra's Australian National University said the hill tribes were more open to the Christian message largely because of the

prejudice they felt from the Han. Other Asian minority peoples, in places like southwest China, Laos, and upland Thailand, also were more willing to embrace Christianity, he said.

"It's a common phenomenon that a minority people con-

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"TO GOD BE THE GLORY"

In 1954, Billy Graham planned a crusade at London's Harringay Arena. The British press was critical of the young evangelist, and an Anglican bishop predicted that Graham would return to America with "his tail between his legs." A member of Parliament threatened a challenge in the House of Commons, accusing Graham of interfering in British politics under the guise of religion. Funds were short, forcing the Graham team to take pay cuts. As it turned out, Harringay Arena was packed for three months, and this old hymn of Fanny Crosby's became a fitting theme. It was sung every night at Harringay, launching it into worldwide popularity as one of Christianity's favorite hymns.

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Pampa Community Concert Association "Presents Live on Stage" is conducting its annual membership drive for three weeks in September. Scheduled concerts in Pampa are Edgar Cruz, guitarist, Nov. 5; Saxophobia with Rob Verdi, March 31, 2008; and

"Revolution, A Tribute to the Beatles," May 6, 2008. All local concerts will kick-off at 7:30 p.m. at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Concerts scheduled in Borger are The Juggernaut Jug Band, Sept. 20; The Celtic Tenors, Nov. 4; and Angela Jia Kim, pianist, Feb. 12, 2008. For more infor-

mation, Ruth Riehart at 665-3362 or Glennette Goode at 665-9432.

• **The Tri-State Fair** in Amarillo will present a Hot Dog Cooking Contest for kids sponsored by the Amarillo Dillas starting at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Rex Baxter Building in Amarillo. Each entry

must have the equivalent of one standard size hot dog per serving, but does not have to include a bread product. Judging will be based on taste, appearance, originality and recipe. For more information, call (806) 376-7767 or (806) 342-0400.

• **The second annual**

Festival at the Farm will be staged from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday at Durham, Okla. The event will include food, art exhibits, crafts show, staged shootout, performers and more. All events are free and open to the public. For more information, call (580) 655-4467.

Shorts

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Mircea Dinescu, a board member of the council studying the Securitate archives. The bishop wrote informative notes for the Securitate after signing the pledge. One board mem-

ber called the notes "harmless."

Andreicut admitted in his 2002 autobiography that the Securitate forced him to inform on a close friend but said he only wrote "positive things."

Faced with the council's announcement, he denied having been a real informant, saying he had been forced into agreeing to spy in 1983, or be sent to prison for alleged-

ly trying to bribe an official, something he denied doing. "I was a victim," he said.

During communism, thousands of priests were imprisoned or sent to labor camps, alongside tens of thousands of other political prisoners. Many signed written pledges promising to be Securitate informants when they were released.

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sidered inferior in many respects by the dominant culture will protect itself by turning to a world religion," Unger said.

Rangalu, a 45-year-old primary school teacher in the hill tribe village of Sapulou, said the discrimination he experienced played a key role in forming his own Paiwan identity.

"When I was in school in Taipei the (Han) teacher would say, 'Look at this Paiwan kid, he's so dark, he's dirty, don't play with him,'" he said. "It really made an impression."

His wife Muni, 39, cited another reason for Christianity's popularity: the health care and other social services provided by foreign missionaries.

"They were all very poor, they had very few clothes," said Muni, who spent seven years studying theology at the Yusan Presbyterian Seminary in the eastern Taiwanese city of Hualien. "But the missionaries came and cured them, they gave them clothes and they taught them to love God."

But now, she said more local young people are going to Taiwanese cities

in search of work.

"They are discriminated against, they lose their connection to the church, they start to drink, their lives become unstable," she said.

Placed near the base of a steeply rising mountain covered with coconut palms, stands of bamboo, and verdant rows of acacia trees, many of the homes in Sapulou village are decorated with handsome wood carvings depicting traditional Paiwan symbols: serpents, warriors holding spears, and hunting scenes featuring wild mountain pigs.

Sapulou lies near the southern extreme of the 240-mile mountainous spine that runs down the center of Taiwan and hosts its 13 government-recognized aboriginal tribes.

Dappled with satellite dishes — and only a few miles removed from a railway stop on the line to the mostly Han city of Taidung — the village is not nearly as isolated as some other aboriginal villages in the high mountain country.

In one of the village's more solid looking homes, Kanpi and his wife Lumiya, both 70, welcomed a group of foreign and local visitors with a traditional Paiwan melody embellished with modern Christian lyrics.

"We welcome our guests to the house," they sang. "We thank the Lord we have all come together in our home."

The walls of the simple structure were covered with the spoils of Kanpi's hunting career — assorted pig skulls, eagle feathers, and deer skins. They served as poignant reminders of the recent past, when hunting and subsistence farming were the core of the Paiwan existence.

One of the visitors was McCall, who first came to Taiwan in 1996 after being inspired by stories from retired missionaries near his home in Black Mountain, N.C.

A tall, youthful-looking 49, with a thick shock of salt-and-pepper colored hair, McCall said that after almost 12 years in Taiwan he remained committed to his mission of helping to prepare young hill tribes people for ordination into the Presbyterian ministry.

But mindful of Muni's earlier remarks, he acknowledged the challenge of keeping faith alive for a new generation of hill tribe Christians.

"In the first generation and even the second the fire is still very high," he said. "But now the struggle is harder. The fire is starting to fade."



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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I started reading your column when I was 8. (I am now 38.) From time to time you print stories about how couples met, and I would like to share mine. I have severe asthma, and in January 2001, I was out sick from work for three days. While I was home, I started talking to John over the Internet. At the time, he lived in Massachusetts, and I lived in Washington state. After an hour or so, he convinced me to seek medical help. I was taken to the hospital and don't remember much after I got there. Three days later, I woke up with a tube down my throat. My doctor told me if I hadn't come in when I did, I would have died, and my children would have been left motherless! I was released a few days later, and when I returned home, I found e-mails from John leaving me his work number, home number and pager number. I called him and told him he had saved my life from 3,000 miles away. In June 2001, I flew back East and we drove back to Washington state together. We were married in July 2002 and renewed our wedding vows last Valentine's Day. We have a 3-year-old son, and not a day goes by that I am not thankful for my husband, who was an emergency medical technician. He says he was "just doing his job." He is now an EMT-Intermediate, and I am now taking a basic EMT class myself. I tell John every day that I fall more and more in love with him. We always talk over our disagreements and never go to bed angry at each other. Please print this so others may see that the Internet is not a bad place to meet and fall in love. — **ALIVE AND IN LOVE IN WASHINGTON STATE**

DEAR ALIVE AND IN LOVE: The day you met John was your lucky day in more ways than one. I'm pleased to print your testimonial -- with one stipulation. Meeting someone online is no different

from meeting someone in any public place. I know several happy couples who met via the Internet, but I also know people who have tried it and struck out. When meeting on the Internet, it's important to take it slow, have your first in-person encounters in public places, and remember that there's always a chance that not everything you read online is the gospel truth. I'm pleased your story has a happy ending. It should only be that way for everyone.

DEAR ABBY: I took my 4-year-old son to a park to play recently. He immediately ran over to the playground where another boy around 8 or 9 was playing. Suddenly my son ran back to me and said, "Mommy, that boy said he's going to kick my butt!" A little startled, I got up, intending to say something to the boy, when I noticed that he had Down syndrome. Not only did I not know what to say to my son, I wasn't sure if I should speak to the boy or his mother, who was sitting on a nearby park bench. (She was unaware of what her son had said.) How should I have handled this? — **MUDDLED MOMMY IN MIAMI**

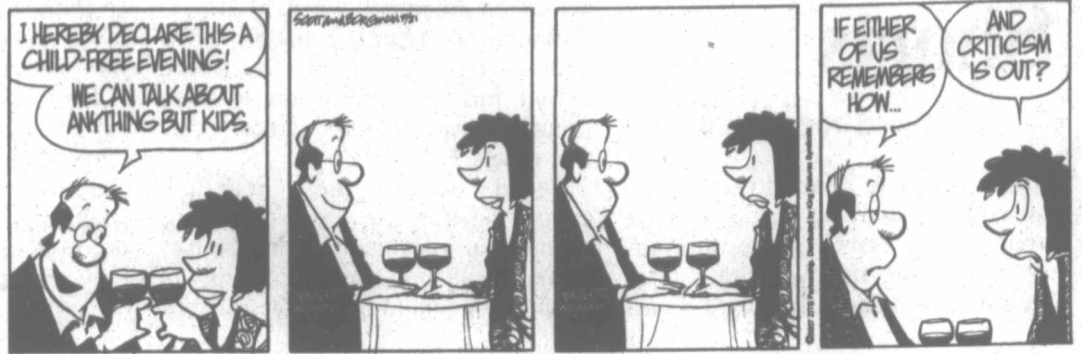
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TO MY JEWISH READERS: Yom Kippur begins at sundown -- a time for reflection, prayer and repentance. May your fast be an easy one.

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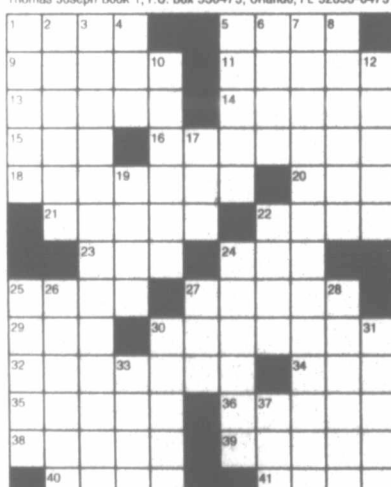
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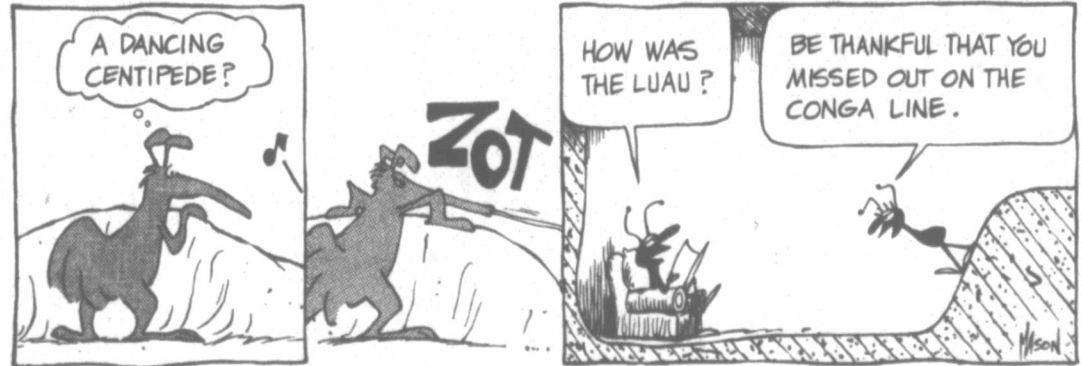


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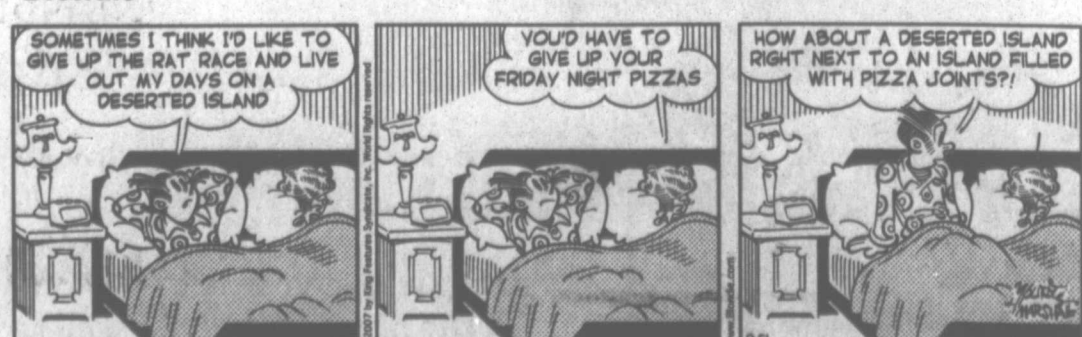
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Sports Day

Harvesters picked to win at Homecoming

By **JORDAN REAGAN**
Sports Editor

While all of the PHS alumni and former Harvesters are on their way back into town for Homecoming, they can expect a good game between the home team and the Borger Bulldogs.

For as long as many can remember, Borger has been a fierce rival of Pampa's.

To some, there couldn't have been a more perfect opponent for Homecoming.

Although it may be no secret that the Harris Ratings have picked Pampa to win by 31 over Borger, head coach Andy Cavalier insists that the expectation to win by such a large margin has not affected the team's drive this week.

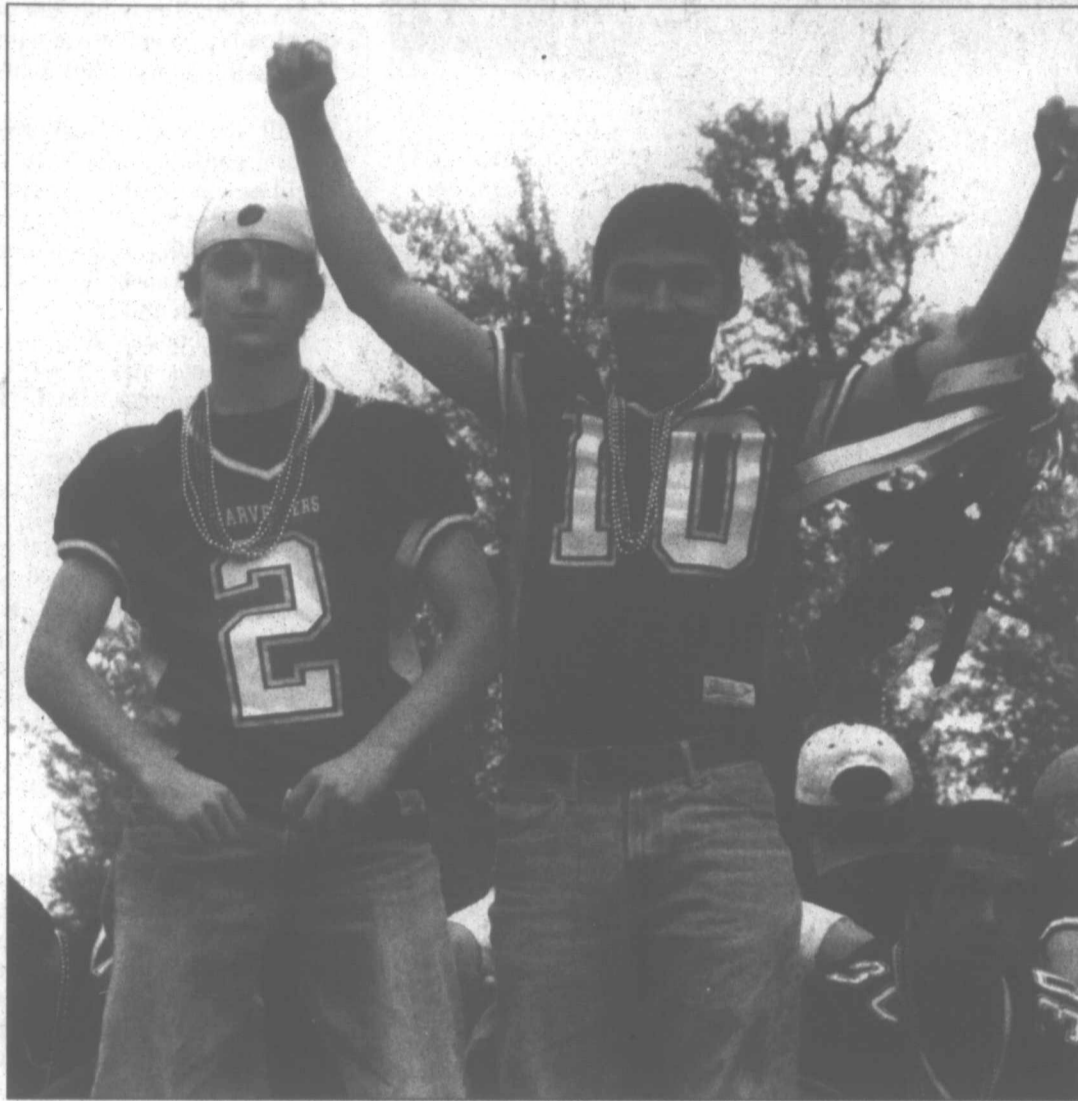
"Our mentality has been no different than any other week this season," Cavalier said, "Although Borger does have an 0-3 record, when we watch their games we see an extremely dangerous team that given a few different situations could really be 3-0. We need to play well again this week."

So far this season, playing well is exactly what the Pampa Harvesters have been doing.

Last week, while losing to Amarillo High, they still did better than Harris expected, and took the team whose school population greatly outnumbers Pampa's into overtime - nearly twice.

In the weeks before, Pampa stomped Perryton in the season debut and survived a lightning storm delay to defeat Lubbock Estacado.

The Bulldogs have had a



Pampa News photos by JORDAN REAGAN
Pampa receiver Wayne Parker (left) and linebacker Jeremy Martinez show off at the Homecoming Parade Thursday afternoon.

tough season so far, losing to Lubbock Cooper, Caprock and Dumas.

This week, as the Harvesters welcome the Bulldogs from Borger, they plan to keep improving as they have been, regardless of what the Harris Ratings say.

Consistency and commitment, which have always been strong themes this sea-

son for the Harvesters will play a role this week, and coach Cavalier plans to remain as consistent as they have been.

"I believe we have improved each week, which is what I want to see at this point in the season," Cavalier said, "There is still much room for improvement and we need to continue get-

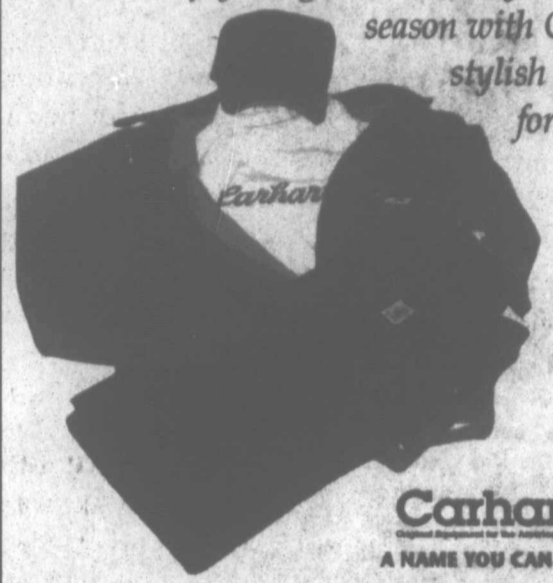
ting better week after week as we approach district play."

After this weekend, the Harvesters will have their open week, and take time to prepare for district.

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Picking up old habits never gets old

By JORDAN REAGAN
Sports Editor

I think I may have mentioned this before, but I used to play tennis in high school and middle school back in Andrews.

Some of my best memories come from the tennis courts, and my experiences with tennis.

In middle school, I had a coach that never could remember that my name was not BJ or Byron, but Jordan.

And how could he forget? I was the kid who was consistently 2nd-to-last on the ladder - right above Timmy. Nobody lost to Timmy.

When I got to high school, we had just gotten a new coach. He was a Viet Nam veteran with a mullet and ambitions to become a professional football player.

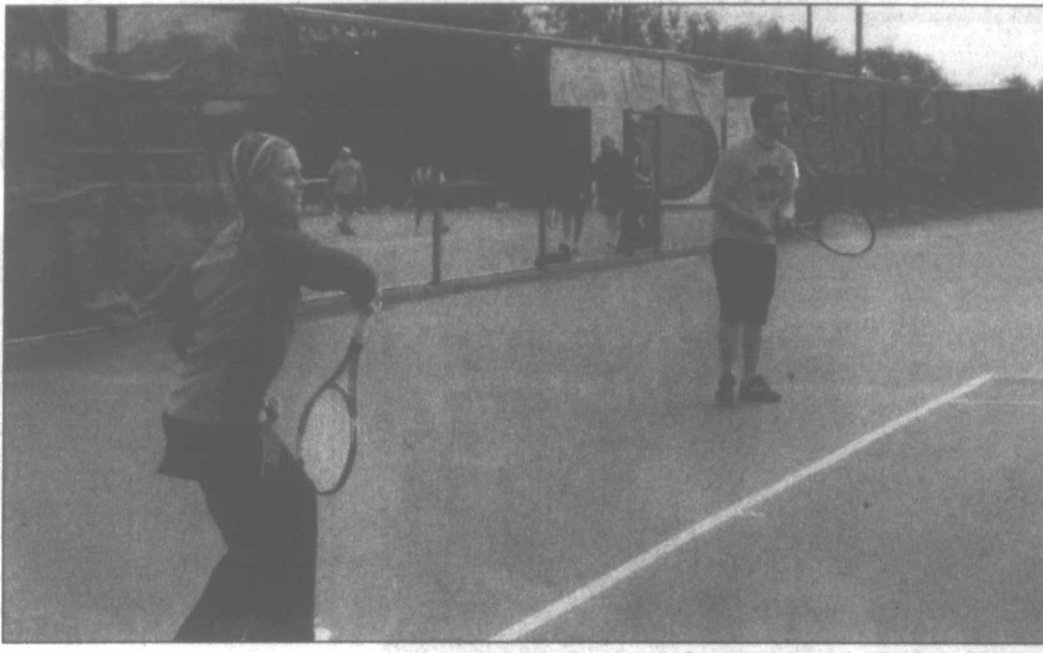
He was obviously a little too old to play for the Patriots, so he took the opening for tennis coach at Andrews High School.

He always wore blue jeans, boots and a cowboy hat on the courts, and we suspected that he had a peg-leg hidden under one of the legs of those jeans because of the way he ran when a stray ball was headed his way.

Don't get me wrong, we loved the guy to death, except when he made us run more than three miles every Tuesday and Thursday and max out in the weight room on Fridays.

My high school tennis career ended when my high school journalism career began to take off my junior year.

Until last Saturday, I hadn't done much more than hit a couple of balls since quitting the team in high school - and I'm sure everyone could tell.



Courtesy photo by SUSAN CHASE

Katie O'Neal and I take on Samantha Kelley and Jennifer Brown in the first round of Saturday's tournament.

Last Saturday, I joined the Harvester tennis team in their Green and Gold tournament to end Green and Gold week, preparing for district.

Along with several other members from the community, I teamed up with somebody from the high school team in a single-elimination doubles tournament.

My partner was senior Katie O'Neal.

Other participants included Doc Morris who played with Kevin Frels, Bino Facio who played with Alyssa Hoelting, Bryce Jordan who played with Jack Ware, Janyth Bowers who played with Robin Fernuik, Adrian Pay who played with Tyler Morris and many more.

All of the doubles teams were split up into two teams, the Gold team, or the 'Gold Diggas' and the Green team or the 'Green Monsters,' the same teams that had been competing in other various activities all week long.

Katie and I were Gold Diggas.

Although I wasn't performing as well as I used to, which never was very good to begin with, I had the most fun I've had in a long time at that tournament.

I double faulted several times, and even hit an out-of-the-park home run, but Katie and I actually did pretty well as a team.

In the first round, we defeated the Green team's Samantha Kelley and her partner, Jennifer Brown.

Next, we took on Krissa Whitley and her partner, Jeff Gage of the Green team.

We had a few scary moments, but came out on top to win 8-3, advancing again to the next round.

In the quarterfinals, we faced Myles Foreman and his grandfather, Mike Till, of the Green team.

Till and his wife, Sherry, both came in from Houston to play in the tournament, and I wish they wouldn't have, because they were very good and made me

look even worse.

Katie and I lost the first three games in our third match, but came back and won three in a row to tie the match at 3-3.

Myles and Mike won the seventh game, and every game after that and defeated Katie and me 8-3.

After the match, Mike informed us that he had only been playing for about 60 years.

I would like to say that the team that beat us went on to win the whole thing, but they didn't.

Myles and Mike were defeated by Kevin Frels and Doc Morris 8-2 in the semifinals.

Gold Diggas Kevin and Doc went on to face Green Monsters Jack Ware and Bryce Jordan in the finals.

Jack and Bryce ended up winning the tournament for the Green team.

I don't think we did so bad, though. I like to look at it like this; we lost to the team that lost to the team that lost to the team that won.

Horns look to play football, forget arrests

AUSTIN (AP) — It was a rough summer for Mack Brown.

Six of his Texas players were arrested — the most recent on Monday — and close wins against teams most considered big underdogs have left many wondering if his team is over-rated.

Still, the No. 7 Longhorns are 3-0 heading into Saturday night's game against Rice (0-3). A comfortable win there could ease a lot of the anxiety around campus.

The talk of Texas right now is not about football. It's about a rash of felony and misdemeanor arrests, suspensions and what Brown can do to minimize the damage to the reputations of coach and school.

Fans are complaining, national sports columnists are taking pot shots and "Book'em Horns!" jokes are zipping around the Internet, leaving Brown trying to reign in a wave of bad publicity.

"I've spent 33 years of my life coaching young people and trying to be a great role model for young people and prepare them for life after football," Brown said. "It has been very, very important in my life that we have a team with character and that they act responsibly. When someone is accused of trouble or has trouble, it's devastating to me personally."

University President William Powers went public this week with his support of Brown and the program.

"I strongly endorse the penalties he has imposed on this player and others who have been arrested for various offenses. I know Coach Brown feels accountable for the conduct of his team and that these players must be held accountable for their own behavior on and off the field," Powers said.

Brown this week reinstated sophomore linebacker Sergio Kindle and junior defensive end Henry Melton, both suspended three games for drunken driving arrests over the summer.

"It's going to be good for us to have those guys back," linebacker Rodrick Muckelroy said.

Anything that allows Texas to concentrate on the playbook rather than the police blotter is welcome right now. Senior defensive tackle Derek Lokoy said playing Rice helps the team put the arrests in the past.

"Instead of dividing the team, it's going to unite the team," Lokoy said.

Things have been rocky on the field as well.

A close win over Arkansas State was followed by a blowout over then-No. 19 TCU. But even that came with a blemish as the offense was shut out in the first half.

Last week's trip to Central Florida gave Texas a scare before the Longhorns finally got out of Orlando with a 35-32 victory.

Quarterback Colt McCoy, who tied an NCAA freshman record last season with 29 touchdown passes, has only four this season, with five interceptions.

"I think it's easy for a lot of guys to get frustrated because there are so many expectations," McCoy said. "I think we need to relax. We've got to have fun."

There could be lots of laughs Saturday night. Texas was won 37 of the last 38 meetings with Rice with average score of 43-12 in the last six.

Hidden Hills Ladies



Courtesy photo

Hidden Hills Ladies Golf Association recently held their end of the year tournament. Jimmie Thompson and Linda Olsen took 1st place in the tournament, and Jean Jones and Brenda Kelley got 2nd place. Pictured here are participants: (back row, L-R) Gayla Rigdon, Carolyn Allison, Brenda Kelley, Joyce Epperson, Linda Olsen, Jean Jones and Jackie Harper. (front row, L-R) Jimmie Thompson and Monica Leonard.

Rolling Texas Tech faces reeling Oklahoma State

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Considering both Oklahoma State's recent history of success at home against Texas Tech and the Cowboys' current circumstances, they have reason to be glad it's the Red Raiders who will visit Boone Pickens Stadium on Saturday.

With the Cowboys reeling after a disappointing start that included a lopsided loss to a supposedly outmanned Sun Belt Conference foe, and Texas Tech posting its usual big offensive numbers, and Oklahoma State has won three of its last four games against the Red Raiders in Stillwater.

Oklahoma State offensive coordinator Larry Fedora summarizes the team's feelings bluntly: "The only way to get that taste (of losing) out of your mouth is to win Saturday."

After losing 41-23 at Troy, Oklahoma State (1-2) would seem to be at a critical juncture of its football season. A win over Texas Tech would at least temporarily soothe a restless fan base and give the

Cowboys an early leg up in the always-competitive Big 12 Conference South Division race.

"It's tough when you play a team and they're coming off a big loss like that because they always want to get back out there on the field and prove that they can play, so it will be a little tougher," Texas Tech cornerback Chris Parker said.

Texas Tech (3-0) enters on a roll after wins over in-state rivals Southern Methodist (49-9), Texas-El Paso (45-31) and Rice (59-24). The Red Raiders feature the top pass-catch combo so far this season in the Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly NCAA Division I-A), quarterback Graham Harrell and freshman wide receiver Michael Crabtree.

Harrell leads the nation in total offense, averaging 432.7 yards per game, while Crabtree is tops nationally in receptions per game (with 38 in three contests), second in receiving yards per game (179.3) and third in scoring (16 points per game).

Everett arrives at Houston hospital

HOUSTON (AP) — Kevin Everett was unloaded from an ambulance and transferred Friday to a Houston hospital to begin the next phase of his rehabilitation, less than two weeks after the Buffalo Bills tight end sustained a life-threatening spinal cord injury.

The ambulance that took Everett to Houston's Memorial Hermann Hospital was followed by a town car with two women inside, both wearing Everett Bills jerseys. The women got out and

watched as he was wheeled into the medical center.

Everett left Buffalo earlier Friday in a private plane. He was joined by his mother, Patricia Dugas, Everett was scheduled to be transferred to the Institute for Rehabilitation at the Houston hospital.

Everett's trip comes less than two weeks after was taken to Buffalo's Millard Fillmore Gates Hospital paralyzed from the neck down. He was hurt making a tackle in the Bills' season opener

against Denver on Sept. 9.

Initially fearing he would never walk again, doctors have since significantly upgraded their prognosis and plan to have Everett try to stand on his own in the next few days.

Dr. Barth Green, chairman of the neurological surgery department at the University of Miami school of medicine, said doctors are confident Everett could be walking within weeks if not sooner.

"They're very confident

he'll be walking very soon ... in the next days or weeks, not months," Green told The Associated Press on Thursday shortly after discussing Everett's condition with Bills orthopedic surgeon Dr. Andrew Cappuccino. "I think the future for him is very bright."

Green, co-founder of the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis, has been in constant contact with Everett's doctors.

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1717 N. RUSSELL, Sat. Only, 9-2. Baby items, china, computer scanner, home decor, clothes.

1912 Lynn Sat. 8-7 Dunlop SUV tires, NutriSystem, clothes, shoes, books, cd's, DVD, misc. Little bit of everything!!

3 Family Sale, Weather Permitting, Sat. 8:00-7 1221 Charles, like new adult clothes size 6, small & med. some kids clothes, toys, bedding, furn., antiques, good Christmas items, etc.

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Harvester spirit



COURTESY PHOTO

Courtney Miller, from left, Dusty Spears, Kendra Boaz, Lynde Whitson and Megan Frazier, students at Pampa Junior High, showed their team spirit at a recent PHS Harvester football game.

Reese

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are going to reconcile arming Sunni militias while demanding Shiite militias be disbanded. As usual, American policy is a muddle of contradictions.

Congress needs to throw the switch and cut off the money. There's enough in the pipeline to safely evacuate American troops from Iraq. If Congress doesn't do that, American troops will be in Iraq and dying for years to come, because you can

bet your cowboy boots that's exactly the plan.

And by the way, don't be fooled by this business of Bush claiming to do what the generals want. That's a deliberate deception. It is the generals who do — and say — what they think their commander in chief wants them to do and say. Their careers are at his mercy, and they know it.

As a rule of thumb, don't believe anybody above the rank of lieutenant colonel. That's the rank most warriors are forced to retire at. Most of the rest are politicians in uniform.

—Write to Charley Reese at P.O. Box 2446, Orlando, FL 32802.

Reform

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total closure. On the other hand, at least one-fifth of the schools' population say they want to live in small facilities that allow more community involvement, according to the group Advocacy, Inc. If these residents are deemed competent, this is their legal right.

For many, small community facilities are clearly desirable: Studies show that residents in smaller homes feel happier and more self-sufficient, while their behavior improves. But there are not enough community-living opportunities even for the highly functional who want to live in them: Long waiting lists for services and unfair bureaucratic hurdles prevent most state school residents from exercising this wish.

Meanwhile, while abuse rates are far lower in small facilities than in institutions, group homes in Texas and elsewhere also have seen their share of cruelty and neglect. Often run by private contractors, group homes have to be

better monitored so that safety is not sacrificed to profit.

In order to correct the horrifying flaws in state schools, Texas must reform its antiquated system for the mentally retarded.

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of interest. Lawmakers also have to open the clogged pipeline to community group housing, which far too many Texans are wrongly denied. And though it has authorized 1,700 new staffers, the state must face the safety consequences of its rock-bottom pay. Without a decently paid staff, Texans with mental retardation cannot be guaranteed decent care.

The Justice Department, which sounded the alarm on state schools two years ago, should continue probing. This involvement should remind Texans that keeping the state's retarded citizens safe and well is not just a local matter, or even a moral one. It's a civil rights requirement and the due of each one of these vulnerable Americans.

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