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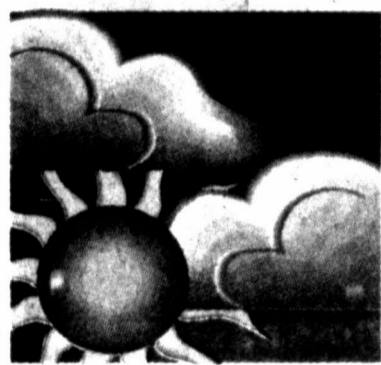
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PAMPA — Lovett Memorial Library has announced its Texas Reading Club for youth will begin June 3 and continue through June 27.

Children are encouraged to enroll starting Tuesday, May 28. Members will have an opportunity to earn a certificate and a prize by reading or listening to books.

This year's theme, "Ready ... Set ... READ!" will focus on sports, and children will have an opportunity to attend special programs on Monday afternoons from 1-3 p.m. starting June 3.

Library staff members encourage children to join the library in promoting the Texas Reading Club by becoming a part of this "gold medal team."

For more information, call Lovett Memorial Library at (806) 669-5780.

PANHANDLE — Carson County commissioners are to meet at 10 a.m. Friday in the commissioners court room of the Carson County courthouse.

Agenda items include right of way and easements; indigent care; roads, labor and machinery; confirmation of 1995 refund from appraisal district; and review and adjustment of jailer/dispatcher pay scale.

PAMPA — Cindi Platt was presented a plaque for being named Teacher of the Year at Pampa Academy of Christian Education, 500 N. Ballard.

Platt, who teaches fifth, sixth and seventh grade students at the school, was honored during PACE graduation ceremonies Tuesday night at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.

PAMPA — A trust fund has been established at National Bank of Commerce on behalf of Tanisha Wilbon, 16, and Cedrick L. Wilbon, 21, children of the late Ruby Landers.

For more information, call Rosa Cineceros at the bank, 665-0022.

PAMPA — Extra copies of the 1996 Pampa High School graduation insert special will be available at The Pampa News office for 35 cents a copy.

AUSTIN (AP) — No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$8 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 9, 14, 25, 27, 37 and 41.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be \$12 million.

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County OKs fireworks ban after disaster declaration

Gray County commissioners today banned the use of fireworks in response to tinder box conditions brought on by lack of rain and dry windy conditions across the Panhandle.

And County Judge Richard Peet issued a declaration of disaster in relation to the dry conditions and threat of wildfires.

The commissioners court approved the fireworks ban, which aims to protect the county from the threat of wildfires and their effect on life and property. The ban may continue as long as the court feels it is necessary for conditions in the county.

Fireworks, traditionally part of patriot celebrations, might not be part of the local scene this year because their use, sale and possession has been banned from Gray County.

And what's more, violators may be fined up to \$1,000.

In his state of disaster declaration, Peet noted weather forecasters "offer little hope of significant precipitation in the near future," with the continuing dry conditions enhancing the dangers of wildfires and the potential of endangering

lives and damaging property on a large scale.

The declaration allows the county to impose controls to decrease the dangers, such as outdoor burnings and the use of fireworks.

Phyllis Laramore said she has been in the county since 1926, and she is for the decision to outlaw fireworks in the county.

She said she "would like for kids to be education on the importance of July 4th and its real meaning..." instead of setting off firecrackers.

Ernie Wilkerson described circumstances at his home place last year, due to a fire erupting from active fireworks nearby. He said when he called for help to put out the field fire, there were many fireworks calls ahead of his. He and his wife had to work at controlling the fire until such time as the fire department could arrive.

"I am pleased with your decisions," he said.

"I hate that we must do this because of a traditional celebration, but we all need to keep in mind the possible results of damages caused by fires, but we feel compelled to

do this at this particular time," Wright said.

In Roberts County, Judge Vernon Cook said the county commissioners and he are very concerned about the dry conditions in his county. Discussion on the use of fireworks will be on his next agenda of the commissioners meeting, June 10. At that meeting, he is sure the county will take action.

"Stressing extreme caution is important, as we've already experienced some bad fires," Cook said.

He is confident Roberts County court will issue a resolution to ban fireworks this July 4 holiday.

In Carson County, Judge Jay Roselius said, "It is a serious concern, and we can still do something, even at a later date (prior to July 4) if there is no rain between now and then."

"It may not matter whether a resolution is passed, because some will ignore the rules and use fireworks anyway," the judge said.

In Canadian, a spokesman for Judge Bob Gober's office, said no discussion has been held on the fireworks issue in Hemphill County.



Julie Ann Hampton
... Wheeler valedictorian



Katie Ann Woollard
... Wheeler salutatorian

Hampton, Woollard lead Wheeler High graduates

WHEELER — Julie Ann Hampton and Katie Ann Woollard will graduate as valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively, of Wheeler High School Friday at 8 p.m. in the gymnasium.

Hampton, daughter of Steve and Nancy Hampton, is a three-year member of National Honor Society and a four-year member of Future Homemakers of America. She served on the Student Council and was elected treasurer her sophomore year and secretary her junior year.

Hampton was a member of the Mustang Band for five years and served as drum major her senior year. She has also been a member of the First Baptist Church youth group and has worked at the Wheeler County Farum Bureau for three years.

She was named Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen and the 1995 Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Teenager of the Year.

Hampton has also been recognized in UIL competition, winning the best actress award at the zone level in one-act play. She advanced to regionals in literary criticism her junior and senior years and in mathematics her junior year. Her literary criticism team went on to

place second at state her senior year.

Hampton, who will graduate with a 96.26 grade point average, plans to attend West Texas A&M University and pursue a degree in psychology.

Woollard, daughter of Rick and Judy Woollard of Mobeetie, will graduate with a 94.10 grade point average. She has served on Student Council for three years, been active in FHA for four years and played on the basketball team for four years.

She participated in one-act play for four years and received honorable mention at area her senior year. As a senior, she was a member of the UIL calculator team, placing third at district. The team advanced to regional competition.

Woollard has been on the academic 90 and Above honor roll for four years. She won the history and English II awards her sophomore year and won the Spanish award her junior year. She has been a four-year member of National Honor Society.

She has volunteered with Meals on Wheels and the library summer reading program.

Woollard will attend Oklahoma State University on an academic scholarship.

Talking about the rodeo



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Rodeo clown Jim Bob Feller explains why his overalls are so baggy to a group of Austin Elementary School first graders Tuesday afternoon. Baggy pants are more distracting to raging bulls, he said. Feller toured the local elementaries promoting this year's 50th annual Top O' Texas Rodeo in July, distributing free tickets to students in first and second grade.

March for Jesus activities set for Saturday

A live dramatization presented by Calvary Baptist Church will mark the beginning of the March for Jesus parade Saturday.

The dramatization will begin at 9:40 a.m. Saturday at the corner of Hobart and Somerville and the purpose is to focus on the purpose of the parade, according to parade co-chair Jan Edmondson.

Jesus, portrayed by Stan Schochler, will be dragged through the crowds by two Roman soldiers, flogged and

beaten. The drama will conclude with the crucifixion and resurrection.

The procession begins at 10 a.m. with American Family Radio broadcasting live the 1996 march music, "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High."

The march includes a tambourine group, a sign language group, banners, balloons, palm leaves, spirit sticks and floats.

Children 12 and under will ride together on decorated bicycles. Senior adults will be fur-

nished a place to ride on floats.

The march will proceed south on Hobart to Hobart Street Park and gather for a time of singing and prayer.

Shuttle buses will return marchers to the Alco parking lot. A prayer meeting for the march will be conducted 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, at Highland Pentecostal Church.

At 8:30 a.m. Saturday, another prayer session will be held at the march site, Hobart and Somerville.

Splash Day set for city's swimming pools

City of Pampa will host its annual Splash Day from 1 to 6 p.m. Monday at both M.K. Brown and Marcus Sanders pools. Swimmers may swim free on Monday, May 27.

Both pools will be open Monday through Aug. 18.

M.K. Brown Pool
Monday through Friday:
10 a.m. - noon: Red Cross swimming lesson
Noon - 1 p.m. - closed
1 to 6 p.m. - open to public

7 to 9 p.m. Monday and Tuesday - family nights
7 to 9 p.m. - Wednesday through Friday - available for rentals

Saturday and Sunday:
1 to 6 p.m. - open to public
7 to 9 p.m. - available for rentals

Fees at M.K. Brown:
General admission - \$1
Family season pass - \$75
Individual season pass - \$35
Discount pass - \$10

Marcus Sanders Pool
1 to 6 p.m. - open to public
7 to 9 p.m. - available for rentals

General admission is 50 cents. For questions about pool rental, contact the pool manager. The telephone number of M.K. Brown Pool is 669-5796 and the Marcus Sanders Pool number is 669-5826.

For other questions, call the city recreation office at 669-5770.

Summer cake



(Pampa News photo by Tiffanie Franks)

Sharon Scott proudly displays the "Have a good summer" cake she made for her daughter's end-of-school party. The cake, which is a pool and two water slides with icing children all over it, was made from a horseshoe shaped pan, cookies, icing and lots of creativity.

90th birthday reception set for Imogene Silcott

Imogene Tindell Silcott is to be honored with a 90th birthday reception hosted by family and friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 26, at Central Baptist Church, 513 E. Francis.

Mrs. Silcott was born in Big Spring on May 29, 1906. She attended school in Sayre, Okla., and moved to Panhandle in 1925.

She married Frank Silcott of Panhandle on Dec. 8, 1926 and they made their home in Pampa beginning in 1927.

Mrs. Silcott was a homemaker and church nursery coordinator at Central Baptist for many years. She has been a member of Central Baptist since 1933.



Imogene Silcott

Judge sides with Clinton in timber dispute

WASHINGTON (AP) — A judge threw out the timber industry's latest legal challenges to President Clinton's Northwest forest plan.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson dismissed a trio of suits Wednesday that accused the Clinton administration of illegally adopting a plan that reduced logging on national forests in the Northwest to about one-fourth the level of the 1980s. Penfield noted that federal judges in the West had already rejected the complaints.

Industry officials said they were considering an appeal.

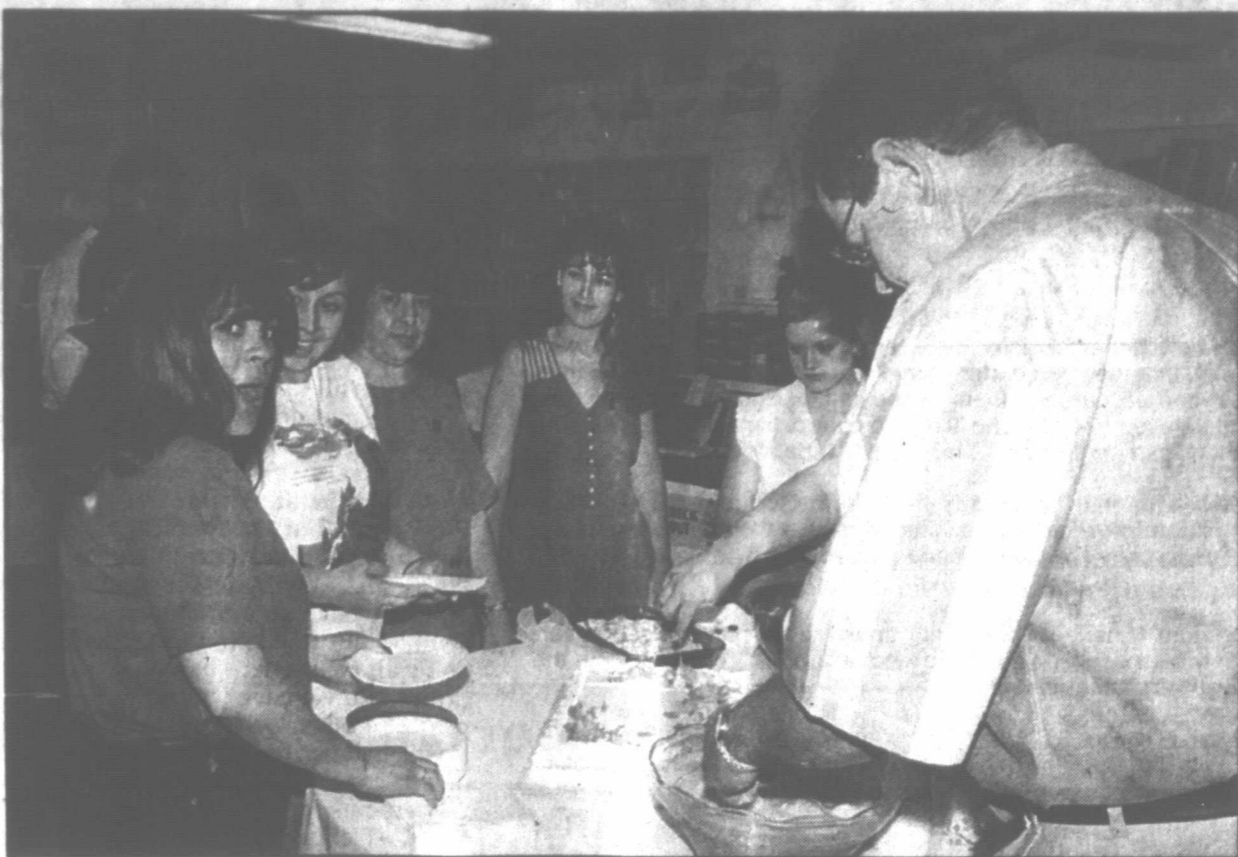
Jackson earlier had rejected the industry's request to block implementation of the administration's plan, saying the matter should be addressed in the 9th Circuit, which includes northern California, Oregon and Washington.

U.S. District Judge William Dwyer of Seattle upheld the plan in December 1994 and last month the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed his ruling.

Clinton unveiled his forest strategy in 1994, barring logging across millions of acres to protect fish and wildlife habitat.

He also vowed to cut about 1 billion board feet of timber annually on the lands that once produced more than 4 billion board feet a year.

ESL students honored



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Over a dozen students were honored Monday evening for successful completion of one school year of English classes at Baker Elementary School. The adults are taking English as a second language classes from volunteers Daniel and Emma Trejo. Baker Principal Sam Porter served punch to students, including Lulu Venegas (foreground) following their last regular class Monday.

Weekly jobless claims fall by 7,000

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of first-time claims for jobless benefits dropped by 7,000 last week to a level analysts contend is consistent with modest employment growth.

New applications for unemployment insurance totaled a seasonally adjusted 344,000, down from 351,000 a week earlier, the Labor Department said today. It was the lowest since 340,000 claims were filed during the week ended May 4.

Many analysts had expected about 350,000 new claims. They contend a range in that neighbor-

hood suggests a moderately improving labor market.

The four-week moving average of new claims also fell by 7,000, to 345,750 from 352,750 the previous week. The drop was the seventh straight and pushed the number to the lowest level since the average stood at 345,250 during the period ended Aug. 26, 1995.

After last week's decline, economist Michael P. Niemira told clients of the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi Ltd. in New York the new level "echoes an improvement in the labor market."

Top 10 Pampa Middle School eighth graders



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

The top ten eighth grade students were announced at the recent Pampa Middle School honors assembly. Students include (top left) Jacob Lewis, tied for ninth; Jeremy Buck, fourth; Sean Stowers, third; Christopher Stellman, second; and (bottom left) Rebekah Warner, fifth; Allison Baxter, sixth; Stephen Vanderpool, seventh; Lindsay Cree, eighth; and Angela Klein, tied for ninth.

Court orders new punishment hearing in one case, reverses murder conviction in another

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals has reversed the capital murder conviction of Gerald Wayne Tigner, who was sentenced to death in the 1993 McLennan County murders of two men.

The court ruled Wednesday that the trial judge erroneously admitted Tigner's tape-recorded statement, in which he confessed to shooting James Williams and Michael Watkins but claimed self defense.

A copy of the tape recording wasn't provided to defense lawyers within the time required by law, the court found.

The 6-3 ruling paves the way for a new trial for Tigner. The McLennan County prosecutor's office did not immediately return a telephone call from The Associated Press.

The court also ordered a new punishment hearing for Kenneth Ray Clark, who was sentenced to be executed in the 1991 Tarrant County shooting death of Texas Christian University student Robert Campbell during a robbery.

According to the Court of Criminal Appeals, the trial judge improperly allowed prosecutors to dismiss a potential juror on the grounds that she had expressed some opposition to the death penalty.

The trial judge found the potential juror's religious scruples would affect her ability to be a fair and impartial juror. But the Court of Criminal Appeals said the prosecution did not meet its requirement of showing that the potential juror would not have followed the law concerning the death penalty.

The ruling was 7-1, with Judge Lawrence Meyers not participating.

In other action, the court affirmed the capital murder convictions and death sentences of:

— David Lee Goff, in the 1990 Tarrant County shooting death of Michael McGuire. Among other points, Goff contended he should have been allowed to present evidence that the victim was homosexual.

The court, in denying his appeal, said Goff's contention "is premised on the assumption that the jury would consider a homosexual a less valuable member of society" and thus wouldn't have given Goff the death penalty.

According to the court's opinion, Goff did not know McGuire

was gay at the time of the murder.

— Johnny Joe Martinez, in the 1993 Nueces County stabbing murder of Clay Peterson during a convenience store robbery. Judge Sam Houston Clinton dissented from the ruling.

Three judges — Charles Baird, Frank Maloney and Morris Overstreet — said they agreed with upholding the conviction, but they thought Martinez should have received a life sentence instead of the death penalty.

Martinez had argued there was insufficient evidence that he would be a future danger to society, a requirement for imposing the death penalty.

The majority disagreed and denied his appeal.

Among other points, Baird noted that Martinez was 20 and said he had no prior criminal convictions.

"The facts of this offense, standing alone, do not carry the marks of a calculated and cold-blooded crime, which are vital to the imposition of the death penalty," Baird wrote.

Inmate says he sought to avoid transfer

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — A former death row inmate has denied threatening a state penitentiary guard with a handmade knife.

David Leon Cheadle said he showed the knife to a prison guard in hopes of being charged with possession of a weapon and avoiding transfer to a Texas jail.

Cheadle took the stand Tuesday during his trial on charges of attempt to commit first-degree murder, assault with intent to

commit a violent felony upon a peace officer, possession of a deadly weapon and extortion.

Correctional officers have testified Cheadle threatened to kill Capt. Filemon Sandoval and other guards after being told Dec. 17 that he would be transferred to Texas.

Gov. Gary Johnson's administration was transferring prisoners to Texas at the time to relieve crowding at New Mexico prisons.

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Community Calendar

May

AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. For more information, call 669-0407.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-3988.

23 - MIDDLE SCHOOL MAGIC SHOW presented by Panhandle Transit. Pampa Middle School, at 7:30 p.m., with the Magic Sabastian. \$4 advance, \$5 at the door. Tickets available at the Pampa Mall or Panhandle Transit. For more information, contact 665-4492.

24 - SENIOR ALL-NIGHT PARTY, drug and alcohol free, at M.K. Brown Auditorium from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. \$7 per person, bring a friend. Doors close at midnight. Prizes, dance contest, games, great food. For more information, call Shelly Watkins at 665-6349.

25 - PAMPA COMMUNITY YOUTH SERVICES. Sign up for summer fun, including swimming, bowling, volleyball, basketball and more. Ages 8-21. Registration day at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Youth Services building, 708 Prairie Center. Phillip D. Jeffery, director.

25 - MARCH FOR JESUS Fourth Annual Praise and Prayer gathering will begin at 9:30 a.m., corner of Hobart and Somerville. The march will move south on Hobart to Hobart Street Park and conclude there with a prayer rally. Pampa and surrounding areas invited. For more information, contact Jan Edmondson at 669-6582 or Ann Crow at 665-2431.

25 - FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS to host "Potluck Supper" at 6 p.m. at Clyde Carruth Pavilion. For more information, contact John and Carolyn Stokes at 665-7896 or Jim and Kathleen Greene at 665-8067.

28 - BOATMEN'S FIRST PAMPA BANKING CENTER presents WT seminar, How to Increase Your Profits and Improve Cash Flow, Pampa Community Building, M.K. Brown Room, 6:30-9:30 p.m. To register or receive more information, call (806) 669-8407.

29 - HOSPICE OF THE PANHANDLE to hold a workshop featuring Dr. Alan Wolfelt in the Heritage Room of the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, contact Dee Dee Laramore at 665-6677.

28-30 - GIRL SCOUT PARK EVENT at Lions Park each day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All girls from ages 5-17 are invited to attend. For more information, call Paula Goff at 669-6862.

30 - PAMPA DESK AND DERRICK CLUB meeting at Pampa Country Club, 6:30 p.m. For more information, call Linda Slaybaugh at 669-7884.

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1 - MIAMI COW CALLING and Arts and Crafts Show at Miami City Park, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, contact Peggy Howerton at (806) 4771.

1 - CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE will hold a Crafts Show in Fellowship Hall, 500 N. West, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds will go to send children to camp. Call 669-0176 for information and booth rentals.

1 - TOP O' TEXAS NIGHT OWL POKER RUN & RALLY at Recreation Park 2 miles east of Pampa on U.S. 60. Motorcycle show open to public at no charge. Registration for those wanting to ride their motorcycles (all must be street legal) will be from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., cost \$10. Activities include field events and games, bike show, parade, poker run, breakfast and awards. For more information, call 669-7187 or 665-0235.

Note: Civic clubs, organizations, church groups and others wanting their special meetings and activities listed on the community calendar should contact the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce office, 200 N. Ballard, or call 669-3241, at least two weeks before the scheduled event.

ACLU sues over sending teens out of state

DETROIT (AP) - The American Civil Liberties Union is suing Gov. John Engler and other state officials over the transfer of troubled teens to detention centers out of state.

Some 95 youths have been sent to facilities in Colorado, Iowa, Missouri, Pennsylvania and Texas because of overcrowding at centers here. Seven more are on a waiting list.

"We filed this lawsuit because, above all else, state officials must comply with laws requiring notice to parents and a court hearing to determine if out-of-state placement is in the best interest of a particular child," said ACLU attorney Sharon Lutz at a press conference Wednesday.

Engler spokesman John Truscott said the state has not broken any laws in trying to deal with the juvenile delinquents.

"Kids are still committing violent crimes. You have to put them somewhere," Truscott said. "These are not shoplifters and truants.

These are rapists and murderers, and some have committed armed robbery."

The lawsuit was filed on behalf of four youths who were sent out of state and their parents. The lawsuit also seeks to stop further out-of-state placements.

Three mothers of boys in out-of-state centers said the placements have made helping their sons more difficult.

"I would like to be part of his rehabilitation," said Sharon Allen, whose 17-year-old son Roderick was sent to the high-security High Plains Youth Center in Brush, Colo., last month on a carjacking charge.

Gloria Rawls, whose 17-year-old Deon Rawls was convicted of rape, said she was given no information on the Colorado center where he was sent in April.

"What is it? A concentration camp? I just don't know," Rawls said. "I'm very concerned for the simple fact that they weren't able to take care of him here."

Also named in the lawsuit is Family Independence Agency Director Gerald Miller, who has publicly stated his dislike of the transfers.

FIA spokeswoman Karen Smith said Miller could not comment until he has reviewed the lawsuit.

Just last week, Miller sent letters to Wayne County newspapers asking for help. Miller said the lack of a Wayne County site for juvenile offenders has forced the state to seek sites in other states.

The number of youths being committed by Wayne County Juvenile Court - the source of 60 percent of youths sent to the FIA - grew from 673 to an estimated 1,120 in 1996.

The transfers began a year ago as state officials searched for ways to combat a surge in teenage convictions for murder, rape and robbery, Truscott said.

Immigrants hike through wilderness

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) - In an unexpected side-effect of increased border patrols near San Diego, illegal immigrants are hiking unprepared into rugged wilderness and leaving a potentially deadly trail of wildfires, authorities said Wednesday.

Fires have increased dramatically along the border this year, most of them believed to have been started by immigrant campfires, state forest officials said.

With hundreds of immigrants crisscrossing back country canyons and summer fire conditions worsening, authorities said they are concerned about the potential for loss of natural resources, property and lives.

"Up until now, the weather has been with us," said Glen Newman, a fire chief for the state Department of Forestry. "Yet we know as the summer wears on, it will be hotter and more difficult to put those fires out. And the chances of people being killed or injured there are substantial."

Most illegal immigrants crossed roadways in the San Diego-Tijuana area until the federal government began erecting fences and tightening border controls 18 months ago.

Since then, smugglers have begun leading immigrants into the Otay mountain area and other wilderness in eastern San Diego County, Newman said.

"They'll leave their campfires. They don't put them out properly," he said.

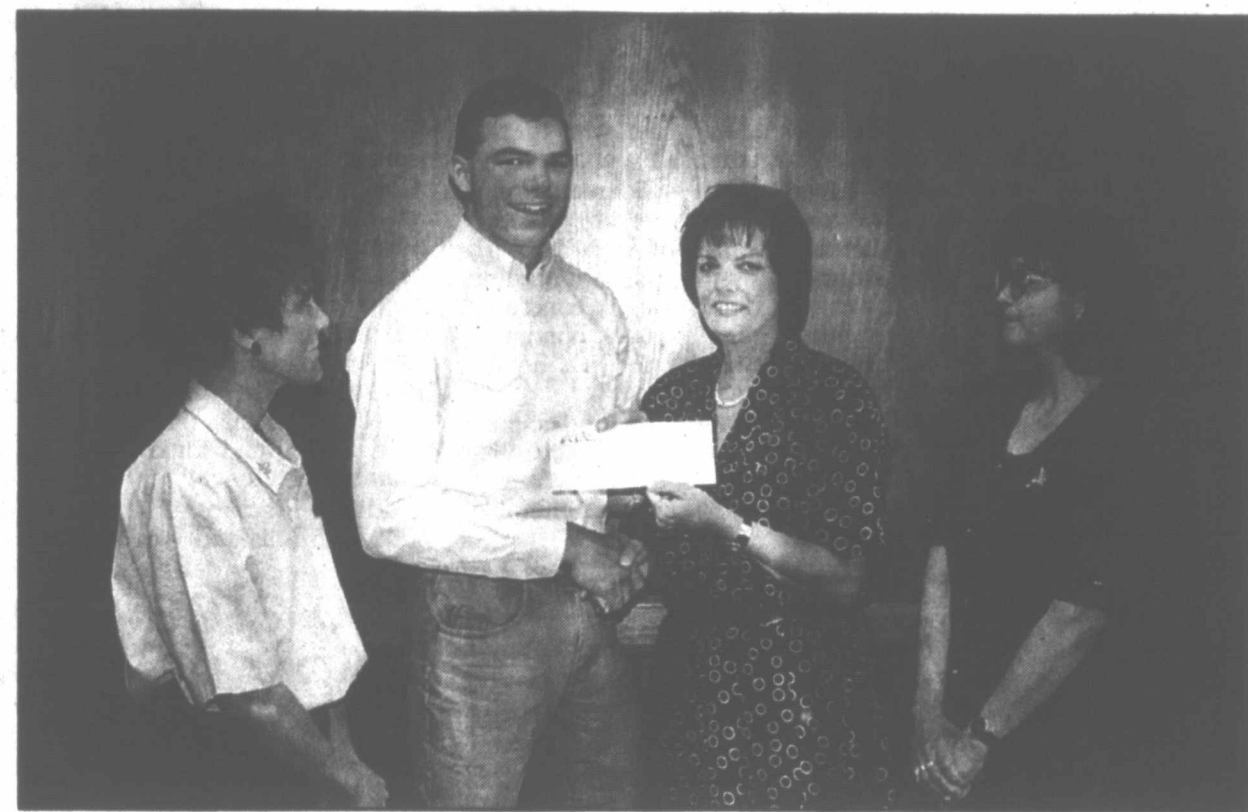
So far this year, there have been 201 border fires, up from 64 for all of last year and 24 in 1994, he said. Fire investigators have traced at least 95 percent of this year's fires to immigrants.

No one has died in a wildfire this year, officials said. But last fall, the skeletal remains of five people were found near the site of a 10,000-acre fire near the border.

Last week, the U.S. Forest Service opened a checkpoint in the Cleveland National Forest to try to apprehend illegal immigrants.

The immigrants, ranging from young children to the elderly, are ill-prepared for the risks, officials said. Some are told by smugglers that it's an hour walk to Highway 94; in truth, it takes at least 10 hours, Newman said.

NBC Scholarship recipient



(Pampa News Photo by Tiffanie Prantle)

Matt Reeves, second from left, a Pampa High School senior, received a \$1,000 annual scholarship from the National Bank of Commerce. Making the presentation to Reeves are members of the bank's scholarship committee, from left, Kristi Coble, Terry Gambelin and Rosa Cenicerros. Reeves plans to attend Texas A&M University in the fall.

Man convicted of sex abuse holds self up in complex

HOUSTON (AP) - An armed California fugitive barricaded himself Wednesday inside a west Houston apartment complex, refusing to surrender to arresting FBI agents.

Although he had no hostages, FBI agents continued to negotiate Wednesday evening with John

Patrick Brown. He displayed a handgun when agents tried to arrest him at 7 a.m., said Jim Conway, an FBI spokesman.

Brown, of Santa Ana, Calif., was sought after skipping out on the sentencing portion of his 1981 conviction of two child sex abuse charges.

The FBI tracked Brown first to

New Jersey, then to west Houston.

By 10 a.m., the only sign of progress was the fact that Brown released his pet German shepherd.

There was no immediate danger to residents, who had been kept away from the unit where Brown resides, Conway said.

Man indicted in tiger mauling case

DALLAS (AP) - A Midlothian man whose tiger mauled a 6-year-old girl was indicted Wednesday on a child endangerment charge and faces a maximum two years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted.

Robert McDonald failed to ensure that the gates at the facility where he housed the tiger in unincorporated Ellis County were adequately secured, according to police.

Investigators said they blame the security at the facility for the May 7 incident in which Katie Baxter and her mother were bitten.

"They went into an exercise pen and somehow one of the tigers got through two gates and attacked the little girl," said Lt. Royce Gothard of the Ellis County Sheriff's Department.

McDonald used a metal pipe to beat the tiger off Katie, police said.

She was listed in good condition Wednesday at Children's Medical Center of Dallas. Katie and her

mother suffered additional injuries when the car rushing them to the hospital ran off the road.

Police said McDonald didn't have a required permit for the five tigers, one lion and one lion cub, which were seized from the facility on May 10.

The facility's previous owner was denied a permit three times because of inadequate housing facilities, said Capt. James Wilson of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

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Pampa Middle School announces winners of annual student art show

Winners were recently announced in the Pampa Middle School spring art show by teacher Barbara Bigham.

Judges for the competition included members of the Pampa Fine Arts Association.

Following is a list of winners and categories.

Tessellations - L.J. Lawley, first; Michael Frels, second; Mark Bailey, third; Desiree Hillman, fourth; and Dirk Archer, honorable mention.

Grid - Tony Beck, first; Casey Coleman, second; John Schlewitz, third; Chris Alexander, fourth; Armando Toranzo, honorable mention; Britany Morgan, honorable mention.

Stamping - Taylor Stellman, first; Heather Ponce, second; Victor Brooks, third; Chris White, fourth; Lorena Baker, honorable mention.

Coke Bottles - Matt Cook, first; Amy Newhouse, second; Kayla Frances, third; Nuni Silva, fourth; David Sanchez, honorable mention.

Pointillism - David Sanchez, first; Chris Alexander, second; Lucas Oliva, third; Reed DeFever, fourth; Matt Botch, honorable mention.

Plaster Masks - Armando Tarango, first; Lorene Baker, second; Kevin Schaub, third; Matt Cook, fourth; Nuni Silva, honorable mention; Annie Sims, honorable mention; and Brian Sealman, honorable mention.

O'Keeffe - David Sanchez, first; Reed DeFever, second; Rodney Mendoza, third; Nuni Silva, fourth; Tamika Davies, honorable mention; Jeff Warren, honorable mention; Ashlee Lee, honorable mention; and Casey Coleman, honorable mention.

Tissue Collage - Renea Brown, first; Geraldo Delatorre, second; Zach Turner, third; Shelly Gage, fourth; Justin Lemons, honorable mention; and Dustin Harper, honorable mention.

Still Life - Nathanael Hill, first; Adam Jones, second; Taylor Stellman, third; Lindsay Coutts, fourth; and Clay Davis, honorable mention.

Contour Drawing - L.J. Lawley, first; Danielle Martinez, second; Billy Advent, third; Charity Meeks, fourth; Lawrence Henderson, honorable mention; and Dirk Archer, honorable mention.

Cartoons - John Towles, first; Michelle Qualls, second; Griselde Regaldo, third; Dolly Anderson, fourth; Chi Brack, honorable mention; Rocky Ivey, honorable mention; Eric Phillips, honorable mention; Bradley Stucker, honorable mention; and Gavino Armendariz, honorable mention.

Mosaic (Paper) - Mark Lamia, first; Amber Kimball, second; Dustin Meeks, third; Casey Knutson, fourth; Brenda Martinez, honorable mention; John Johnson, honorable mention; and Becky Aderholt, honorable mention.

Mosaic (Tile) - Bonnie Boring, first; Kelly Henderson, second; Letitia Medina, third; Heidi Searl, fourth; Kevin Smith, honorable mention; Jeremy Knight, honorable mention; Nikki Portales, honorable mention; and Karrah Diaz, honorable mention.

Shape Collage - Jon Brooks, first; Heather McMahon, second; Collin Lewis, third; Zach Turner, fourth; and Veronica Blackburn, honorable mention.

Negative Space - Tony Beck, first; Shawn Strate, second; Kyle Jerome, third; Lori Stephens, fourth; Eric Wade, honorable mention; and Shane Story, honorable mention.

Abstract Profile - Christal Tryon, first; Sarah Baxter, second; Casey Knutson, third; Wesley Warren, fourth; Chad Claidy, honorable mention; Erica Villalon, honorable mention; and Carey Knutson, honorable mention.

Masterpieces - "Going to Church," first; "Man and Woman," second; "Bedroom at Arles," third; "Persistence of Memory," fourth; "The Purple Robe," honorable mention; and "Blifs and ifs," honorable mention.

Mona Lisa - Willie Griffin, first; Lindsey Coutts, second; Jon Lambright, third; Sixto Albear, fourth; Kyle Jerome, honorable mention; Matt Dyer, honorable mention; and Mark Bailey, honorable mention.

Renoir - April Green, first; Cody Elliott, second; Morgan White, third; Rae Ann O'Malley, fourth; Lindsey Coutts, honorable mention; Bo Robinson, honorable mention; and Janelle Flowers, honorable mention.

Color Wheel - Tanner Hucks, first; Michelle Gomez, second; Courtney Ritchey, third; Stephen Peirce, fourth; Michael Leland, honorable mention; and Bobby Sparks, honorable mention.

Ten Minutes of Thought - Gavino Armendariz, first; Mirna Solis, second; Nicholas Mills, third; Morgan White, fourth; and Pinki Campos, honorable mention.

Additive Sculpture - Phillip Smith, Josh Ellis and Wes Warren,

first; Amber Doyle, Heidi Searl and Gary Anderson, second; Brenda Martinez, Pinki Campos, Lidia Resendiz and Aaron Cumming, third; Bonnie Boring, Sarah Baxter and Kelly Sewart, fourth; Casey Knutson and Eric Phillips, honorable mention.

Calligraphy - Shawn Strate, first; Annie Sims, second; Tanner Hucks, third; and Johnathan Munn, fourth. **Paper Maché** - Aaron Cummings, first; Lindsey Earl, second; Wes Warren, third; Gary Anderson, fourth; Lidia Medina, honorable mention; Sammy Ramirez, honorable mention; and Joshua Ellis, honorable mention.

Plaster Sculpture - Lindsey Earl, first; Aaron Cumming, second; John Johnson, third; Amanda Caloote, fourth; Berenice Solis, honorable mention; Joshua Ellis, honorable mention; and Gary Anderson, honorable mention.

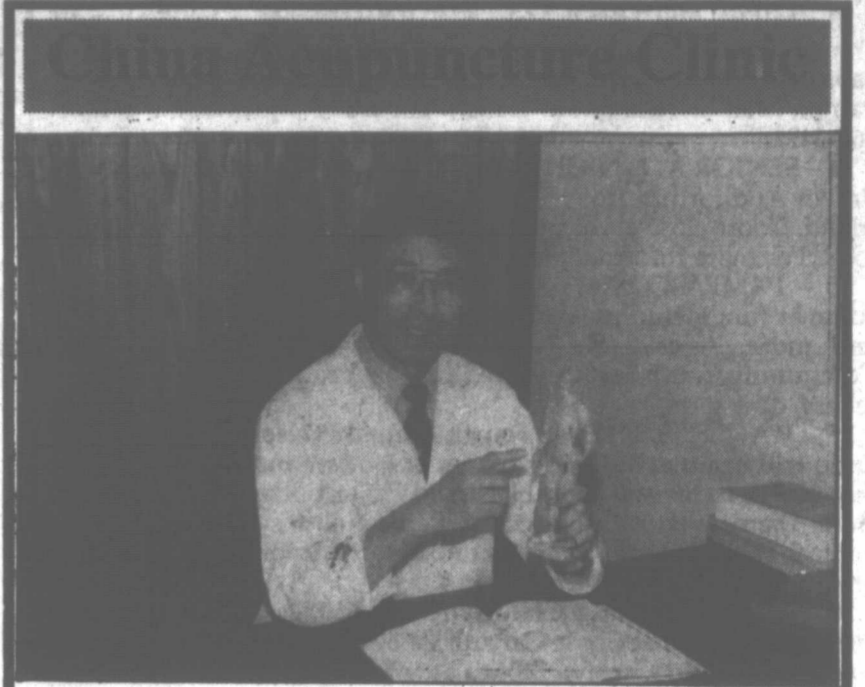
Contrast in Black/White - Jose Soto, first; Carey Knutson, second; BJ Minyard, third; Sammy Ramirez, fourth; Tryon Christol, honorable mention; Robert Garza, honorable mention; Darren Peterson, honorable mention; Gavino Armendariz, honorable mention; Amber Kimball, honorable mention; and Brenda Martinez, honorable mention.

Weaving (Small Mats) - Stephanie Clark, first; Samantha Ford, second; Misty Northcutt, third; Stephen Pierce, fourth; and Michael Frels, honorable mention.

Weaving (Large Loom) - Karrah Diaz, first; Amanda Caloote, second; Bonnie Boring, third; Chrissy Mullen, fourth; Richard Leger, honorable mention; and Cassie Scott, honorable mention.

able mention; Kelly Henderson, Robert Hoover, honorable mention; and Kelly Stewart, honorable mention.

Contour (Stool) - Misti Northcutt, first; Bradley Stucker, second; Nathan Carpenter, third; Oscar Ortega, fourth; Gabriel Campos, honorable mention; and Contour (Hands) - Erik Keller, first; Willie Griffin, second; Jerad Matlock, third; Jessica Burns, fourth; Taylor Stellman, honorable mention; and Michael Frels, honorable mention.



Edwin Wong shows how acupuncture heals at his office. Acupuncture has been helping people with their aches and pains for thousands of years.

Edwin Wong answers questions about acupuncture

These are some of the commonly asked questions about acupuncture. Edwin Wong, owner of China Acupuncture Clinic, believes public awareness is the best way to introduce Americans to this traditional Chinese healing art.

•What is acupuncture?

Acupuncture involves the use of a specially designed needle that is inserted into long recognized acupoints throughout the body in order to obtain the therapeutic result. This ancient healing art has been used in China for more than 2,000 years and was introduced worldwide in recent times.

•How does acupuncture work?

Chinese medical theory defines good health as the proper flow of Chi. The Chi flows along invisible pathways called Jing or "Channels of bio-energy." Disease or pain is the result of the blockage of Chi at one or more acupoints. When the specially designed needle is inserted into an acupoint, it can adjust the function of area of the body or organ it influences, returning its function to normal.

Acupuncture practitioners believe acupuncture discipline is a whole body treatment. Research shows there are observable changes in physiology, physiopathology and bio-chemistry as a result of acupuncture.

•Does acupuncture hurt?

There is no need for concern. When the needle is inserted into a specific acupoint, a slight sting may be felt. After the initial insertion, many patients report a feeling akin to burning, pressure, soreness or numbness. These mild discomforts are instrumental in the acupuncture process.

•How long does it take for acupuncture to work?

The constitution of the patient, the duration of the illness, the nature of the disease and many other factors come into play when answering this question. Some patients may experience immediate relief after one or two treatments while others may take longer.

•Is there any kind of drug applied to the needle?

There is absolutely no drug applied on the needle. The China Acupuncture clinic uses specially sterilized, disposable needles to avoid the transmission of disease or infection and all treatments are performed under sterile conditions.

•How many needles should be used for a treatment?

It depends on the nature of the illness. Sometimes only one or two needles are utilized. On the other hand, a patient who suffers from paralysis may require the use of 10 to 20 needles. In most cases, six to eight needles are used.

•How long could the effect last after the acupuncture treatment?

It depends on the individual circumstances. Factors such as age, physical constitution, lifestyle, diet, work habits and other factors may influence the rate of recovery. Some patients who suffered severe pain report their pain disappeared. These positive results have lasted two years or longer. Usually the earlier treatment can begin the better the results. Regular treatment over a period of time is highly recommended.

•Can acupuncture be used to help smokers quit?

Smoking is particularly responsive to acupuncture. For many people, smoking is a deadly habit. They want to quit, but can't. Acupuncture adjusts the function of the nervous system and minimizes such post-withdrawal symptoms as anxiety, restlessness and nervousness.

Acupuncture also changes how cigarettes taste. The taste become unpleasant and this encourages smokers to quit. Smokers report a 90% success rate with acupuncture.

•Does acupuncture enhance the body's immune function?

Investigation has confirmed acupuncture's usefulness in the enhancement of the body's immune function including the improvement of phagocytosis by white blood cells and reticuloendothelium system, the increase of numbers of T-cells and B-cells, the evaluation of the immunoglobulin concentration and the activation of the antibody system resulting in the speeding-up on antibody formation.

Acupuncture also boosts the body's defenses against infection. This helps prevent disease. Studies have shown that acupuncture helps retard the aging process in some cases. This benefit alone is useful in helping the patient maintain an active lifestyle in later years.

For more answers to your acupuncture questions, visit China Acupuncture Clinic at 1700 Duncan Street in Pampa or at 6015-B W. 45th in Amarillo. You can also call Edwin Wong at 1-806-669-3253, 1-806-352-0225 or 1-800-253-8886.

Wal-Mart scholarship



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Misty Walker, right, accepts a \$1,000 scholarship from local Wal-Mart manager Ron Lucero. About 40 students from across the area applied for the scholarship. Walker, valedictorian of her Fort Elliott High School class, plans to attend Angelo State University and major in pre-law.

Two area students attend HOBY Leadership Seminar

Angie Michelle Davenport and Dottie Leann Youngblood recently attended the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation Texas Panhandle Leadership Seminar. They joined more than 100 other young leaders representing as many high schools from throughout Texas April 26 in Amarillo.

Representing Lefors High School, Davenport is the daughter of Roger and Shari Davenport. Youngblood represents Pampa High school and is the daughter of Roseann Youngblood. The Pampa News was the local HOBY sponsor.

HOBY Leadership Seminars bring together a select group of high school sophomores so they can interact with groups of distinguished leaders in business, government, education and the professions to discuss present and future issues. The goal is to provide the youths a stimulating forum for learning about the

American incentive system and democratic process and for broadening their understanding of their leadership potential and quest for self development.

The Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation was established by the popular actor Hugh O'Brian following a visit to Africa where he was inspired by a meeting with Dr. Albert Schweitzer.

"One of the things Schweitzer said to me was that the most important thing in education was to teach young people to think for themselves," O'Brian said. "From that inspiration, and with the support of others who believe in youth and the American dream, I started HOBY to seek out, recognize and develop outstanding leadership potential among our nation's youth."

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Uvalde border patrol agent accused of rape

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Uvalde Border Patrol agent was charged with sexual assault Wednesday after a woman he met at a nightclub told police he raped her after offering her a ride home.

Efrain Nevarez, 31, was arrested early Wednesday. His bond was set at \$15,000.

Nevarez was one of 15 U.S. Border Patrol agents from Uvalde who were in San Antonio to take part in the Flame of Hope run to the Special Olympics, said Border Patrol spokesman Tomas Zuniga.

"I want to emphasize that he was off duty. He was on his own time," Zuniga said.

Nevarez, who recently completed his one-year probationary period as an agent, has been placed on two weeks' paid administrative leave, Zuniga said. His future status will be evaluated.

According to a police report, Nevarez met the 24-year-old woman at Coyote's nightclub. She told police that Nevarez offered her a ride home in his pickup but that instead of being taken home, she was driven to an apartment complex where she was forced into the bushes and raped.

Federal employee pleads guilty to tax charge

BEAUMONT (AP) — A federal employee pleaded guilty Wednesday to an income tax evasion charge after telling the judge he disliked the way the government spent money.

Mark Connor, 41, of Bon Wier, pleaded guilty to failing to file a federal income tax return in 1992.

His attorney, Gaylyn Cooper, said Connor told U.S. District Judge Richard Schell that he did not pay taxes because he didn't approve of the way the government spent money "at a deficit rate."

Connor, who works for the Federal Aviation Administration at an airport in DeRidder, La., faces a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine. No sentencing date has been set.

A plea agreement states that Connor did not pay income taxes from 1983 until 1994, his attorney said.

Connor filed a W-4 form with his employer that falsely claimed 24 allowances, so no taxes were taken out of his paycheck, Cooper said.

A grand jury indicted Connor in January on three counts of failing to file an income tax return for the years 1989, 1990 and 1991.

50-year Masonic pins



Two Pampa men were honored Tuesday with 50-year Masonic service awards by members of Top O' Texas Masonic Lodge No. 1381. Woody Pond and Johnny Chronister, third and fourth from left, are congratulated by Bob Schnell of Borger, right, past grand master of the Grand Lodge of Texas. Shown with them are Don Summers at right, worshipful master; and Chronister's son, Allen Chronister, all of Pampa.

Bush establishes adoption advisory committee

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush announced Wednesday a task force to study ways to improve the state's adoption process.

Bush praised foster parents invited to a picnic at the Governor's Mansion where he named the new panel. He said they were making a difference in children's lives and should be commended.

But the governor added that there are not enough foster parents in Texas and the adoption process takes too long.

"The number of children available for adoption in Texas is growing while the number of adoptions is declining," Bush said. "We must reverse this trend because all Texas children need and deserve stable and secure homes."

Eva Brown, an 18-year-old from San Antonio, told the governor that her foster family, now her adoptive family, made a real difference in her life.

She was a foster child in the Browns' home for 8 1/2 years before her adoption was completed.

"I can't tell you how thankful I am that my parents got involved," she said. "If they didn't, I wouldn't be where I am today."

Bush named 13 members to the Governor's Committee to Promote Adoption.

The members include: — John Bowie, pastor of the

True Light Baptist Church in Houston.

— Irene Clements, director of foster care for Lutheran Social Services, in Marion.

— John Criswell, a news anchor for KDFW-TV in Dallas.

— Monsignor Marvin Doerfler, executive director of the St. Peter-St. Joseph Children's Home, in San Antonio.

— David Garza, a Brownsville attorney.

— Holly Ruth Hall, a Sherman social worker.

— Probate Judge Max Higgs, of El Paso County.

— Marye Lou Maudlin, a

board member of Adopting Children Together, in Arlington.

— Jerome Rocky Milton, pastor of Pleasant Hills Baptist Church, in Tyler.

— Margaret O'Brien-Molina, an adoptive parent from Houston.

— Ruby Lee Piester, a Fort Worth consultant for Executive Service Corp. and Adopt a Special Kid.

— San Antonio Dr. James Rogers, executive director of Child Guidance Center.

— Jane Wetzel, of Dallas and a member of the Governor's Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Advisory Board.

DPS estimates 35 deaths in holiday traffic accidents

AUSTIN (AP) — Barbara Vanginault said her 15-year-old son made a bad choice last year that cost him his life. She hopes other Texans learn from his death and consider the consequences of unsafe driving over the Memorial Day weekend.

"I don't want my son's life to go in vain," said Ms. Vanginault, who told her story Wednesday as part of a Texas Department of Public Safety effort to promote safe driving.

"Kids today make choices and don't stop to consider the consequences. Eric chose to get into a car with someone who had been drinking. It cost him his life," said Ms. Vanginault, of Sulphur Springs in northeast Texas.

DPS estimates that 35 people

will die in traffic crashes on Texas roads over the three-day holiday. The reporting period begins at 6 p.m. Friday and runs through midnight Monday.

Twenty-five people died in 23 crashes during the same period last year, according to DPS. Ten of those crashes involved alcohol, including the May 27, 1995, accident that killed Eric Vanginault.

Lt. Col. Dudley Thomas, assistant director of the DPS, said Ms. Vanginault was invited to the department's announcement in order to put a face on the tragedies.

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Nation briefs

Playskool in process of testing antibacterial highchair
PAWTUCKET, R.I. (AP) — Playskool believes it has built a better highchair: one that kills germs on the tray.

The bacteria-busters are permanently locked into the plastic antigerm tray on the Playskool 1-2-3 highchair, says the toymaker and the company that supplies the antibacterial plastics process.

Playskool, a division of Hasbro, said the trays can help halt the spread of disease-causing bacteria including E. coli, staph, strep and salmonella.

"You can wash off food with a sponge but there's always the invisible part," said Ted Bretschger, Hasbro's vice president of juvenile products.

Some hospitals already use Microban Products Co.'s antibacterial plastics process in their surgical drapes, mattresses and pillow covers.

Microban, of Huntersville, N.C., contacted Hasbro last year to form an alliance. If the antigerm chair proves popular in test markets, it could be sold nationwide by the end of summer, priced at about \$80.

'Mission: Impossible' shatters first-day record

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mission: Impossible earned \$3.4 million in its debut, shattering the first-day record set by Jurassic Park, according to industry estimates.

The motion picture remake of the 1960s TV spy series was previewed Tuesday in more than 1,500 theaters nationwide. The movie, starring Tom Cruise, opened Wednesday.

Jurassic Park earned \$3.1 million in its 1993 debut and went on to become one of the highest grossing films of all time.

Prosecutor regrets taping jailhouse confession

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Without admitting legal wrongdoing, a prosecutor who secretly recorded a murder suspect's jailhouse conversation with a priest says he won't use the tape.

"There are some things that are legal and ethical, but are simply not right," District Attorney Doug Harclerod said Wednesday. "I was wrong to authorize the taping of that conversation."

Conan Wayne Hale, 20, is a suspect in the Dec. 21 shooting deaths of three teenagers in a forest near Springfield, about 110 miles south of Portland. He is in jail awaiting trial on related burglary and theft charges.

The Rev. Timothy Mockaitis spoke to Hale on April 22 as part of a Catholic church Sacrament of Reconciliation. Harclerod said he knew the priest was going to hear a religious confession and arranged for it to be taped. He had suggested that the state may try to use the tape in court.

Poster contest



Cassi Owens, Zach Kidd and Jake Mulanax were named first place winners in a Gray County Child Protective Services Board poster contest at Horace Mann Elementary School. The three received a cash prize from board representatives Leona Willis (shown here) and Judy Warner. Posters had to fit the theme "I Feel Love When ..."

Political checks turn Democrats taciturn, silent

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a matter of minutes, Democratic leaders flipped from fired-up partisans to human statues.

Minority Leader Dick Gephardt was the essence of indignation as he condemned Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio, for handing out a tobacco group's political donations on the House floor, "turning the people's chamber into a Republican rummage sale."

Minority Whip David Bonior, D-Mich., and Rep. Vic Fazio, D-Calif., were there too Wednesday, nodding their agreement. But all motion stopped when the three Democrats were asked whether they'd ever handed over a political check in the U.S. Capitol.

Rep. Jim Moran, D-Va., had nothing to say either, though as the news conference began he fiercely denied the practice as "a scandal" and advised colleagues, "Do it in the bathroom if you want or in the lobby but don't do it on the floor of the people's house."

Two freshmen filled the dead air with assurances they'd never done such a thing.

The question was repeated. Fazio fielded it.

"I think it's time to follow the leadership of our new members. And, certainly, we're all dedicated to making this change in the rules in the next Congress, if it isn't done beforehand," said the former chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee.

District official caught on Peavy tapes

DALLAS (AP) — A man with whom former Dallas school board member Dan Peavy was speaking on a tape in which Peavy used racial slurs has been identified as an assistant superintendent, a television station reported Wednesday.

Dallas TV station WFAA said it had obtained a copy of an affidavit filed in a related civil case in which Peavy names Joel Pittman as the other person on the phone in the secretly recorded conversation.

Pittman declined the station's request to comment on the allegation. The tape has racial epithets along with sexist and other derogatory terms that refer to colleagues, parents and school employees.

A tape containing snippets of several conversations between Peavy and an unidentified caller was mailed anonymously to some board members and a transcript was read at a Sept. 28 board meeting, which Peavy did not attend.

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Mother Welcomes Questions About Daughter's Rare Disease

DEAR ABBY: In response to "Illinois Reader," whose husband has an incurable illness and wants people to refrain from asking about him when she's out in public, as she'd like a break from her heavy responsibilities:

My daughter was also diagnosed with a rare, incurable disease, and it's hard for me to understand "Illinois Reader" not wanting her friends to ask about her husband.

At the time of my daughter's diagnosis, she was expected to live only a few weeks. Well, that was nearly a year ago, and she is doing much, much better. However, many of our so-called "friends" did not visit and have also stopped asking about her. Although my daughter hasn't stopped living, caring or loving, it seems that our friends have!

Right now, we need all the love, support and prayers we can get. So I say: "Please ask me how my daughter is doing. It lets me know that you care and still think about us. It is not an invasion of privacy, nor is it an intrusion into our lives."

I'm sorry that "Illinois Reader" feels so burdened that she needs a break from it all. However, it is even more unfortunate that many people will not ask other caregivers about their loved ones. You may print my name.

JACQUI TAPPTO,
LAWTON, OKLA.

DEAR JACQUI: It's possible your friends do not mean to be selfish or inconsiderate. Many

Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

people don't know what to say when someone they know is experiencing a crisis. They feel awkward and react by avoiding the subject. As illustrated by you and "Illinois Reader," each caregiver has different needs, and no one is a mind reader. It is up to you (and all caregivers) to offer guidance by expressing your needs to friends and relatives. Your honesty will be appreciated, and you will appreciate the results.

DEAR ABBY: I am a professional counselor, and I counsel many teen-aged girls. Often they tell me things like, "I went out with this guy and I got pregnant" — as if "going out" somehow caused the pregnancy.

I've come to realize over the years that many girls have never been told how to diplomatically say "no" to sex. It appears they fre-

quently say "yes" just so they won't seem rude.

You would be doing your readers a great service if you asked young girls to write and answer the question, "How did you just say no?" **CONCERNED COUNSELOR, PASADENA, CALIF.**

DEAR CONCERNED COUNSELOR: You have made an excellent suggestion. While teen-aged girls may have the most difficulty with this issue, they are not alone. People of all ages (and both sexes) also struggle with it. Readers, what works for you? How do you "just say no" to a sexual encounter you do not wish to have, or do not feel ready for?

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Horoscope

Friday, May 24, 1996

Even though last year you might have experienced more lows than highs, the opposite could be true in the year ahead. Continue to be expectant and hopeful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You will say all the right things today, but no one will accuse you of being glib or insincere. Your listeners will know that you speak from your heart. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Do not be

alarmed if a close friend pokes her nose into your private affairs today. She might point out several ways to resolve your troubles.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Take extra care when selecting your attire if you are going out today. You may have an opportunity to meet someone you've been anxious to impress.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Helping friends could have multiple benefits today. You will help to promote their interests and these efforts will make you look good in the process.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) When you enter a room today, your charisma will become apparent to everyone present. You will not do this consciously; it will just happen naturally.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Even though you may have only a minor role in a project organized by someone else today, you can benefit as well. It will pertain to a financial involvement.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today, your primary concern will be to see that everyone with whom you're involved is

treated appropriately. If not, you will take corrective measures.

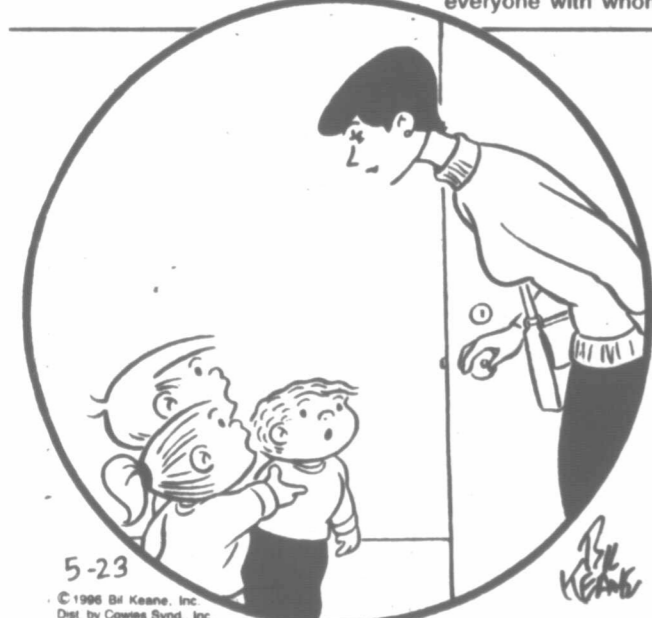
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Set your sights high in your financial and commercial affairs today. Keep in mind that you can remain in control as long as you want to be in the lead.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Sometimes a new acquaintance remains in our lives for only a short time. Today, however, when you meet someone new, you'll sense the uniqueness of the event.

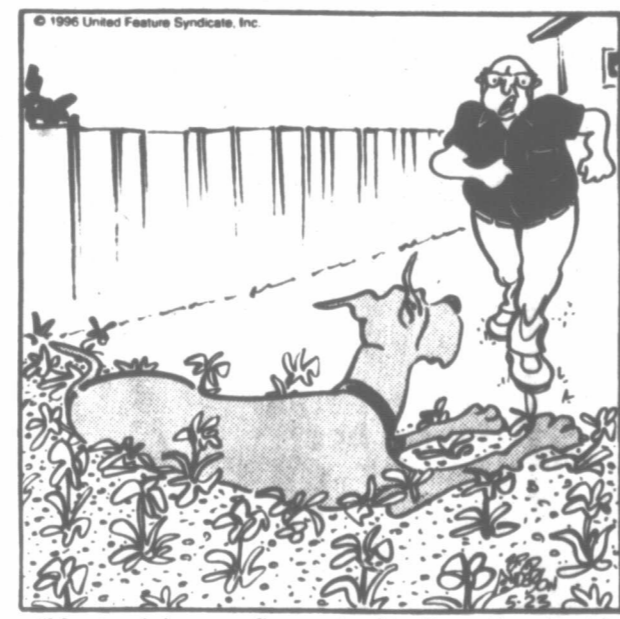
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you have a compelling urge to do something artistic or decorative around the house today, act on this impulse. The results will be pleasing and lasting.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You can win the admiration of your peers today by displaying grace under pressure. Even if you are nervous on the inside, your friends will never know it.

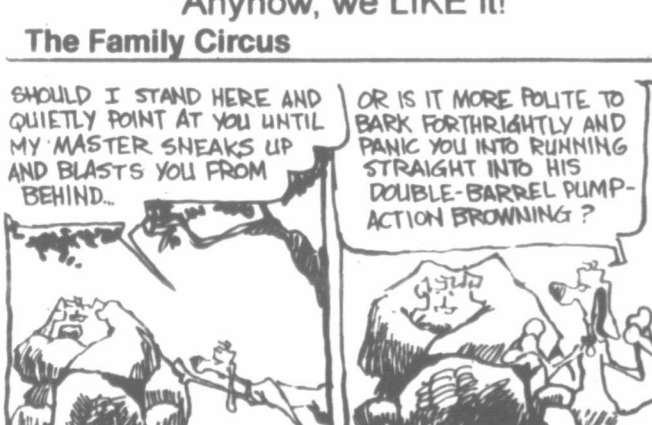
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you spot something you like while shopping today, try to bargain with the salesperson. You can buy it for less than the sticker price. ©1996 by NEA Inc.



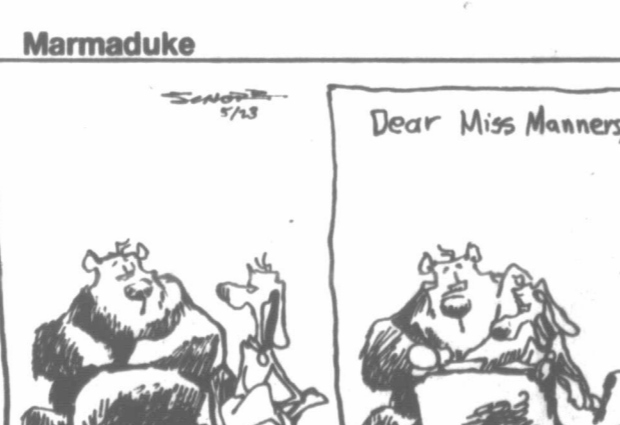
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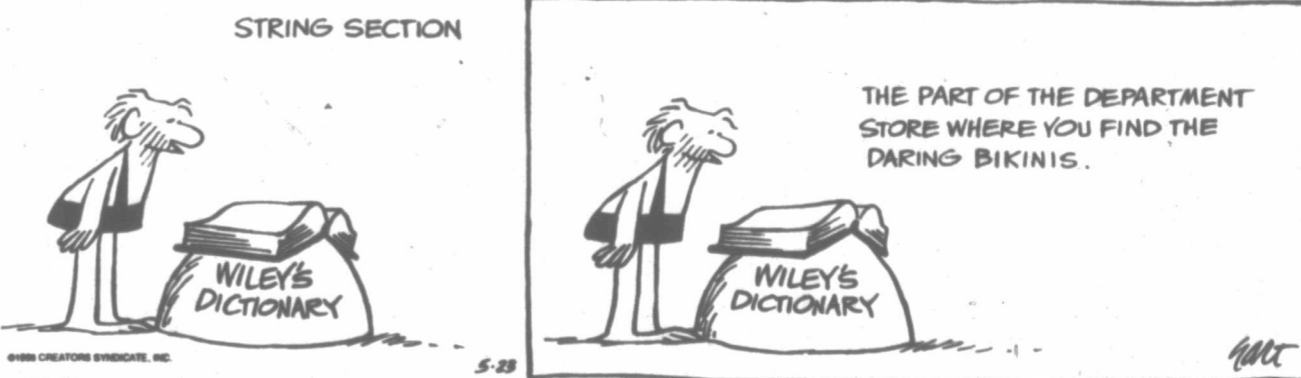
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BASKETBALL

AMARILLO — West Texas A&M University head men's basketball coach Rick Cooper has announced the signing of Chris Miller, a 6-6, 245-pound freshman-to-be from Pampa. Miller played on Pampa's Class 4A state basketball championship team which went 33-3 this season.

Miller was named to the all-tournament team at the Texoma Classic in Lawton, Okla. He averaged 5.4 points and 4 rebounds per game in a reserve role. His 56 percent field goal shooting percentage was third on the team.

"Chris has a big body and will be a physical presence in the paint," Cooper said. "He has potential to develop into a solid Division Two player."

Miller, son of Eddie and Diana Miller, is undecided on his college major.

With the addition of Miller, WTAMU has now signed seven players with three coming from the junior college ranks and four from the prep levels. The Buffs, who are in an NCAA Division Two program, finished 18-10 last season and third in the Lone Star Conference.

SOFTBALL

LAKE JACKSON, Texas (AP) — This Southeast Texas city enjoyed its moment in the softball spotlight on Wednesday, hosting the U.S. Olympic women's team on its eighth stop as it prepares for the Olympic Games in Atlanta.

The team was set to play a pair of exhibition games against a group of Brazoria County high school and college all-stars.

Lake Jackson is one of the smallest of the 21 cities on the tour. Organizers admitted their surprise when they were picked to join major urban centers like Los Angeles, Phoenix and Fort Worth.

"I knew we were smaller than other places" that submitted proposals, said Barbara Mont, Amateur Softball Association District 27 commissioner.

Charla Cloutt, president of the Lake Jackson Girls Softball Association, which is hosting the event, said she was sure the town of 23,000 would be passed over.

"We'd never thought a city the size of Lake Jackson would be chosen," Cloutt said.

"But Barbara Mont is so widely respected throughout the state and ASA, and because of that respect, we were given further consideration."

"I also think we had the right facility. They had to ask a lot of questions about Lake Jackson and we passed their inspection."

BASEBALL

DENVER (AP) — Larry Walker tripled twice and doubled, breaking a National League record for consecutive extra base hits as the Colorado Rockies extended their winning streak to a franchise-record seven games with a 6-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates Wednesday.

Walker had doubled, tripled and homered in his final three at-bats in Tuesday's game. He doubled in his first at bat Wednesday and followed with successive triples before being walked in the seventh as Colorado won for the ninth-straight time at home.

Andres Galarraga and Jeff Reed had two RBI each for Colorado. Kevin Ritz (4-4) worked the first seven innings, striking out six and allowing seven hits and two runs as he won for the first time since May 5.

Zane Smith (2-2) gave up six hits and six runs in four innings of work.

Bruce Ruffin pitched the ninth for his fifth save and his second in as many games for the Rockies.

Pampa runner becomes part of Olympic dream



Pampa's Kristi Fatheree, escorted by Damion Ruiz and a motorcycle patrolman, carries the Olympic torch down a Fort Worth street.

PAMPA — For roughly three minutes, Pampa's Kristi Fatheree became part of the 1996 Olympic dream.

Fatheree, a 1985 PHS graduate, carried the Olympic Torch from the historic Fort Worth Stockyards to the West End Marketplace Monday morning as crowds of spectators cheered her and other Texas runners.

"It was neat and lots of fun," Fatheree said. "I was the 11th runner, which was right near the start of the run, so I figured there would be some dignitaries like the mayor or somebody important out front. But there wasn't, it was just everyday people. That made it a little more special."

Each torch carrier had a escort runner for the kilometer, the equivalent of 2 1/2 laps around a football field. Fatheree was escorted by Damion Ruiz, who plans to attend Abilene Christian University on a track scholarship.

"Most of the escort runners were high school athletes, nominated by their principals. They had to be outstanding student-athletes to participate," Fatheree said.

Thousands of people cheered along roadways from Fort Worth to Dallas before the torch arrived for special ceremonies in downtown Dallas.

"People came out of their businesses as we went by. Motorists stopped and were honking their horns. My family and several friends were there to see me run. It was a neat feeling," Fatheree said.

The Torch arrived Sunday in Fort Worth by train from Oklahoma City on the 24th day of a 42-state, 15,000-mile journey.

By 7:30 Wednesday night the torch was at the Louisiana line at the southeast corner of Texas.

The journey ends in Atlanta on July 10 for the start of the opening ceremonies of the Olympics.

The 10,000 carriers of the 1996 Olympic Torch were picked by three organizations: Coca-Cola, the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games and the United Way. Fatheree was nominated by her brother, Lee Hughes, through a contest sponsored by Coca-Cola.

D-R-O-U-G-H-T: A rough time for the state's wildlife

By MIKE LEGGETT
Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN — When speaking of a lack of rainfall, Dale Rollins prefers the word "d-r-o-u-g-h-t," even though dictionaries don't discriminate between that and "d-r-o-u-t-h."

"I like 'drought' because between the beginning and the end, it's rough," Rollins said.

The definition applies in 1996, according to Rollins and other wildlife biologists who are watching the effects of a prolonged lack of rainfall on Texas wildlife and habitat.

"It's rough out there right now," said Rollins, who is a Texas A&M extension biologist stationed in San Angelo.

Perhaps the worst thing is that each little tick of the drought clock sets in motion another negative impact.

"In wildlife physics, ecological speaking there are a lot of reactions to every action," Rollins

said. "Predator-prey relationships are affected.

Populations are affected." White-tailed deer adapt better than other animals, Rollins said, and they will do that with help from supplemental feeding programs in place on ranches throughout the state. There may be some die-offs due to lack of rain and antler development, and body sizes will be affected, but the basic population will hold firm.

Smaller animals such as quail already are in trouble in a year following a low point in statewide populations. "There's a good correlation between rain and quail populations every year," Rollins said. "The drought is doing some other things, though."

Rodent populations are almost nonexistent, Rollins said, and that means quail are becoming prime targets. "There's no nesting cover for quail because of the drought and because people are

holding onto their cattle longer," he said. "There are very few insects for the quail to eat. Without the grass, temperatures at ground level rise and it can become a thermal hell for quail. The lack of rodents shifts the predator focus over to quail."

"At the same time, we're feeding the enemy with deer feeders," Rollins

said. The enemy in this case: raccoons and other furbearers. There is no longer a real market for the pelts, and populations are increasing at a time when there isn't the food to support them.

Disease is a natural control for over-population in the animal world, but even there people are having an impact. Aerial rabies vaccination programs, especially for coyotes and foxes, are there to help protect people, but the vaccination program also means numbers don't decline the way they might without the intervention.

Feral hogs have been having a

big impact on wildlife habitat and populations throughout Texas for some years now. They are hardy, smart and adaptable. Rollins said hogs may lose some numbers but won't be affected nearly as much as other animals.

Controlling their numbers could be critical for many landowners around the state. "We eliminated more than 120 hogs in the last year," said Steve Ashenfelter, who manages a high-fence ranch for Bobby Parker at Camp Verde.

"We changed our feeding program some and have been doing some burns. I've never seen our deer look better."

That's with rainfall totaling just over three inches for the year, a shortfall of more than six inches in less than five months. Ashenfelter acknowledges, though, that natural springs that feed lakes and creeks on the ranches where he works help stave off many of the worst

effects of an extended drought. Other people haven't been so lucky. "I know it's real dry on the ranches round us," he said.

"We're getting just enough rain to keep us going." In South Texas, the Hill Country and even the Texas coast, use of the word drought in no longer in question. The only question now is how long it will last. Ranchers are burning thorns off prickly pear trying to provide food and moisture for cattle, but the basic situation is grim.

"Everything is magnified as you head west and south," said Billy Higginbotham, an A&M biologist in Tyler. "Fish are dying from a lack of oxygen, even in ponds that haven't gone dry. There's not much food for wildlife because we came out of the winter dry already. We haven't gotten spring rains. It's pretty tough."

The word, from beginning to end, is rough.

Tech welcomes chance to shine

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Texas Tech's dominant ways in their on back yard didn't hold true last weekend, but the Red Raiders say they're ready to turn Dan Law Field into their own national stage.

"A lot of teams coming in here may not be used to seven- or eight-thousand people in the stands and that, hopefully, will be an advantage for us," said Tech catcher Dave Lindstrom of the NCAA Central II Regional, which begins Thursday.

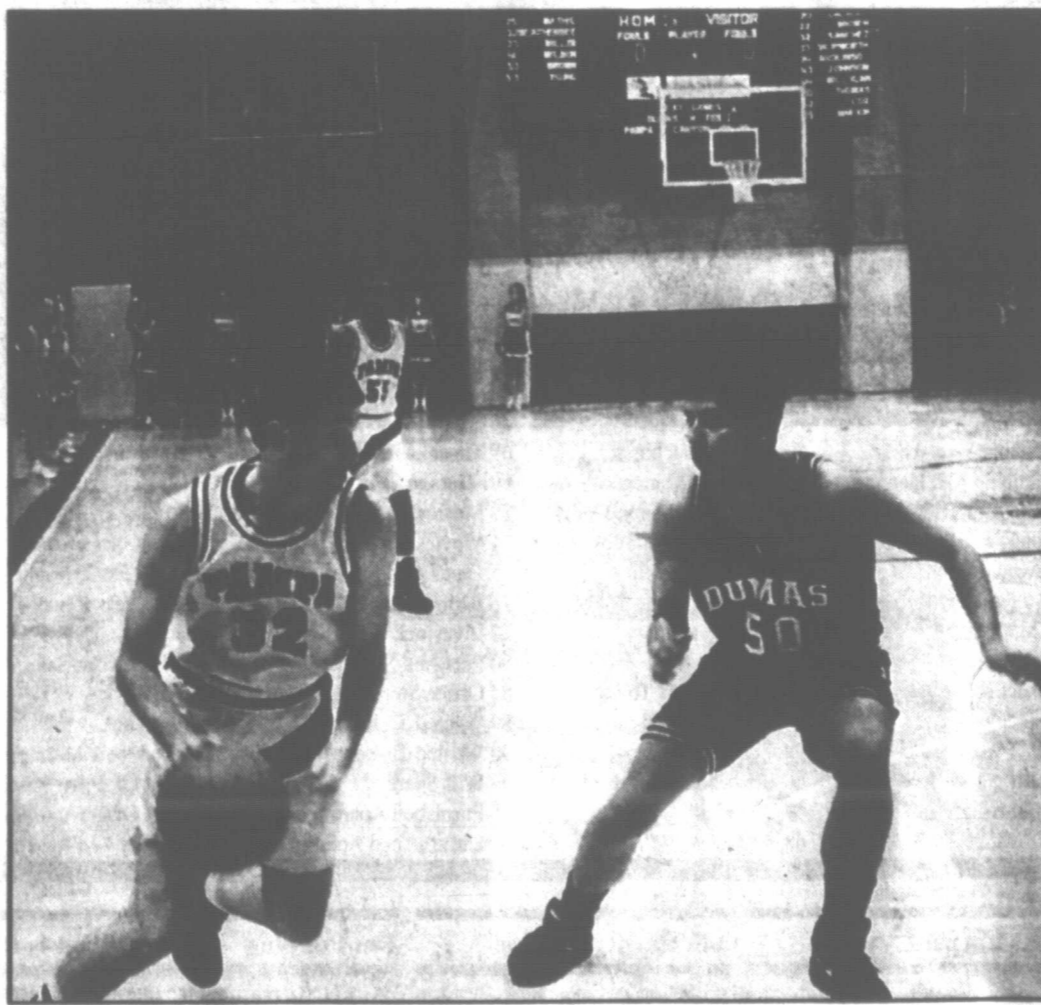
Well, even the Raiders aren't used to those crowds as the stadium holds around 6,000, but the point is made: Southern California might be considered the nation's No. 1 team, but the Trojans will have to prove it before a hostile group.

The six-team, double-elimination event begins with Southern Cal (41-14-1) vs. sixth-seeded Akron (37-21) at 11 a.m.

The 3 p.m. game pits Oklahoma State (41-19) against Arkansas (39-18). Host Texas Tech (47-13) plays the 7 p.m. game against Fresno State (35-22).

Many Tech players say they believe staying at home is a huge advantage even though the Raiders didn't even make the finals of the Southwest Conference tournament last week, won by Rice.

Academic All-Stater



Pampa senior Jason Weatherbee (32), a member of the 1995-96 Harvesters' state championship basketball team, has been named to the Class 4A Academic All-State Team by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches. Ten players from Class 4A schools were selected as an academic all-stater, including Brad Dewey of Randall.

Injured trio happy to be back for Indy 500

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Three drivers in Sunday's Indianapolis 500 needed more than just fast cars to make the field: They needed to recover from extensive injuries.

In fact, just being in the 33-car lineup is a victory of sorts for Eliseo Salazar, Buddy Lazier and Mark Dismore. And they probably couldn't care less about the absence of many of racing's top names due to a split between CART and the new Indy Racing League.

— Salazar, who finished fourth last year in his first Indy 500 start, is back

again — and in the front row — four months and four surgeries after breaking his right leg in a crash during practice for the Indy 200. He still walks with a cane.

— Lazier is in the field two months after fractured his vertebra and pelvis in a Phoenix crash.

— Dismore is back at Indy for the first time since he fractured his neck, both feet, right wrist and right kneecap while practicing for the '91 race. Dismore returned to racing eight months after his crash and has been driving in Formula Atlantic and endurance races.

Each has a different story about his trip back to health, but all were treated by the same people, orthopedic surgeon Dr. Terry Trammel and his staff.

Salazar is still not fully recovered. "I spent three, four hours in rehab for my leg on Tuesday," he said. "I'm walking with the cane for a little support. It was very tough at the beginning because I couldn't do anything."

"It's been three months since I started the rehab. I could hardly move the leg then. I'd spend five, six hours every day Monday through Friday."

Evans signs with Buffaloes

CANYON — West Texas A&M University Head Football Coach Morris Stone has announced that Pampa High School's Derahian Evans has signed to play for the Buffaloes in 1996.

Evans, a 5-10, 175-pound defensive back/running back for the Harvesters, comes to WTAMU through a very non-traditional route. Evans started last season as defensive back and running back as a junior eligibility-wise, but had earned enough high school credits to be considered a senior academically. He has chosen to forego his senior year of high school to enter college at WTAMU.

"Derahian is a tremendous athlete on the field, but even better in the classroom," Stone said. "We are glad Derahian chose to stay close to home and become a part of the Buff program."

Evans, who completed 18 core courses in three years as compared to the NCAA's mandatory 13 core courses in four years, played a major role in Pampa's district title and run through the playoffs. He scored 22 touchdowns and rushed for 741 yards. Defensively, Evans had 22 solo tackles, seven blocked passes and four fumble recoveries.

Among his other athletic skills include a 10.5 100-meter time and a 40-inch-plus vertical jump.

Rangers slip by Twins

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Lou Frazier needed the ball to be in his glove when he pulled it back from the left-field stands. And it was.

Frazier, whose poor play on a fly ball cost the Texas Rangers on Tuesday night, leaped over the wall to rob Jeff Reboulet of a tying home run in the eighth inning Wednesday to preserve the Rangers' 6-5 victory over the Minnesota Twins.

"I knew I had a play at it," Frazier said. "He hit it pretty good, but he didn't hit it high. It was more a line drive."

But it was still heading out and the game seemed headed for extra innings until Frazier extended nearly two feet above the wall. That was the defensive boost the Rangers needed to end a four-game losing streak against the Twins, and win for the second time in their last six overall.

Texas got most of its offense in a four-run sixth inning, when Dean Palmer and Warren Newson hit consecutive home runs as the Rangers built a 6-2 lead.

Will Clark had three hits for Texas, and Chuck Knoblauch was 4-for-5 for the Twins, tying a career high with four hits, including a two-run homer. He also scored three times.

New legislation protecting youth being sought

WASHINGTON (AP) — The prospect of sex offenders buying marketing information about children is prompting a move in Congress to block such access.

Companies that sell marketing data can get the information from children's "birthday clubs" at fast food restaurants or supermarket surveys about a family's buying habits, Rep. Bob Franks, R-N.J., said Wednesday.

"What these parents probably don't know is that the personal and sometimes sensitive information they've innocently provided about their children is for sale," said Franks, the bill's House sponsor. "And anyone any time can purchase it."

The bill, which is sponsored in the Senate by California Democrat Dianne Feinstein, would bar the sale or purchase of such information about children without a parent's consent.

Parents also could require list vendors or solicitors to disclose where they got information about their children, and where they distributed that data.

The measure would prohibit prisoners or convicted sex offenders from processing information about a child.

Lawmakers cited accounts of prison inmates contracted to handle consumer data. In a recent report by KCBS-TV in Los Angeles, a reporter used the name of Richard Davis, on trial in California for the slaying of 12-year-old Polly Klaas, to obtain a printout with the ages and addresses of 5,500 children in the Pasadena area.

Morales warns Republic of Texas members lawbreakers will be prosecuted

DALLAS (AP) — Members of the anti-government Republic of Texas group have been put on notice by the state's top law enforcement official that if they break state laws, they will be prosecuted.

Attorney General Dan Morales

has mailed a letter to 55 people believed to be associated with the group, whose members believe the U.S. annexation of Texas in 1845 was illegal, therefore they do not recognize Texas statehood. "My office cannot and will not condone deliberate and willful

violations of state and federal law," Morales said in the letter. "I am duty bound to enforce the law of the land and can make no exceptions for those who profess political or philosophical disagreement with our government." Morales spokesman Ron Dusek

told *The Dallas Morning News* on Wednesday that the notice "sort of sets the stage."

"They won't have any excuse that they didn't know what they were doing was against the law," he said.

A Republic of Texas representa-

tive was not available for comment, the newspaper said.

In recent months, members of the group have mounted demonstrations, filed hundreds of nuisance lawsuits and liens and convened their own courts of law in Tarrant and Milam counties.

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World briefs

Justice official murdered, police looking for leads
MOSCOW (AP) — A deputy justice minister was killed today in his Moscow apartment, Russian police said.

Deputy minister Anatoly Stepanov had been in charge of monitoring lawyers and notaries, the Interfax news agency reported.

Early reports said Stepanov was shot, but police said he was killed with a blow to the head.

The unidentified attacker escaped, Interior Ministry spokesman Yevgeny Ryabtsev said.

Justice Ministry officials said they had no idea why Stepanov had been killed.

Dozens of senior government officials, bankers, businessmen and others have been killed in Russia in recent years, often in connection with organized crime gangs.

Israeli female combat unit completes basic training

BEIT HORON, West Bank (AP) — An all-female combat unit — the first since Israel's war of independence in 1948 — graduated from basic training Wednesday, and included two Americans.

Twenty-five women — of a class of 430 — celebrated the end of their three-month basic training course at Beit Horon training camp in the Israeli-occupied West Bank.

The women will perform all the same tasks as the men — except for patrolling the West Bank, where the border police shares responsibilities with the army for containing Palestinian unrest.

Women are still barred from combat units in the Israeli army.

Egypt bans girls from wearing long veil at school

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — In a dusty schoolyard, the principal told the 14-year-old student to remove her veil or risk being expelled.

She did so and blushed in front of her male teachers. At the end of the school day, she quickly donned the veil again. It is a routine she has repeated every day for two years.

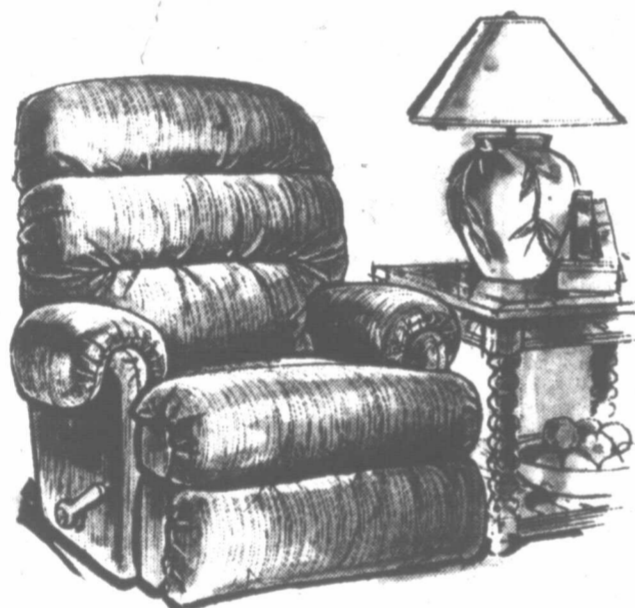
Under a new ruling that has outraged the country's powerful Islamic fundamentalists, Hanan will have to continue the routine she so despises.

On Saturday, Egypt's Constitutional Court upheld a 1994 government decree that bans schoolgirls from wearing the niqab, the conservative, full-length veil that covers everything but the eyes.

It was a victory for Education Minister Hussein Bahaa Eddine, who has struggled to counter what he sees as the growing influence of Islamic fundamentalists in Egypt's crumbling school system.

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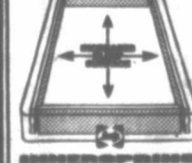
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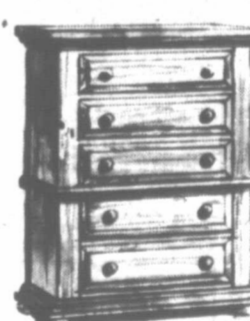
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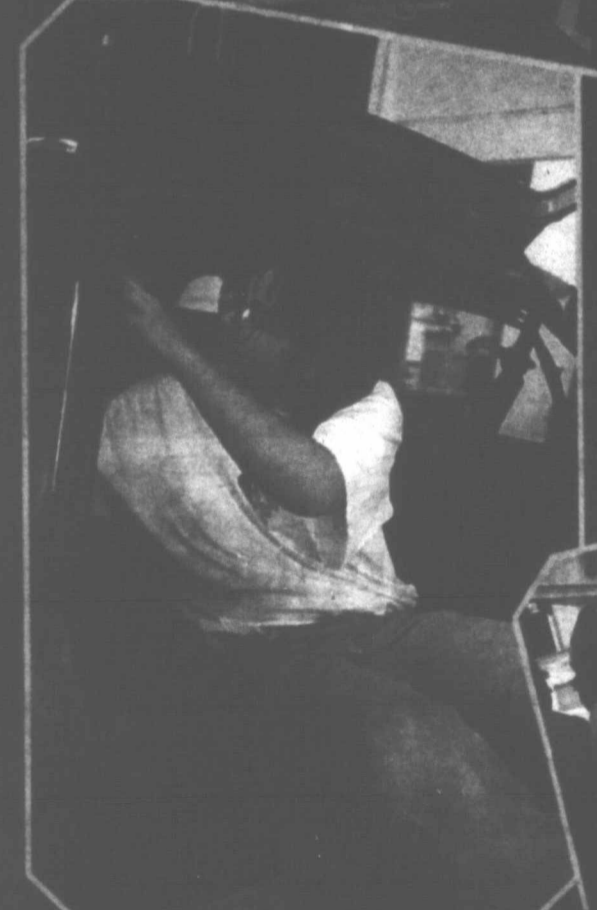
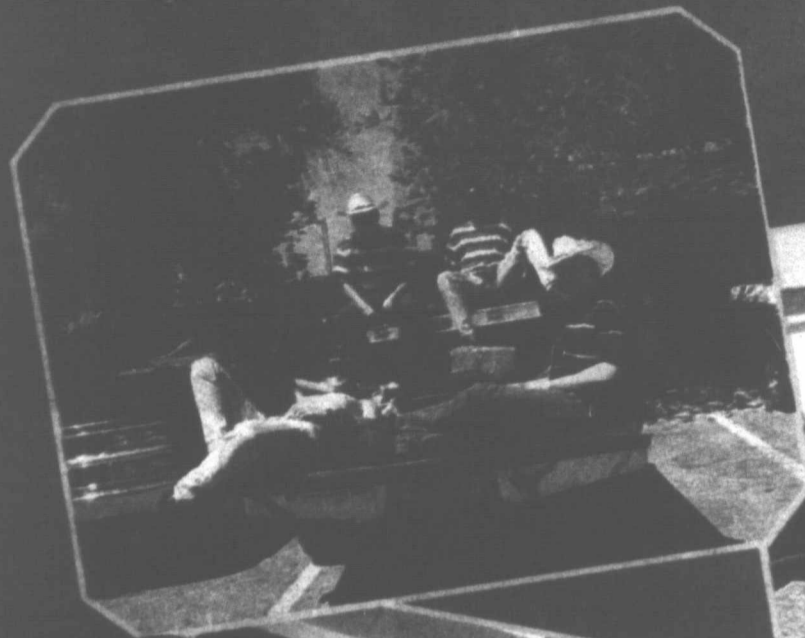
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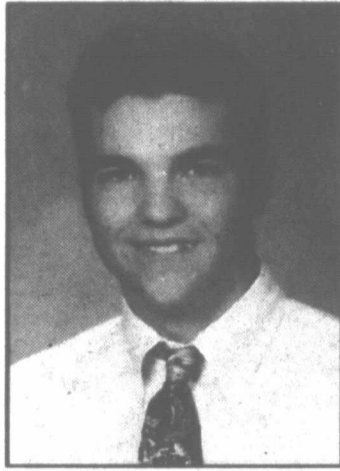
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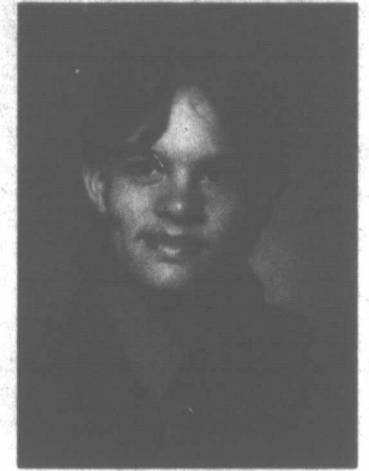
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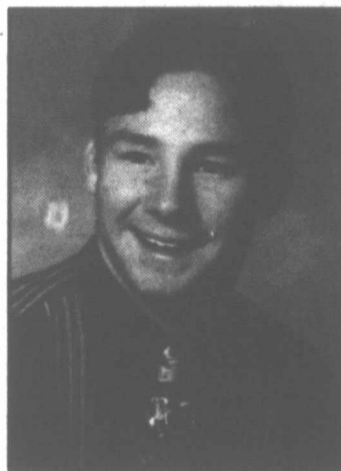
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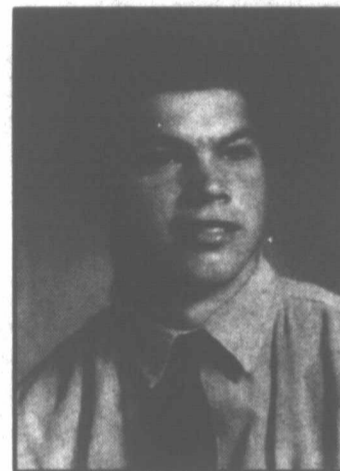
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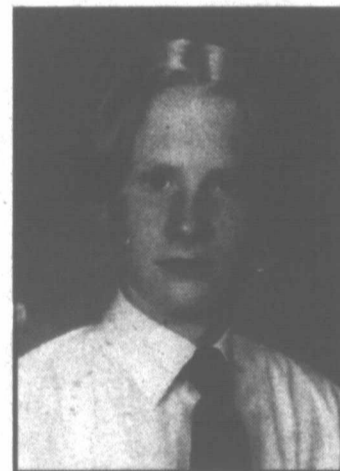
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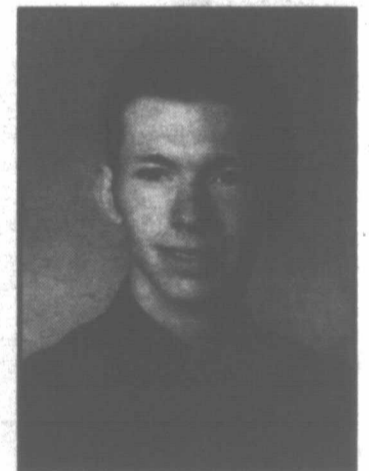
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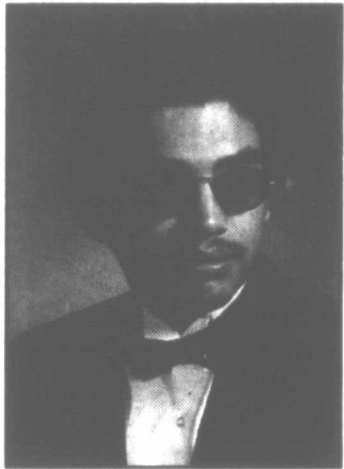
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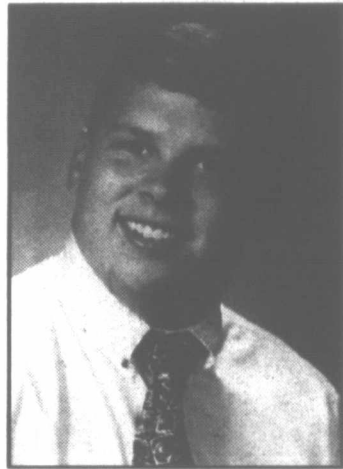
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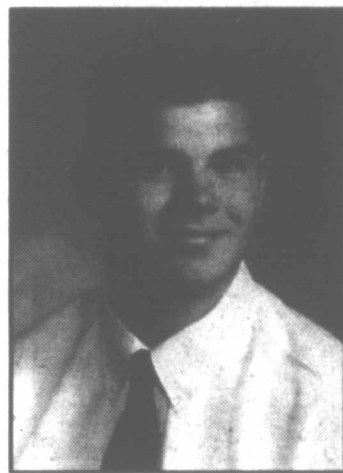
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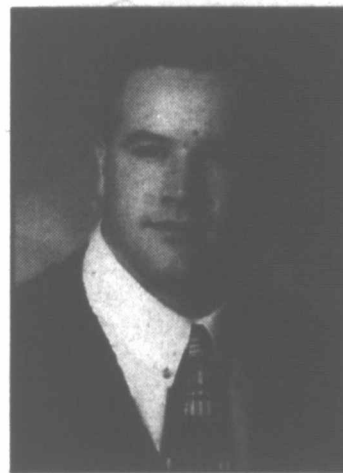
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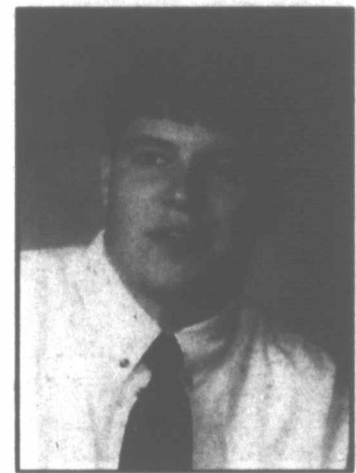
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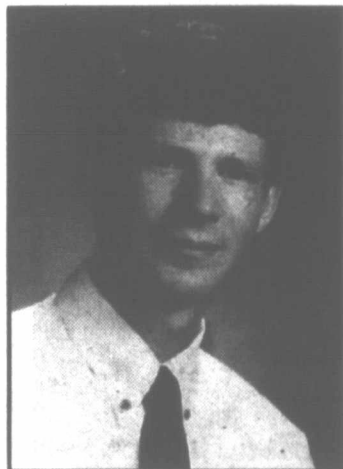
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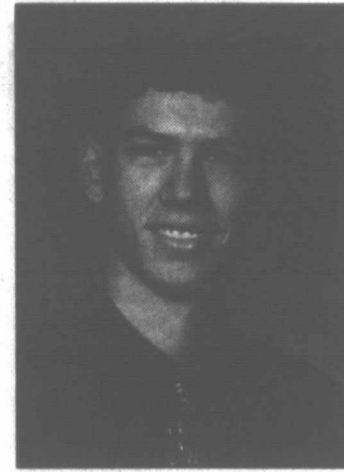
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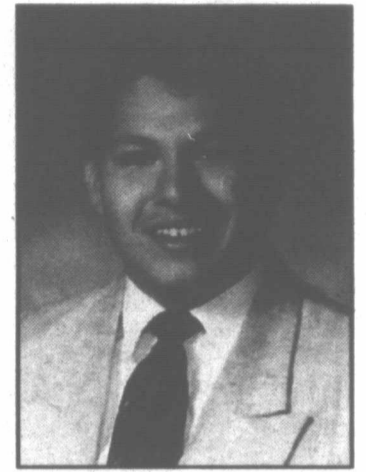
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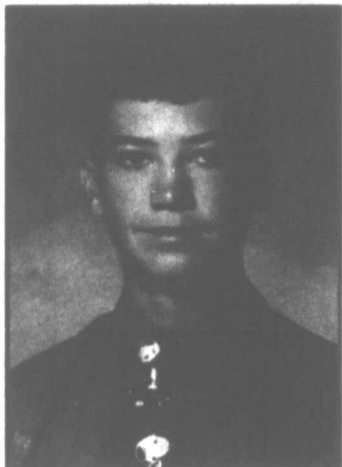
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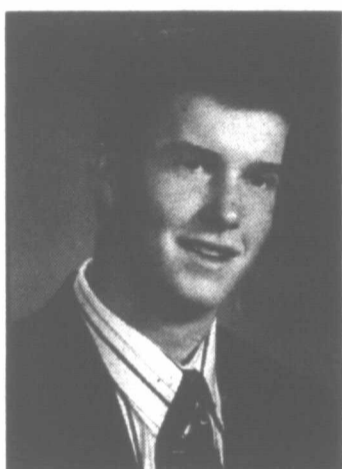
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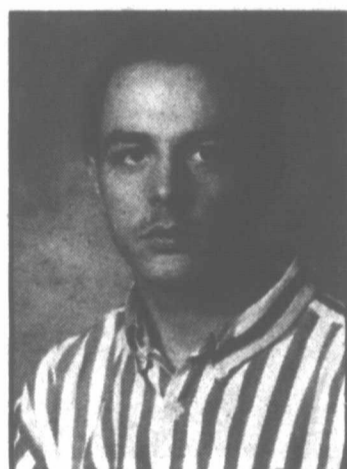
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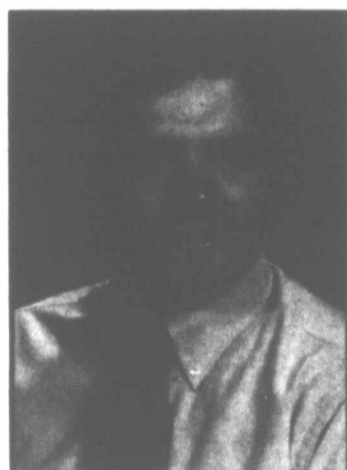
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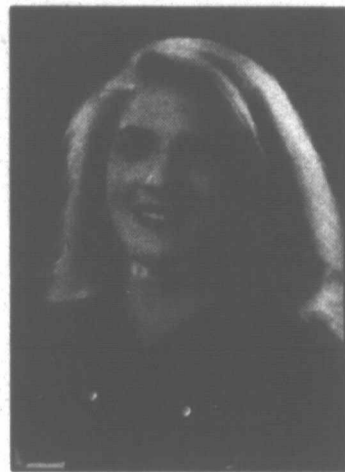
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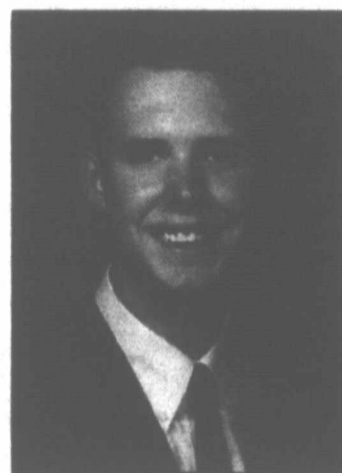
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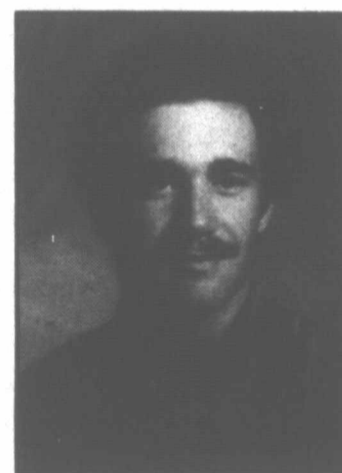
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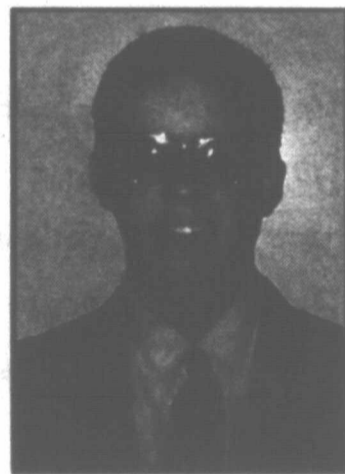
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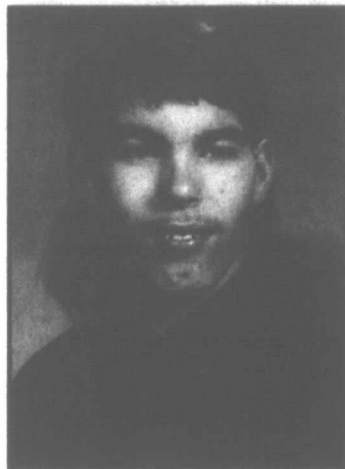
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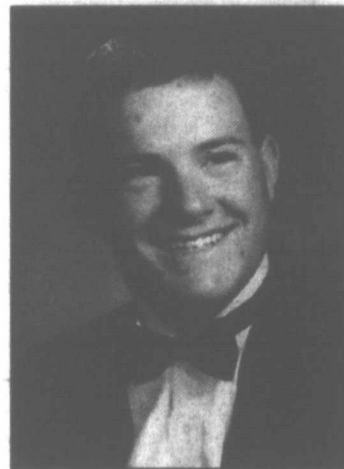
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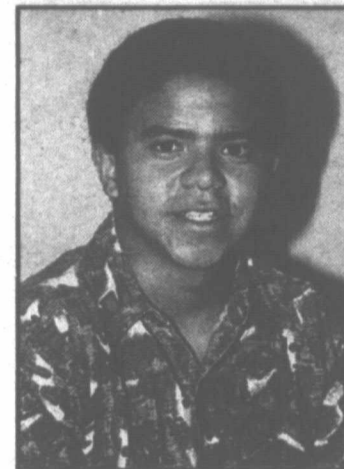
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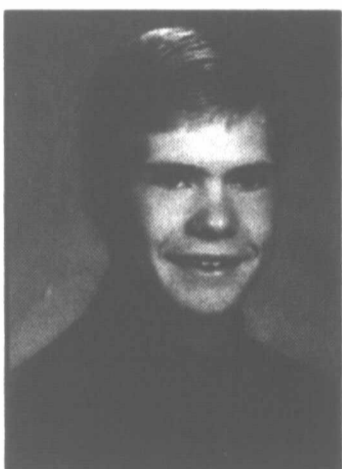
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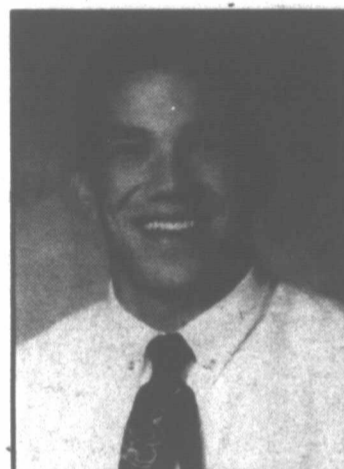
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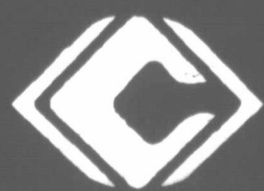
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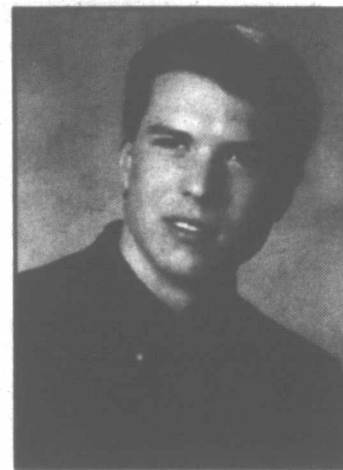
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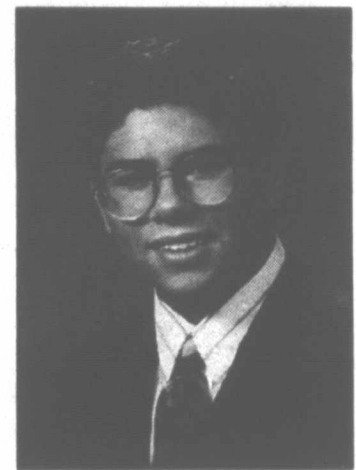
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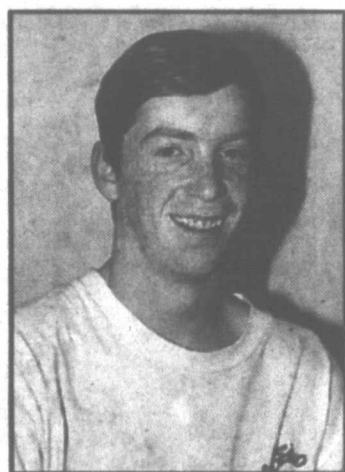
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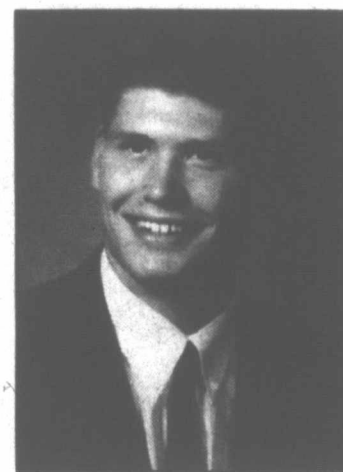
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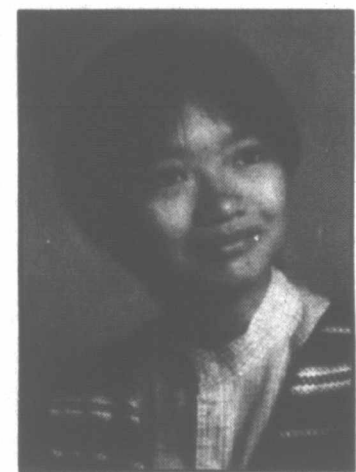
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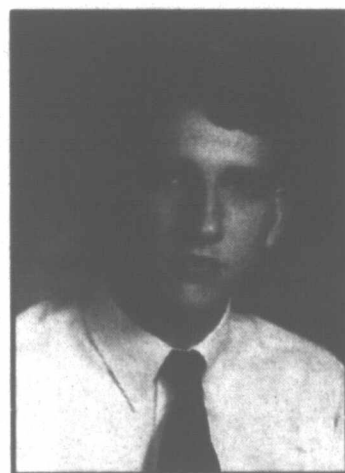
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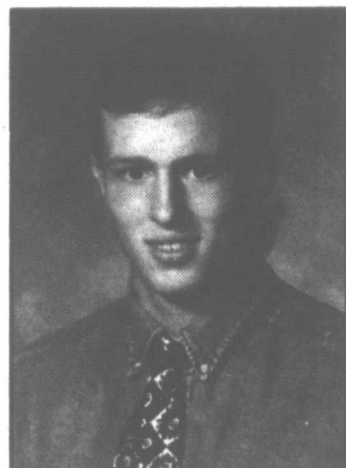


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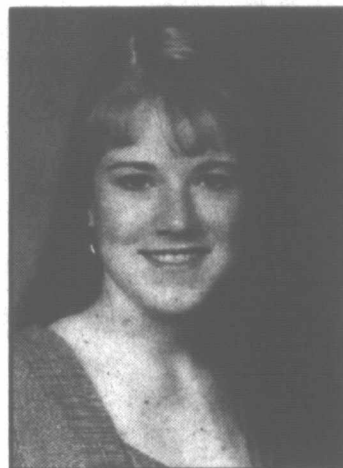
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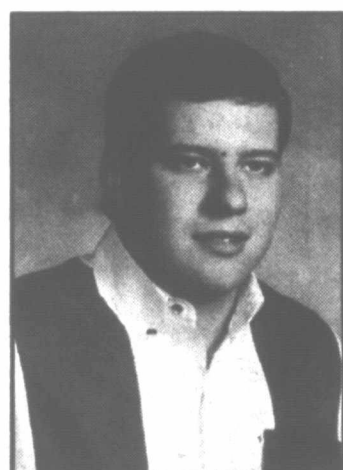
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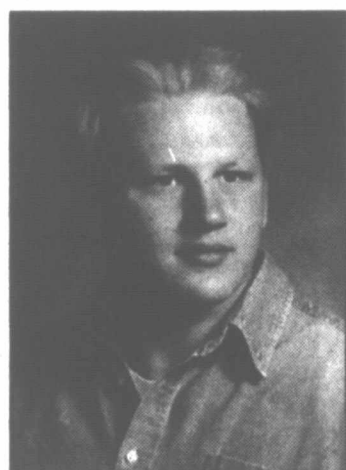
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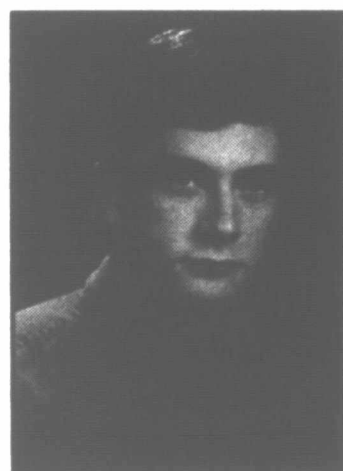
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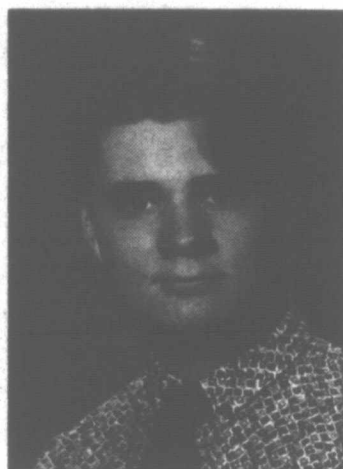
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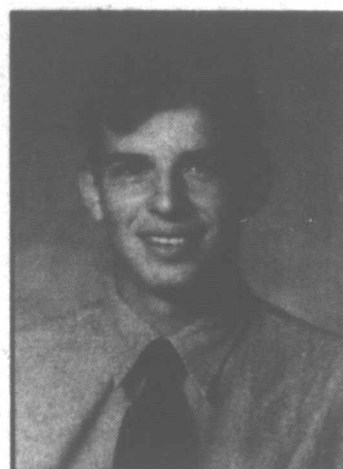
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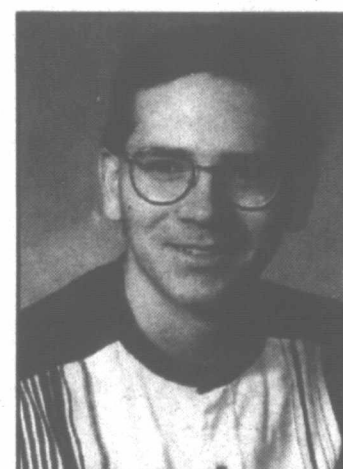
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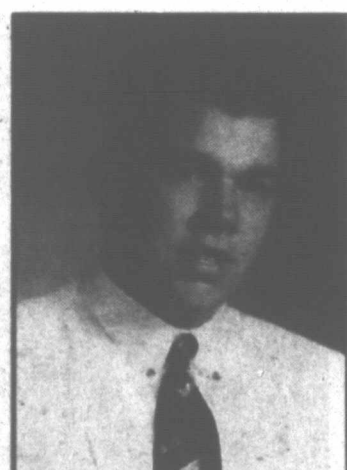
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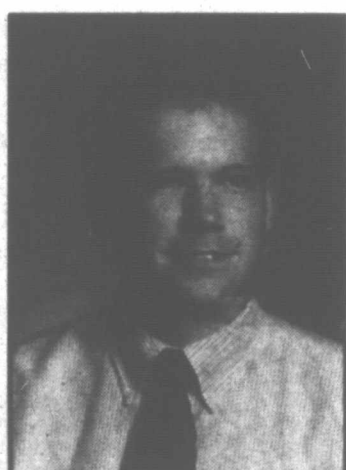
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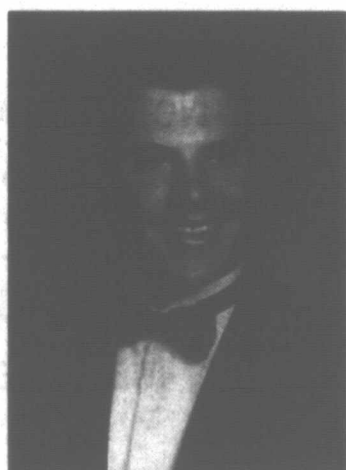
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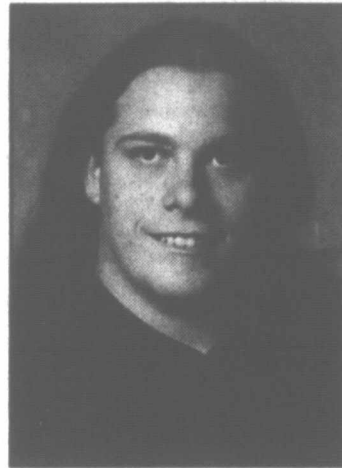
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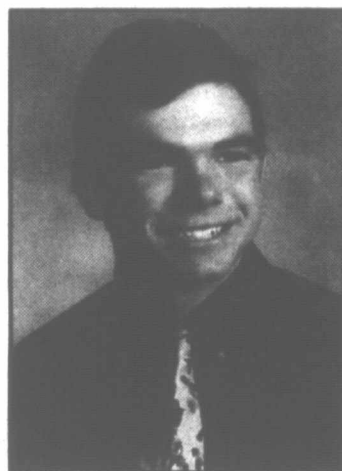
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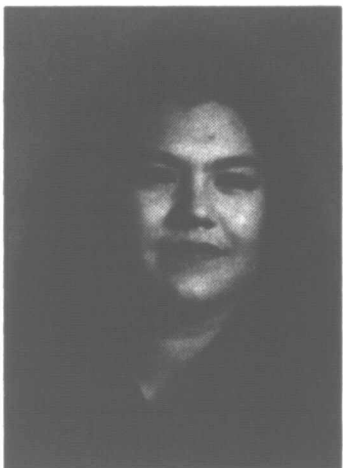
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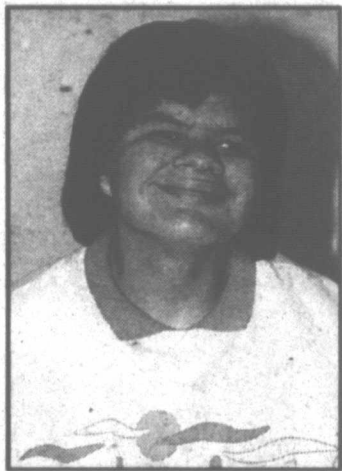
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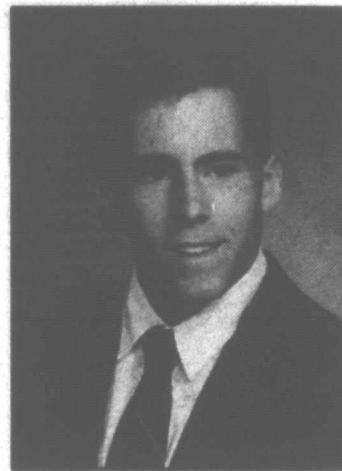
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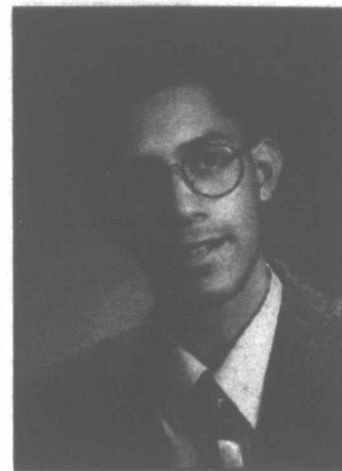
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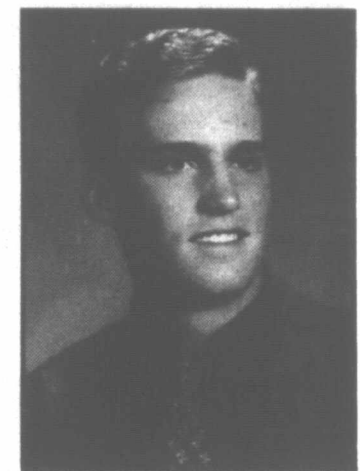
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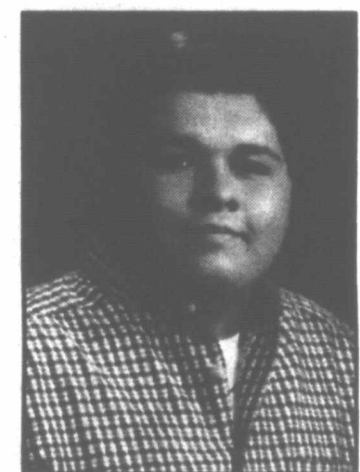
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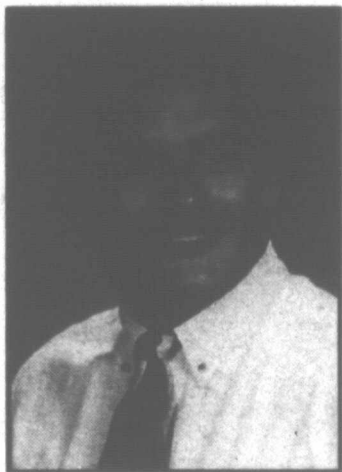
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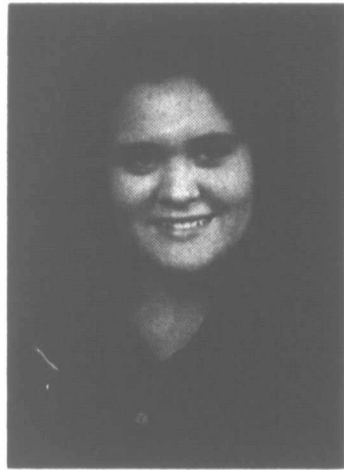
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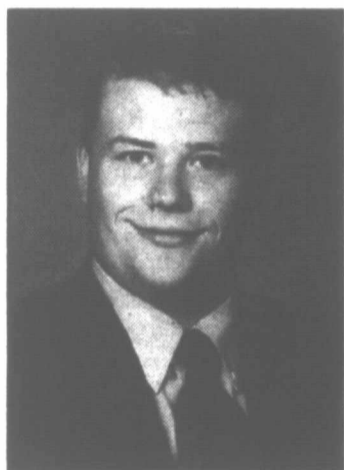
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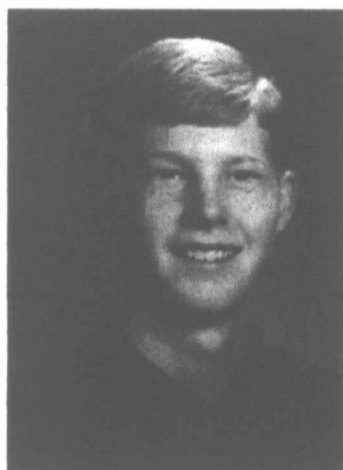
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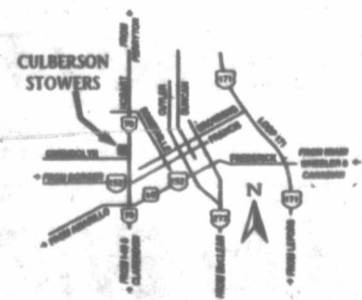


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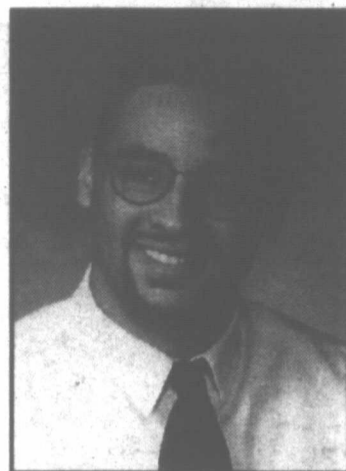
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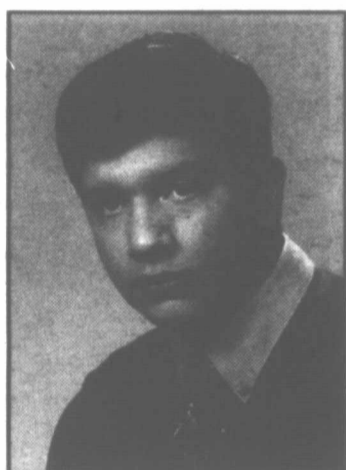
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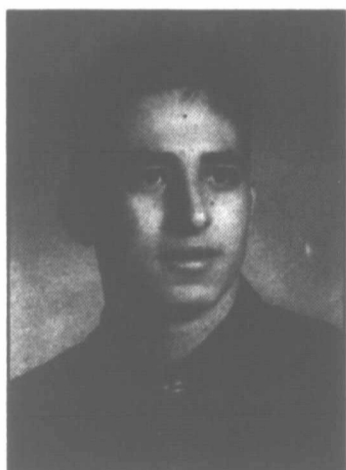
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Mayor Bob Neslage, left, presents a plaque to the Pampa High School Harvester basketball team captains Coy Laury, Jason Weatherbee and Rayford Young after proclaiming March 26 'Hustling Harvester Day 1996' in honor of the state Class 4A basketball champions. The Harvesters picked up Pampa's fifth state basketball championship in March.



Shaylee Richardson
... Valedictorian



Edith Osborne
... Salutatorian

Top Ten Students

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Shaylee Richardson | Garrett Matthew Craddock |
| Edith Marie Osborne | Janet Michelle Dancel |
| Katherine Anne McKandles | Serenity Rose King |
| Jennifer L. Fischer | Laura Jaye Johnson |
| Megan Beth Hill | Brian Steven Phelps |



Kellie Stokes, Bryan Johnson and Stephen Glaesman won best in state awards in technology competition, Stokes for her duplex plans, Johnson for his Computer-Aided Drawing test and Glaesman for his remodeling plans for Calvary Baptist Church.

Who's Who at PHS

- English — Shaylee Richardson
- Mathematics — Matt Reeves
- Science — Edith Osborne
- Social Studies — Katie McKandles
- Foreign Language — Jeremiah Nolte
- Business — Amanda Tracy
- Drama — Samuel McCullar
- Speech — Ben Holman
- Journalism — Shannon Ervin
- Art — Jill Nelson
- Home Economics — Kim McDonald
- Agriculture — Matt Reeves
- Office Education — Amanda Brown
- Band — Shonie Garland
- Choir — Cullen Allen

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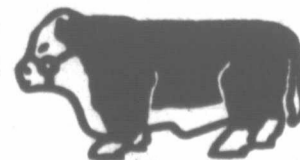
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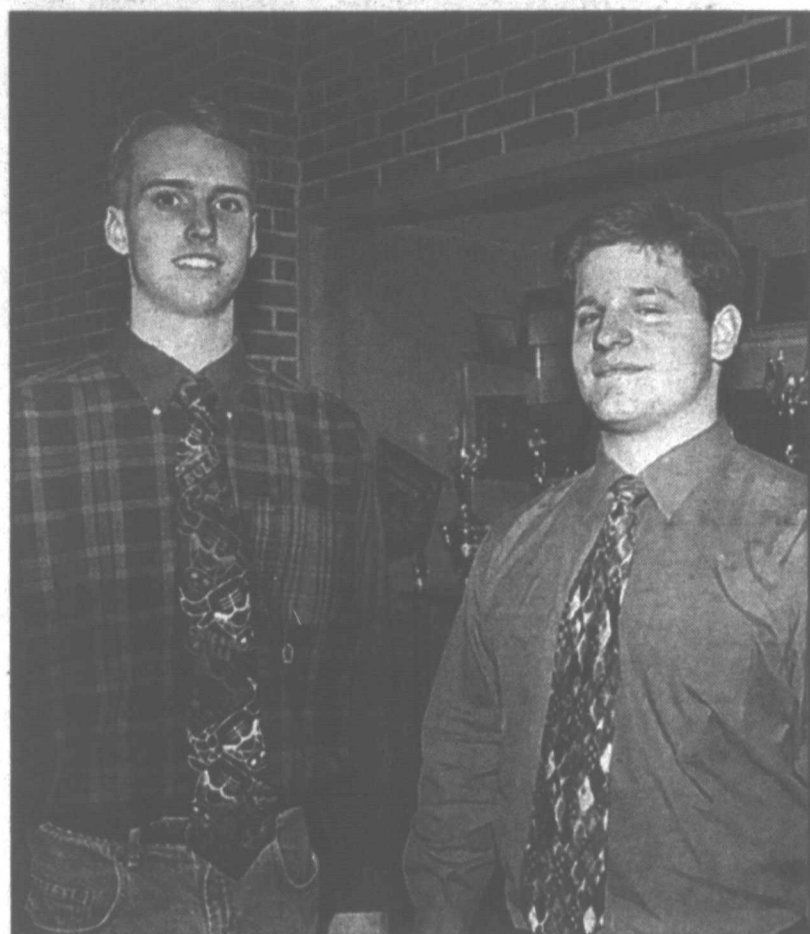
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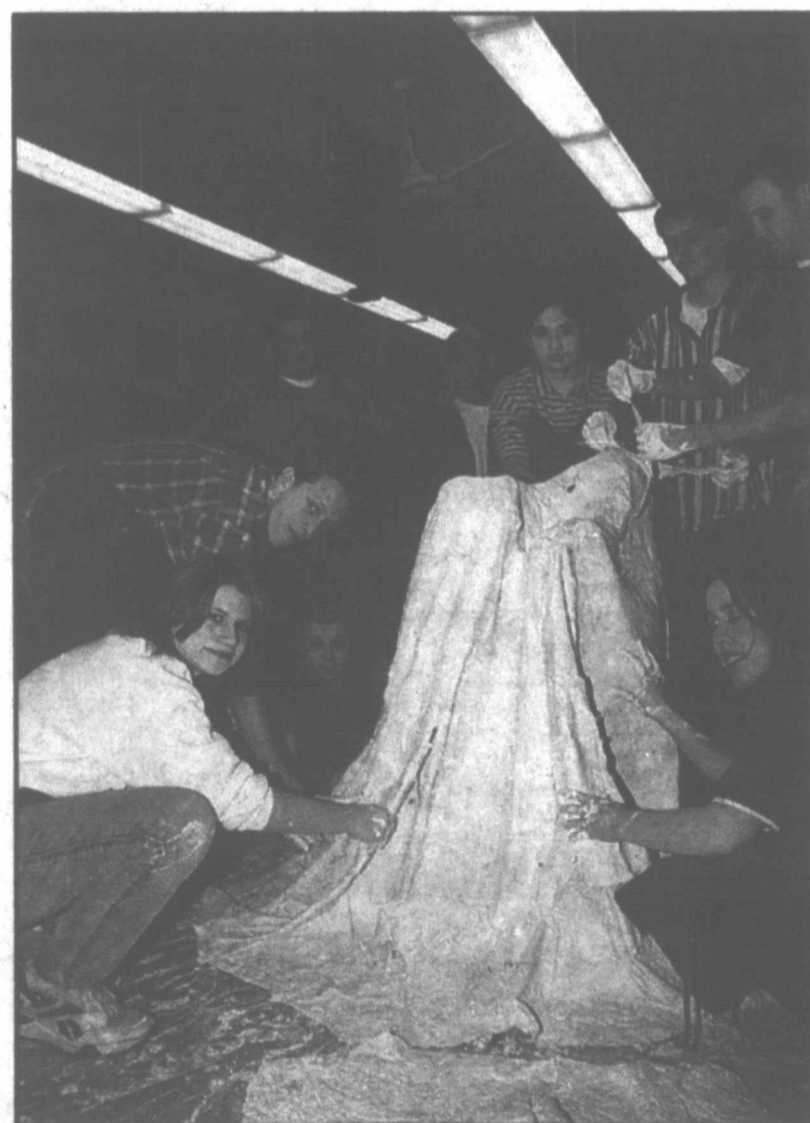




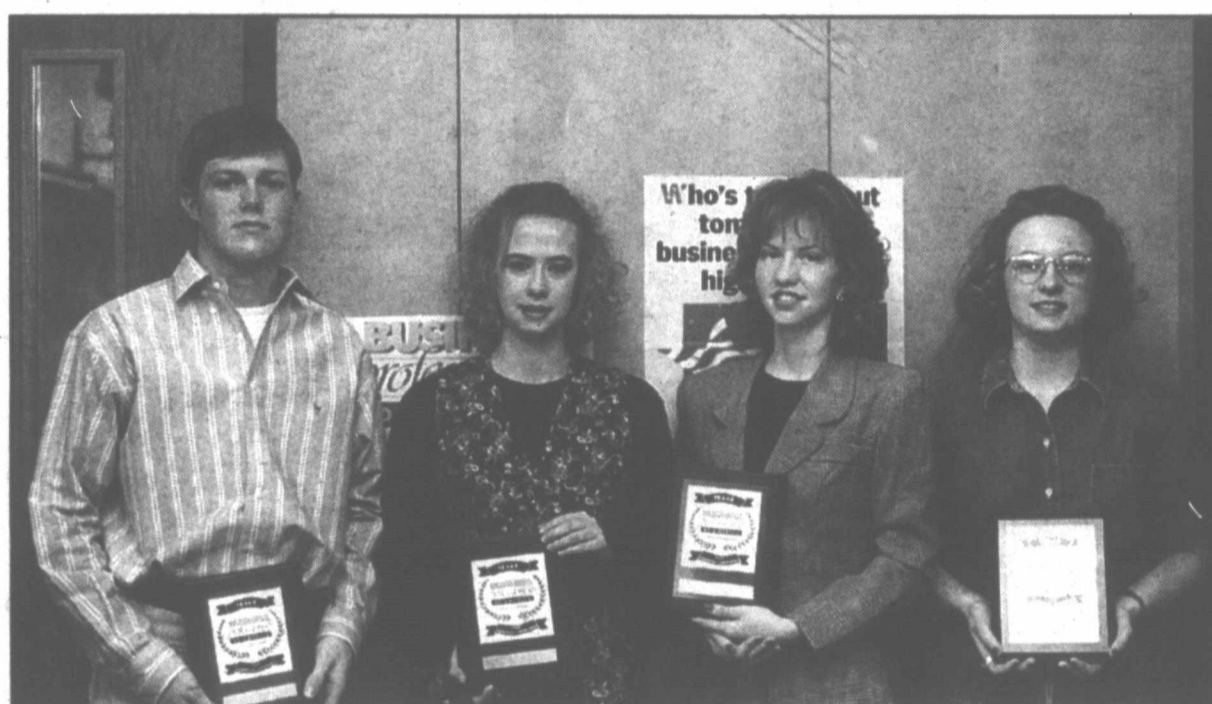
Pampa High School choir members Cullen Allen, left, first tenor, and Garrett Craddock, bass two, earned spots in the All-State Choir. Allen placed second chair in the first tenor section, and Craddock was named first alternate in the bass two section.



Jason Reed, center, competed in the national DECA conference in the entrepreneurship written event with a business plan for a used car lot. Sharece Ingram, left, was named an alternate for fashion merchandise promotion and John Porter was an alternate for entrepreneurship. The Pampa DECA students won their places in state competition in Dallas.



Seniors Laura Ann Underwood, bottom left, and Gabriel Jaramillo, standing at left, were among the art students in Amy Brendle's class that worked on making body cast artworks using burlap strips dipped in plaster and then draped over models.



Pampa Chapter of Business Professionals gaining the right to attend national competition after state contests were Amanda Tracy, second from right, in payroll accounting, and Cassie Turner, right, in keyboarding. Named alternates to national competition were Billy Thomas, left, in international business, and Amanda Brown, in office assistant.



Jeremiah Nolte and Talyia Lane, left, were named outstanding senior musicians for the Harvester Band, and Heather Fernuik and Michael Plunk were honored as outstanding marchers during the annual band banquet.

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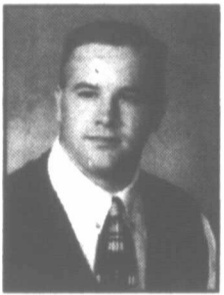
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