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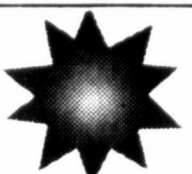
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Good Evening!

AREA

LEFORS — The board of trustees of the Lefors Independent School District will meet at 7 p.m. today at the Lefors Elementary School library.
 Gray County Tax Assessor/Collector Sammie Morris is scheduled to address the board.
 Other agenda items include review of submitted bids for the sell of city lots, certification of a school official as authorized representative for the National School Lunch Program and discussion of renting school property.
 Also on the agenda are the approval of a date to canvass the May 6 school board elections and the acceptance of the resignation of a school employee.

PAMPA — The City of Pampa and the Pampa Independent School District will be holding a breakfast for Pampa High School seniors to kick off Graduation '95 activities.
 Seniors and their parents or guardians have been invited to attend the breakfast at 7 a.m. Wednesday in the Heritage Room at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center.
 The breakfast is one of the activities planned for members of the Class of 1995 as they prepare for graduation on May 26.

PAMPA — The quarterly meeting of the Community Awareness and Emergency Response committee is set for 1:30 p.m. Thursday in Lovett Memorial Library.
 Jimmy Walker of the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission will discuss municipal waste regulations and their effects on the Panhandle, plus plans for the Pampa household hazardous waste collection day.
 The committee will hear reports from the emergency plan review, training and advisory committees.

PAMPA — The Gray County Democratic Club will be having candidates for the city and school elections as guest speakers tonight.
 The meeting, with the public invited to attend, will be held at 7 p.m. in the Lovett Memorial Library auditorium. Refreshments will be served.
AMARILLO — The High Plains Lighthouse for the Blind will be sponsoring a "beeping" Easter egg hunt for the blind and visually impaired children of the Texas Panhandle.
 The egg hunt will be held Saturday from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the gazebo in Memorial Park, next to Amarillo College. There is no cost for participants.
 The Junior League of Amarillo will provide refreshments.

WORLD

HONG KONG (AP) — Rescue teams pulled 21 people from the sea after two Taiwanese cargo ships collided today. One of the sailors died and rescuers on helicopters and boats searched for four more who were missing.
 A cargo ship identified as the Hai You was carrying 25 crew members when it collided with the Thuban and sank about seven miles off Waglan Island in southern Hong Kong, the government said.

Cold front brings record lows

From Staff and AP Reports

Light snow in parts of the Texas Panhandle and record low temperatures in Amarillo and other cities today followed a strong cold front that brought heavy rains, hail and twisters elsewhere in the state.
 Snow fell in Dalhart, with 25 degrees, while Amarillo's low of 20 broke the 21-degree record set for 1940, the National Weather Service said.
 Midland International Airport's 28 degrees also broke the previous record of 30 set in 1988, while Abilene's 32-degree reading was one below the previous 33-degree record set in 1982.
 In Pampa, this morning's low dipped to 23, according to KGRO-KOMX meteorologist Darrell Sehorn. Sehorn said, as far as he could tell from the data available to him, today's low set a record, breaking the 24 degrees recorded on this date in 1940.
 Sehorn said the early spring cold front brought "pretty chilly north winds" that gusts fairly steadily Monday at 35 to 40 mph. A light mist with occasional snow

flakes fell intermittently Monday morning, but no significant moisture was recorded before partly cloudy skies appeared Monday afternoon.
 "But it ought to be on the rebound now," he said, adding that sunny skies would be warming the area today to near 60 and into the middle 70s Wednesday and to near 80 for the rest of the week.
 High winds created dust storms in the Permian Basin as an upper-level disturbance, accompanying a low-pressure system, moved through Monday. Residents in parts of the Panhandle slogged through as much as an inch of snow.
 The weather service said Dallas-Fort Worth rainfall Monday totaled 1.01 inches, breaking an old .71-inch record set in 1978. Hail and gusty winds accompanied some thunderstorms.
 Snowfall as late as mid-April isn't unheard of in the Panhandle, according to Amarillo-based meteorologist Rob Slattery. "It's hard to get middle-of-the-road weather conditions down here," he said. "We had a few flurries. The Panhandle is known for extremes."
 Slattery said the low pressure center sit-

ting in Oklahoma could continue to affect weather in East Texas today.
 At least two tornadoes were reported Monday, but of major concern were many areas where torrents of rain fell on ground already saturated from prior storms.
 Many streams in Southeast Texas already are running above normal, and the weather service said new rains likely would cause widespread flooding.
 U.S. 287 west of Corrigan, about 100 miles northeast of Houston, was reported to be covered with water early today. Flooding also was reported along Texas 150 near Evergreen, about 25 miles southeast of Huntsville.
 Runoff from the heavy rains was accumulating rapidly, increasing the probability of flooding today, weather officials said.
 Thunderstorms carrying heavy rain were widespread over East Texas, Southeast Texas and the Texas coast. Heaviest rainfall late Monday was north of the Tyler-Longview area in Northeast Texas and north of Lufkin in Southeast Texas.
 A tornado touched down just long enough to destroy a Denton County truck storage barn outside Krum, located north of Fort

Worth. Storms also downed power lines in the area, though no injuries were reported.
 "It sat down in our yard, hit the building and went right back up," said Mike Riley, foreman of the maintenance facility. "It had our number today."
 Riley said large pieces of debris, including 16-foot-long sections of sheet iron, circulated up to a 100 feet in the air as the storm trekked past. Pieces of the building were strewn in a quarter-mile line leading away from the facility.
 More than 20 county workers were in the facility's adjacent two buildings.
 "If it had hit another 50 feet to the west, it would have gotten the mechanics' shop," said Riley, who was in the shop with some of the employees. "The vibrations were unbelievable. Words can't describe it."
 National Weather Service employees reported seeing a tornado one-half mile west of the Jefferson County Airport northwest of Port Arthur at 3:49 p.m. Monday. The tornado was reported moving toward the north-northeast at 30 mph.
 The weather service issued tornado warnings for Ellis and Navarro counties south of Dallas during the afternoon.



(Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzanskis)

Pampa Police Officer Fred Courtney has been named the new school resource officer for Pampa schools.

Fred Courtney begins his new post as school resource officer for Pampa

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
 News Editor

When Officer Fred Courtney hits the streets at 7:30 a.m., the school day is just awakening. When he goes home at 5 p.m., he's put in another school day that has nothing to do with academics.
 Courtney was named school resource officer for Pampa schools at the end of March, replacing Bryan Hedrick, who left the department to join Hereford Independent School District as a vocational teacher.
 "What I hope to do is build some kind of bridge between the police and kids and support the administration," Courtney said.
 It is Courtney's job to patrol Pampa middle and high school areas, and provide law enforcement services to students of any age.

The 48-year-old officer is a native of Andrews and holds an associate degree in business from Odessa College. He has worked two years with the Pampa Police Department and is a graduate of the 63rd class of the Panhandle Regional Police Academy. He served with honors in the U.S. Marine Corps.
 Courtney expects the next six weeks of school to be an adjustment time between himself and the students.
 "They're not used to me and I'm not used to them," he said.
 "The main thing is to build a relationship with the kids, to let the kids know that I'm a person and they're people. For the most part, we hope to have some fun. High school is a fun time and we as police officers want them to have a good time," Courtney said.

Courtney hopes to build positive contacts with teens as they assume adult roles in life.
 "Because middle school and high school have their own police officer, there is no question they're important. There is no situation I can't sit down and discuss with them. We want to settle problems with dialogue. That's what we want to do," he said.
 Things have changed since he was a boy, said Courtney, a 1964 high school graduate.
 "It's just a different time. There were no drugs when I was in high school. Kids drank alcohol but very few knew what marijuana was. It didn't take very long after that was when the drug culture started. I wouldn't compare my time with their time. I believe I had an easier time in high school than kids today," he said.

Pampa man arrested on crack cocaine charge

AMARILLO - A Pampa man free on \$20,000 bond for a pair of narcotic indictments in Hutchinson County was arrested in Potter County Monday on another drug charge.
 According to a press release from the Pampa Police Department, Kerry R. Brown, 25, 1033 Huff Rd., and Bobby Joe Kelly, 20, 612 Plains, were traveling to Pampa from Amarillo when they were stopped at the intersection

of Interstate 40 and FM 1912 about 4 p.m. Monday.
 The men were stopped because of an alleged traffic violation, said Lt. Mike Amos of the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force. Officers obtained a consent to search and discovered 10 grams of crack cocaine on one of the men, he said.
 Brown is under felony indictment in Hutchinson County on

two drug charges. He was indicted Feb. 16 on charges of delivery of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance which allegedly occurred Sept. 22, 1994, said Lawanda McWilliams, office manager for the district attorney's office.
 He was free on \$20,000 bond at the time of his arrest. The indictments are related to task force activity, McWilliams said.

Clinton signs health insurance deduction bill for self-employed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Expressing regret that he still lacks the power to veto separate elements of legislation, President Clinton today signed into law a bill giving self-employed people the right to deduct health insurance costs from their taxes.
 His objection: The bill also hands a huge tax break to media mogul Rupert Murdoch.
 "Despite these concerns I am signing because of the very important benefits it will provide to our nation's self-employed and their families," the president said.
 The new law permits some 3.2 million people to claim a 25 percent deduction for health insurance premiums they paid in 1994. The benefit will increase permanently to 30 percent this year.
 "By making this deduction permanent, we are treating the self-employed more like other employers, as we should," the president said in a statement.
 Clinton noted he originally had proposed increasing the health insurance deduction for the self-employed to 100 percent.
 "Increasing the amount of the deduction will make health insurance more affordable for self-employed small business people who are today paying some of the highest insurance premiums in the nation," Clinton said.
 The president once again

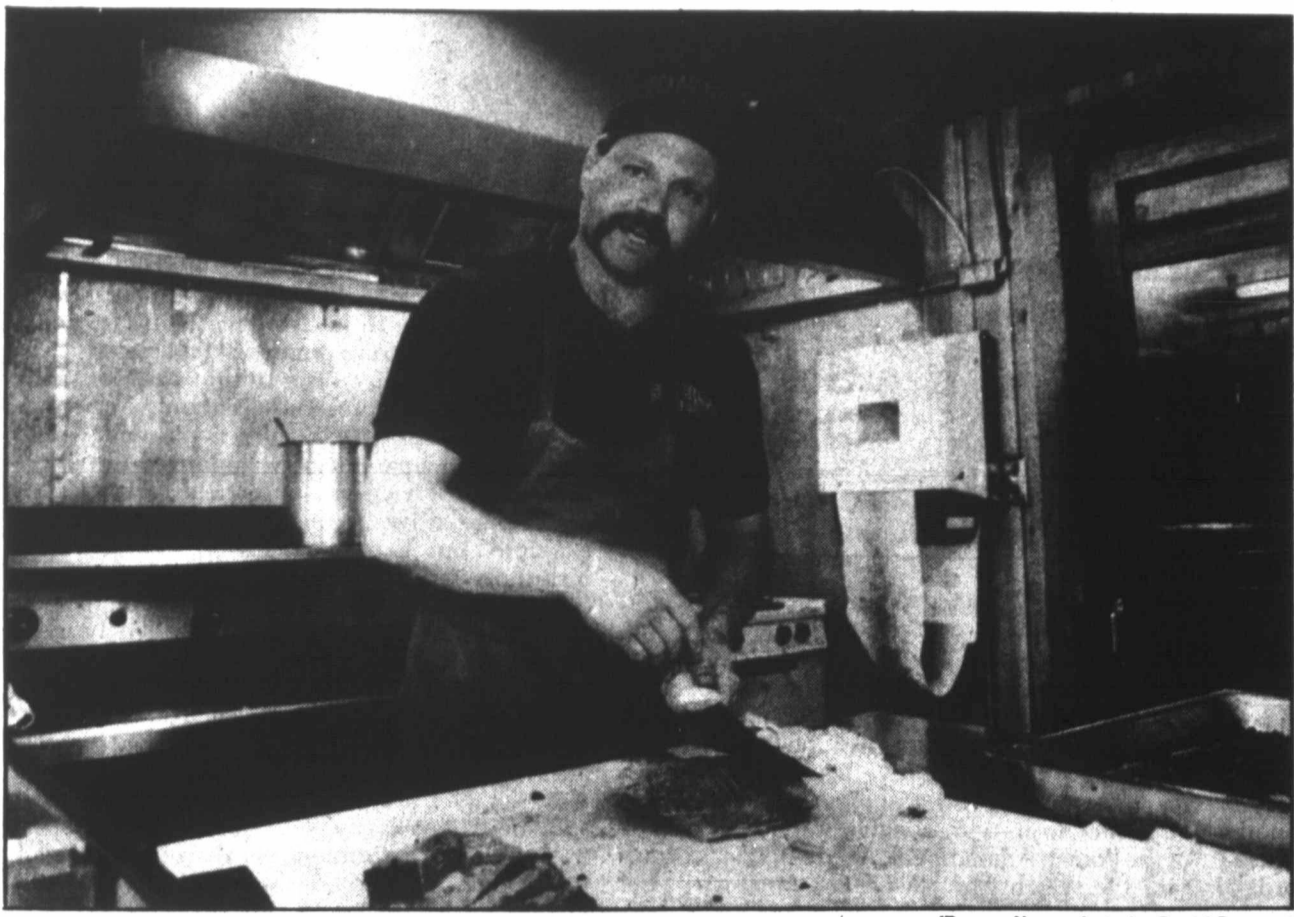
expressed regret that the bill also contains a provision that repeals current tax treatment of the sale or exchange of radio and television stations and cable television systems to minority-owned businesses.
 More than 100 House Democrats had signed a letter urging Clinton to veto the bill to eliminate the Murdoch benefit, worth an estimated \$63 million.
 The provision benefits Murdoch who has a contract to sell Atlanta station WATL-TV for \$150 million to Qwest Inc., which is 55 percent owned by minorities, including Quincy Jones, Geraldo Rivera and former pro football star Willie Davis and 45 percent owned by the Tribune Co.
 The exception was inserted by Democratic Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun of Illinois, who said she was trying to help a group of Illinois investors.
 Clinton said he is concerned that the provision benefits certain applicants while denying benefits to others.
 "This is a perfect example of where a president could use line-item veto authority to weed out objectionable special-interest provisions," Clinton said.
 Clinton urged the Congress to move quickly on line-item-veto legislation and grant him the authority this year "to eliminate special interest tax and spending provisions."

Sen. Hutchison to address bankers district convention

AMARILLO — Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison will be the guest speaker at the Texas Bankers Association district convention April 22 in Amarillo.
 Wade Porter of Amarillo National Bank, registration chairman, said today that Sen. Hutchison would speak from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 22, at the convention.
 Scheduled for the Amarillo Civic Center, the TBA District 8 convention will begin with registration at 8 a.m., followed by a bankers brunch at 9 a.m. in the civic center's exhibit hall. There will be a brunch for spouses in the lobby of the civic center.
 George Sell of FirstBank Southwest, District 8 chairman,

will preside over the business meeting scheduled for 9:30 a.m.
 In addition to Sen. Hutchison, speakers include Gordon Muir, TBA chairman; Robert Harris, TBA president; and John Heasley, TBA general counsel.
 A golf tournament is scheduled to begin at noon at Ross Rogers Golf Course.
 The annual convention will wrap up Saturday night with a dinner and dance in the Amarillo Civic Center Grand Plaza. Humorist Dale Minnick of Woodward, Okla., will provide entertainment at the dinner.
 The band Young Country will be featured at the dance. Porter said western attire is encouraged for the evening.

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(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Brad Beck prepares to slice some meat for his customers at Sam Hill's Barbecue restaurant in Clarendon.

Restaurant proprietor found his dream in Clarendon — owning barbecue place

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

CLARENDON — The bad news is that there is no Sam Hill in Clarendon. The good news is that there is a Sam Hill's Barbecue restaurant in this southeastern Panhandle town.

"The fellow we bought this place from," said proprietor Brad Beck, "decided he was going to open up a barbecue place and told his wife about it. She said, 'What the Sam Hill do you know about running a restaurant?' That's where the name came from."

The man, Wayne Doering, must have known something. He built up a pretty good business, Beck said.

Doering ran the place for six years. Beck bought it almost two years ago.

"We will have been here two years in July," Beck said.

A 1978 graduate of Perryton High School, Beck said he grew up around the Texas Panhandle.

"Dad was a coach for 36

years," Beck said. "So I grew up in Sunray, Perryton, wherever he was coaching."

After high school, Beck started college at the University of Texas then switched to Eastern New Mexico University. Following school, he went to work as a manager of a national tire company. When his dad, Don Beck, retired from coaching, the younger Beck joined his father in moving to Canada. "I stayed about eight months," Beck said. "That first winter, it got down to minus 31 degrees."

Brad Beck moved his wife, the former Delma Rocha, from the community of Panhandle, and their five-month-old baby back to Texas.

Beck worked for a cattle company in Carson County for a while, then rejoined the tire company, which sent him to Alabama.

When Beck's father moved back to the Texas Panhandle, he bought an 800-acre farm near Clarendon and heard that Sam Hill's Barbecue was for sale.

"It's been a life long dream of mine to own a barbecue place," Beck said. "I always wanted one."

When Beck's father told him about the place in Clarendon, the young tire manager packed up his family again and moved to Donley County.

"We're trying," he said, chopping up a brisket in preparation for the evening rush. "We're working at it anyway. Like any job, there are good times and there are bad. It's picking up big time right now with summer coming on."

Amid the red and white checkered table clothes with their big bottles of Tabasco sauce, rolls of paper towels await barbecue rib-soaked hands beneath buggy whips, horse shoes and Bud McCaulley prints hanging on the natural wood walls, Beck plans on continuing what he said has worked well for him and the business.

"We serve good food and plenty of it," he said. "I'd rather give too much than not enough."

Senate passes bill limiting death row appeals

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Senate has passed a bill to limit appeals by death row inmates, give them more access to appointed lawyers if they're indigent and allow evening rather than middle-of-the-night executions.

"We've had people languishing on death row, in some instances, up to 17 years," Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, said Monday. He called his bill a "fair and reasonable procedure" to cut such lengthy stays that's "consistent with due process."

But Jim Harrington, legal director of the Texas Civil Rights Project, said restricting appeals would raise the likelihood that innocent people could be executed.

"It seems to me that if you're going to take somebody's life, you want to make absolutely sure

that you're right," said Harrington, whose group has represented death row inmates on some issues. "That's an irrevocable decision."

Under current law, death sentences are automatically appealed to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, where defendants can raise claims of mistakes by prosecutors or judges.

There also is a second stage of appeals, in which defendants may bring up constitutional issues, such as claims of ineffective assistance of counsel.

Montford's bill, which passed unanimously and now goes to the House for consideration, would affect the second stage of appeals.

It would require inmates in that second stage to bring up simultaneously all the issues they want

to address, rather than allowing the current, more time-consuming process of filing separate appeals on each issue.

There would be an exception to that consolidated appeal requirement for "exceptional circumstances," Montford said.

The second-stage appeal also would have to be filed within 45 days after the state files its brief on the first appeal.

Montford said his bill also would provide a procedure for the appointment and payment of a lawyer to represent indigent defendants in the second round of appeals.

Currently, inmates are entitled to be represented by an appointed lawyer during the direct appeal stage, but not during the second stage of appeals, according to a legislative analysis.

Men convicted for shipping \$40 billion in drugs

HOUSTON (AP) — Five men have been convicted in federal court for shipping more than 40 metric tons of cocaine worth about \$40 billion through Houston, Los Angeles and Chicago for the Cali drug cartel.

An eight-week trial ended Monday with the jury returning conspiracy to distribute convictions against Jose Guillermo Chavez-Quezada, 38, a prominent Juarez, Mexico, businessman; and Ernesto Uribe, 28; Hugo A. Mora, 28; and Carlos A. Lujan, 56, all of El Paso.

Uribe, Mora and Lujan also were found guilty of possession with intent to distribute cocaine. Those three and Chavez-Quezada also were found guilty of possession of cocaine.

Uribe also was convicted of three counts of distribution of cocaine, and Eugenio Arevalo Jr. was convicted of possession with intent to distribute.

All five face 10 years to life in prison and fines of up to \$4 million.

The transportation arm of the Cali drug cartel has since been

dismantled, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Jesse Rodriguez.

The Cali cartel is a loose-confederation of Colombian cocaine producers who pool their resources to ship huge amounts of cocaine out of Cali, Colombia, to the rest of the world.

The transportation network started falling apart March 26, 1994, when Pasadena police arrested a man driving a van that had run a stop sign. The van was carrying nearly 1,800 pounds of cocaine and was being monitored by federal agents.

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Hacker receives four year sentence

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A computer hacker who blocked radio station telephone lines so he could be the winning contest caller has been sentenced to four years in prison.

Kevin Lee Poulsen, 29, a former computer security consultant to the Pentagon, admitted using his computer to fraudulently win two Porsches from KHS-FM, \$20,000 from KPWR-FM and at least two trips to Hawaii and \$2,000 from KRTH-FM.

U.S. District Judge Manuel Real ordered Poulsen to pay \$58,000 at

Monday's sentencing hearing. It was believed to be the largest sentence given to a computer hacker, said Assistant U.S. Attorney David Schindler.

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Strike returns business to Mom and Pop stores

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — While Northern California's corporate grocers stare at picket lines and empty aisles, Mom and Pop stores are enjoying a homecoming. As a strike against Safeway enters its 11th day today and dozens of other supermarkets continue to lock out union workers, prodigal shoppers are returning to their neighborhood groceries in droves. "This weekend it was like Thanksgiving. It was like Christmas," said Glenn Dalporto, an assistant manager at Grand Central in Pacific Heights who worked overtime during the first four days of the strike. "No, you know what it was like? An earthquake. "It was like everyone wanted to be the first one there, and get what's there because they don't know how long it would last."

About 16,000 United Food and Commercial Workers walked off the job April 1 at 208 Safeway supermarkets. In solidarity with their partner in contract talks, management locked out another 16,000 union workers Friday at 180 Lucky stores and 17 Save Mart stores. The union wants a wage increase and continued health benefits. Employers say they can't afford a raise and have had to cut benefits because of competition from warehouse stores. Many shoppers were either honoring the pickets or avoiding union workers lined up outside large supermarkets. Inside, the stores turned into struggling ecosystems of wilting lettuce and aging turkey thighs, deserted even by the homeless regulars. Steve Simonovich, who usually

shops at Safeway, said he would continue shopping at his local grocery during the strike. "I like the fact it's smaller, (and has) lots of gourmet foods Safeway either doesn't have or it just gets lost," he said Monday. But he admitted that "when the strike's over I'll probably go back." The strike has increased sales 20 percent at the few neighborhood groceries that have withstood competition from the chains. They are adding workers, increasing orders and scrambling for extra produce, all the while trying to show new customers the know-your-name friendliness that might make them permanent patrons. "How long do I want the strike to last? Forever," said Richard Moresco, who has owned the Grand Central in Pacific Heights

for 20 years. "But if we could keep just 10 percent after the strike, it would be great." Yet Ron Giambaoli, whose family has run the Cal Mart grocery for 40 years, wouldn't mind if the newcomers stayed away. "You have the regular crowds of customers mixed in with customers who don't know where things are," Giambaoli said. "They clash, kind of." "We offer quality," he said, "and the new customers are looking more for the price." "Our customers don't like to be pushed around by rude buyers," he said. "I'm ready for things to get back to normal." The rudeness isn't limited to crowded aisles. With dozens of stores suddenly seeking more fruits and vegetables, it has been getting ugly at the early morning independent produce markets.

U.S. prisoners held indefinitely

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A Polish diplomat today visited the two Americans imprisoned in Iraq for illegally crossing the border and said they were being held in difficult conditions. "They are well. They're better than before. However, their conditions are difficult," Ryszard Krystosik told reporters after returning to Baghdad. He declined to elaborate. The two prisoners — David Daliberti, 41, of Jacksonville, Fla., and William Barloon, 39, of New Hampton, Iowa — were sentenced March 25 to eight-year terms for illegally crossing into Iraq March 13. Krystosik, who looks after U.S. interests here in the absence of direct diplomatic

relations between Washington and Baghdad, met with the two Americans imprisoned in Iraq for illegally crossing the border and said they were being held in difficult conditions. Neither he nor the attorney would comment on an appeal of the conviction, which is scheduled to be filed some time this week. Iraq has banned journalists from meeting or calling attorney Jarjees. The two Americans also were visited today by CNN correspondent Brent Sadler, who said the men appear to be "more determined," but that Daliberti is increasingly concerned about heart and eye problems. Daliberti was visited by two heart doctors and two eye doctors today, he said.

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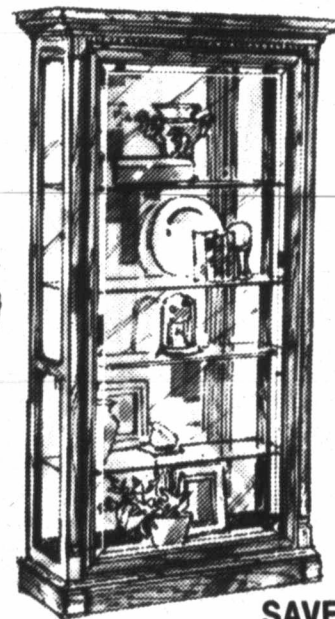
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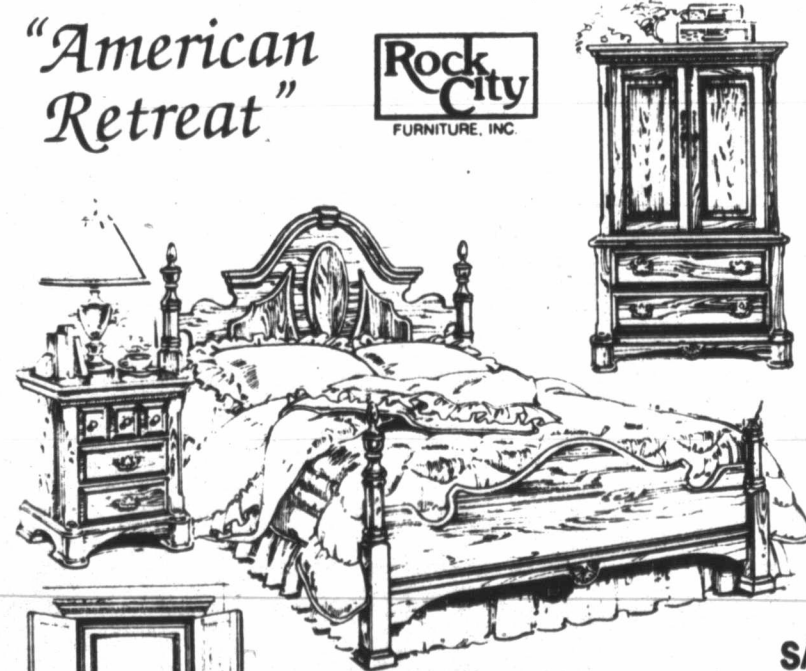
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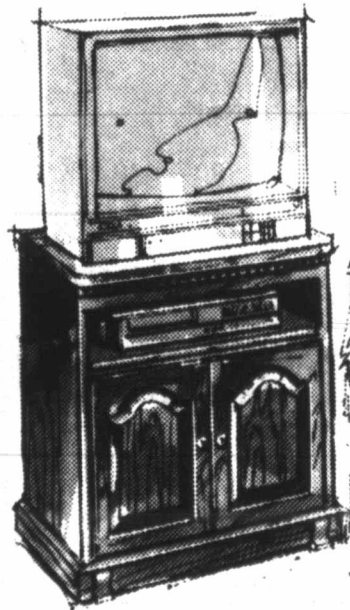
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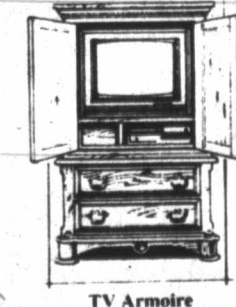
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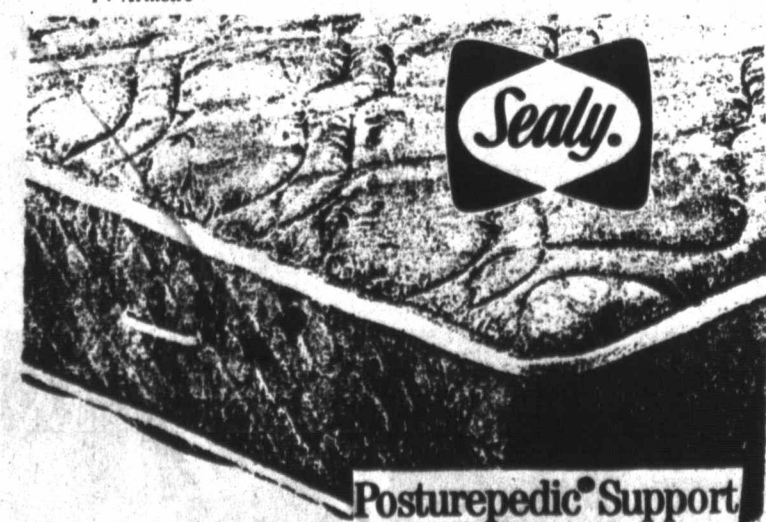


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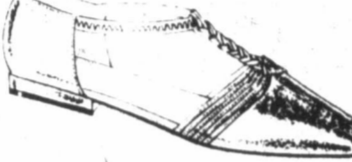
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Judge Ito subpoenas ex-juror in Simpson trial

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Less than a week after kicking Jeanette Harris off the O.J. Simpson jury, the judge wants to meet with her.

Harris was ousted for withholding information about a court document in which she accused her husband of abusing her. She has been subpoenaed to appear Wednesday in Superior Court Judge Lance Ito's private chambers.

The judge dismissed her from the jury last Wednesday, then began an investigation after she gave an explosive TV interview predicting a hung jury and accusing sheriff's deputies of promoting racial tensions among jurors.

Having a dismissed panelist return to face the judge in mid-trial is extremely rare, said Loyola University law professor Stanley Goldman.

In the TV interview, Harris hinted that slack supervision by deputies could have allowed jurors to discuss the case among themselves or with others. But Goldman said that Harris would have to disclose damaging evidence of jury wrongdoing — including serious discussions about the case among jurors — before Ito would consider declaring a mistrial without the defense's consent. Simpson's lawyers have strongly opposed a mistrial.

"It's not that it's impossible. You can have a mistrial declared by the court even if the defense objects," Goldman said. "But it's got to be for a compelling reason. It can't just be because there's a possibility the jury has been tainted."

Criminalist Dennis Fung was

to resume testifying today after a five-day hiatus. Testimony was canceled Friday because of juror illness, and Monday was scheduled as a day off.

When the jury last saw Fung on the stand, he was enduring a tough cross-examination designed to show that detectives and criminalists in the case were borderline incompetents who contaminated and moved critical evidence.

Fung began his testimony last week by dramatically unwrapping the bloody glove found behind Simpson's mansion the morning after the June 12 murders of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman. Prosecutors have said stains on the glove match the blood of Simpson and the victims.

But defense attorney Barry Scheck poked holes in many key aspects of the investigation. Under cross-examination, Fung acknowledged that:

— He took credit for collecting a crime-scene glove, a hat and blood drops, when most of the work actually was done by rookie criminalist Andrea Mazzola.

— At the direction of a detective, he carried the glove found at Simpson's estate into the middle of the crime scene. The glove was carried in a bag.

— A detective erred in throwing a white blanket from Ms. Simpson's home over her bloody body before the blanket was checked for hairs or fibers that could have ended up on other pieces of evidence.

The trial has been beset by problems with the jury, which has lost six members. That leaves just six alternates to the 12-person jury for a proceeding expected to last several more months.

Seth Schneider: I love the ostrich business

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

"I love the ostrich business," said Seth Schneider, newly-elected president of the Southwest Ostrich Breeders Association. "I get up in the morning and go out to drink my coffee and spook them. They take off running. I love the ostrich business."

Schneider, his wife and five kids started raising ostriches in 1988 when they bought two pair of birds. Today, they have almost 50 animals on their 10-acre facility between Fritch and Berger in northern Carson County.

"It's part of my diversification plan," Schneider said of his ostrich breeding.

An employee of Phillips Petroleum, he was looking for a way to make the 10 acres he lived on in the country pay for itself. Ostriches seemed to be the answer.

The fertilized eggs produced by the ostriches are placed in an incubator at 97.5 degrees for 42 days, he said.

"Then out pops this little animal with feathers, eyes and a beak," he said. "It's a miracle."

Schneider said when the birds reach an age of nine to 12 months, they're ready for slaughter.

"Some people like to take them longer," he said, "but I like to take them as quickly as I can. The sooner I can take them in, the less feed I have to give them, the more money I make."

The new president of the breeders' association said that the development of markets for ostrich meat has increased the popularity of raising the animals.

Schneider takes his birds to Caprock Meat Company in Floydada, he said, although he noted that there are also slaughter facilities in Booker and in Leedey, Oklahoma.

The markets for ostrich meat have only developed in the Texas Panhandle over the last few months, he said.

"Birds were commanding such a premium for breeding," he said, "very few were going into the meat market."

The market for ostrich meat is growing, he said, and the market for ostrich hides is already well established.

"The leather industry is already viable," Schneider said. "They can't get enough hides to meet the demand."

One of the people who played a key part in developing the market for ostrich meat in the Texas Panhandle is Rex Coleman, a producer from Amarillo.

It was Coleman who approached local restaurants in Amarillo and managed to get the



(Pampa News photos by David Bowser)

In the hills between Berger and Fritch, Seth Schneider, newly-elected president of the Southwest Ostrich Breeders Association, stands next to a pen with one of his first ostriches. Named Oleta, the female examining Schneider's hand is one of the two chicks he bought for breeding in 1988.

exotic bird on the menus at Calico County and Ruby Tequila's restaurants in the panhandle city.

"It's going over very well in Amarillo," Coleman said.

Calico County has been serving ostrich burgers for several months and recently added an ostrich chicken fried steak. Mexican restaurant Ruby Tequila's has started offering ostrich fajitas and an ostrich fajita salad.

"The first day at Calico County, they sold 20 ostrich burgers," Coleman said. "They were really excited. Right now, they're selling about 10 to 12 a day. That's about a third of their burgers."

He said he has not heard any negative response from people who have tried the meat.

In an effort to expand the market, Coleman is now calling on restaurants in Dallas and Abilene. He said ostrich has been on the menu at the exclusive Mansion on Turtle Creek for some time, but he is trying to get the meat into restaurants with broader appeal and a medium price structure.

"I really don't make anything on the meat," he admitted. "The meat just covers my costs, my breakeven point. I make my profit on the hides."

A hide with about eight and a half square feet of good leather will bring \$300. Defects, such as cuts or discoloration, are docked.

But while the market for ostrich leather is established, most of the talk at this year's convention centered on the expanding meat industry.

"It's very exciting," said outgoing president Kathy Holland from Happy.

She and her family have been raising ostriches since 1990.

"The best is yet to come because of the meat marketing," she said.

Of course, raising animals for slaughter can create some problems. When Schneider looked

over at his wife, April, during one of the meals at the convention, he noticed that the ostrich burger patty was lying on her plate as she nibbled on the bun. When he asked her why, she replied, "I can't eat my buddies."

Schneider admitted that some of the birds have become pets to his wife, four boys and his girl. But he also noted that his wife had no problem eating a meal that came from one of his birds named George.

"George was a mean son-of-a-gun," Schneider said.



Dakota, one Schneider's five children, holds a recently-hatched ostrich chick. As the chick grows, it will be moved from the hatchery in the barn to an outside pen. Eventually, it will join the other 40 to 50 ostriches Schneider is raising.

Vietnamese and American cooperation shows results

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) — A U.S. senator held prisoner during the Vietnam War said today that Washington should establish full diplomatic relations with Vietnam this year.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., spoke after watching Vietnamese officials hand over to the U.S. military 10 plain wooden boxes holding what are believed to be the remains of Americans killed in the war.

A U.S. honor guard put each box inside a metal coffin, placed a folded American flag on top and carried them one by one into an Air Force transport plane. Forensics experts in Hawaii will attempt to identify the remains.

Three sets of remains were handed in by Vietnamese civilians, and seven were found by U.S.-Vietnamese crews digging at wartime grave sites and places where American planes crashed. The joint searches began in 1988 and have resulted in the repatriation of the remains of dozens of Americans listed as missing in action.

McCain said today's ceremony was a "significant sign of the cooperation that exists between the Vietnamese government and the American government."

"I would support another step forward in our relations and that would probably be establishment of full diplomatic relations," he told reporters, standing beside the C-141 as it prepared for takeoff.

"I think it would be important to try to achieve it this year, since next year is an election year and it might be less doable at that time," said the senator, who was on a one-day visit to Hanoi to discuss MIAs and human rights.

McCain, a former Navy pilot, spent six years in North Vietnamese prisons during the war but has been a key supporter of building friendly relations.

Other Vietnam veterans who took part in the ceremony said it was better to go slow.

"We thought that the opening of the liaison office was a premature move," said James Nier of El Paso, Texas, junior vice commander-in-chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Bill Sims receives warm welcome

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Senate is back to full strength with the return of Sen. Bill Sims, D-Point Rock, who has been missing since suffering a stroke early in the legislative session.

"The chair's prayers, the prayers of all the members of the Senate and your friends throughout Texas have come true," Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who presides over the Senate, said on Sims' first day back Monday.

"We're delighted to have you back, Senator," he said.

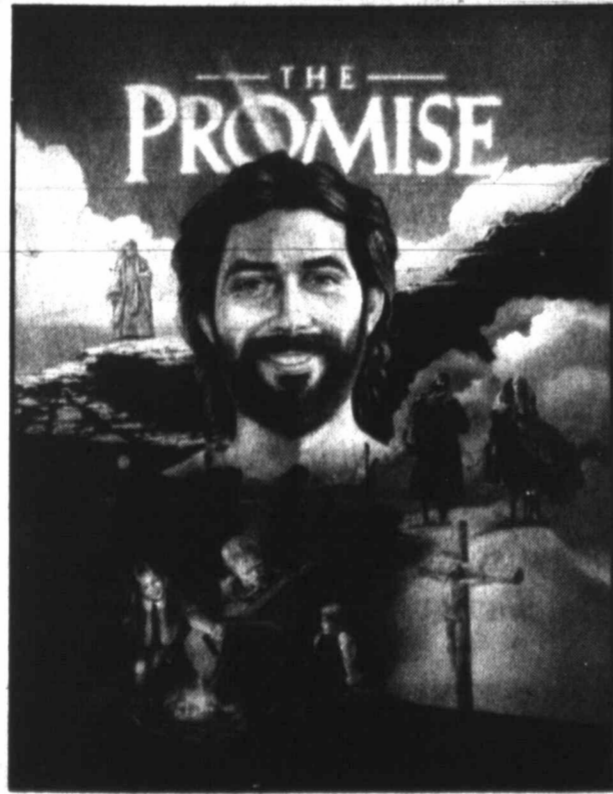
Sims' colleagues went by his desk, where he sat with a metal walking cane by his side, to welcome him back. They applauded and cheered when the Senate secretary got to his name in the roll call.

Even Gov. George W. Bush visited the Senate chamber to greet him.

Sims suffered a stroke Jan. 28 while working at his house in San Angelo. He had been in rehabilitation at Scott and White Hospital in Temple over the past few weeks.

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Self-described serial killer admits killing woman in Carolinas

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — Rockingham County detectives are taking a new look at an old murder case after they learned a self-described serial killer claims he killed a young woman outside Greensboro more than a decade ago.

Donald Leroy Evans, a Texas drifter already sentenced to death for kidnapping and killing a 10-year-old girl in Mississippi,

claims to have killed more than 70 people in 22 states and one in Canada.

Information he reportedly provided to authorities has led investigators in the Triad to believe he might have been involved in the slaying of Mary Elizabeth Williams.

The Greensboro girl was 15 when she disappeared Dec. 27, 1982.

Williams' skeleton was found in a thicket off Scalesville Road in Rockingham County, about a mile north of the Guilford County line, on Dec. 29, 1983.

"We've reactivated (the case), started another investigation on it," said Sgt. Wayne Wright of the Rockingham County Sheriff's Department.

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April 11 — Photography project meeting, 6:30 p.m., Fototime Shooting Sports, 7 p.m.
Gray County 4-H Adult Leader Council meeting, 7 p.m., Annex.

12 — Fashion Design entries due at the Extension office, 5 p.m.

13 — Paws Plus Dog project meeting, 7-8 p.m., Bull Bam

14 — Rabbit Raiders 4-H Club meeting, 7 p.m., Annex.

MEATS JUDGING CONTEST RESULTS

The Gray County 4-H Meats Judging team took top honors at the District Contest on March 31. Team members include Jessica Dawes, Shawn Dawes, Willie Gatlin, and Jason Bliss. Jessica Dawes was second high point individual in the contest and Shawn Dawes was third high individual. By winning first place, the team is qualified to compete in the state competition in June. Coach for the team is Nathan Dawes, former 4-H member and West Texas A & M University in Canyon student.

ADULT LEADER COUNCIL MEETING

We will be having an Adult Leaders meeting on at 7 p.m. tonight. The meeting will be held at the Annex. All club managers and assistant club managers are encouraged to attend. Anyone else who is interested is welcome to attend.

Topics for discussion will include geranium sales, travel plans for roundup, upcoming events, and much more.

FASHION DESIGN ENTRIES

4-Hers planning to enter a garment, accessory, or textile design in the 4-H Fashion Design competition are reminded that entries are due in the

Extension office by 5 p.m. Wednesday. Let Donna know if you need entry forms.

4-H FASHION SHOW

The Gray County 4-H Fashion Show is coming up soon. 4-H members planning to enter garments in the Buying and/or Construction divisions should get a copy of the Fashion Show letter from the Extension office.

Here are some important dates and times: Tuesday, April 18, 5 p.m., all entry forms due; 7 p.m., Senior Fashion show judging. Saturday, April 22, 9 p.m. registration; 9:15 a.m. — Junior and intermediate judging, 11:30 a.m. — luncheon, style show, and awards program, Church of Christ, McLean.

LIVESTOCK JUDGES COMPETE AT CLARENDON

Fourteen Gray County 4-Hers participated in the 1995 Clarendon College Livestock Judging Contest. The 4-Hers participating were Megan Coutts, Bryant Smith, Alan Parker, Lindsey Hampton, Emily Nusser, Stephanie Asencio, Sean O'Neal, Shawn Smith, Ashlie Lee, Cody Lee, Christopher Lee, Byran Helms, Tracy Tucker, and Nonnie James.

The team of Megan Coutts, Bryant Smith, Alan Parker, and Lindsey Hampton were second overall in the contest. They won first in swine and fifth in sheep. Individually: Megan Coutts was sixth high overall, second in cattle, and fifth in sheep; Bryant Smith was ninth high overall; Alan Parker was high individual in swine.

Congratulations to these kids and all the 4-Hers who participated. Great Job.

Understanding some of the reasons why a child misbehaves

One of the most frustrating things a parent faces is correcting a child's misbehavior.

Responsive discipline is the term used to describe the loving approach a parent can use with children.

Understanding why children misbehave is important. We can respond more effectively when we know what the problem is. Children deliberately misbehave because:

- (1) They are looking for attention. Some children may think their parents do not like them. Their parents may not talk to them very much, or spend time with them. These children may act up to get attention. Children who feel this way may even try to get spanked to get noticed by a parent.
- (2) They are imitating their parents. Parents set examples for their children to follow. If a parent swears, the child may use bad language, too. If a parent spanks a child, that child may hit a brother when angry.
- (3) They are testing their parents. Children want to know if their parents believe in what they say. Some misbehavior is simply a test of a parent's willpower.
- (4) They are standing up for themselves. Some misbehavior is a sign that children are growing up. They have their own ideas, and they may go against what their parents want them to do. In some cases, parents may change their minds about enforcing the rule. In other cases, parents may have to insist on obedience.
- (5) They are protecting themselves. Children may mis-

Homemaker's News

By Donna Brauchi



behave if they feel threatened or afraid.

(6) They feel bad about themselves. Children who believe they are bad will act bad. A child who believes he is mean will hurt others. A child who believes she is stupid will not try to do well in school.

When your child misbehaves: (1) STOP! Calm down for a moment. Count to ten. Take a deep breath and relax. Don't let your temper get the best of you.

(2) LOOK and LISTEN. What is really going on here? What is wrong? Why did your child misbehave? Is your child sick or tired? Afraid? What

does your child need to learn?

(3) THINK — Think about what you can do to help your child learn. You want your child to learn another way of acting. Think of all the different things you could do. Then choose what you believe is best. Have a plan.

(4) ACT — Do your best to put your plan into action. Help your child learn what to do. Stay calm. Trust yourself.

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Helping children cope with the divorce of their parents

HOUSTON — "It's all my fault."

Divorced parents often hear those words from their children. A family psychologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston says parents can take away the guilt.

"Children tend to blame themselves for their parents' divorce," said Dr. James Bray, an associate professor of family medicine at Baylor. "Many parents don't want to discuss the changes that divorce brings because they're afraid of hurting the children."

Most children will have a lot of questions. Both parents should sit down with them and discuss the divorce, according to Bray.

"Share information with your children about the divorce, but don't get into specifics," Bray said. "Tell them even though you can't live together as husband and wife, you still care for them."

Bray says the older the child, the more important it is for parents to explain their situation.

"Kids ages 6 to 11 often blame themselves. But older children can discern what's going on," he said. "Four- and five-year-olds need lots of reassurance since they can't understand the details."

In some cases, the stress of divorce causes some younger children to revert back to infancy, Bray says.

"It's not uncommon for an older toddler who's been potty trained for months to suddenly wet the bed," he said.

Although many children eventually endure the stress of divorce, Bray says parents should not expect their children to come around overnight.

"It takes one to two years for children to adjust to divorce," he said. "Family transition is the problem for children and not the divorce."

Bray offers the following advice for divorced parents:

- Strive for stability in your child's life. If possible, avoid changing schools or moving to another city. Allow the non-residential parent to stay active in the child's life. The fewer changes, the better. Younger children gain strength from maintaining the predictability of their old schedules.
- Avoid arguing in front of your child. Try writing notes to each other. Do not use your child to communicate with each other. Be expected to repeat information

about the divorce. Younger children tend to ask the same questions. Let your child know that divorce is an adult problem. Be sensitive to your child's anger. Children do not want to see their parents separate.

* Divorce can affect a child's performance in school and friendships. If the child's grades and conduct seem to drop significantly, seek professional counseling.

"Parents and children fare better when they get support," Bray said. "Go to other family members or get involved in a support group at a church or other community group."

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My husband and I now live about five hours from my parents. Unfortunately, I don't get to see them very often, so when I do, every minute counts. However, Mom continues to be late for everything! At first I worry, then I get angry.

To make matters worse, my younger sister has inherited the same trait. I love them both, and I've never confronted them, but I've had enough. Please help me.

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DEAR HAD IT: What are you waiting for? Tell your mother and sister how you feel. Perhaps it's too late to get your mother to change, but there may still be hope for your sister.

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Horoscope



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Wednesday, April 12, 1995

Be consistent, practical and prudent in the year ahead when trying to enhance your material base. Conditions in general favor you, but there is no room for faking foolish risks.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) The row you select to hoe today might be littered with more obstacles than you anticipated. Unfortunately, most of them may have been placed there by you. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-

Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Self-centered individuals will annoy you more than usual today. If you encounter one socially, give him/her a wide berth.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A good way to ruin your family's mood today is to introduce an emotionally charged topic into the dinner conversation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Before jumping in to support the underdog today, be sure you have all the facts. There is a possibility that you might defend someone unworthy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Work things out for yourself today instead of risking your efforts and resources on a person who might not be able to manage things as well as you can.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be mindful of your own faults and shortcomings today before judging others. If you are tolerant of them, they will be more tolerant of you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Try to keep people out of your private affairs today

They might turn an abrasive situation into something more heated and destructive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Make the most of what you do today and even if there is someone at the gathering who rubs you the wrong way.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be extremely careful today in front of persons whose respect you want to earn. Erratic behavior could severely tarnish your image.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It might be extremely difficult again today to get your opinions across to individuals who have rejected your ideas in the past. Don't lose your cool.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you delegate important assignments today, make sure the people you appoint have the ability to carry them through successfully.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Usually you welcome partnership arrangements, but today it might be wise to avoid this type of entanglement. Play it safe and operate independently.

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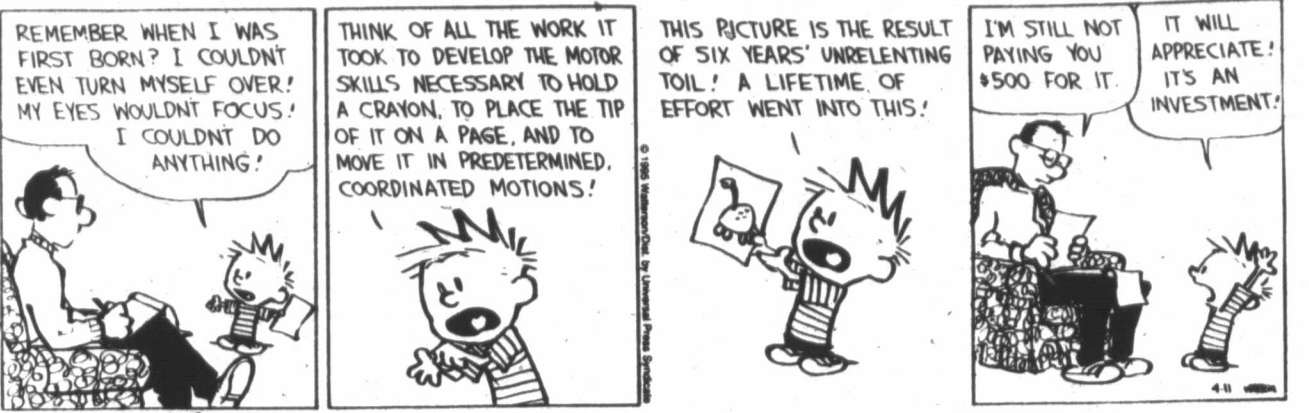


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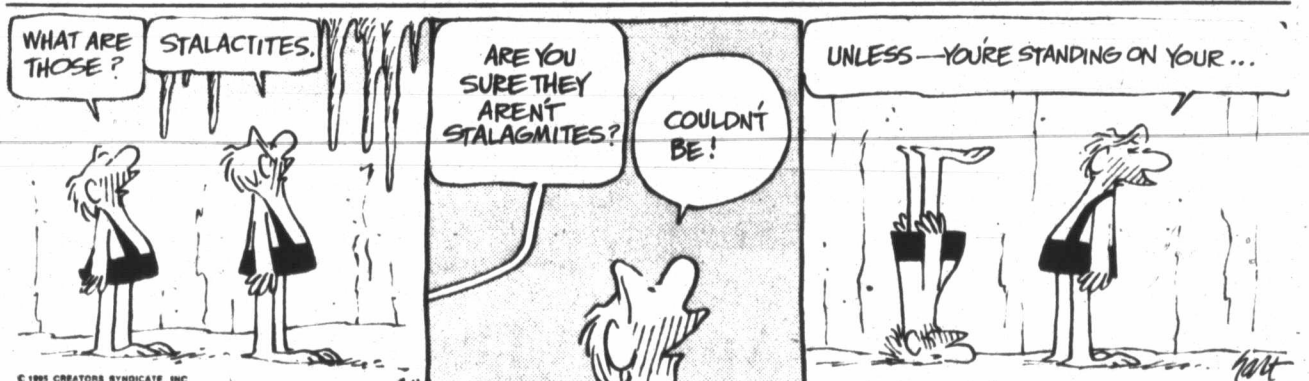
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TRACK

WHITE, DEER — Groom's Seth Ritter brought home the gold in two events at the White Deer Invitational.
 Ritter won the triple jump with a leap of 41-2 1/2 and crossed the finish line first in the 800 with a time of 2:06.00 at last weekend's meet.
 White Deer had four gold medal winners in the boys division, including Alexander Rapstine in the 3200 (11:10.19); Jay Easley, pole vault (10-6), J.W. Lanham, 110 hurdles (17.38) and Duane Coffey, 1600 (4:57.75).
 Shamrock won the boys team title.
 In the girls' division, Groom's Kay Case won the discus with a toss of 109-8 1/4 and teammate Sandie Conrad high jumped 4-10 to win that event. White Deer's Krissy Cone won the triple jump at 32-9.
 West Texas High captured the girls' team championship.

DUMAS — Pampa's Tim Fields and Devin Lemons claimed silver medals at the North Plains Relays last weekend.
 Fields finished second in the 300 hurdles with a time of 41.00 while Lemons was second in the long jump at 20-4.
 Fields was also fourth in the 110 high hurdles (15.02) and Lemons was fifth (15.05). Trent Davis was sixth in the 3200 (11.22) for Pampa.
 The Pampa boys entered the meet with only about half a squad.
 "We had some taking SAT tests and others were sick," said Pampa coach Tad Smith.
 The Harvesters go to the District 1-4A track meet Thursday and Saturday in Canyon.

FOOTBALL

AUSTIN (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have signed a one-year contract to keep their summer training camp at St. Edward's University.
 The rollover deal gives the team the option to renew its commitment to Austin each year.
 Training camp will be July 20 through Aug. 18.
 "This represents a continuing relationship that has been beneficial for both the Cowboys and the city of Austin," said John Lucas, St. Edward's vice president.
 The Cowboys have practiced at St. Edward's for five years. Their contract with the university expired after the 1994 season.
 Owner Jerry Jones said he never considered moving the camp from Austin, but the new agreement was not reached until Monday.
 Roughly 85,000 people watched the team's 24 practices last summer, an average of 3,542 a day.
 The economic impact of training camp on the city is estimated at \$3.6 million a year, according to a survey by the Austin Chamber of Commerce.

TENNIS

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Steffi Graf regained the No. 1 spot in the WTA Tour rankings, ending Arantxa Sanchez Vicario's six-week hold on the position.
 Graf had 298,8213 points in Monday's computer listing, to 296,7202 for Spain's Sanchez Vicario.
 The German star lost the top position Feb. 6 after she missed the Australian Open because of a thigh injury, and then regained it for a week on Feb. 20. Graf has held the No. 1 ranking for 279 weeks since August of 1987. Martina Navratilova holds the record of 331 weeks as No. 1.
 Mary Pierce is third with 235,3692 points, followed by Conchita Martinez with 203,7555 and Jana Novotna with 174,9729.
 Graf, who is to begin play Wednesday in the Houston Women's Tennis Championships, has won three tournaments this year — the Open Gaz de France in Paris, the Winter Championships in Delray Beach, Fla., and the Lipton Championships in Key Biscayne, Fla.
 Sanchez Vicario, sidelined by a sprained right ankle, remained the top-ranked doubles player for the third straight week.
 Graf's return to the top marked the second change of the week in the No. 1 rankings. Andre Agassi replaced Pete Sampras atop the men's list on Monday.

BASEBALL

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP) — The Houston Astros may have too little time and too many outfielders for rookie Brian Hunter to find a spot on the opening day roster.
 "There's no question he's going to be a very key part of this team at some point," manager Terry Collins said. "There's too many people in baseball who I've talked to that tell me that this guy's got a chance to be an outstanding player."
 "He's one of those guys who the more he plays, the better he's going to get."
 At Class AAA Tucson last season, Hunter led the Pacific Coast League in batting average (.372), stolen bases (49), hits (191), and runs scored (113).
 He got 24 at-bats with the Astros before the strike began in August, but the strike-abbreviated spring training doesn't give him enough time to prove whether he's ready to assume the starting role in center field.
 "We'll look at Brian, but not to where he's getting four at-bats every game," Collins said.
 Hunter's problem is that Houston's outfield is set with incumbent starter in left field Luis Gonzalez and the acquisition of Derek Bell and Phil Plantier from the San Diego Padres.
 "That's a quality outfield, especially on offense," Collins said. "In my opinion, it would be tough to sit one of them down."

Big leaguers take big paycuts

By RONALD BLUM
 AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — A lot of baseball players accustomed to million-dollar paychecks are falling to the ranks of the merely well to do.
 "It's a changing market out there," Houston Astros general manager Bob Watson said Monday. "It's been reflected in a lot of the signings. It's an indication that the market has changed."
 Players without super stats aren't getting the big bucks — "taking a shave" in the parlance of some agents and general managers.
 Tom Browning went from \$3.5 million to \$300,000 when he signed with Kansas City. Bob Welch dropped from \$2.9 million to \$225,000 with Oakland. Bud Black, who made \$2.65 million last year, signed with Cleveland for \$350,000. Mike Devereaux dropped from \$2,575,000 to \$800,000.

"It's been incredible, just incredible," acting commissioner Bud Selig said.
 Dave Stewart dropped from \$3.5 million to \$1 million when he signed with Oakland on Saturday. He didn't seem to mind.
 "What the owners are doing now probably should have been done years ago without asking us to fix their problem," he said. "What's going on right now isn't any more than what it should have been."
 In the deal most criticized by agents, catcher Pat Borders signed with Kansas City for \$310,000. He made \$2.5 million last season with Toronto. "I remember making \$5 an hour," Borders said. "You have to keep things in perspective. The salary I just signed for, you could make \$5 an hour for about 15 years and not make that kind of money."
 Players and agents say the moves of the past week show the current system of free agency and salary arbitration can adjust to changes in revenue. Owners claim they lost \$700 million in revenue because of the strike.
 "The irony of this labor dispute may be as follows," agent Randy Hendricks said: "The players say all along, 'We want fair-market value and the clubs should exercise restraint and operate on a budget.' The owners say, 'We can't do that unless the players give us artificial mechanisms.'"
 "We have an eight-month labor war. And the end result is we have market-driven salaries that are falling precipitously, and the strike as of necessity forced owners to adhere strictly to budgets. The owners when committed enough can adhere to prudent business practices, but the players because of loss of revenue are paying economically."
 Even knowing television

revenue would be cut by more than 50 percent in 1994, the average still increased 4.6 percent in 1993 and 8.6 percent in 1994, to about \$1.17 million.
 There were several big free agent deals last fall (Gregg Jefferies to Philadelphia for \$20 million over four years and Jay Buhner re-signed with Seattle for \$15.5 million over three years). But since the end of the 232-day strike, Baltimore, Colorado, Florida and the New York Mets — all high revenue clubs — have been the only teams to commit to multimillion, multi-year deals:
 — Outfielder Larry Walker signed with the Rockies for \$22 million over four years and pitcher Bill Swift signed for \$13.1 million over three.
 — Catcher Chris Hoiles re-signed with the Orioles for \$17.25 million over five years.
 — Pitcher Pete Harnisch re-signed with the Mets for \$9 million over three years, and reliever John Franco signed for \$5 million over two.
 — Reliever John Burkett signed with the Marlins for \$6.9 million over two years.
 For every one of those deals, there have been three players who took big shaves: Terry Mulholland dropped from \$3.35 million to \$1.25 million when he signed with San Francisco, Bob Tewksbury dropped from \$3.5 million to \$1.5 million when he signed with Texas, Orel Hershiser dropped from \$3 million to \$1.45 million when he signed with Cleveland.
 On Monday, Teddy Higuera did a deal with San Diego that would give him \$275,000 if he makes the team. He made \$2.95 million last year. Danny Darwin signed with Toronto for \$300,000, a drop of \$2.1 million. Paul Assenmacher signed with Cleveland for \$700,000, a drop of \$1.55 million.

RBI single



Pampa senior Jason Warren raps a run-scoring base hit during the Harvesters' 3-2 win over Amarillo Caprock last weekend. Warren and the Harvesters take on Randall at 4:30 p.m. today in a District 1-4A game at Randall. Pampa is tied with Canyon for third place in the district standings at 3-2. Randall is 2-3 and tied with Hereford for fifth place.

7th, 8th grade girls coast to victory in Pampa track invite

PAMPA — Pampa's unbeaten 7th and 8th grade girls track teams go for district championships April 22 in Hereford.
 The Pampa teams tuned up for the district meet by winning a four-team track meet last weekend at Randy Matson Field.

Clark, third place, 2:49.52.
400 relay: Pampa, first place (Audrey Wilbon, Lisa Kirkpatrick, Lori Lindsey and Kisha Evans), 53.44.
 2400: Michelle Gandy, second place, 10:29.84.
Long jump: Kisha Evans, first place, 14-7 1/2; Chrissy Norris, fourth place, 13-9 1/2; Lisa Kirkpatrick, sixth place, 13-4 1/4.
Triple jump: Aubrea Ward, second place, 29-7 1/4; Lori Lindsey, fourth place, 29-1; Lisa Kirkpatrick, sixth place, 13-4.

first, 54.99; Courtney Lang, third place, 56.64; Ann Gaddis, 56.98, fourth place.
400: Beth Lee, second place, 1:08.61; Emily Waters, sixth place, 1:12.23.
100 hurdles: Tandi Morton, first place, 18.04; Kristan Gragg, fourth place, 18.43; Courtney Lang, fifth place, 18.80.
100: Lacrease Ford, first place, 13.25; Emily Curtis, third place, 14.25; Amber Doyle, sixth place, 14.74.

Meet results are listed below:

8th grade division

Team totals: 1. Pampa 268; 2. Borger 138; 3. Canyon 90; 4. Valleyview 71.
1600: 1. Jenny Fatheree, second place, 6:03.71; Michelle Gandy, fifth place, 6:44.45.
300 hurdles: Robyn Williams, first place, 51.98; Lori Lindsey, second place, 52.67; Chrissy Norris, fifth place, 57.34.
200: Kisha Evans, first place, 27.68; Jessica Maddox, second place; Pam Teakell, fourth place, 30.02.
400: Aubrea Ward, first place, 1:06.24; Tiffany Fletcher, second place, 1:09.96; Carla Dunn, fourth place, 1:10.92.
800 relay: Pampa, first place (Carla Dunn, Jessica Maddox, Lisa Kirkpatrick and Audrey Wilbon), 1:54.24.
100: Lisa Kirkpatrick, second place, 13.80; Pam Teakell, third place, 14.10; Tiffany Fletcher, sixth place, 14.43.
100 hurdles: Lori Lindsey, first place, 17.07; Chrissy Norris, fourth place, 17.72; Robyn Williams, sixth place, 18.98.
800: Jenny Fatheree, first place, 2:35.02; Robyn Williams, second place, 2:40.05; Kimberly

8th grade division
Team totals: 1. Pampa 266; 2. Borger 144; 3. Canyon 100; 4. Valleyview 59.
1600 relay: Pampa first place (Mary Grace Fields, Ann Gaddis, Tandi Morton and Lacrease Ford), 4:35.08.
1600: Samantha Hurst, second place, 6:06.06; Marcy Hanson, third place, 6:19.02; Amanda White, fourth place, 6:32.10.
200: Lavonne Evans, first place, 29.23; Mary Grace Fields, second place, 29.97; Amber Doyle, fourth place, 30.71.
300 hurdles: Samantha Hurst,

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100: Lacrease Ford, first place, 13.25; Emily Curtis, third place, 14.25; Amber Doyle, sixth place, 14.74.
800 relay: Pampa, first place (Lavonne Evans, Emily Curtis, Mary Grace Fields and Beth Buzzard), 1:58.15.
800: Emily Waters, second place, 2:43.84; Jennifer Booth, third place; Amanda White, fourth place, 2:54.87.
400 relay: Pampa, first place (Beth Buzzard, Emily Curtis, Lavonne Evans and Lacrease Ford), 53.78.
2400: Samantha Hurst, first place, 9:35.27; Marcy Hanson, second place, 9:44.09; Anna Resendez, third place, 10:11.84.
Long jump: Lavonne Evans, first place, 15-4 1/2; Lacrease Ford, second place, 14-11 1/2; Courtney Lang, third place, 13-10 1/4.
Triple jump: Lacrease Ford, first place, 29-11; Courtney Lang, sixth place, 27-6.
High jump: Emily Curtis, third place, 4-4; Tandi Morton, fifth place, 4-2.
Shot: Constance White, second place, 24-0 1/2.
Discus: Dianna Solis, second place, 66-2; Cari Walker, fourth place, 59-9.

Canadian girls look sharp in district meet

PANHANDLE — Canadian girls track team will have more than their fair share of qualifiers at the regional track meet later this month in Abilene.
 Competing in the District 2-2A meet last weekend in Panhandle, the Lady Wildcats finished second or better in seven events to place second behind Panhandle in the team standings.
 "We didn't have enough people in the field events to give Panhandle a run for the money, but our old kids competed real well," said Canadian coach Don Drinnon. "I was real pleased with them."
 Sophomore Denise Lee won both the 800 and 3200 while Amber Rupperecht won the 300

hurdles and Bessie Ann Reed took first in the high jump.
 Canadian's three relay teams all placed second to qualify for regionals.
 "Our 800-meter relay team (Amy Stephenson, Amber Rupperecht, Julie Franks and Heather Long) has been winning the thing, but we missed a handoff and Clarendon was able to beat us," Drinnon added.
 Canadian, which placed fourth in the boys' division, produced a double gold medal winner in Bryan Rupperecht, who won both the 110 hurdles and 300 hurdles. Canadian's 1600-meter relay team placed second to qualify for regionals.

PHS netters tune up for district at Amarillo Relays

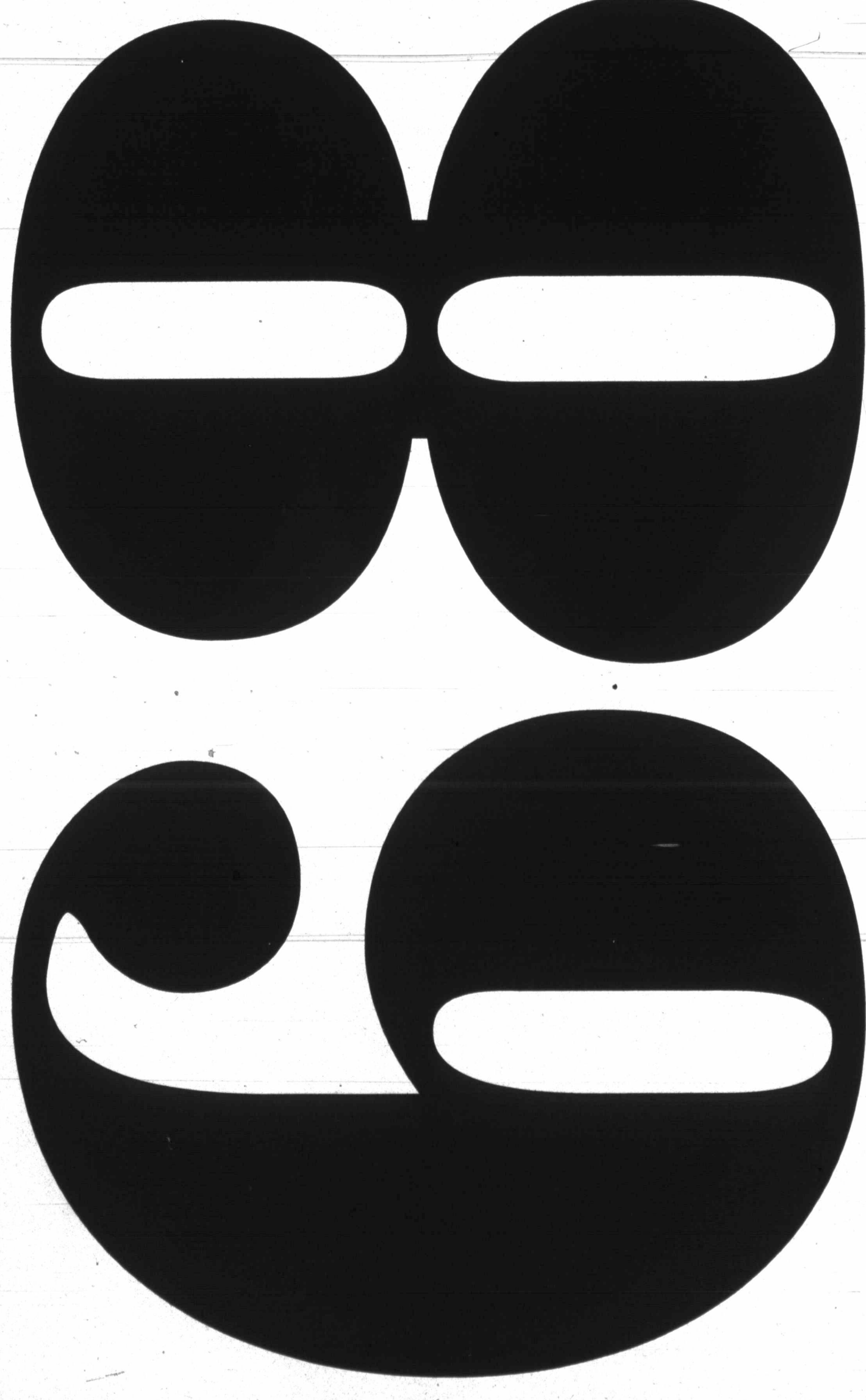
AMARILLO — The Pampa High tennis team tuned up for the District 1-4A Tournament by entering the Amarillo Relays last weekend.
 The district tournament will be held Thursday and Saturday at West Texas A&M in Canyon.
 At the Amarillo Relays, Pampa finished fifth in the Silver Division. The Pampa boys were first among all boys teams with 56 points. They were led by Billy DeWitt and Brooks Gentry, who teamed up to win their second consecutive doubles title. Gentry is a junior and DeWitt a senior.

lost to Vaselov Klimes (Portales), 6-2, 6-0; Third place: def. Casey Read (Canyon), 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.
1-A: Kyle Easley — First round: def. Bo Ames (Dumas), 6-3, 7-5; Quarterfinals: def. Brandon Wing (Randall), 7-5, 5-7, 6-3; Semifinals: def. Casey Read (Canyon), 6-1, 6-3; Finals: lost to Vaselov Klimes (Portland), 6-1, 6-1.
Boys Doubles
 Billy DeWitt-Brooks Gentry — First round: def. Day-Scalise (Wellington), 6-0, 6-1; Quarterfinals: def. Marable-Martin (Canyon), 2-6, 6-4, 6-2; Semifinals: def. Dudley-Lackey (Portales), 6-3, 3-6, 6-4; Finals: def. McLeod-Williams (Canyon), 6-4, 6-1.
Cory Griggs-Matt Rheams — First round: lost to McLeod-Williams (Canyon), 2-6, 6-2, 6-1; Consolation quarterfinals: def. Davis-Walker (Amarillo High JV), 6-3, 6-2; Consolation semifinals: def. Blossum-Wells (Portales), 6-3, 6-0; Consolation finals: lost to Gray-Lawson (Levelland), 6-3, 5-7, 6-3.
Girls Singles
 Cami Stone — First round: def. Candi White (Canyon), 6-4, 6-4; Quarterfinals: lost to Emily Johnson (Dumas), 6-0, 6-2; Third round: def. Rebecca Dahlstrom (Portales), 7-5, 6-2; Fifth place: lost to Marnie Spillman (Wellington), 7-5, 4-6, 6-1.
Halley Bell — First round: lost to Mandy Moss (Levelland), 6-1, 6-3; Consolation third round: lost to Kristin Smith (Dumas), 6-0, 7-5; 15th place: def. Nikki Burge (Wellington), 6-0, 6-0.

Kyle Easley placed second in boys singles while David Kludt finished right behind Easley in third place. Cami Stone had the highest girls finish with a sixth place in singles.
 Easley and Stone, both sophomores, are players of the week. Stone boosted her singles record to 29-11 while Easley is 22-10.
Amarillo Relays
Team totals: 1. Portales, N.M. 87; 2. Dumas 80; 3. Levelland 79; 4. Canyon 78; 5. Pampa 76; 6. Randall 70; 7. Amarillo High JV 54; 8. Wellington 35.
Pampa results are as follows:
Boys Singles
 David Kludt — First round: def. Jeremy Davenport (Canyon), by default; Quarterfinals: def. Justin Scarth (Randall), 6-2, 6-2; Semifinals:

def. Blom-McKinney (Wellington), by default; 13th place: def. Lopez-McKandles (Pampa), 6-0, 1-6, 6-2.
April Lopez-Kimberlee McKandles — First round: lost to Pitts-Rush (Levelland), 6-1, 6-1; Consolation quarterfinals: lost to Dintinger-Johnson (Amarillo High JV), 6-4, 6-4; Consolation third round: def. Holton-McKinney (Wellington), by default; 13th place: lost to Noles-Quarles (Pampa), 6-0, 1-6, 6-2.

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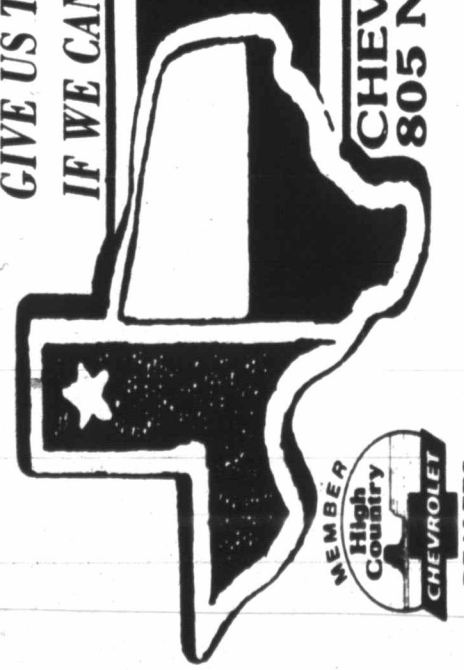
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