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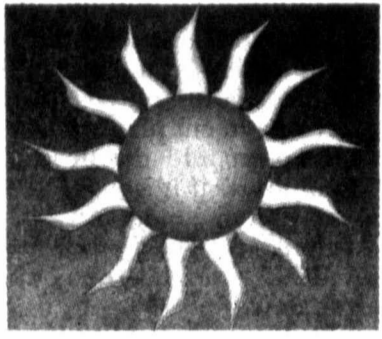
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details.

PAMPA — Gray County commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 1, to consider the request from the sheriff's department to advertise for bids for jail phone system, an item that was deferred from the Sept. 16 session. The commissioners also will consider:

- The appointment of a representative for the Gray County Appraisal District Board, whose term will begin January 1997.
- Allowing County Judge Richard Peet to advertise for insurance bids covering comprehensive general liability for county vehicles; county property; public officials and employees liability, general liability and lessor's interest regarding airport coverage, heavy equipment floater and business auto insurance.
- Requests to purchase secretarial chairs for the county clerk's office.
- Selling delinquent tax properties of the City of Pampa.
- A request from Precinct 2 Constable Chris Lockridge for replacement of a vehicle.

Commissioners will recognize County Treasurer Scott Hahn for completion of continuing education on the Public Funds Investment Act and for the County Treasurer Annual Seminar.

AMARILLO — "Stop smoking and get a fresh start" is the slogan for the American Cancer Society's FreshStart quit smoking program.

Dr. Arthur Morton will conduct the sessions, to help smokers stop and stay off cigarettes. FreshStart is a free, straightforward, no-nonsense quit smoking program, consisting of four one-hour sessions during a two-week period, starting Oct. 8 and continuing on Oct. 10, 15 and 17.

Classes are held from 7 to 8 p.m., at the American Cancer Society Office, 3915 Bell Street, in Amarillo.

A \$10 fee is requested at the first class to reserve a spot; however, the money is refundable after attendance of all four sessions.

To make reservations, call the ACS in Amarillo at (806) 353-4306.

PAMPA — Humorist Reagan Brown will be the featured guest at the next meeting of the Top O' Texas Knife and Fork Club at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8, at Pampa Country Club, according to Julia Dawkins, president.

Brown's topic will be "Hang the Picture a Little Higher on the Wall."

Tickets may be picked up at Dunlap's from Monday, Sept. 30, through to Saturday, Oct. 5. Tickets for members are \$9.50 each.

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Congress readies votes on budget, immigration

WASHINGTON (AP) — Its members itching to flee the Capitol for the campaign trail, the House debated a huge spending bill and tighter immigration laws on Saturday after exhausted White House and congressional Bargainers struck a sunrise deal on the package.

With Election Day just over five weeks off, the agreement is laden with political victories for both sides. Republicans avoid a rerun of last year's federal shutdowns when the new fiscal year begins Tuesday. President Clinton gets \$6.5 billion extra he wanted for education and other domestic programs. Both sides get a tough new immigration law to brag about.

The separate spending and immigration measures, packaged into a single bill of about 3,000 pages, were expected to receive final legislative approval from the Senate on Monday to allow the first GOP-controlled Congress in 40 years to adjourn after two fractious years. But first, each side tried grabbing credit for their agreement.

"It's what happens when you

abandon extremism and start working together," Clinton told a campaign crowd in Providence, R.I., using one of his favorite nouns for Republicans. "It's a victory for our values. It's a victory for our country."

But House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., said the session-ending legislation cemented GOP priorities.

"In terms of the basic shape of domestic government, it is moving in the direction we want it," he told reporters. He said the agreement would let Congress leave "ahead of schedule, under budget, in a cooperative manner, and getting a lot of good things done for the American people."

When the bill finally hit the House floor shortly before 9 p.m. — about 14 hours after it was completed in all-night negotiations — Republicans lauded it.

"We have a bill that's good for departments and agencies ... good for taxpayers, and it's a good bill because it allows us to go home to our constituents," said House Appropriations Committee Chairman Bob Livingston, R-La.

Democrats said they would support the bill, but couldn't resist contrasting it with earlier GOP versions that sought deeper cuts in many programs.

"Head Start will now add children rather than dropping them off the rolls as this Congress was asked to do a year ago," said Rep. David Obey of Wisconsin, the appropriations committee's ranking Democrat.

Despite that political tug-of-war, Clinton sent GOP leaders a letter urging Congress to approve the legislation and pledging to sign it. He said the deal demonstrates fiscal responsibility and preserves those investment priorities important to the American people.

The budget package contains \$244 billion for the Pentagon and \$145 billion for the departments of Health and Human Services, Interior and dozens of other agencies for fiscal 1997. Including funds for Medicaid and other benefit programs that are automatically paid, the measures contain about \$600 billion — more than one-third of the entire federal budget.

Homecoming Queen



(Pampa News photo by Danny Cowan)
Nicole Meason smiles after being crowned 1996 Homecoming Queen at Pampa High School Friday night during halftime activities in the Harvester-Dumas Demons game. She was escorted by her father, Ace Meason. Other candidates included Nichole Cagle, Cami Stone, Krissy Nunn and Keely Topper.



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)
St. Vincent de Paul School youths including Katherine Zemanek and Heather Lee helped Parks and Recreation Advisory Board members stuff 8,900 envelopes last weekend in preparation for the mailing of a community survey in the October water bill. The youths weren't the only volunteers involved in the project; board members volunteered their time to develop the survey, and a high school class will do the data inputting.

Parks board plans community survey

By CHIP CHANDLER
Staff Writer

Local residents will soon be getting a little extra in their water bill.

October bills will contain a Parks and Recreation Advisory Board survey, one board members hope will garner community-wide input for the department.

Board members have worked on the survey for over a year, vice chairperson Judy Elliott said.

"The original intent was to get a better idea to revise the [department's] long-range plan, to find out what citizens wanted," Elliott said.

But the survey evolved after board members attended the Texas Recreation and Parks Society conference in March, she continued. A consultant looked at the board's preliminary survey and suggested more questions about what citizens would like to see in the future as well as questions about what the department is currently doing.

The survey, among other questions, asks citizens to rate existing facilities and programs and rank their priority for the future. It also asks how residents feel about a possible "super" playground at a central location in town.

"If there's no good response to that, it will indicate it might not

be a good idea," board secretary William McCarley said.

The survey will be hand distributed to those who don't receive a water bill, including apartment and nursing home residents, Elliott said.

"We hope to get input from everybody. It's important that the south side and the Hispanic community all get involved, as well as apartment residents and people who don't get a water bill," board member Jay Holmes said.

Holmes said residents who do not receive a survey can get one at the Parks office, and board members said surveys would be made available to youth organizations in town as well.

Lake McClellan Heritage Fest, marker dedication scheduled for Saturday

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

The first annual Lake McClellan Heritage Fest is planned for Saturday, Oct. 1, for area citizens to witness the presentation of a Texas historical marker recognizing the lake's namesake, George B. McClellan.

Activities for the fest will begin at 11 a.m. and continue until dusk.

The unveiling of Gray County's newest historical marker is at 1 p.m., followed by an afternoon of entertainment.

The dedication ceremony, at the George B. McClellan shelter area of the lake park, is under the direction of members of Gray County Historical Commission, whose donations made possible the delivery of the marker.

"Next Saturday's festival includes a free hamburger feast, musical entertainment, story telling and historical exhibits. Entertainment will be of interest to people of all ages," said Marilyn Lewis, secretary of Lake McClellan Improvement Inc.

The free hamburgers, to be served at noon, will be provided by Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. members.

County Commissioner Gerald Wright will preside over the dedication ceremonies. Bob Izzard of Amarillo will be master of ceremonies and will participate in the presentation and unveiling of the historical marker. He will present his story on the history of the Battle of McClellan Creek.

The color guard of the 4th U.S. Calvary Division (Memorial) of Canyon will present the military flag ceremony.

Also appearing are the Mountain Men group from Amarillo; Cathy Taylor, with her miniature ponies pulling a mini-

ature chuckwagon; and Amarillo's Route 66 Cloggers. Gaylene Grimsley will be demonstrating how to spin wool.

Scheduled to provide music will be The Northfork Band from Lefors, Alvin Stokes Band, Gary Dobbs & James McKinney's Band from Pampa, and the Indian Summer Band.

Others programmed to entertain include Delbert Trew, who will show his antique pickup and camper; Sara Gill, cowgirl poet from Miami; happy clowns from the Pampa Women of the Moose; and Smokey the Bear, provided U.S. Forest Service. There also will be an antique tractor display, and Don Williams will take photos of people on his trained Texas Longhorns.

The Pampa Kiwanians' kid-barrel-train will be rolling through the scenic recreational park providing rides for children at \$1 each. In addition, children may have fun at the 4-H petting zoo from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. under the sponsorship of Pampa and McLean 4-H clubs.

White Deer Land Museum and Texas Parks and Wildlife historical exhibits will be displayed. Vendors and other activities also will be available.

According to Darlene Birkes, historian of the Gray County Historical Commission, the George B. McClellan shelter was completed in 1994 in an effort coordinated by Wright and U.S. Forest Service Ranger Reggie Blackwell, toward improving the recreational area in the southwestern part of the county.

"The lake was named for McClellan, an engineer in the U.S. Army who accompanied an expedition led by Capt. Randolph B. Marcy in 1852," Birkes said. (See related story, Page 3.)

Pre-trial hearings to begin Monday in death of baby case

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

Pre-trial hearings are to begin at 9 a.m. Monday in 223rd District Court in the case of a woman accused of killing her three-year old daughter in 1991.

Tracy Lynn Aiken Morris, 24, is charged with murder in the death of Rashawndra Aiken who died Sept. 10, 1991.

At the time of Morris' Oct. 2, 1995 indictment, District Attorney John Mann alleged she was motivated by a psycho-

logical situation called Munchausen's syndrome by proxy, in which a parent, usually the mother, creates an emergency situation sometimes resulting in death to her child so as to bask in the sympathy generated toward her as the result of her child's predicament.

Morris is free on \$25,000 bond.

Her trial originally set for Monday has been postponed until 1997. Instead, District Judge Lee Waters is expected to consider motions on admissibility of extraneous offenses and admissibility of

testimony of expert witnesses. Four days have been set aside for the hearings.

Morris' attorney David Holt told Waters Sept. 19 he had difficulty locating an expert witness to address the Munchausen's issue and had only recently discovered a California psychologist to review Morris' records. Waters approved \$2,500 toward Dr. Deidra Land's fees, should he decide her testimony is admissible in court.

Waters issued a restrictive and protective order defining the conduct of trial

participants and prohibiting their out of court comment on evidence and witnesses.

The order also prohibits the showing of any film or picture of the proceedings.

"Strict compliance is necessary to insure a fair trial and to protect the rights of the parties involved," Waters said.

He said he wanted to avoid pretrial publicity which might question whether Morris can get a fair trial in Gray County.

"I don't want to get into a venue question in this case," Waters said.

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Services tomorrow

QUATTLEBAUM, Charles Wilkes - Memorial service, 10:30 a.m., Dalton and Son Chapel, Lewisville. Interment in Leavenworth National Cemetery, Leavenworth, Kan.

RIEGEL, Shirley J. - Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrest in the 32-hour period which ended at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Sept. 27

A 1979 Toyota was reported stolen in the 400 block of Hughes on Sept. 24. It is valued at \$1,500.

Taco Bell, 1002 N. Hobart, reported \$70.87 missing from a deposit bag on Friday.

A 14-year-old girl reported assault by contact which occurred at 11:15 a.m. Friday at Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester.

Burglary of a building was reported in the 200 block of South West which occurred between Sept. 21 and 27. Stolen were a \$2,000 Puma compressor with tank, three \$50 paint guns and a \$250 paint gun.

A 15-year-old girl was detained after reports of disorderly conduct in the 100 block of Randy Matson at 8 p.m. Friday.

A 30-year-old woman suffered a one-inch cut to her face in the 600 block of Davis after being struck in the face by a slammed door. The cut required stitches to close. It occurred at 8:30 p.m. Friday.

Burglary of a residence was reported in the 1000 block of Twiford which occurred Friday. Twenty dollars cash was stolen.

The left side and hood of a 1987 Ford pickup were reported scratched in the 600 block of North Sumner. Damage is \$200.

Arrest

SATURDAY, Sept. 28
Patrick Francisco Martinez, 18, was arrested in the 1300 block of Alcock on three capias pro fines and three instanter charges.

Obituaries

CHARLES WILKES QUATTLEBAUM

LEWISVILLE - Charles Wilkes Quattlebaum, 60, of Denton, died Thursday, Sept. 26, 1996. Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Dalton and Son Chapel, Lewisville, with the Rev. Rick Splath officiating.

Mr. Quattlebaum was a native of Vinson, Okla., and a retired military Army veteran, serving two tours in Vietnam.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Quattlebaum of St. Louis Park, Minn.; a son, Bland W. Quattlebaum of Sacramento, Calif.; a brother, Neil Quattlebaum of Pampa, and a sister, Wylajean McGee of Lewisville.

Interment will be at Leavenworth National Cemetery, Leavenworth, Kan.

SHIRLEY J. RIEGEL

SHIRLEY J. RIEGEL, 71, died Thursday, Sept. 26, 1996 in Pampa. Graveside services are set for 2 p.m. Monday at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Dale Moreland, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Miss Riegel was born June 6, 1925, in Denver, Colo. She came to Pampa in 1932 from Denver. She was employed by J.C. Penney for over 43 years, retiring in 1990. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

She is survived by two sisters and brothers-in-law, Donna and James Murphree of Pampa, and Vi and Mike O'Brien of Oxnard, Calif.; three nieces, Terri Abbott of San Diego, Calif., Cindy Carroll of Lexington, Okla., and Johnnie Cadena of Green Bay, Wis.; two nephews, James "Bubba" Murphree and Joe Murphree, both of Green Bay; and special friends, Lynn and Larry Ray, Pampa. The family will be at 903 S. Banks.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro Corporation reported the following calls in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Sept. 27

11:15 a.m. - A mobile intensive care unit responded to the 1600 block of Grape on a medical call. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

11:31 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th on a medical call. One patient was transported to CMC.

3:15 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to CMC for patient transport to High Plains Baptist Hospital.

7:17 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Harvester Stadium on a standby.

8:07 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Hughes on an injury. One patient was transported to CMC.

SATURDAY, Sept. 28

5:19 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of East Foster on an injury. No transport.

Fires

Pampa Fire Department reported these calls in the 32-hour period which ended at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Sept. 27

7:35 a.m. - Three units and seven firefighters responded to a smoke odor at 1029 N. Dwight.

11:15 a.m. - Two units and four firefighters responded to 1620 Grape on a medical assistance call.

11:32 a.m. - Two units and four firefighters responded to 812 W. 25th on a medical assistance call.

6:31 p.m. - Two units and three firefighters responded to a gas odor at 412 S. Houston. No reading was detected.

SATURDAY, Sept. 28

2:44 a.m. - Two units and four firefighters responded to a Medivac standby at Columbia Medical Center.

1:10 p.m. - Three units and six firefighters responded to an accident one-quarter mile east on Tyng.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents and arrests in the 32-hour period which ended at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Sept. 27

Theft was reported by McClellan James Properties.

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Public intoxication was reported one-quarter mile east of Laketon.

Unauthorized carrying of a weapon was reported in the 500 block of Red Deer.

Arrests

FRIDAY, Sept. 27
Lisa Dawn Doyle, 32, 409 Roberta, was arrested on a charge of violation of probation. Bond denied.

Ricky Joe Diaz, 21, 827 E. Murphy, was arrested on a charge of violation of probation. Bond denied.

Calendar of events

T.O.P.S. #149

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #149 meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 for more information.

T.O.P.S. #41

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #41 meets at noon Monday at 511 N. Hobart. For more information, call 665-3024.

AL-ANON

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

TRALEE CRISIS GROUP COUNSELING

Tralee Crisis Center, 119 N. Frost, is to offer group counseling for battered and abused women 11 a.m. to noon Mondays. Facilitator is Priscilla Kleinpeter, LMFT. For more information, call Ann Hamilton at 669-1131. Space is limited. Call ahead.

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

Preschool story hour will be held at Lovett Memorial Library 10 to 11 a.m. each Tuesday. Children ages three to five are welcome.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	669-7432
Water	669-5830

PEDC examines funding requests by Celebration of Lights and city

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

The board of directors of Pampa Economic Development Corporation tabled two requests for funding pending further study of their legislative authority to pay for items not directly tied to job creation.

The board, during its Thursday meeting, heard a request for utility payment on behalf of Celebration of Lights from Richard Stowers, who serves both on the CofL board and PEDC board.

Also, city officials asked for \$60,000 to pay for an engineering study aimed at expansion of current wastewater treatment facilities.

In both cases, PEDC leaders asked for more time to study the legality of such funding under their organization as a "4A" economic development authority.

The EDC operates under the Development Corporation Act of 1979, which authorizes the collection of Pampa's half-cent sales tax dedicated to economic development projects. The 4A designation refers to a section of the Act.

Stowers asked the board to pay the utility bill at CofL's new home in the Warner-Horton building on North Hobart. CofL occupied the city-owned PEDC-managed Bourland-Leverich building on South Cuyler until it was leased in August. While the Lights organization occupied the building, PEDC continued utility payments on it citing its responsibility to maintain their property and make it available to prospective purchasers.

Stowers asked PEDC to continue the utility support which on the Bourland-Leverich building totaled about \$2,200 over 11 months. He earlier noted he did not plan to vote on the issue.

Board attorney Gene Thompson reviewed the Development Corporation Act and its provision for manufacturing and industrial facilities.

"I don't think you can stretch that to cover the kind of activities Celebration of Lights is engaged in," Thompson said.

Under certain circumstances, he said, commercial ventures

may be funded in officially designated economically depressed or development areas, federally designated enterprise zones or federally assisted new communities.

"I think we have none of the above and that would mitigate against using 4A funds for Celebration of Lights," Thompson said.

Stowers said he understood there is some sort of exemption for lighting projects, but couldn't point to the source.

"I just think we're going to need more information before we decide," said member Wayne Stribling.

City Manager Bob Eskridge and Public Works Director Richard Morris asked the board to consider funding for an engineering study in anticipation of expanding the local wastewater treatment facility.

Morris said the study would cost roughly \$60,000.

Eskridge said the plant is reaching its defined capacity and operates under a waiver for no growth areas. He noted that expansion of the facility was recommended in the Pathfinders report commissioned by PEDC earlier this year.

As for the board's authority as a 4A corporation, "We consider it a project that's fundable," he said.

It handles almost no industry effluent and mainly treats residential and prison wastewater, Eskridge said.

"That plant would not support any small industry being added to it," he continued.

Thompson advised the board 4A corporations may not use funds to finance city infrastructure absent a specific industry request for assistance.

"This law was intended for the purpose of creating jobs, specifically creating jobs," said PEDC Executive Director Jack Ippel.

Because of the importance of the issue to the community and apparent conflict of laws, board member Lewis Meers suggested tabling the request until further discussions with city officials and study of legal issues could occur.

In other action, a Power Mac

computer returned to PEDC from Fork Stork Manufacturing drew a \$7,777 bid from Video Refinery of Amarillo. The board rejected the bid for the machine, software and video camera which Ippel says he's been told is worth \$30,000.

"It's sole purpose in life is video production," Ippel said, noting the machine is not equipped to do wordprocessing or spread sheets.

Directors discussed whether asking for more from the bidder is ethical and debated the ethics of asking someone who did not bid but expressed interest in the machine about purchasing it under a payment plan.

Thompson told the board he did not know if it is legal to ask for more from a bidder.

"I think you got a problem on that deal," said board member Roger David.

"The guy who bid should get the same opportunity," said Stribling, "To me, a bid's a bid."

The board agreed to allow Ippel to negotiate for the sale of the Power Mac with the two prospects and report to the board.

About \$1,200 has been spent advertising for bids on the machine, Ippel said.

In another matter, the board decided to seek "requests for proposals" for development of a master plan for the 213-acre city industrial park located on US 60.

Under the executive directors report, Ippel said:

• The contract for the transfer of land on behalf of Control Equipment is being drawn up. He said construction of a building on the property is required or the \$17,000 used for the property must be returned by Control Equipment.

• Crall Products is moving into its new building on Texas 152.

• Milton David Roofing has moved in to the Bourland-Leverich Building.

• English and Associates expects to break ground this fall, weather permitting, on a 20 unit apartment complex with possibility of expansion to 40 units.

An open house hosted by PEDC is planned for December.

Weather focus

LOCAL WEATHER

Clear today with a high in the mid-80s and a low tonight near 50. Winds are light and variable five to 10 miles per hour. Monday, clear with a high in the mid-80s.

REGIONAL FORECAST

WEST TEXAS - PANHANDLE: Today, sunny with highs in low to mid 80s. Tonight, clear with lows in mid 40s to near 50. Monday, sunny with highs in low to mid 80s. South Plains: Today, sunny. Highs 80-85. Tonight, clear. Lows around 50. Monday, sunny. Highs 80-85.

NORTH TEXAS - Today, sunny and warm. Highs 76 to 82. Tonight, clear. Lows 47 to 54.

Monday, mostly sunny. Highs 80 to 85.

SOUTH TEXAS - Hill Country and South Central: Today, sunny and mild. Highs in upper 70s to low 80s. Tonight, clear and cool. Lows in the 40s Hill Country to low 50s south central. Monday, mostly sunny and warmer. Highs in low and mid 80s. Upper Coast: Today, mostly sunny and mild. Highs near 80 inland to 70s coast. Tonight, mostly clear. Lows in the 50s inland to 60s coast. Monday, mostly sunny and warmer. Highs in low and mid 80s. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Today, sunny and mild. Highs in upper 70s coast to mid 80s Rio Grande plains. Tonight, clear. Lows near 60 coast to low 50s inland. Monday, sunny and warmer. Highs near

80 coast to the 80s inland.

BORDER STATES

NEW MEXICO - Today, a few high clouds otherwise mostly sunny and mild. Highs in the 60s to mid 70s mountains with 70s to mid 80s at lower elevation. Tonight through Monday, partly cloudy southwest Monday, otherwise fair skies at night and mostly sunny during the day. Lows in mid 20s to mid 40s mountains with 40s to mid 50s at lower elevations. Highs in mid 60s and 70s mountains with mid 70s and 80s at lower elevations.

OKLAHOMA - Today, mostly sunny. Highs upper 70s to low 80s. Tonight, mostly clear. Lows upper 40s to mid 50s. Monday, mostly sunny. Highs low to mid 80s.

City briefs

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Harley Knutson. 665-4237. Adv.

COUCH/LOVESEAT

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ESTATE FURNITURE Sale

120 N. Faulkner. Adv.

HOME DELIVERY. All carriers are independent contractors and The Pampa News is not responsible for advance payments of two or more months made to the carrier. Please pay directly to the New Office any payment that exceeds the current collection period.

VJ'S FALL Sale

Sportswear, formal wear, famous brand 20, 30, 40, 50 % off. Downtown Pampa. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE

Fried chicken, roast beef, barbeque Polish, sanchos. Sunday 11-2 p.m. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

NEW SHIPMENT of

Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas flags are in at Watson's Feed & Garden, Hwy. 60 East. Adv.

BACK TO School Special.

Nails \$25, Pedicures \$15, Manicures \$10. Ann Franklin at Mane Attraction. 669-0527. Adv.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

Pampa Meals on Wheels, 669-1007. Adv.

MEN'S NIGHT

The Landmark Club, Monday Night Football. Come check out the specials! 618 W. Foster, 665-4404. Adv.

COUNTRY FAIR

October 26, M.K. Brown Civic center. Ticket price \$15. Doors open 5 p.m. 665-3241 for more information. Adv.

MILTON DAVID Roofing

new location - 1038 S. Barnes (old Bourland and Leverich building). Adv.

GEMSTONE GALLERY

904 S. Nelson/Amarillo Hwy., 665-2108. Gifts, Y necklaces. Adv.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Marvin Bowman, 669-3871. Ticket dismissal (USA). Adv.

15 FT. Kingfisher boat

with trailer, 40 horse Evinrude motor, \$600 or best offer. 835-2808. Adv.

PECANS ARE Here! \$6 lb.

Proceeds go to Gray County Assoc. for Retarded Citizens. Pampa Sheltered Workshop 669-6322, Sherry Carlson 669-7171, Imajean McMinn 669-1361. Adv.

NEED A balloon bouquet,

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JUST ARRIVED more fall

mums and pansies, pumpkins and other fall decorations. Watson's Feed & Garden, 665-4189. Adv.

WILL DO Housekeeping.

Very reliable, Christian. 669-9226. Adv.

BAKED FOOD Sale

Friday October 4th, 10 a.m. - ? Roberts Co. Museum. Proceeds go to Museum Bldg. Fund. Adv.

YARD SALE

420 N. Wynne, Sunday 12-4. Monday Wednesday, 9:30 to 5:00. Adv.

Ann Carmichael commended scholar

Pampa High School senior Ann Carmichael has been named a commended student in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship program, PHS Principal John Kendall announced Friday.

Carmichael was given a letter of commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation, which conducts the program.

About 35,000 commended students throughout the nation are being honored for their exceptional academic promise.

Commended students placed among the top five percent of more than a million students who entered the 1997 merit program by taking the 1995 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Carmichael plans to attend college, but hasn't decided where.

She says she is leaning toward Vanderbilt.



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Ann Carmichael accepts a letter of commendation from Pampa High School Principal John Kendall recognizing her for being named a commended student in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship Program.

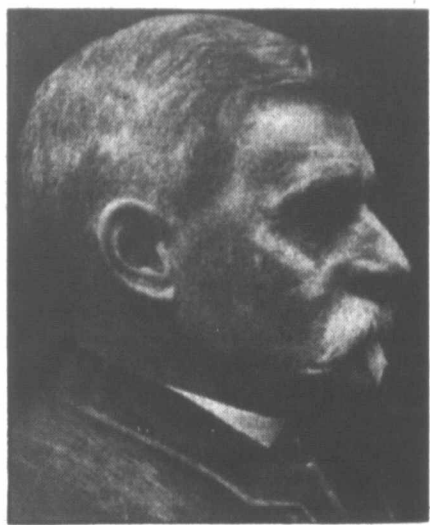
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Lake McClellan named in expedition to find Red River headwaters

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

In early history, before settlers moved into Texas, the northern portion bounded by the Red River, remained the domain of Indians. The territory was virtually unknown and unexplored. Congress decided to remedy that situation, and in 1852 instructed Capt. Randolph Marcy to make his exploration into the plains of the state, after he had already been trailing regions along the Trinity, Brazos and Colorado rivers of Texas.



(Photo copied from *The Red River in Southwestern History*, by Carl Newton Tyson, provided by White Deer Land Museum)

General George B. McClellan, second-in-command, as Brevet Captain to Capt. Randolph B. Marcy in the 1852 expedition through the Texas Panhandle marking the Red River boundaries of the state into Indian Territory.

The purpose of the expedition was to find the source of the North Fork of the Red River. Following the Red River from the east until its headwaters were found; as believed by Marcy, he was joined by a party of experts to mark the boundaries of his exploration journey.

George B. McClellan, a U.S. Army engineer, was designated

to accompany the expedition and joined it at Cache Creek, which flows into the river.

About May 28, 1852, the expedition had arrived at a point McClellan computed to be almost on the 100th meridian. [He located the position about 50 miles to the east of the true position.] The party proceeded toward the eastern boundary of the Panhandle, until reaching what was then called Sweetwater Creek, entering Wheeler County on June 10.

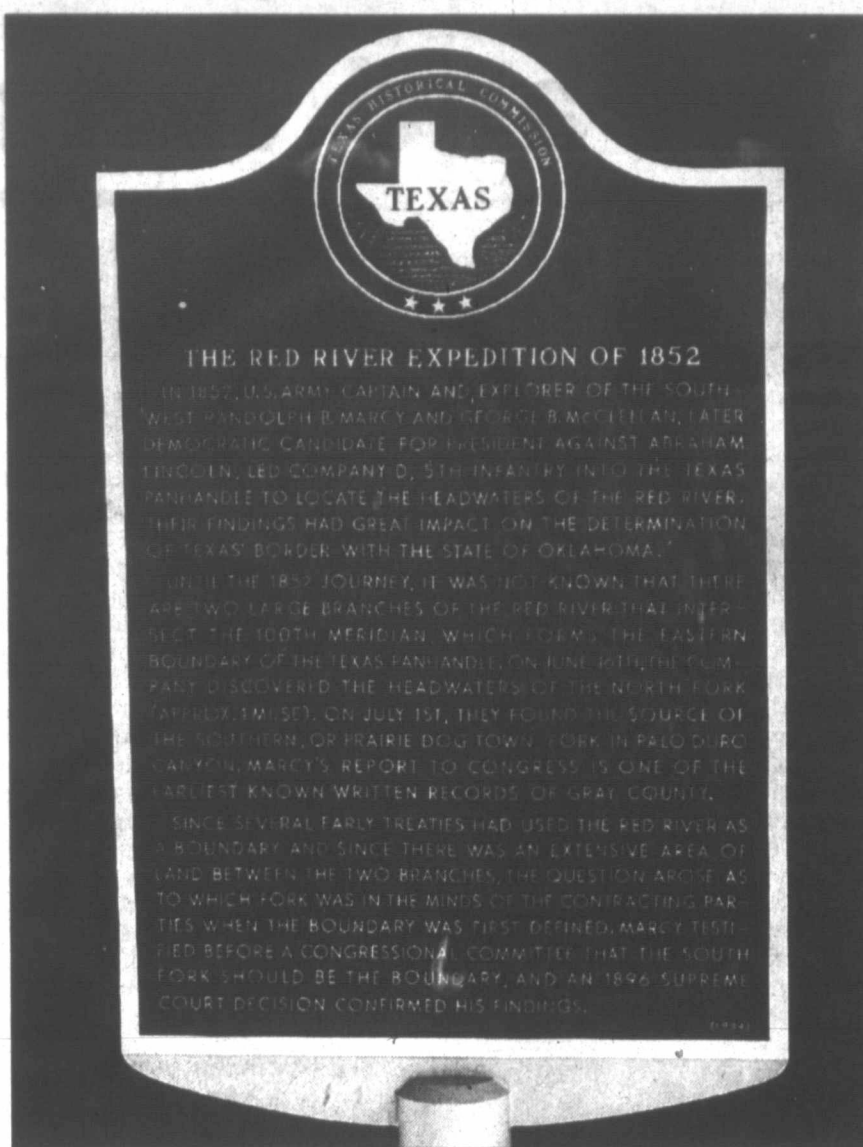
The following early morning, the expedition took to the high prairie adjacent to the valley of the Sweetwater, which brought them into what was judged as the site of Indian war parties camps. They continued their journey until reaching the "North Fork" head.

In a journal, Marcy wrote: "On 16 of June, 1852, exploring expedition composed of Captain R. B. Marcy, Captain G. B. McClellan, Lieutenant J. Updegraff and Doctor G. C. Shumard, with fifty-five men of Company D, Fifth Infantry, encamped here, having this day traced the north branch of Red River to its sources. Accompanying the expedition were Captain J. H. Strain of Fort Washita and Mr. J. R. Suydam of New York City."

At this point, the expedition party is believed to be somewhere near the present day Lefors area. In a grove of cottonwoods, Marcy buried a bottle containing the journal memorandum. With his axe he marked a particular tree to site his camp at the spot of the buried bottle.

McClellan, the U.S. Army captain accompanying that expedition, is noted as one of the first white men to see McClellan Creek. According to Marcy's records, after mapping the Canadian and Red Rivers, the expedition turned south until they reached "the valley of a very beautiful stream." Marcy named the stream McClellan Creek for his partner.

It is a fact, according to histori-



(Photo copy provided by White Deer Land Museum)

The Red River expedition of 1852 historical marker, seen above, was once located approximately seven miles south of Pampa on Texas Highway 70, marking the historic trails of Capt. Randolph Marcy and Brevet Capt. George Brinton McClellan into Gray County in search of the headwaters of the North Fork of the Red River. The original marker was donated by the Pampa High School Class of 1948, in cooperation with the Gray County Historical Commission. The marker was vandalized and stolen from its designated site about one year ago, and has never been found. A replacement marker is ordered, and has been authorized for purchase by the commission. The dedication date and setting of the new marker has not been decided.

ans, that he was not the first white man to cross the McClellan, nor was the Marcy expedition considered the first white men to enter Texas' Indian territory.

However, the handwritten journals of Marcy and McClellan are the first official recorded documents naming McClellan and those of the expedition.

Capt. McClellan, carrying out the duties he was assigned, marked the longitude and latitude of the areas traveled, mapping the course of the creeks and headwaters of the Red River. Also among McClellan's duties was to keep a detailed meteorological record and collection of mineral samples found on the route.

Fresh water was not available — only mineral water and salty water was plentiful and the men, including McClellan, suffered stomach ailments from drinking the water, which was noted in their journals.

On July 1, 1852, they were finally rewarded with the discovery of a fresh-water spring, and the source of the Red River headwaters, when they arrived at a tributary uniting at the Mississippi. The rest of their journey proved uneventful, and on July 28, the explorers marched into Fort Arbuckle, Indian Territory [Oklahoma].

McClellan was born in 1826 in Philadelphia, Pa. He graduated from West Point and was commissioned to the corps of engineers. He served in the Mexican War and was twice cited for gallant conduct.

After he made his excursion into the Texas Panhandle, he was made chief engineer for the Department of Texas and conducted a survey of rivers and harbors. He held other engineering positions with the army until 1857, when he made an official visit to Europe to study military operations.

The official McClellan saddle was adopted by the U.S. Army, a design that resulted from recommendations McClellan made after his European trip. One of McClellan's U.S. Army designed

saddles is exhibited in the White Deer Land Museum in Pampa.

In 1857, McClellan earned the position as chief engineer and vice president of the Illinois Central Railroad. In 1860, he married the daughter of Marcy and they were the parents of two children.

He was also a major general of the Ohio Volunteers with the outbreak of the Civil War. He was twice appointed general-in-chief of the U.S. Armies, but was relieved both times because of his cautious inaction, according to history records.

In 1864, he ran for president against Abraham Lincoln and resigned from the army on the date of his defeat. He traveled Europe again, spending four years there. He was later offered the presidency of the University of California and Union College of New York, but declined both offers. Instead, he practiced civil engineering in New York.

From 1878 to 1881, he served as governor of New Jersey.

McClellan, because of his assignments from Congress, made discoveries of the state that stayed in his memories. He was lured back to Texas in August 1885, to the Red River, to inspect a Foard County copper-mining venture he organized, serving as engineer with a Texas mining and excavation company for a brief time.

He died in New Jersey on Oct. 29, 1885, and is buried in Riverview Cemetery at Trenton.

Darlene Birkes contributed information for this article. Other references used include *The Texas Panhandle Frontier* by Frederick W. Rathjen, and *The Red River in Southwestern History* by Carl Newton Tyson.

Rich nations endorse debt relief measure

WASHINGTON (AP) — Finance officials from the seven wealthiest countries gave their approval Saturday to a debt relief plan for the world's poorest nations while expressing their satisfaction with overall prospects for the global economy.

The debt-relief measure, under consideration for two years, is designed to relieve up to \$7.7 billion in debts of as many as 20 of the world's most heavily indebted countries, many of them in Africa.

As their contribution to the package, the seven wealthy industrial countries pledged to provide debt relief covering up to 80 percent of the debt they hold individually.

"The ministers look forward to the implementation without delay of all components of these decisions on a case-by-case basis," Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said.

The announcement followed more than five hours of closed-door discussions among finance ministers and central bank presidents of the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Britain, Italy and Canada.

In addition to debt, the finance officials expressed satisfaction with a global economy that is expected to grow at its best rate in eight years with the lowest inflation levels in three decades.

They also reviewed progress made so far in implementing a package of reforms aimed at preventing a financial crisis such as the one that engulfed Mexico a year ago. And they directed that work begin on a second round of initiatives to be presented to President Clinton and leaders of the other nations when they meet for their annual economic summit, scheduled for next June in Denver.

Rubin said the new initiatives would seek to improve coordination between financial regulators, beef up internal controls of the banking and securities industries in emerging markets and provide better safeguards for the transfer of electronic money payments.

The Group of Seven countries heard a report from top finance officials in Russian President Boris Yeltsin's government. Rubin said the G-7 officials praised Yeltsin's team for the "significant progress" made in the past year in stabilizing the Russian economy.


The chairman of the Russian central bank, Sergei Dubinin, told reporters following the talks that

downward pressure on the ruble had eased in recent days, allowing the central bank to rebuild its reserves by buying dollars. IMF officials had expressed concern in August about the ruble's weakness.

The G-7 discussions, held at Blair House across the street from the White House, came in advance of the annual meetings

starting Sunday of the 181-nation International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

The IMF and World Bank had pledged to contribute to the debt-relief effort, but a snag developed when German officials objected to financing the contribution through the sale of \$2 billion in IMF gold reserves.



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Let Peace Begin With Me

This newspaper is dedicated to furnishing information to our readers so that they can better promote and preserve their own freedom and encourage others to see its blessings. Only when man understands freedom and is free to control himself and all he possesses can he develop to his utmost capabilities.

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Opinion

Repealing salvage logging provision

The Republican leadership in Congress has apparently decided that presidential campaigns and ambitious legislative agendas don't coexist very well.

Maybe the House will pass Bob Dole's 15% tax cut proposal, but the Senate won't take it up, so there will be no challenge to President Clinton to veto it. Congress might handle a few housekeeping details before its members head out for the campaign trail full-time, but that's about it. That's really how election year politics can be played to the hilt if certain legislative leaders put their heads together and come up with a damage-control plan.

In keeping with that spirit of relatively modest legislation, Congress could do a lot worse than to repeal what is called the "salvage logging rider" passed a year ago to mild protest but no veto from the president. Supposedly intended to make it easier to get rid of dead or diseased trees on government land, this provision has instead spawned a rush of taxpayer-subsidized logging. Repeal of the provision is supported by a broad coalition of environmentalists and economic conservatives.

There's nothing inherently wrong with cutting down trees on government land. But few people fully understand that much of the logging done on such land is actually subsidized by the taxpayers - the price paid by timber companies often doesn't cover what the government pays (which sometimes includes building brand-new roads in wilderness areas) to make the timber sales feasible.

For these reasons, the entire government-land timber policy should be reformed - at least to the extent that taxpayers won't lose money on timber sales, and perhaps with more market-oriented management policies. That won't happen this year. But the "salvage rider," which includes a very loose definition of "dead or dying" trees, has fueled a frenzy of expensive (for taxpayers) logging projects.

Repealing the salvage rider will at least stop some of the fiscal and environmental bleeding. When Republican Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich and the Sierra Club agree on a policy, there should be a way to get it done.

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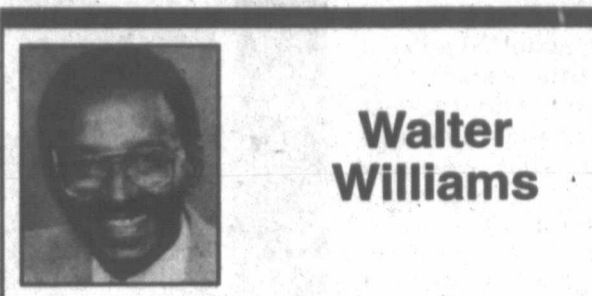
HURRICANE SEASON

Rats and women don't mix

Tulane University's professor Wilfred M. Clay penned an interesting article in *Commentary* (September 1996) titled "Of Rats and Women." It's about the Supreme Court's order that the Virginia Military Institute admit women. The fact that its freshmen are known as rats is enough to suggest VMI is not a place for women or the weak and timid. VMI uses the "adversative method" designed to build moral character and physical and mental discipline.

"What's the adversative method, Williams?" you say. It's especially tough on rats and includes complete absence of privacy, shaved heads, uniformity of standards, as many as 300 situps in a day, and upperclassmen talking to you as if you're something that crawled not out from under a rock but out of a cesspool. Barracks are barren, and there are no closets, no air conditioning and no radio or TV. The only luxury afforded a rat is a photo in his room. Rats can be awakened at night for grueling exercise known as "sweat parties." There are five mile runs, obstacle courses and fighting with sticks. Up to 20 percent of "weenie" rats drop out in their first year.

However we might judge VMI's adversative method, it has produced some of our nation's finest men, including the likes of Gen. George C. Marshall, Superintendent Maj. Gen. Josiah Bunting who the school will continue its mission, but I'm not optimistic. Admission of women will destroy VMI's high standards just as they've been



Walter Williams

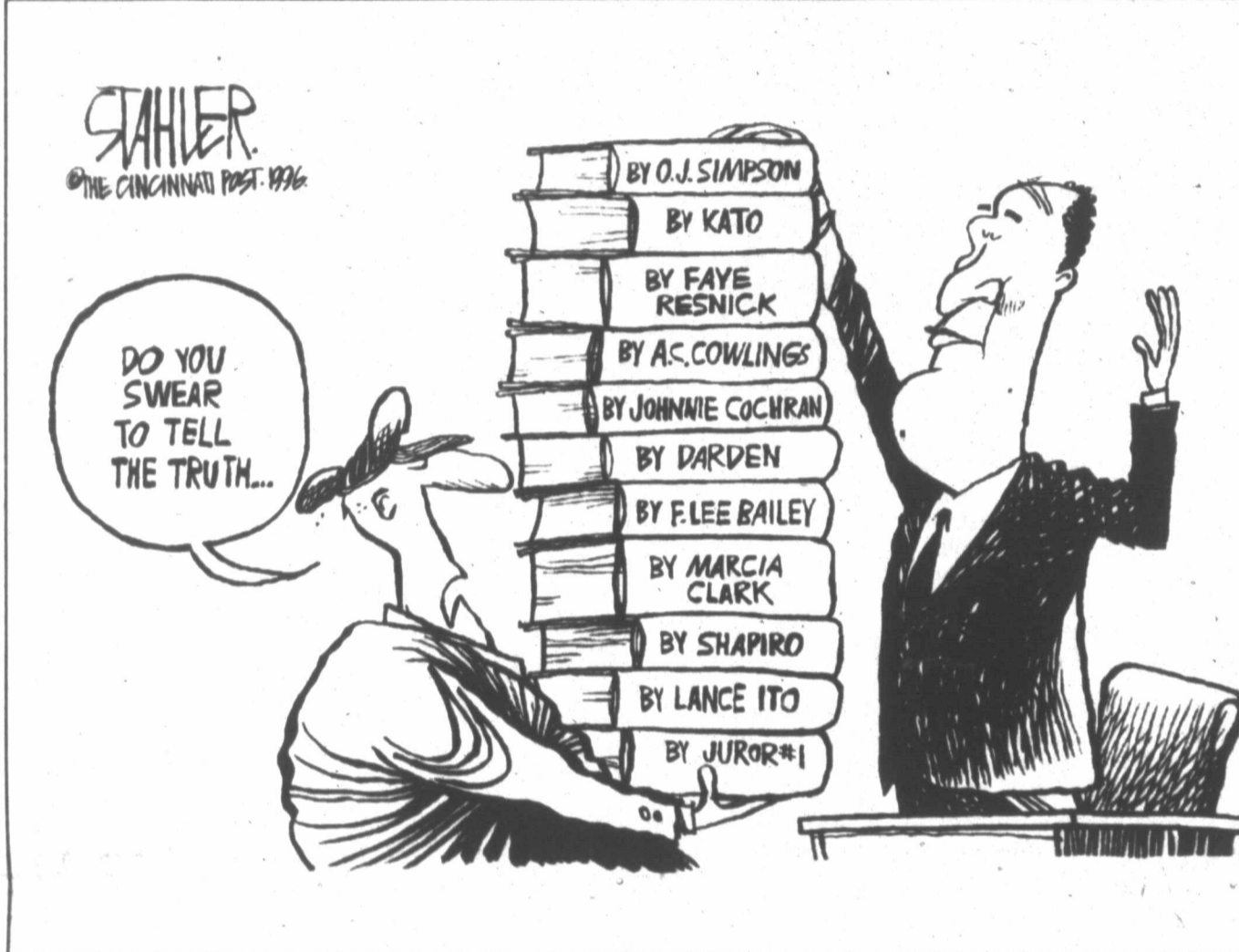
destroyed at West Point and the Naval Academy.

Supreme Court Justice Ruth Ginsberg, who wrote the Court's majority opinion, laid out the prescription for that destruction. Ginsberg said, "VMI's implementing methodology is not inherently unsuitable to women." Continuing, she said, "Some women are capable of all the individual activities required of cadets and can meet the physical standards VMI now imposes upon men." Then, she totally contradicts herself, saying that admitting women to VMI "would undoubtedly require alterations necessary to afford members of each sex privacy from the other sex in living arrangements and to adjust aspects of the physical training programs."

If Ginsberg contends that women require privacy, then she's saying VMI's program is unsuitable to women. What she means adjusting aspects of

physical training is that VMI must, like Annapolis and West Point, lower physical training standards. If VMI does not lower them, it will be sued by feminist outfits who claim women are equal to men. If VMI lowers standards for female cadets, it must lower them for male cadets lest it get sued for sex discrimination by men. The bottom line is that VMI will become feminized. Justice Ginsberg and the majority who voted with her have little understanding and great power to do harm.

The Court would have been on sounder moral grounds if it had ruled that publicly supported colleges cannot employ any discriminatory admission criteria. Parents of children with IQs of 70 pay taxes, so their kids shouldn't be barred admission from any state-supported colleges. People who can't read or write pay taxes - what's fair in denying them admission? To force people to pay taxes for something and yet require them to meet some arbitrary criteria to use the service is unfair. It differs little from taxing a person to pay for supermarket products and then requiring him meet some requirement in order to use those products. The fair way is for those who benefit from a college, supermarket or anything else is for them to pay for it. In a word, colleges ought to be privatized. That way, they could have any admissions criteria they wish. But, I'm afraid, that solution is too liberty-oriented both for the Court and a society hell-bent on socialism.



Today in history

- By The Associated Press**
Today is Sunday, Sept. 29, the 273rd day of 1996. There are 93 days left in the year.
- Today's Highlight in History:**
On Sept. 29, 1789, the U.S. War Department established a regular army with a strength of several hundred men.
- On this date:**
In 1758, English Adm. Horatio Nelson was born.
- In 1829, London's reorganized police force, which became known as Scotland Yard, went on duty.
- In 1902, impresario David Belasco opened his first Broadway theater.
- In 1918, Allied forces scored a decisive breakthrough of the Hindenburg Line during World War I.
- In 1955, the Arthur Miller play "A View From the Bridge" opened at the Coronet Theatre in New York.
- In 1963, the second session of Second Vatican Council opened in Rome.
- In 1978, Pope John Paul I was found dead in his Vatican apartment just over a month after becoming head of the Roman Catholic Church.
- In 1982, seven people in the Chicago area died after unwittingly taking Extra-Strength Tylenol capsules laced with cyanide.

Caution necessitates skepticism

Whatever else our age can be called, good or bad, it is an information age. No people in the history of mankind have ever been bombarded so relentlessly with so much information from so many sources for so many hours of the day for so many days of the year for so many years of their lives. It is truly a new phenomenon. It may even be driving some people crazy.

The effect of this volume of information on the human mind would be a good subject of study for someone in graduate school.

One obvious effect is an increase in confusion. It's easy these days to read or hear multiple and contradictory accounts on almost any topic. It is rare, in fact, to find unanimity of opinion on anything.

Nevertheless, information overload is a reality we have to deal with. An audio tape you might find useful is Simon and Schuster's *Accelerated Learning Techniques* by Brian Tracy with Colin Rose. While it's not anything really new, the creators have done an excellent job of packaging every known learning technique into one short tape and, in the process, making it a relative term. If you aren't familiar with these techniques, they will be new to you.

It would be nice to have students in your family, but I also found it useful. No matter how old we are, we will never escape the necessity of learning and of processing information. This tape has the usual self-hype one finds in all self-help

Charley Reese

books and tapes, but that aside, it contains some sound ideas and suggestions.

Putting that aside, let me toss in my two cents worth since I have been in the information business in one form or another all my life. You should recognize that probably 90% or more of the information directed at you comes from one of four sources: commercial, political, ideological or special interest.

Not one of these is directing information at you out of the goodness of anyone's heart. This is an invitation, not to cynicism but to skepticism.

Commercial sources of information wish to attract readers or viewers in order to sell goods and services from their advertisers. That doesn't mean they deliberately intend to deceive you. It does mean that the criteria by which they choose which information to publish or broadcast has nothing to do necessarily with your needs. They want to attract numbers, and whatever the people who make the decisions think will attract the greatest numbers is what they will publish or broadcast.

Everyone past puberty knows that commercial information outlets compete fiercely for readers

and viewers. But political, ideological and special-interest groups are also competing fiercely for the public's support, the public's attention and, most of all, the public's money.

As these groups have multiplied, the effect has been to intensify the competition for your attention.

This has resulted, unfortunately, in informational extremism. To be heard above the crowd, to attract the headline or the coveted spot on the evening news or the talk shows, to persuade you to write that check, these groups tend to present their points of view in melodramatic, often apocalyptic terms.

The victim of all this competition for your attention is poor truth because truth is so often far from melodramatic and is frequently downright dull. As moral standards have fallen, some of these groups brazenly admit they lie but claim they lie for a good cause.

My advice is, don't take anybody's word for anything. Check it out. I, for example, no longer trust any environmental group. If one says a bill is bad, I'm going to check it out for myself. It may or may not be a bad bill. Usually the truth lies somewhere between the extremes.

You can take some comfort in the knowledge that probably nothing is as bad as the special-interest groups claim it is when they're trying to pry money out of you.

The fate of America's ethical health

R. Emmett Tyrrell Jr.

Once again, the American people are getting a bum rap. I have been on the radio talk-show circuit for the past month, discoursing on my latest bequest to literature, a political biography of Our President. On every show, there is lamentation over the feebleness of the presidential candidates. Most of the talk-show participants blame their fellow Americans. Well, I am having none of it. I blame 66 years - two generations - of trials endured by the citizenry of this great republic and, of course, the spread of that peculiar institution we call higher education.

Since the early 1930s, the people of this incomparable land of harum and scarum have fought off the Depression, the international terror of Nazism and fascism, and the threat of world-wide communism. The Reds challenged us in both Europe and the Third World. Owing to their public relations wizardry, they even posed a threat at home intellectually with the promise of improved dental hygiene, free Mao jackets for all and other communist marvels that still inspire the more doltish members of the intelligentsia. As a consequence of all the mighty labors that went into resisting the Depression, right-wing totalitarianism and left-wing totalitarianism, American political leadership is simply worn out. The members of the media might remark on this, but they too are worn out.

Thus, we have the feeble presidential campaign of the present moment. And with Ross Perot barred from the presidential debates, we are not even confronted with the happy prospect of occa-

sional yawps from the certifiably insane. As I say, I blame much of the present drear to the century's historic challenges and to higher education. That peculiar institution gets its clutches on millions of Americans, beclouding their minds with piffling apprehensions and leaving them with the delusion that they are educated and never need to read a book again.

Yeats foresaw it all, at the outset of our struggles against Nazism and communism, when he wrote that "the best lack all conviction" while "the worst are full of passionate intensity." Has candidate Dole impressed us with his conviction? I think not. And what of candidate Clinton? His handlers boast of his lack of conviction and applaud as he slithers to the right. Yet, they note his artfulness in heaving with "passionate intensity" when some member of his team dies, is indicted or comes down with some unmentionable disease. Boy Clinton's great strength is that he has managed to embrace both conditions that Yeats reprobated against - a lack of conviction and a surfeit of "passionate intensity."

As I say, I do not blame our jejune political condition on the voters. Better it would be to blame the Washington press corps for failing to inform the electorate. The press's attitude towards Dole-Kemp is to be underwhelmed, though they rarely

supply reasons for their disinterest. Their attitude toward Clinton-Gore is to be sympathetic and suavely skeptical of the vast array of controversies, scandals and breaches both ethical and legal committed by the administration.

It is going to come as a great surprise to the press when, in the months ahead, ever more Clintonites are indicted and sent to the calaboose. Doubtless, there will soon be more resignations and shocking revelations. Boy Clinton's refusal to release his medical records should serve as a reminder to the press that the Clintons still have much to hide. Yet, the secrets' origins are not only in the Clintons' past back in hellraiser Little Rock; some originate in their more recent White House schemes, as will be demonstrated by congressional inquiries and federal indictments.

When the full story of the Clintons' scandals is revealed, Americans will have an even greater sense of the mediocrity of our leadership. After all, there are many journalists and politicians in Washington today who sense the squalor of the administration. A couple of weeks back, the *Wall Street Journal* published a White House memo outlining scores of exposed Clinton scandals that the White House legal counsel was attempting to monitor. From Mena airport to missing Rose Law Firm billing files to George Stephanopoulos' sweetheart bank deal with Nationsbank, the memo might someday serve as a table of contents to a "Decline and Fall of the Clinton Administration." In time, the republic will recover its ethical health.

Letters to the editor

The right to know ...

To the editors:

I must admit that last week's article concerning Rick Roach was a great disappointment to me. This paper likes to expound on "the people's right to know" and claims fairness in its coverage. Unfortunately, it failed on both fronts last Sunday.

The people do have a right to know, but they have a right to know the truth. The issues surrounding the leases in Stephens County are complicated and difficult to understand. On more than one occasion, the details of this case have been explained to the staff of this paper. Yet they refused to mention in last Sunday's article any of the inconsistencies associated with the investigation.

Information available indicates that in July 1988 the complainant's gas plant gathered more gas than they paid producers for. Yet they claimed some was stolen. When the complainant's employees closed the main valve on the alleged supply line, the gas wells continued to produce gas. And Roach's former employee refused to testify before the grand jury that he had seen Roach open any valve.

None of the information presented in the article was sworn testimony and none of the charges listed by this paper were ever proven. I, for one, expected more from our local paper.

Interestingly enough, this paper refuses to pursue the story of the current district attorney giving probation to a repeated sex molester in Allison. When I asked about the story, I was told that the story "fell through the crack." And yet the Amarillo News has mentioned it in two articles, most recently on 9/15/96.

I hesitate to charge media bias but the manner in which the Pampa News is handling the DA's race is bringing me to that conclusion.

Tom Mechler
Gray County Republican Chair
Editor's Note: We stand by the story's accuracy and balance as it presents the indictment charges and also presents Rick Roach's position on the charges and his disputes of the evidence, including his former employee's statement. The article includes Roach's mention of the documents concerning the differences in the complainant's purchase and production figures. It also includes information based on investigative documents, arrest and indictment documents, court documents and on Roach's statements, which, by the way, are not "sworn testimony," either.

Print whole story

To the editor:

We are writing about the article you ran in the Sunday paper (Sept. 22) about Rick Roach, the Republican candidate for district attorney.

We believe the article only contained half the story. You should print the whole story. It is true that Rick was charged in 1988 with oilfield theft. A charge is nothing but an accusation, it is not a conviction. Cases are dismissed regularly because mistakes were made. It is true that he paid a small amount of settlement money when the case was dismissed. However, this is common practice to avoid long, drawn-out, costly legal proceedings and does not admit guilt in any way.

We know that Rick did not do what the paper said. Rick has never been convicted of any crime. If the Railroad Commission had a case against Rick, why didn't they send him to jail? Why is he still practicing law? Why did the State Bar not take his license? On top of this, he is a director of the Texas District and County Attorneys Association in Austin. Do you think he would have been elected as a director if he was a criminal?

One last thing. We have seen the official Railroad Commission documents which show that Rick did not take any gas. Won't you please print those records so that people can know the truth? Rick or the Gray County Republican Party will be glad to furnish you with a copy of these records.

Bobbie and Scott Nisbet
Pampa
Editor's Note: The article, in the second paragraph, notes that the charges were dismissed. It also notes that what Rick Roach says was a settlement payment is referred to in court records as a restitution payment, and also contains Roach's statements of his innocence. Roach provided us with a copy of the commission documents regarding the complainant's production records, which are referred to in the article.

Rick is innocent

To the editor:

After having seen your lead article in the Sunday edition of Sept. 22, 1996, about Rick Roach, I have felt compelled to write. Unlike many who have only seen or been shown portions of the files, I believe that I have seen all of the documents in regard to the indictment brought against Rick. The only conclusion that can be drawn from a review of all of this information is that Rick is innocent.

Police copter crashes

MEXICO CITY (AP) — A Federal Highways Police helicopter on a routine patrol crashed Saturday in the central state of San Luis Potosi, killing all three crew members.

Regional Commander Alejandro Senties said the chopper crashed Saturday afternoon on a secondary highway linking San Luis Potosi and Jalisco state. He said the aircraft plummeted from an altitude of around 2,400 feet.

There was no immediate indication as to why the helicopter crashed, but Senties said aviation authorities were investigating.

I am reminded of the idea that a misled grand jury can indict a ham sandwich. I cannot remember who that quote should be attributed to, but this is a circumstance that proves the point.

I believe that since he has had to endure this episode of facing criminal charges in a case in which the judicial system has been abused, it should make him a better prosecutor. Since he has seen, from a first-hand basis, how delicate the pursuit of justice can be, he is better qualified to make certain that others do not become falsely accused and subsequently prosecuted.

Rick is an honorable man. In all of my personal dealing with Rick Roach, I have found him to be honest and trustworthy. As a friend and supporter, I believe he is qualified and will be a good district attorney for our district.

Believing as I do, that the voters have the right to hear everything about a political candidate, it is still a shame that this non-issue of a dismissed case has to make the front page headline in the Sunday edition. I am truly disappointed that you chose such a forum.

Thomas H. Grantham
Miami

Help with survey

To All Pampa Residents:

We Need Your Help! We want to know exactly what you're looking for in your parks and recreation facilities and programs. Are the departments doing a good job? How can they improve? What would you like to see in the future? We genuinely care about your answers to these questions.

In your October water bill, you will receive a community-wide survey from our board. You and the other members of your household will have the opportunity to tell us what you think about such issues as development of a "super playground," spending of monies collected through the water bill donation program, recreation programs for all ages, and much more. Your responses will give our board, the staff and the city commissioners an invaluable sense of direction.

In addition to the water bill mailings, we will be hand-delivering surveys to apartment complexes and retirement communities whose residents don't receive water bills. We would like to have input from Pampa youth as well. If you are involved with a group of young people (grades 8-12) and would be willing to make the survey available to them, please contact the Park and Recreation Departments (669-5770) to get the number of copies you need. Extra copies will also be available at the Water Department and Lovett Memorial Library. The completed surveys can be returned with your water bill payment or mailed to P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, TX 79066-2499.

Please take a few minutes to complete the survey when you receive it. Our volunteer board has spent the last year developing and testing it in hopes of giving all citizens a voice in future planning for our parks and recreation programs. We can't do it without you!

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Gary Henderson, chairman, Judy Elliot, Jay Holmes, Eileen Kludt, William McCarty, Joe Martinez, John Ryan

Note: We owe a special thanks to the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church youth group. These young people, along with a few parents, stuffed the 8900 envelopes needed to distribute our survey through the water bills. We appreciate their enthusiasm and hard work!

On Internet access

To the editor:

I'm writing to you regarding the policy of Internet access at Lovett Memorial Library. My understanding is that this decision will be made by the city manager, not the library advisory board. I believe that the library as a government agency should encourage the free flow of information rather than suppressing access to information.

In June of 1996, a panel of three federal judges referred to the Internet as a "democratic channel for communication that should be nurtured, not stifled." Their use of the verb "nurture" correctly implies that we are dealing with a technology in its infancy, thus a medium that is largely unknown to most of us. We are all a little afraid of the unknown, and that's the reason for a lot of the apprehension that most people seem to share regarding the Internet. By trying to control a form of communication that we know little about, we have to stay on the right side of constitutionality. First Amendment freedoms extend to cyberspace and should be respected.

The Internet gives people such a tremendous amount of information. The role of the library is to guide patrons to the information they seek, not to censor that data. In addition, who decides what is appropriate and what is inappropriate? Are we all to be limited to information that children can be

exposed to, and whose children are we considering? My definition of what my children can handle may be different than my neighbor's definition. We both have the right to make that decision. I'm also very concerned about where censorship stops. Some filter systems which have been tried on the Internet have blocked access to information on safe sex, breast cancer and even breast feeding.

There are already obscenity laws, and obscenity and child pornography are illegal. Most of what is on the Internet does not fall into these categories. Most of the kids I know would prefer looking at web sites for the NBA and other neat stuff rather than launching themselves into a time consuming, clandestine search for obscenity. Sure, it's out there, but it's not easy to find; one has to actively seek it out. I don't believe that many people will seek out pornography while they are seated in a public area like the library.

The solution to protecting children from

cybersmut is the guidance of aware and involved parents. I don't want children to be downloading obscenity, but I believe the responsibility for my children rests in my hands. The solution is not to limit the "most democratic arena for free speech that the world has ever seen."

I firmly believe that intelligent, informed citizens can be trusted with access to all information. That conviction is the foundation of our free nation and should not be tampered with. I encourage the city manager to adopt unrestricted access to the Internet for our community.

Wanda N. Cotter
Pampa
Editor's Note: The Lovett Memorial Library advisory board will propose a policy for Internet use, with the Pampa City Commission then approving or rejecting the proposed policy.

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Letters to the editor

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Check outlet malls

To the editor:

We are writing in response to Mrs. Palmitier's letter regarding the idea of an outlet mall in Pampa.

Do the local merchants, who are apparently the opposition force, not realize that people will travel for miles and miles to shop at an outlet mall? Imagine Amarillo residents shopping in Pampa rather than Pampa residents shopping in Amarillo! When those out-of-town shoppers shop, they buy gas, eat at restaurants, possibly buy groceries and even shop Wal-Mart or Alco for items unavailable in their town.

We would like for the Pampa Economic Development Corporation to check these things out, as Mrs. Palmitier has done. Pampa will never grow unless there is action taken in all areas.

Our town is blessed with wonderful weather most days of the year and the best people you could ever hope to find - they deserve to have a progressive city.

Fat and Jim Terry
Pampa

Vote on referendum

To the editor:

I have served as director of ASI since it was formed in 1989 when we saw regional differences, small fights and even some big fights. Over time, virtually all the decisions that were made, were made in the interest of the [sheep] industry as a whole, rather than by a number of states representing regional interests.

In seven years of experience, I have only encountered one individual whose ideas, thoughts and actions were in the interest of himself. All other directors have acted in their thoughts and votes for the betterment of the sheep industry as a whole.

Until we have all segments of the industry in the same room, in some decision, we can never

expect to see the per capita consumption of lamb to increase. The passage of this referendum puts several of those segments together. For the future of the sheep industry, it is going to be a great start towards building sheep numbers and profitability for all industry segments.

Charles Probandt
San Angelo, Texas

The biggest racist

To the editor:

The biggest racist in the country is still going around trying to spread hate. Ever since the surge in church burnings, he has been urging black congregations the burnings were "fires of racial hatred" and "Here, take some more of these millions of dollars" (which trods on the idea of separation of church and state), and "Don't raise 'divisive' issues during this election year."

Bill is ignoring all the research and investigative reporting that has proven that there is very little racism involved in the burnings. At the same time, he is ignoring the fact that there have been as many or more predominantly "white" or other churches destroyed in the same manners as the predominantly "black" churches.

Bill Clinton is trying his best to "buy" black votes, but his worst mistake is his insistence on trying to spread hate and racial unrest. This worm will encourage civil unrest of any kind if it will aid him to hang on to his power.

Now he is asking the churches to hire someone that is on welfare with "our" help. He will send the money to the churches to pay the wages to get someone off welfare. Is this how he plans to change "welfare as we know it"?

I really believe we don't want Bill Clinton to have any kind of sway on the churches. Watch while Bill tries to agitate racial fears while his "smiling faces" spout rotten honey. Bill Clinton is the ultimate racist, all for his own gain.

Dave McKnight
Pampa

Conference held on harassment in schools

AUSTIN (AP) - Through tears, 16-year-old Amy Tutt described Saturday how she fell on her face and fractured her jaw bone when she was thrown off a school bus at age 11 by a boy six years older.

When her parents confronted school administrators, they were stunned by the response. "Boys will be boys," they were told.

Ms. Tutt, who had been repeatedly harassed by the boy, filed charges against him. But the case was dismissed at the trial level.

When she returned to school after a brief leave for home instruction, she said the students acted as if she had done something wrong.

"They made me feel like I was the one on trial," she said.

A group of about 45 school administrators and rape crisis center staff members listened to the stories of several children and their parents at a conference Saturday.

They talked about the anguish they experienced as a result of

sexual harassment or sexual assault that occurred while the children were at school.

One parent from Kansas City, Mo., whose daughter was sexually harassed came to Austin to share her story.

"We are p.o.'d. We are angry. We are tired of this," said Jeannie Cramer. "If I have to take this to the Supreme Court, if I have to take this to God, I will not stop. I will not be hindered. I am angry. I want to know how this was allowed to happen to my child."

The statewide conference was hosted by Stop Harassment in Public Schools, or SHIPS - an initiative of the Texas Civil Rights Project.

It is the first conference held "in a long time" that includes students and parents as well as school administrators, said Sylvia Cedillo, conference coordinator and SHIPS director.

"One of the things we're trying to stress by being all-inclusive is that parents and students feel powerless fighting harassment,"

Ms. Cedillo said. "We're talking about everything from a student saying 'hey, baby,' ... to calling someone a whore or a bitch."

She said the philosophy behind SHIPS is to prevent and eliminate harassment through the corporate responsibility of schools and the community.

"Sexual harassment is a serious problem in Texas schools," said Ms. Cedillo. "What we want to convey to school administrators is that it takes policies, grievance procedures, training for all personnel, and the education of children to eliminate this problem."

"For seven hours a day, teachers have these kids in their classrooms," she added. "They teach math, English - but by ignoring the harassment they see, they are teaching that it is okay."

Veteran Harvesters



(Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzanekle)

Harvester veterans, former football players, show their school spirit Friday during the Homecoming parade, riding in one of the floats forming the procession from Pampa High School through the downtown area. Serving as grand marshal for the parade, which featured floats and vehicles from student organizations and clubs, businesses and emergency and law enforcement offices, was Louie Allen, "Bobo the Clown," who attended PHS from 1941-1944. Harvesters bested Dumas Demons 20 to 14.

Egypt opens pyramid to attract more tourists

DAHSHOUR, Egypt (AP) - The pyramid considered the prototype of the three majestic monuments at Giza was opened to the public for the first time Saturday.

King Senefru's Red Pyramid - so-called because of iron in its stones or, others say, because of ancient red graffiti inscribed on it - was inaccessible because of a nearby military base.

But officials eager to reduce the load of visitors to the Giza pyramids and increase tourism revenues struck a deal with the army, which removed a military gate to allow a new road built to the huge stone edifice.

Senefru's more than 4,500-year-old pyramid is located in the desert some 15 miles south of the Giza plateau. It overlooks thick palm groves, rice paddies and, in the dis-

tance, the dusty city of Cairo.

"The area is largely a virgin one. Even archaeologists did not visit it much," said antiquities official Zahi Hawass, who is responsible for Egypt's 97 discovered pyramids.

Twelve million tourists visited Giza last year, and Hawass said he expects a large number to go to Dahshour.

Senefru's pyramid has new stone steps leading up to its 99-foot-high entrance. At 326.7 feet in height, it is second in size only to the pyramid of Senefru's son, Cheops, at Giza, which rises 462 feet and was built a few decades later.

Archaeologists do not agree that Senefru is buried in the Red Pyramid. Ali Hassan, head of the Higher Council of Antiquities, said the pyramid, which was supposed to be Senefru's tomb, lacks the customary burial chamber.

The reason why Senefru ordered three pyramids built - some historians say four - also is a puzzle. No other pharaoh had more than one to his name.

One answer is suggested by Senefru's nearby Bent Pyramid, which is to be opened next year, whose shape suggests ancient architects were experimenting with the pyramid form.

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Immigration package goes to House

WASHINGTON (AP) — Landmark legislation to crack down on illegal immigrants, including placing controls on Social Security benefits and drivers' licenses, advanced toward House passage Saturday as part of a giant federal spending bill.

In marathon talks the night before, lawmakers and White House emissaries resolved a partisan impasse over how legal immigrants should be treated in what had been a separate immigration bill.

The stalemate had threatened to derail the bill, months in the making, that aims at cutting down illegal immigration estimated at 300,000 people a year.

The impasse also had complicated year-end budget talks as

lawmakers pushed to tack the immigration measure onto the spending bill. That prompted Republicans to accuse President Clinton on Friday of risking a government shutdown.

As Clinton and the Democrats see it, the new accord turns the package back toward its original purpose of combatting illegal immigration and away from restricting benefits that legal immigrants can receive.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry, speaking on Clinton's campaign plane flying to Rhode Island, described the deal as "very, very good. We're satisfied we have measures that will continue to protect America's borders while setting the right kind of standards for legal immigrants," he said.

The immigration provisions were coming first before the House, where Republicans — especially from California — had strenuously opposed accommodation with the White House.

The negotiators agreed to limit the degree to which legal immigrants would be susceptible to losing certain benefits after a year on welfare. The White House had demanded limitations on legal immigrant benefits be dropped entirely.

The compromise includes provisions allowing welfare workers to verify immigrants' legal status before giving them welfare checks. Illegal immigrants no longer would be allowed to qualify for Social Security benefits or public housing, and states could deny them drivers' licenses.

Training programs



(Special photo)

Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency Inc. is participating in Texas Colleges and University's extended and educational programs. From left are Michael Kirkpatrick, R.N., BSN; Angie Peoples, student in West Texas A&M University's School of Nursing; and Suzanne Wilkinson, administrator of the agency. Some of the programs the agency participates in are master of social work through the University of Texas, licensed vocational nurse's training through Frank Phillips College and physical therapy assistants through Amarillo College. Shepard's Nursing assists these students in completing curriculum required for their degrees.

Stand of redwoods wins reprieve

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — The world's largest privately held stand of virgin redwoods won a reprieve in a \$380 million tentative agreement struck two days before logging was to begin.

Under terms of the deal struck late Friday, state and federal governments would obtain the 3,000-acre Headwaters Forest and 4,500 acres of adjacent forest.

In return, Pacific Lumber Co. would get some \$380 million from state and federal sources and not conduct any logging there for 10 months.

That would give the government time to finalize the deal and make the area 280 miles north of San Francisco a preserve, putting an end to the salvage logging of the towering trees, some of which are 1,000 years old.

But environmentalists say the deal doesn't go far enough to protect other surrounding old-growth forests and wildlife.

They also complain that Texas financier Charles Hurwitz, whose company Maxxam Inc. owns Pacific Lumber, still has free rein to veto the deal at any time.

"This is a massive slap in the face of environmentalists by the Clinton administration — nobody here can believe it," said Daryl Cheney, who helped organize an anti-logging protest two weeks ago that resulted in more than 1,000 arrests, including singers Bonnie Raitt and Don Henley.

Hurwitz had planned to start logging in the Headwaters Forest on Monday, calling it a salvage operation of dead and diseased timber. The company said it had the approval of courts and state forestry officials.

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MEGANNE WALSH, JUNE 4, 1996

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	Penalty/Interest	Amount Due
If paid in Feb 7%	\$18.47	\$285.68
If paid in Mar 9%	\$27.74	\$394.95
If paid in Apr 11%	\$39.02	\$503.91
If paid in May 13%	\$53.29	\$657.19
If paid in June 15%	\$70.57	\$877.76

The Gray County Tax Assessor-Collector Office will be sending out tax statements on computer paper instead of the small pink statements as in the past. Above is a sample statement provided by Tax Assessor-Collector Sammie Morris showing how homesteads will be indicated on the new statements.

Assessor-collector to use new tax statements

Sammie Morris, Gray County tax assessor-collector, has announced that her office will be using 8 1/2 by 11 inch computer paper for the 1996 Gray County taxes this year instead of the small pink statements that have been used previously.

On the small pink statements, only one piece of property could be printed on the statement. With the new computer paper, the tax office can put up to five properties on one sheet, Morris explained.

The statement switchover is resulting in a savings to the taxpayers of more than \$1,300 and will also save on postage for the mailout of the statements, Morris said.

Morris provided a sample copy, printed above, so citizens can have time to study it. She said she hopes the new statements do not cause any difficulty for anyone.

"The homesteads are coded on the right side of the statement, and as you can see, the property owner has received their \$3,000 homestead off of the road and that made the taxable value \$55,810 for their home," Morris explained.

She said that if possible, taxpayers should return the statement with remittance for proper credit. If the statement is not returned,

taxpayers should put the account number, listed at the bottom after the water district, or the receipt number on the check for proper credit.

Morris said she appreciates everyone's cooperation and patience in this first year with the new tax statements. Anyone having questions may contact the tax office for assistance.

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To enter into the kingdom of God is the same as being saved. Then the new birth means salvation. In Acts 2, those three thousand Jews who were saved, first heard the gospel of Christ, then they believed it, repented of their sins and were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of their sins (Acts 2:22-41.) They were thus "born anew" and were "new creatures of Christ" (2 Cor. 5:17.)

Those who are born anew must be made to realize they are sinners and thus lost eternally (Rom. 3:23; 6:23.) When they learn about Jesus Christ and His message of salvation, then they learn what they have to do to be saved (Rom. 10:17; Acts 16:30.) Through faith, repentance, confession and baptism they are born anew and have the promise of eternal life (1 Jn. 2:25.) No where in God's word do we ever read of the new birth being some mysterious, miraculous experience. Neither do we ever read of someone praying through for salvation. Those desiring to be saved were given some very specific instructions of what they were to do to be saved. When they did those things, we can rest assured that they were born again and had entered into the kingdom of God, which is the church of the Lord.

-Billy T. Jones

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By Don Taylor



Some political thoughts

In a few short weeks we will once again enjoy one of the greatest media events of our time. Millions of dollars will pour into advertising campaigns as folks try to convince us to make decisions that will only benefit them. I write about the 1996 political elections.

The media will spend hours and pages in covering every move the candidates make. I would not be at all surprised to even see coverage of the political potty stops this year. This would certainly make for some interesting sound bites.

Candidates will make promises they cannot keep. They will spend hours debating non-issues and they will propose elaborate solutions for problems they can never solve.

Then on Nov. 5, a minority of Americans will go to the poles to elect a president and send some new faces to congress. The majority will complain regardless of the outcome. Four more years of whining will ensue.

I may sound a little cynical about the political process and I guess I am. However, I respect and dislike it at the same time. Our process may be the best in the world, but it isn't perfect and certainly could be improved.

The whole process is complex. It is a series of checks and balances with pendulum swings of power and philosophy. At the same time the political process is sad and funny, invigorating and disgusting, serious and silly, frightening and comforting and inclusive and exclusive.

There are many wonderful quotes about politics, government and politicians. It seems fitting to share some of the best ones here. They run the gamut from deadly serious to funny and frivolous. Most importantly they reflect the mood of America for more than 100 years.

Political quotes

1. We're going to move left and right at the same time. - Governor Jerry Brown
2. An elected official is one who gets 51 percent of the vote cast by 40 percent of the 60 percent of voters who registered. - Dan Bennett
3. Do you ever get the feeling that the only reason we have elections is to find out if the polls were right? - Robert Orben
4. There are always too many Democratic congressmen, too many Republican congressmen, and never enough U.S. congressmen. - Anonymous
5. Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river. - Nikita Khrushchev
6. A politician thinks of the next election; a statesman, of the next generation. - J. F. Clarke
7. No government is better than the men who compose it. - John F. Kennedy
8. No man is good enough to govern another man without that other's consent. - Abraham Lincoln
9. No government has ever been beneficial when the attitude of government was that it was taking care of the people. The only freedom consists in the people taking care of the government. - Woodrow Wilson
10. Politics is a profession; a serious, complicated and, in its true sense, a noble one. - Dwight D. Eisenhower
11. I'm just glad we don't get all the government we pay for. - Will Rogers
12. A politician is a person who divides his time between running for office and running for cover. - Antonio Gonzalez
13. Ninety percent of politics is deciding whom to blame. - Meg Greenfield
14. The politician reminded him of a 1948 Studebaker - a car that looked as if it could go either way. - Donald Allen

NFIB names Mac Thornberry 'Guardian of Small Business'

WASHINGTON - U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry has been named "Guardian of Small Business" by the nation's largest small-business advocacy organization, the National Federation of Independent Business.

NFIB represents more than 60,000 small and independent businesses nationwide including more than 36,000 in Texas. The organization honors U.S. lawmakers who provide consistent support for free enterprise by voting favorably on key small-business issues at least 70 percent of the time during a two-year session of Congress.

Thornberry's small-business voting record during the 104th Congress, based on 37 recorded votes, was 47 percent.

Among crucial issues for entrepreneurs this session were legis-

lative proposals dealing with balancing the federal budget, reducing government regulation, protecting small businesses from frivolous lawsuits, simple pension plans and making health insurance more readily available for small-business owners.

NFIB is a non-profit, non-partisan organization which lobbies federal and state legislatures on behalf of small business.

Small businesses comprise about 98 percent of all American employers, hire nearly 60 percent of the workforce and create some two-thirds of all net new jobs.

Tax consultant helps people resolve problems with IRS

An Amarillo woman is owner of a business to help taxpayers find solutions to their problems with the Internal Revenue Service.

Sherrie L. Slayton, owner of U.S. Tax Advocates Inc., began working with taxpayers in 1990 as a tax consultant. She formed the business in 1992 and incorporated it in 1995.

Slayton specializes in assisting taxpayers who are subject to IRS levies, liens and seizures by developing payment plans and negotiating offers in compromise and reductions of tax, penalties and interest.

Slayton stresses that taxpayers do have options in settling problems with the IRS. If they cannot solve the problem on their own, Slayton invites them to contact her to discuss possible solutions.

"All federal tax issues have a method of resolution," Slayton states, noting that her services are geared for people who can't work out their problems with the IRS on their own.

Slayton says every taxpayer has a right to assistance with the IRS. Her firm works with the taxpayer and the IRS to find resolutions to tax problems, especially those involving the IRS trying to collect the tax through levies, liens and seizures of property or income.

Options she explores with the IRS for her clients include an offer of compromise, in which the IRS would settle for less than the full amount of taxes assessed; developing installment payment plans; showing that a tax debt is currently not collectible due to illness, accident, income loss or other situations; finding a reduc-

tion of tax, penalty or interest; or having the IRS accept a partial payment of the total tax.

Slayton has spoken at various clubs, business associations and civic organizations explaining her service or addressing specific tax issues of interest to a group.

U.S. Tax Advocates Inc. has been featured in articles in the Amarillo Globe-News and Accent West because of the assistance she provided Dalhart resident Gary Johnson, a cattleman and former PRCA rodeo cowboy.

Johnson was involved in an accident which left him in a coma for three months and then facing nine and a half months of rehabilitation, including having to learn to walk again.

During that period, he was assessed several thousand dollars in taxes on capital gains made before the accident. But hospital and rehabilitation bills incurred from the accident left Johnson with no money to pay the tax bill and the accruing interest and penalties attached to it.

Johnson then went to Slayton for help. She was able to persuade the IRS to let Johnson work out an Offer of Compromise, an agreement between the taxpayer and the agency, which led to a great reduction in the total bill the IRS had assessed against Johnson.

Slayton said her services are designed for people like Johnson who find themselves in difficulties meeting IRS tax payments. She said her firm helps people to work out solutions with the IRS.

Slayton can be contacted at 904 S. Monroe in Amarillo, or phone (806) 379-6455.

GM to boost production of pickups at Texas plant

DETROIT (AP) - General Motors Corp. said Friday that it will boost production of some of its fastest-selling full-size pickups and sport utility vehicles by converting its Texas assembly plant.

GM announced last year that it would cease assembly of its Chevrolet Caprice, Buick Roadmaster and Cadillac Fleetwood sedans at Arlington, ending the era of the big, rear-drive road locomotive that once was GM's forte.

The No. 1 automaker said then that it would switch the plant to trucks, but did not specify which models. It now says Arlington will build the Chevrolet C/K series and GMC Sierra full-size, extended-cab pickups, four-door Chevrolet Tahoe and GMC Yukon full-size SUVs, and a new Tahoe police vehicle. Production will begin in mid-1997 with 1998 models.

GM has been working overtime to meet demand for its big pickups and SUVs, but has been

limited by production capacity. It makes the full-size pickups in Flint, Mich.; Pontiac, Mich.; Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Oshawa, Ontario. The new Tahoe-Yukon twins are produced only at Janesville, Wis., while a smaller number of Tahoes are made at Silao, Mexico, primarily for the Mexican market.

The changeover at Arlington is symbolic of Americans' increased preference for pickups, minivans and SUVs. The kind of heavy, full-size sedans that GM will stop producing there in December were for decades the staple of the U.S. automotive market.

In 1965, GM's Chevrolet Impala and its variants were the top-selling vehicles in the United States at nearly 1.7 million units. Last year, the three top-selling vehicles were all trucks: the Ford F-series pickups, the Chevrolet C/K series, and the Ford Explorer SUV.

Chamber Communique

The deadline for donated items to be listed in the Oct. 26 Country Fair catalog is Friday, Oct. 4. If the Chamber missed you and you would like to donate an item, please call the Chamber Office at 669-3241. Your donation is welcome!

Mark your calendar for Oct. 26 - the date of the The Country Fair.

• Meetings: Tuesday - 8 a.m., Retail

Committee, Nona Payne Room, Pampa Community Bldg.

Thursday - 2 p.m., Household Hazardous Waste Committee, Nona Payne Room, Pampa Community Bldg.

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(Pampa News photo by Skyla Bryant)

Barbara Kirkham, director of Community Day Care Center in Pampa, poses with Dale Knott of Dale's Car Wash at 807 W. Foster. The car wash contributed \$2 out of every car wash during the month of September towards a fund established by the day care center for construction of a storm shelter. Dale's Car Wash will be donating the same \$2 per carwash to a different charity each month for the next 12 months.

American Airlines to code-share

FORT WORTH (AP) - American Airlines announced Friday it will begin code-sharing on some selected flights to Aspen, Colo.

The code-sharing, an arrangement that allows one carrier to sell seats on another as if it's its own flight, will begin on Dec. 1 on selected Lone Star turboprop flights operated with 32-seat Dornier 328 aircraft.

American will place its designator code on Lone Star's daily nonstop service between Dallas-Fort Worth and Knoxville, Tenn. Additionally, American will code-share on daily Lone Star-operated services between Dallas-Fort Worth and Aspen,

and between Denver and Aspen.

The Aspen services will be operated under the trade name "Aspen Mountain Air," pursuant to a separate agreement between Lone Star and Peak International, Inc.

Fort Worth, Texas-based Lone Star currently flies to 17 cities in seven states, as well as to two cities in Mexico. The airline began service in June 1984 under the name Exec Express and changed the name to Lone Star Airlines in June 1991.

Peak International is an Aspen-based airline services group formed in March 1995 by local Aspen interests.

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Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill
GRAY (PANHANDLE) Lejan, Inc., #27 J.C. Short, 1393' from North & 2186' from East line, Sec. 2,1,H&GN, PD 3200'.
GRAY (PANHANDLE) Texaco E & P, Inc., #18 E.E. Gething NCT-2, 916' from North & 1001' from West line, Sec. 13,A-9,H&GN, PD 3250'. Rule 37
HARTLEY (LATHAM) Canyon Granite Wash) Rio Petroleum, Inc., #1 Mary K. Latham Unit, 1420' from North & 330' from East line, Sec. 123,43,H&TC, PD 6600'.
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT) above 8200' Midgard Energy Co., #1-25 Buckthal 'A', 301' from South & 1260' from East line, Sec. 25,A-1,H&GN (BHL: 467' from North & East line of Sec.) PD 8200'. Horizontal well
HUTCHINSON (WILDCAT & LILY ANN) Ellenburger) Phillips Petroleum Co., #2 Holt-Eisenhauer, 1800' from South & West line, Sec. 52,5-T,T&NO, PD 8000'.
HUTCHINSON (WILDCAT & LILY ANN) Ellenburger) Phillips Petroleum Co., Holt-Eisenhauer 'A' Sec. 81,5-T,T&NO, PD 8000', for the following wells:
 #2, 2000' from North & 1980' from East line of Sec.
 #4, 660' from North & 1980' from East line of Sec.
HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE & PANHANDLE) Gordon Taylor Oil Co., LP, #7 C.S. Carver 'A', 330' from North & East line, Sec. —,5,Wm. Heath, PD 3600'.
LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & BRADFORD) Cleveland) Midgard Energy Co., #5775 Bradford, 1920' from North & 1500' from East line, Sec. 775,43,H&TC, PD 7800'.
LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & FOLLETT) Tonkawa) Wilbanks Exploration, Inc., #2 Pinckard 'C',

933' from South & 1711' from West line, Sec. 76,10,H&TC, PD 7950'.
LIPSCOMB (MORGAN) Lower Morrow) Samson Lone Star Limited Partnership, #2 Joe Barton, 1600' from North & 1250' from East line, Sec. 974,43,H&TC, PD 9620'.
LIPSCOMB (SELL) Upper Morrow) Williford Energy Co., #806 Sell Upper Morrow Unit, 700' from North & 1010' from West line, Sec. 30,10,HT&B, PD 8300'.
OCHILTREE (WILDCAT & ELLIS) Cleveland) Mewbourne Oil Co., #1 Pshigoda '37', 660' from North & East line, Sec. 37,13,T&NO, PD 7500'.
OCHILTREE (WILDCAT & NORTHRUP) Cleveland) Mewbourne Oil Co., #4 Morris, 1500' from South & 660' from West line, Sec. 762,43,H&TC, PD 7800'.
OCHILTREE (WILDCAT & PERRYTON) Hunton) Alpar Resources, Inc., #1D Addison '1012', 467' from South & West line, Sec. 1012,43,H&TC, PD 10700'.
OCHILTREE (S.E. SHARE) Upper Morrow) Strand Energy, L.C., #5305 SE Share Upper Morrow Unit, 2564' from North & 153' from West line, Sec. 53,4,GH&H, PD 7750'.
SHERMAN (TEXAS-HUGOTON) Phillips Petroleum Co., #1R Biv 'B', 1320' from South & West line, Sec. 16,2,GH&H, PD 3375'.
SHERMAN (WILDCAT & CRAIG RANCH) Morrow) Phillips Petroleum Co., #7 Files, 467' from North & East line, Sec. 112,1-C,GH&H, PD 7000'.
Applications to Plug-Back
OCHILTREE (WILDCAT & ELLIS RANCH) Cleveland) Unit Petroleum Co., #1 Conley, 660'

from South & 1320' from East line, Sec. 846,43,H&TC, PD 9322'.
OCHILTREE (FARNSWORTH-CONNER) Kansas City) Midwestern Exploration Co., #1 Hawk, 1820' from South & 1980' from East line, Sec. 9,12,H&GN, PD 7000'.
OCHILTREE (WEST PERRYTON) Maraton) Midwestern Exploration Co., #1 Neufeld, 933' from South & East line, Sec. 49,11,W. Ahrenbeck & Bros., PD 8820'.
Application to Deepen (below casing)
HUTCHINSON (WILDCAT) below 6100' Texaco E & P, Inc., #1 G. C. Buchner, 2105' from South & 1430' from West line, Sec. 4,B,DL&C, PD 8100'.
Gas Well Completions
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT) Southwestern Energy Producing Co., #1 Shell Fee '25', Sec. 25,42,H&TC, elev. 2510 kb, spud 3-2-96, drlg. compl 4-7-96, tested 9-3-96, potential 3180 MCF, TD 11800', PBTD 11603' —
MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE) Anadarko Petroleum Corp., #1022A Brown, Sec. 22,44,H&TC, elev. 3438 gr, spud 6-14-96, drlg. compl 6-23-96, tested 6-28-96, potential 2457 MCF, TVD 3246', MD 4611' — Note: This is a horizontal sidetrack completion in the same formation as originally drilled. Producing naturally through the original casing.
MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE) Mesa Operating Co., #5 Sneed 'B', Sec. 54,6-T,T&NO, elev. 3387 gr, spud 6-6-96, drlg. compl 6-26-96, tested 7-29-96, potential 1069 MCF, TD 3087', PBTD 3087' —
MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE) Red Cave) Mesa Operating Co., #91-R Bivins, Sec. 33,PM,EL&RR, elev. 3725 gr, spud 6-17-96, drlg. compl 7-1-96,

tested 7-1-96, potential 449 MCF, TD 2343', PBTD 2294' —
MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE) Red Cave) Mesa Operating Co., #12-R Sneed, Sec. 51,6-T,T&NO, elev. 3447 gr, spud 6-1-96, drlg. compl 6-23-96, tested 7-30-96, potential 1279 MCF, TD 2060', PBTD 2017' —
OCHILTREE (ELLIS RANCH) Cleveland) Unit Petroleum Co., #4 Morgan, Sec. 758,43,H&TC, elev. 2856 gr, spud 7-26-96, drlg. compl 8-4-96, tested 9-20-96, potential 1509, TD 7400', PBTD 7357' —
POTTER (WEST PANHANDLE) Red Cave) Mesa Operating Co., #90-R Bivins, Sec. 9,0-18,D&P, elev. 3544 gr, spud 7-17-96, drlg. compl 7-31-96, tested 9-3-96, potential 2800 MCF, TD 2210', PBTD 2167' —
Plugged Wells
HANSFORD (HORIZON) Cleveland) Sonat Exploration Co., #2 Jarvis, Sec. 143,4-T,T&NO, spud unknown, plugged 5-14-96, TD 6650' (oil) —
HARTLEY (PANHANDLE) Red Cave) Comstock Oil & Gas, Inc., #1105-H, Sec. 5,—,SCL, spud 4-29-86, plugged 7-12-96, TD 2920', PBTD 2887' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Celeron
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Catherine C. Whittenburg Testamentary, Catherine Whittenburg, Sec. 3,—,Wm. Neil Survey (oil) — for the following wells:
 #11, spud unknown, plugged 8-5-96, TD 3285' —
 #12, spud unknown, plugged 8-9-96, TD 3260' —
 #15, spud unknown, plugged 8-5-96, TD 3283' —
 #26, spud unknown, plugged 8-2-96, TD 3275' —
 #27, spud unknown, plugged 7-31-96, TD 3336' —
 #28, spud unknown, plugged 8-18-96, TD 3284' —

Pampa Realtor attends TAR business meeting

AUSTIN — Jim Davidson, TAR director of the Pampa Board of Realtors, was among more than 500 Realtors attending the Texas Association of Realtors' 76th annual fall business meeting in Austin Sept. 22-26.
 The 1997 Texas legislative session and issues such as taxation, homestead and commercial liens were key topics addressed. Meeting participants heard updates on the evolution of real estate technology, including discussions on using the Internet to sell real estate. TAR debuted its Web site, which contains information for both Realtors and consumers.
 For consumers, TAR's Web site offers information on buying and selling real estate, and it helps them search for a Realtor using various criteria. The TAR consumer Web page is located at <http://www.texasrealestate.com>.
 For Realtors, the Web site offers access to real estate contracts, publications, legal questions and answers, product ordering, TAR news, e-mail, a comprehensive education calendar, a Realtor roster and legislative updates. The Realtor only Web address is <http://www.tar.org>.
 Other education sessions offered at the fall meeting included updates on the Texas economy, trends in the real estate industry, fair housing, cross-cultural marketing, customer service and commercial real estate investment.
 This year, for the first time ever, TAR's fall meeting was held in conjunction with the Austin Board of Realtors' Realty Roundup. More than 3,000 Realtors gathered at the Austin Convention Center for the roundup on Sept. 26, which featured more than 270 exhibit booths plus education programs, including technology demonstrations and top producers panel.
 TAR also conducted its committee and board of directors meetings and installed its 1997 officers, regional vice presidents and board directors.
 The Texas Association of Realtors is one of the largest trade associations in Texas, representing nearly 45,000 Realtors involved in all aspects of real estate industry.

Southwest Airlines starts 'Home for the Holidays' project


Southwest Airlines and the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle have announced the start of the 18th annual "Home for the Holidays" program which will provide Panhandle seniors with complimentary tickets to visit family and friends over the holidays.
 Applications are available at senior centers across the Panhandle and by contacting the Area Agency on Aging at 372-3381 if calling from the

Amarillo/Canyon area or 1-800-642-6008 outside of Amarillo. To apply, a person must be 65 years of age or older and demonstrate a strong economic need. Deadline for submission of applications is Oct. 18, 1996.
 Fifteen applicants from the Panhandle area will be selected to receive complimentary round-trip tickets based on their need for economic assistance and their reason for travel. Married couples may name their spouses


on the application if they would like the selection committee to consider both as possible recipients.
 Past recipients may apply, and only one application per person will be accepted.
 No ground transportation or additional travel expenses will be provided. Recipients may begin their trip any time after Dec. 2, 1996 but trips must be completed by Jan. 11, 1997.
 Since the program began in

1979, thousands of senior citizens have been sent "Home for the Holidays." In 1986, President Reagan cited the program as an outstanding community service program and awarded it the Presidential Award for Private Sector Initiatives.

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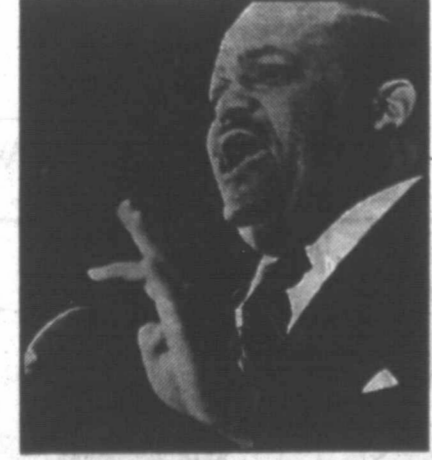
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Rig count down
 HOUSTON (AP) — The number of oil and gas rigs operating nationwide dropped by three this week to 822, Baker Hughes Inc. said Friday.
 There were 755 rigs operating in the United States during the same week last year.
 Of the rigs running this week, 515 were exploring for natural gas and 302 for oil. Five rigs were listed as miscellaneous.
 Houston-based Baker Hughes has kept track of the count since 1940. The tally peaked at 4,500 in December 1981 during the oil boom. It dropped to a record low of 596 in summer 1993, exceeding the previous low of 663 in 1986.
 The rig count represents the number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas.

Homeland names board chairman
 OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Homeland Stores Inc. has announced the recent appointment of James A. Demme as chairman of the board of directors. In its first meeting this month, the newly-formed board of the restructured Homeland unanimously elected Demme as the chairman.
 Demme will also retain his current position as president/chief executive officer of Homeland Stores, which operates 65 stores in the states of Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas.
 Demme came to Homeland in late 1994, bringing senior-management experience in both retail and wholesale. Demme has 35 years experience in the industry. He was executive vice president of retail operations for Scrivner Inc. prior to its acquisition by Fleming Companies Inc. Previously, Demme also held the positions of president and chief operating officer at Shaws Supermarkets, a large retail chain based in Massachusetts.
 "I'm looking forward to working with the new board of directors and demonstrating that Homeland is a revitalized company with strong potential," Demme said.
 "With the infusion of capital, new marketing strategies and a strong base of personnel, we will expand and grow this company. We will remain the leading supermarket chain in the region, offering our customers the very best in product, service and value."

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FOOTBALL

PAMPA — The Pampa Harvester freshmen football team rolled over the Dumas Demons' freshmen team, 22-8, Thursday night.

Ramone Martinez, helped out by outstanding blocking in the line, had a big night out of the backfield. Javier Cruz and Allan Parker were Pampa's top defensive performers.

Pampa had no trouble running the ball throughout the game, using a powerful rushing offense to overcome Dumas.

Both teams started the game strong, but a Dumas turnover deep in their own territory led to an easy rushing touchdown for Pampa early in the first quarter. Other touchdowns came in the second and fourth quarters.

The Pampa freshmen play at Hereford next Thursday with the game starting at 5 p.m. Pampa's next home game is Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. against Canyon. Pampa freshmen have a 1-2 record.

CANADIAN — Taylor Tubb scored Canadian's only touchdown against the Childress Bobcats in front of a Wildcats homecoming crowd Friday night as the Wildcats lost, 26-6.

Tubb scored the first touchdown of the game when he was able to scramble into the end zone from 4 yards out to put the Wildcats only points on the board.

Childress dominated the game after that, holding the Wildcats to only 95 yards of total offense compared to the Bobcats own total yardage of 267 yards.

Scoring for Childress were John Eudy, who scored off of a 28-yard reception from K.C. Murray, Frankie Caribaldi, who scored off of a 3-yard fumble recovery, Luke Inman also scored off of a Murray pass from 28-yards out, and rounding out the Bobcats scoring was Eric Rodriguez, who scored off of an 8-yard run in the fourth quarter.

The win improves Childress' record to 2-1 on the year while the loss drops the Wildcats down to an even 2-2 for the season.

Canadian's next game is in Spearman Oct. 11 at 7:30.

GOLF

PAMPA — The second annual Jordan Unit Charity Golf Tournament was held Saturday at Hidden Hills Public Course.

Results of the three-way scramble are listed below:

First place: Mark Westbrook, Pat Montoya and B. McDuffy, 67.

Second place: Steve Paschall, Butch Reynolds and James Daniels, 68.

Third place: Shawn Fraley, Don Head and Ben Brown, 69.

Fourth place: Lee Garcia, Howard Musgrave and Bob White, 69.

Fifth place: T.W. Wilson, Bob Brandon and Mike Savers, 69.

Longest drive: Men — David McGill; Women — Jane Lawyer.

Closest to the pin: T.W. Wilson, No. 6.

There 41 entries in the scramble, which is a fundraiser for the State Employees Charitable Campaign.

BASEBALL

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The San Diego Padres sent the NL West down to the final day and clinched their first playoff spot in 12 years.

Tony Gwynn's two-out, bases-loaded single broke a tie in the eighth inning Saturday, giving the Padres a 4-2 win over the Los Angeles Dodgers and leaving the teams tied.

Gwynn, who played for the Padres in 1984 when they last appeared in the postseason, snapped a 2-2 tie with his single off Mark Guthrie. Gwynn went 2-for-5, raising his average to .356 and should earn him his seventh batting title.

Jody Reed and pinch-hitter Greg Vaughn singled off Darren Dreifort (1-4) and Rickey Henderson walked. Guthrie relieved, and Gwynn hit a sharp single through the left side just beyond the reach of diving shortstop Greg Gagne.

After 3,916 games, a title for Texas

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Finally, the Texas Rangers can call themselves champions.

It took only 3,916 games, 18 managers, 13 losing seasons, four owners, 460 players and 25 years to win the American League West. In typical Rangers fashion, they clinched it the hard way.

Texas won the West thanks to Oakland's 8-1 victory over Seattle while the Rangers were in the 13th inning of an eventual 4-3 loss to California in 15 innings.

When the five-hour, eight-minute marathon finally ended Saturday morning, the Rangers ran through 150 bottles of champagne before drifting home at 3 a.m. Some of the champagne was hot. The game had taken so long that the ice melted in the buckets.

It figured: The Rangers' first championship in 25 years and the

champagne wasn't cold.

Bob Short moved the franchise from Washington in 1972, and that team finished 38 1/2 games out of first place under manager Ted Williams, who was frustrated he couldn't teach anyone to hit.

Dick Bosman, the Rangers' current pitching coach, pitched and won the first game ever in old Arlington Stadium, a converted minor-league park.

Texas Gov. George W. Bush put together a partnership that bought the franchise from oilman Eddie Chiles in 1989 and engineered a deal with Arlington for a new \$190 million stadium, The Ballpark.

The Rangers moved in to start 1994, leaving behind 22 seasons of bad baseball in which the likes of Billy Martin, Whitey Herzog, Doug Rader and Bobby Valentine couldn't bring home a winner.

Things were so bad the Rangers had four managers in 1977 — all in one week. Frank Lucchesi, Billy

Hunter, Connie Ryan and Eddie Stanky rode the managerial carousel. Hunter lasted until the next season.

Besides Short, Chiles and the Bush partnership, plastic pipe manufacturer and salesman Brad Corbett was the other owner. His biggest accomplishment was firing Herzog, replacing him with Martin, and later firing Martin.

Scarcely more than a week ago, it appeared as though the Rangers were about to add another sad chapter to their checkered history. After leading Seattle by nine games, Texas went into a slump that included a four-game sweep by the Mariners. Suddenly the lead was down to one.

But unlike previous Texas teams, this one didn't wilt in the heat of a pennant chase.

When the Rangers finally broke through for a pennant, club president Tom Schieffer said the keys were simple.

"We were a true team," Schieffer said. "(General manager) Doug Melvin went after players he wanted, those who truly wanted to be here. Then Johnny Oates took those players and molded them into one of the best teams ever to play for the Rangers."

"There was a great team atmosphere and it was a reflection of Johnny's character. He's just full of integrity. Nobody really gave us a chance but Johnny kept this team hanging in there even after we were swept in Seattle. We bounced right back."

The Rangers will play at New York on Tuesday with any combination of a Baltimore victory or a Chicago loss this weekend.

Oates will use pitcher John Burkett to start Game 1, followed by Ken Hill and Darren Oliver. Either Bobby Witt or Roger Pavlik will start in the No. 4 spot.

Schieffer isn't selling the team short now that it's in the playoffs.

He said Rangers' starting pitching is among the best in the major leagues.

"We had five pitchers in double figures (wins) and nobody else in baseball did that," Schieffer said.

"I think we have our best baseball ahead of us. We've had a lot of pressure on us. There won't be any in the playoffs as far as we're concerned. Our season is already a big success. And it could be even bigger."

Then Schieffer made a prediction: "We can beat the New York Yankees. The big burden for us was getting across the threshold. Now, we can move on to the promised land."

Oates, Schieffer said, should be in strong contention for manager of the year. At least the Ranger fans think so. One sign in The Ballpark read: "We don't need Wheaties. We have our Oates."

And the fans finally have a September to remember.

Pampa holds off Dumas for homecoming win

PAMPA — Pampa held off a desperation drive by Dumas late in the fourth quarter to preserve a 20-14 homecoming win Friday night in Harvester Stadium.

For both teams, it was also the District 1-4A opener as Pampa's record improved to 3-1. It was Dumas' first loss after three victories.

Pampa was leading 20-7 with 7:04 to go when Dumas gained possession after a Harvester punt. Riding the arm of quarterback Luke Evenson the Demons went on a six-play scoring drive as Evenson connected with Steven Krebs on a 23-yard pass play with 5:15 remaining. Richard Trujillo's PAT cut Pampa's lead to 20-14.

The situation got scary for the Harvesters when they were forced to punt on their next possession with 2:17 left and the Demons in control of the ball on their own 35. After Pampa safety Ray Tollerson threw running back Adam Crownover for a two-yard loss on the first play, Evenson moved Dumas into Pampa territory on a 30-yard pass to Justin Calvert. Pampa's defense then took command and Evenson would move the Demons no further.

After two incomplete passes and Tanner Winkler's tackle at the line of scrimmage, Dumas faced a fourth and 10 situation at the Pampa 37. As Evenson looked downfield for a receiver on the next play, Pampa defen-

sive end Aaron Wiseman broke through and sacked him for a two-yard loss. Pampa gained possession at the 1:03 mark and ran out the clock.

Pampa All-District end Devin Lemons was one of the happiest people in Harvester Stadium Friday night, and the win wasn't the only thing he was happy about. It was the first time for Lemons to see action after suffering a fractured jaw before the season started.

"It's the greatest feeling in the world. It was the best time to be back," Lemons said. "It was homecoming, my parents were here, and Dumas played us a heck of a game. I wouldn't have wanted it any other way."

Lemons, who started both ways at end, caught three passes for 64 yards and was in on several tackles.

Pampa's offense struggled throughout the game and managed only 189 yards in total offense. However, Pampa's defense took up the scoring slack.

With Dumas set up for a 27-yard field goal attempt midway through the first quarter, Pampa free safety J.J. Mathis blocked Richard Trujillo's kick. Tollerson, at strong safety, picked up the loose ball and raced 85 yards down the sideline for the touchdown. Josh Blackmon's extra point kick made it 7-0 with 6:09 remaining in the first quarter.

On Dumas' second possession of the second quarter,

Pampa linebacker Marques Long picked off a pass by Evenson, who had to hurry his throw after a strong rush by Lemons. Long went into the end zone untouched from 27 yards out and Blackmon's PAT gave Pampa a 14-0 lead with 2:12 left in the half.

After lineman Aaron Hayden recovered a fumble on Dumas' first play from scrimmage in the third quarter, Blackmon kicked a 25-yard field goal to pad Pampa's lead at 17-0. Blackmon added a 21-yard field goal with 4:22 remaining in the third quarter.

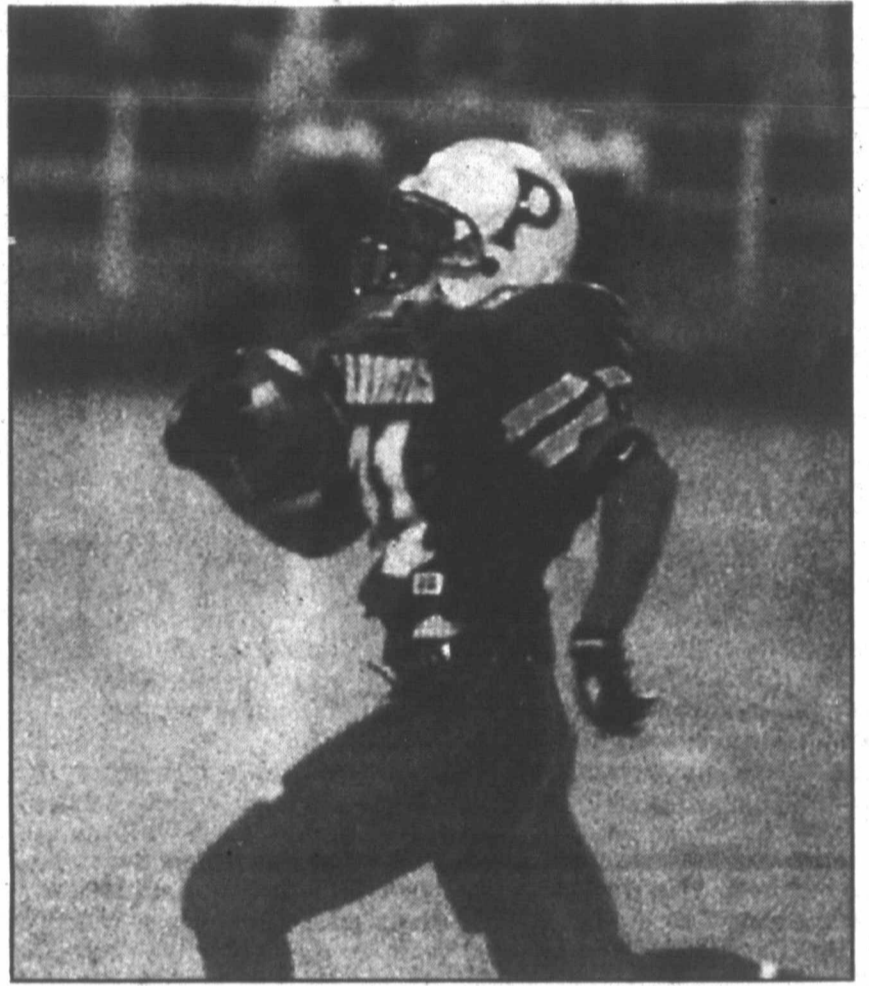
Dumas got on the scoreboard with 1:52 to go in the third quarter when Crownover broke about five tackles and went on an 87-yard trip down the sideline. Trujillo's PAT made the score, 20-7, going into the fourth period.

Pampa travels to Hereford for a District 1-4A game next Friday night. Kickoff is 7:30.

Pampa	7	7	6	0	-20
Dumas	0	0	7	7	-14

P-Ray Tollerson 85 blocked field goal return (Josh Blackmon kick)
P-Marques Long 27 interception return (Blackmon kick)
P-Blackmon 25 FG
P-Blackmon 21 FG
D-Adam Crownover 87 run (Richard Trujillo kick)
D-Steven Krebs 23 pass from Luke Evenson (Trujillo kick)

	Pampa	Dumas
First Downs	9	16
Yards Rushing	86	178
Yards Passing	103	176
Total Yards	189	354
Comp-Att-Int	7-19-0	16-33-2
Punts-Avg	7-35.9	3-25
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-1



(Pampa News photo by Danny Cowan)

Pampa strong safety Ray Tollerson runs down the sideline on an 85-yard touchdown run in the first quarter.

Penalties-Yards	6-35	5-35
Individual Statistics	Pampa	Dumas
Rushing: Marques Long 22-68, Aaron Wiseman 4-17, J.J. Mathis 3-7, Josh Blackmon 5-(minus 6).	63	123
Passing: Josh Blackmon 7-19-0-103.	16	123
Receiving: Devin Lemons 3-64; J.J. Mathis 2-24; Aaron Wiseman 2-11.	103	123

White Deer storms past Vega

VEGA — The undefeated White Deer Bucks continued their winning ways Friday night as Craig Urbanczyk scored four consecutive touchdowns to lead the Bucks in a crushing 59-0 victory over Vega Friday night.

White Deer's strong defense held Vega to only 49 total yards and forced three turnovers to help the Bucks' blank Vega in this non-district game.

White Deer scored in every quarter, starting out with a big 23-point first quarter that was led by Urbanczyk's first three touchdowns of the game. Urbanczyk scored almost at will in the first quarter, rushing for all three of his touchdowns of 6, 50 and 38 yards respectively to help put White

Deer out of Vega's reach early.

Urbanczyk, a 150-pound sophomore, continued to lead the Bucks in the second quarter, scoring his last touchdown off of a huge 63-yard run for his fourth TD of the game. Johnny Berry also found the end zone in the 2nd, scoring off of a 15-yard run to lift White Deer to a 38-point lead at the half.

White Deer quarterback Torey Craig threw for his first touchdown in the third quarter when he was able to find Nick Knocke for a 41-yard touchdown reception.

Even White Deer's defense helped the bucks offensively by forcing a safety in the third quarter.

Rounding out the Bucks' scoring was Jay Easley, who rushed for two touchdowns of his own off of

runs of 12 and 17 yards to help White Deer effectively dominate Vega. Craig kicked three PATs.

White Deer also dominated the game from a statistical standpoint, gaining a total of 462 yards, only 42 of which were passing yards, compared to Vega's meager total of 49 yards. White Deer had 22 first downs to Vega's 5.

The Bucks' defense came up with three turnovers.

White Deer remains undefeated on the season, moving to 4-0, while Vega remains without a win, dropping to 0-3 on the year. The Bucks have made a complete turnaround this season after winning only one game a year ago.

White Deer's next game is against Wheeler October 4 in Wheeler at 7:30.

Colorado tops A&M

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Koy Detmer threw touchdown passes of 50 and 9 yards and No. 12 Colorado had seven sacks and forced four Texas A&M fumbles in a 24-10 victory in the first Big 12 Conference game for the teams Saturday.

Colorado (3-1, 1-0 Big 12) won its eighth straight road game, tying a school record and handing a rare home loss

to the Aggies (1-3, 0-1), who are 63-4-1 at Kyle Field since 1985.

Greg Jones had three of the Buffaloes' sacks of Brannon Stewart and Sean Jarne had two fumble recoveries.

The Buffaloes had to overcome school-record record individual performances by Stewart (34-of-64, 385 yards) and Albert Connell (18 receptions).

Groom comes up short against Three-Way team

SILVERTON — Unbeaten Three-Way rallied late in the game to hand Groom a 14-13 loss in 6-man football action Saturday.

With 2:02 to go and Groom ahead, 13-6, Silverton quarterback Jesus Perez hooked up with Kyle Kindle on a 9-yard touchdown pass. Chris Soliz' conversion kick turned out to be the winning points.

Three-way is now 4-0 for the season while Groom is 2-2.

"It was kind of a sloppy game from an offensive standpoint," said Groom head coach Jim Reid. "Both teams played pretty even. A break here or there and it could have been a differ-

ent outcome, but they made a drive at the end to win it and then we turned it over at the end."

Justin Ritter scored on an eight-yard run to give Groom a 6-0 lead in the first quarter. Perez' 7-yard pass to Soliz tied the score before the quarter ended.

Ritter's one-yard plunge and his conversion pass to Brad Sustaire gave the Tigers a 13-6 lead at halftime.

Groom hosts McLean at 7:30 next Friday night.

This is Groom's first year back in 6-man after playing 11-man the past two seasons.

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National League Standings

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East Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Atlanta	96	65	.594	—
Montreal	87	73	.544	8
Florida	80	80	.500	15
New York	70	90	.438	25
Philadelphia	66	94	.413	29

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-St. Louis	87	73	.544	—
Cincinnati	80	80	.500	7
Houston	80	80	.500	7
Chicago	76	84	.475	11
Pittsburgh	71	89	.444	16

West Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
y-Los Angeles	90	70	.563	—
San Diego	89	71	.556	1
Colorado	82	78	.513	8
San Francisco	67	93	.419	23

x-cinched division title
y-cinched playoff berth

Thursday's Games

Cincinnati 12, Chicago 4
Houston 6, New York 2
Florida 7, Atlanta 1
Montreal 5, Philadelphia 2
San Francisco 6, Los Angeles 1
Only games scheduled

Friday's Games

Pittsburgh 7, Chicago 4, 10 innings, 1st game
Chicago 10, Pittsburgh 9, 2nd game
Florida 3, Houston 2
Atlanta 6, Montreal 4
Philadelphia 6, New York 5
St. Louis 2, Cincinnati 1, 11 innings
San Francisco 9, Colorado 3
San Diego 5, Los Angeles 2, 10 innings
Saturday's Games
Cincinnati (Morgan 6-10) at St. Louis (Jackson 0-1), 2:25 p.m.
San Francisco (Bourgeois 1-3) at Colorado (Rekar 2-4), 3:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Schmidt 5-6) at Chicago (Trachsel 13-9), 4:05 p.m.
San Diego (Ashby 9-5) at Los Angeles (Nomo 16-11), 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Maduro 0-0) at New York (Person 3-5), 7:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Madux 15-11) at Montreal (M.L. Leiter 8-11), 7:35 p.m.
Florida (Helling 2-1) at Houston (Darwin 2-2), 8:05 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Atlanta (Avery 7-9) at Montreal (P. Martinez 13-10), 1:35 p.m.
Philadelphia (Williams 6-14) at New York (Jones 12-8), 1:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Lyons 1-0) at St. Louis (Ludwick 0-0), 2:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Loiaza 1-3) at Chicago (Navarro 15-11), 2:20 p.m.
Florida (Larkin 0-0) at Houston (Reynolds 16-10), 2:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Watson 8-11) at Colorado (Ritz 16-11), 3:05 p.m.
San Diego (J. Hamilton 15-9) at Los Angeles (R. Martinez 15-8), 4:05 p.m.
End Regular Season

American League Standings

By The Associated Press
All Times EDT
East Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-New York	91	69	.569	—
Baltimore	87	73	.544	4
Boston	84	76	.525	7
Toronto	73	87	.456	18
Detroit	53	107	.331	38

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Cleveland	98	61	.616	—
Chicago	85	75	.531	13 1/2
Milwaukee	78	82	.488	20 1/2
Minnesota	76	84	.475	22 1/2
Kansas City	74	85	.465	24

West Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Texas	88	72	.550	—
Seattle	84	75	.528	3 1/2

Oakland 77 83 .481 11
California 70 89 .440 17 1/2

x-cinched division title

Friday's Games

Boston 7, New York 5
Toronto 3, Baltimore 2
Kansas City 11, Cleveland 6
Chicago 4, Minnesota 2
Milwaukee 7, Detroit 6, 5 1/2 innings, rain
Oakland 8, Seattle 1
California 4, Texas 3, 15 innings

Saturday's Games

New York at Boston, 1:05 p.m.
California at Texas, 1:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Toronto, 1:05 p.m.
Seattle at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at Detroit, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

New York (Bones 7-14) at Boston (Gordon 12-9), 1:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Wells 11-14) at Toronto (Hentgen 19-10), 1:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (VanEdmond 3-5) at Detroit (Thompson 1-6), 1:15 p.m.
Chicago (Baldwin 11-6) at Minnesota (Rodriguez 13-14), 2:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Lopez 5-4) at Kansas City (Belcher 14-11), 2:35 p.m.
California (Springer 5-5) at Texas (Witt 15-12), 3:05 p.m.
Seattle (Wolcott 7-10) at Oakland (Small 0-3), 4:05 p.m.

Monday's Game

Seattle at Cleveland, TBA, if necessary

Season Ends

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
Dean's Pharmacy	0	0	3	1	1	1
Albracht Chiro	1	0	0	8	0	1
First Bank SW	0	1	0	1	3	1
4-R Industrial	0	1	0	0	8	1

Scores: Dean's Pharmacy 9, 4-R Industrial 0; Albracht Chiro 5, First Bank SW 2.

Note: Scores listed above are from Week Two matches. *Denotes non-conference matches. Non-conference games do not affect standings. U-6 & U-8 recreation only, no standings kept.

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Week Three scores are as follows:

U-16 Boys

*Pampa 1, Amarillo Outlaws 1

U-12 Boys

Message Therapy 5, Perryton One 4; *Medicine Shoppe 3, Message Therapy 1; *Culligan 3, Willis Shaw 1.

Under 12 Girls

Team Four 3, Dos Caballeros 2; Curtis Well 5, Edward Jones 2.

U-10 Boys

Fatheres Ins 6, NeLlava 3; Donut Shop 5, The Operating Co. 0.

U-12 Girls

Dean's Pharmacy 3, First Bank SW 1; Albracht Chiro 8, 4-R Industrial 0. *denotes non-conference matches

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Pampa Soccer Association

League Standings - Week Three

U-16 Boys

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
*Pampa	0	0	0	0	0	0
*Am Outlaws	0	0	0	0	0	0
*Am Arsenal	0	0	0	0	0	0
*Am Terminators	0	0	0	0	0	0

Scores: *Pampa 2, Amarillo Arsenal 2

U-14 Boys

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
A Cut Above	3	0	0	13	4	3
Mr. Gattis	1	1	0	6	5	2
Borger	0	3	0	1	11	2

Scores: A Cut Above 5, Mr. Gattis 3; A Cut Above 2, Borger 1

U-12 Boys

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
Message Therapy	3	0	0	14	4	3
Culligan	3	0	0	10	3	3
Medicine Shoppe	1	0	0	4	3	1
Borger One	1	1	0	4	4	2
Willis Shaw	0	1	0	1	1	1
Perryton One	0	1	0	3	5	1
Perryton Two	0	1	0	1	4	1
Borger Two	0	2	0	1	5	2
Borger Three	0	2	0	1	10	1

Scores: Message Therapy 2, Borger Two 0; Culligan 4, Borger Three 1; Borger One 2, Willis Shaw 0; Culligan 4, Perryton Two 1

U-14 Girls

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
Haydon-Ford Chr	1	0	1	3	1	2
Davis Electric	0	1	0	0	1	1
Frasier Ins	0	1	0	1	3	1

Scores: Haydon-Ford Chiro 3, Frasier Ins 1; Haydon-Ford Chiro 0, Davis Electric 0

U-12 Girls

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
Edward Jones	1	1	0	6	6	2
Curtis Well	3	0	0	11	3	3
Team 4 Girls	0	2	0	4	5	2
Dos Caballeros	0	3	0	3	10	3

Scores: Curtis Well 3, Dos Caballeros 0

U-10 Boys

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
Donut Stop	1	0	0	5	0	1
Fatheres Ins	1	0	0	6	3	1
Minco O&G	0	0	0	0	0	0
Boatmens	0	0	0	0	0	0
NeLlava	0	1	0	3	6	1
Operating Co.	0	1	0	0	5	1

Scores: Boatmens 4, Fatheres Ins 4; Donut Shop 5, Minco O&G 3

U-10 Girls

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
Edward Jones	1	1	0	6	6	2
Curtis Well	3	0	0	11	3	3
Team 4 Girls	0	2	0	4	5	2
Dos Caballeros	0	3	0	3	10	3

Scores: Curtis Well 3, Dos Caballeros 0

Harvester veterans



Bill Clay (third from left), was one of about 40 Harvester football veterans along with their spouses who attended a homecoming pep rally Friday afternoon in McNeely Fieldhouse. Clay played for the Harvesters in 1943-45. The Harvester veterans also participated in the homecoming parade following the pep rally.

Fort Elliott rolls past Amarillo Christian

AMARILLO — The Fort Elliott Cougars pounded the Amarillo Christian team of the same name Friday night, led by Zack Smith and Donnie Barr's six combined touchdowns, 43-0.

The 4-0 Fort Elliott Cougars dominated throughout the game starting out early by scoring 18 points in the first quarter. Donnie Barr had two touchdowns in the first quarter, the first of the two stemming from a 34-yard run and the other coming off of a 48-yard pass from Curt Smith. Rounding out the Cougars first quarter scoring was Clay Zyback, who scored his only touchdown of the game off of a 43-yard scramble into the end zone.

Zack Smith took over the scoring duties for the Cougars after that, scoring off of a pass from Curt Smith from 11 yards out, running the ball for two touch-

downs of 5 and 74 yards, and returning a kickoff for a 64-yard touchdown.

Amarillo Christian came close to scoring their first points of the season in the fourth quarter, but Fort Elliott was able to end Amarillo Christian's drive at Hedley Oct. 4 there.

Lady Harvesters fall to Canyon in District 1-4A volleyball clash

PAMPA — Pampa's Lady Harvesters couldn't overcome slow starts in a District 1-4A volleyball clash Saturday with Canyon.

Canyon defeated Pampa, 15-10, 15-8, as the Lady Eagles jumped out to 6-0 and 8-0 leads both games.

Lisa Dwight led Pampa with 4 kills and was 15 of 18 in attacks. Deidre Crawford was 9 of 11 in serve attempts, including 7 points. Crawford and April Lopez each had 6 assists while Cara East was 9 of 9 in digs. Nichole Cagle had 14 of 15 serves received.

Pampa is 2-3 in district play and 12-8 for the season. Canyon is 4-1 in district and 11-6 overall.

The Lady Harvesters play at Caprock on Tuesday night.

Nebraska routs Colorado State

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Scott Frost, hammered by critics for two lackluster performances, passed for two touchdowns and ran for one Saturday in leading No. 8 Nebraska to a 65-9 victory over Colorado State.

The Cornhuskers (2-1) who fell from the No. 1 spot after an embarrassing 19-0 shutout at the hands of Arizona State, wore down a scrappy Colorado State (2-3) squad that moved the ball in the early going but couldn't score.

Frost capped Nebraska's first possession with a 3-yard TD pass to Vershan Jackson. He redeemed a sometimes shaky second-period performance, in which he missed some open receivers, with a 4-yard scoring run. The junior transfer from Stanford completed 13-of-18 passes for 143 yards.

Ahman Green became the first Nebraska running back to rush for 100 yards this season, rolling up 163 yards on 22 carries.

Nebraska's 24-6 halftime lead included a touchdown by running back Damon Benning and Kris Brown's field goal.

Nebraska scored touchdowns on its first three possessions of the second half. None of the drives took more than four plays.

Miami blanks Pitt

MIAMI (AP) — Tony Gaiter caught three touchdowns passes, two from Ryan Clement and an 85-yarder from backup Scott Covington, and No. 10 Miami rolled to its second straight shutout with a 45-0 victory over Pittsburgh on Saturday.

The Panthers (1-4), who lost 72-0 to Ohio State last week, have now been outscored 117-0 in their last two games. The Hurricanes record went to 4-0.

Clement had three TD passes in just over two quarters and was 14-of-23 for 208 yards before Covington took over in the third quarter. Tailback Danyell Ferguson ran for 117 yards and a TD. Gaiter had 135 yards on four catches.

In the first half, Ferguson had 111 yards, while the Panthers managed just 96 and finished with 190 for the game.

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90th birthday



Hattie Marie Rust Stephens will be honored with a 90th birthday party from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, in Cory Court of First United Methodist Church. Mrs. Stephens was born Oct. 5, 1906, in Cleburne, the daughter of Virgil G. Rust and Mary Jane Cummings Rust, who were the parents of nine. She married James Thomas Stephens in Cleburne in 1926. They spent most of their married life in Electra. Mr. Stephens died in 1970. Mrs. Stephens moved to Pampa in 1976. She is the mother of Mary Lynn Case of Pampa and the late Jane Anne McBride. She is the grandmother of Mark Stephens Case, Leslie Lynn McBride, Mary Lisa McBride and Lee Anne McBride, Dallas, and Beth Case Zimmerman, Philadelphia. Mrs. Stephens has been a member of the United Methodist Church for 70 years where she has taught Sunday school; sponsored youth activities, sung in the choir and served with United Methodist Women. At FUMC, she sings with Senior Saints Choir and is active in UMW and Sunday school. She spent most of her career as a saleswoman in ready-to-wear.

Lone Star Brewery turns out lights for its last time

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The lights are out for good at the 63-year-old Lone Star Brewery.

With production moving from the landmark on San Antonio's South Side to a Stroh brewery in Longview, about 150 of 230 Lone Star employees are out of work. They spent their last morning at the plant Friday as the plant intercom played "Auld Lang Syne" in the darkened brewhouse.

"This is it, man. We're out of here," said machinist Rusty Rivet as he left through the employee gate for the last time in his 7 1/2-year career.

Some 50 to 60 employees will remain with the Buckhorn Museum and a regional sales office, 10 will stay on at the facility and 10 more had jobs waiting, said Lacey Logan, Stroh corporate communications director.

The plant closing was announced July 25, less than a month after Stroh bought Lone Star and other properties held by the G. Heileman Brewing Co.

As the smallest of Stroh's breweries, Lone Star was said to be uneconomical, yet too big to function as a microbrewery.

Stroh officials estimated it would take more than \$40 million to return the Lone Star Brewery to competitiveness. Meanwhile, Stroh and the rest of

the brewing industry have excess capacity, company officials have said.

Stroh's Longview plant produces more than three times the output of the Lone Star facility, which produced about 1 million barrels of beer last year.

Production and shipping activity at the San Antonio brewery ended more than a week ago.

Built in 1933 as the Sabinas brewery and later renamed Champion, the brewery and its beer acquired the Lone Star name in 1940 under new ownership that included Harry Jersig. It became a public company in 1949.

I'M NOT A POLITICIAN

I'm not a politician, but I can see that abortion is murder, in the first degree.

You can plan ahead, and it's legal you see, to premeditate to kill your own baby.

I'm not a politician, but I can see the abomination in the home of homosexuality.

They try to teach it in the schools, That it is right you see, to wipe out God's plan of a real family.

Then some politicians say; family values are for me, but, can a man with a man make a little baby?

I'm not a politician, but I can see, that legal suicide is against the family.

You can have Kervorkian, and all his fame, but he is a murderer. He has earned the name.

What is the matter with the judges in the land, when for the truth, they will not stand?

I'm not a politician, but I can see, that drugs are a part of our society.

Our politicians make laws against our will. Drinking liquor, taking drugs, for this I can't stand still.

Republican? Or Democrat? Who cares about the name? Cast your vote for the one who will do the right thing!

Is our President a politician? Friends, what can you do about it? Can they corrupt our land? Let us raise our voice and shout it! "For this we will not stand!"

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Gladys Steward, Pampa, Tx.

Ethics panel renders mixed decision on Gingrich

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House ethics committee refused Saturday to dismiss key parts of a Democratic ethics complaint against Speaker Newt Gingrich, saying it needed more information on allegations he received prohibited gifts and illegal campaign contributions.

Parts of the complaint against Gingrich were dismissed. At the same time, the committee dismissed a complaint against House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt. A Republican complaint contended he provided contradictory information about his North Carolina vacation properties on financial disclosure statements and other official documents.

The committee dismissed counts accusing Gingrich of violating bribery and gratuity statutes by intervening for financial supporters in a quid pro quo arrangement.

Gingrich had sought dismissal of all counts of the complaint. The action by the committee today is separate from an ongoing investigation of the speaker's college course, which was broadened earlier this week.

Gingrich spokesman Tony Blankley, reacting to the decision, said, "Once again, the ethics committee today dismissed another two allegations filed against the speaker by the same band of House Democrats who remain bitter about their fall from power in 1994."

Blankley said the Democrats seek to regain control of the House "by filing bogus ethics

allegations" and predicted, "I am confident those allegations will be deemed groundless by the committee."

Gephardt said the complaint against him was filed "in transparently partisan and retaliatory purposes..."

"From the beginning I said, simply, that there was nothing to these claims. Today, I was vindicated by a bipartisan decision of the ethics committee," he said in a statement.

The Democratic complaint filed a year ago asked for a broad probe of Gingrich's activities when he led a conservative Republican political action committee — GOPAC.

"The committee is in the process of obtaining additional information concerning Counts IV through VII of the complaint, and has not reached any conclusions regarding any of those counts," it wrote Gingrich.

Those counts accused Gingrich of receiving \$250,000 from GOPAC for personal use, a prohibited gift; receiving illegal campaign contributions from the PAC; and conduct unbecoming a House member.

The committee wrote Gephardt that it determined "the complaint does not merit further inquiry and is hereby dismissed."

However, the committee also criticized Gephardt for acting just Friday to correct his financial disclosure statements, to include rental income from his Outer Banks,

N.C. vacation property.

"You have disclosed this income to the committee more than three years after the original disclosure form was filed and only after a complaint was filed against you in connection with this matter," Gephardt was told in the committee letter.

"A review of your financial disclosure statements reflects that this is not the first occasion you have filed amendments to your disclosure records of 1991 and 1992 in connection with these transactions," it said.

"The committee expects you will be more diligent in the future and adhere strictly to the requirements to file timely and accurate financial disclosure statements," the committee said.

Members of a House ethics subcommittee that broadened an investigation of Gingrich weeks before the election knew a failure to act would damage their credibility.

The subcommittee decision Thursday virtually wrote the copy for new Democratic campaign ads — but it also enabled the panel to counter Democrats' accusations of stalling.

"If it didn't get resolved now," subcommittee members would have been peppered mercilessly with the question: "How can you justify this?" said a congressional source close to the investigation, insisting on anonymity.

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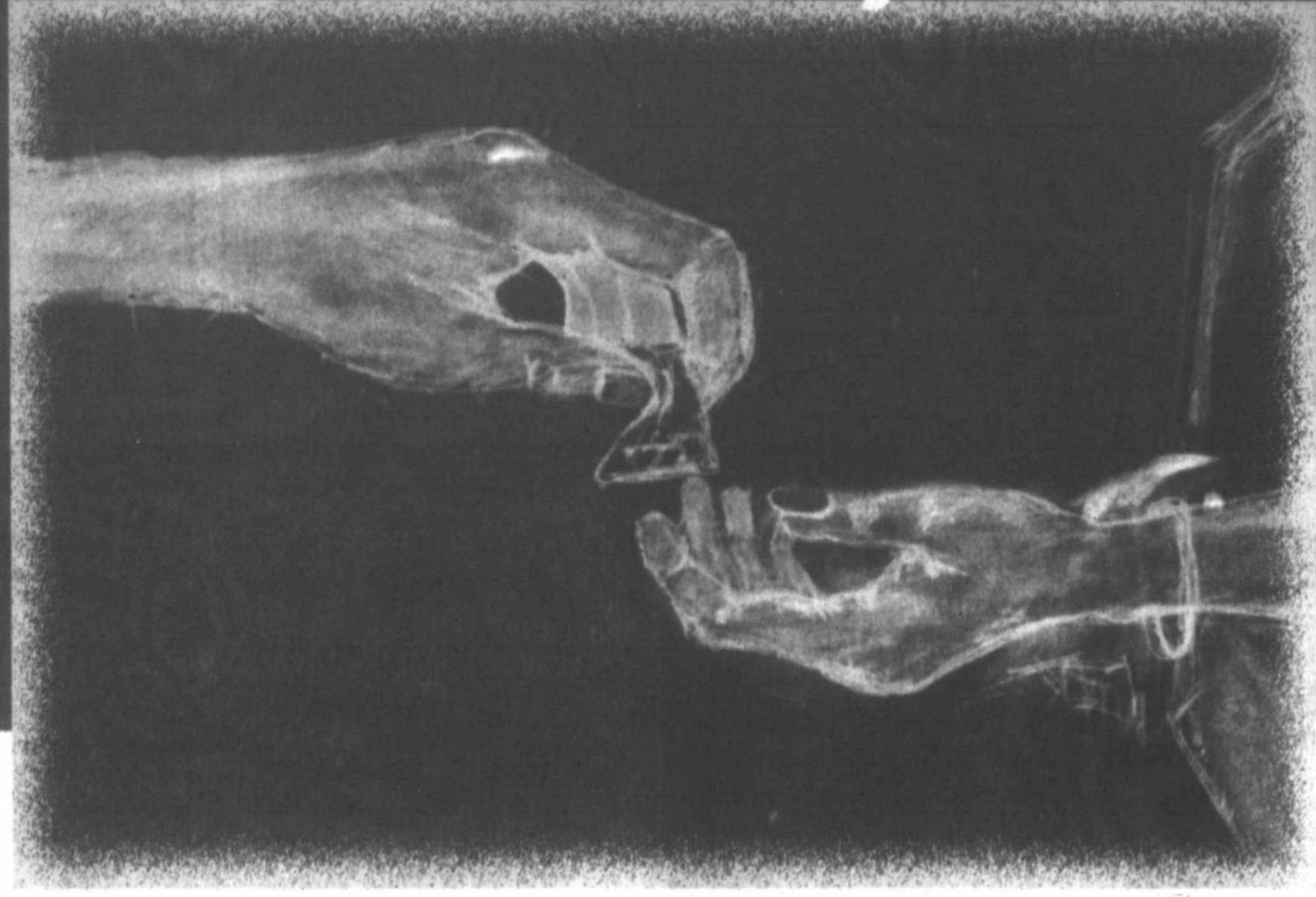
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"Don't wanna break my twenty."
"I got a ten."
"Okay."

And a tiny piece of crack cocaine and a \$10 bill changed hands.

Ten dollars worth of crack cocaine is about the size of the end of your fingernail. It doesn't weigh as much as a one-gram pack of Sweet and Low. The rock is kind of a dirty white, maybe a little yellowish and has little jagged edges.

The crack vanished into an evidence bag and the undercover cop who made the buy burst into laughter after the old car in which she was riding eased away from the curb.

Buying crack cocaine in Pampa is easier than buying a Popsicle off the ice cream truck. All one must do is look familiar, drive slow and have the cash.

I know. I was there.

I was invited by Pampa Police Chief Charlie Morris to see for myself just how easy it is to buy narcotics in Pampa. Watching it, feeling it from the inside of an undercover operation is a far cry from reading about it in dry and sanitary court files or seeing a defendant scrubbed up for court.

It goes like this: two undercover police women - one of whom wears a crimson halter top dubbed the "red herrings" because the outfit tends to draw the male eye away from her face - and I cruised Prairie Village looking for action. And action, in the form of a drug transaction was not hard to find.

Nursing warm beers and nearly giddy with adrenaline and nerves we headed for the corner of Huff and Crawford where the duo made earlier buys.

Hanging out on the grassless corner marked "Prairie Village Park" were several young black men. Their race is not the issue, but rather that they were ready to deal with all comers almost as if they were running a lemonade stand. More than one of them made their way to the window of the junkie old car with the purring 454 engine and more than one offered a dab of dope for the right price. Nobody looked nervous.

Their young faces peered inside the window, but besides a cursory glance at the car's other occupants they were more concerned with the "red herrings." The deal was quickly made, all caught on tape, and we were outta there, again laughing hysterically from the adrenaline rush. We dashed to a

prearranged meeting spot with Pampa officers and turned over the evidence. Along the way we wondered if the "bomb" as we called it, might get pulled over by a suspicious officer not privy to the operation. Fortunately not.

The two women wanted to make another round through Prairie Village to look for a car they saw earlier and whom they believed to be driven by a narcotics dealer. So back we went to cruise for the mystery car.

I don't recall if the woman ever spotted the "suspect vehicle" as they called it in cop talk, but they did make another crack cocaine buy at a different southside intersection. This time, the seller got out of his car and delivered the contraband. The officer said she was too messed up to get out of her own car and walk to his. She laid her head on the car door and slurred her words like she was drunk or stoned. He bought the act. She bought the crack.

And with a gentle roar of the 454, off we went.

Laughter erupted as soon as we were out of earshot. What a relief to vent the tension that acknowledges this could be risky business.

Again we met local officers and reviewed the buy and turned over evidence. We also critiqued our outfits. One undercover cop had hair far too clean and shiny for her role as a messed up druggie. I was told if asked about my nice shoes to say I stole them. (I really don't have the wardrobe for this.) "Red herring" was encouraged to continue her ruse.

In the end, the women, neither of whom live here, bought ten rounds of crack from nine different people.

Officers say now the neighborhood is a little stirred up and it is time to lay low for awhile and do the paperwork on the cases they've got. The cases, where the sellers can be identified, are all fourth degree felonies which carry a mandatory probated sentence. Police say they know they won't stop the drug trade but perhaps prosecution can drive it underground a little.

Or as one detective said, maybe dealers will get off the street corner so little kids can play in the park again.

Morris talks about drugs

According to Police Chief Charlie Morris, narcotics use is so pervasive in Pampa that dealers regularly make \$1,000 a day, and what's worse, children as young as 12 are drawn into the trade as runners.

"It kinda tells you about the character of the people who are involved. There's nothing sacred, not even youth," he said.

As Morris helped put together this story, his frustration at the quantity of drug sales in Pampa was evident. Driving around several Pampa neighborhoods, he would point out a car driven by a suspected drug dealer here or name someone believed to be a pusher there. They were black, white and Hispanic.

The undercover operation recently completed in Prairie Village is not based on the race of the suspected dealers, he said.

"My reason for targeting that area normally is because when we analyze the calls for service, we are able to identify an area where there is a propensity for a certain type of criminal activity," Morris said.

"In other times, citizens may come in or see me in the grocery store and tell me they are afraid. ... They may give us an address. ... Also, people involved in criminal activity tend to draw attention to themselves. They become so brazen," he said.

Certain crimes are associated with the drug trade, Morris said.

Burglary and theft relieve people of items easily traded for guns for money at highly discounted prices, he said.

Prostitution, turf wars, and assaults born of methamphetamine - induced paranoia thrive in the drug culture, Morris said.

And the dope trade costs money - users become eligible for food stamps, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, housing subsidies and Medicaid, Morris continued.

"The citizen takes it on the chin when these people are incarcerated because we're obligated to provide medical care and sometimes dental. It's kinda like we subsidize this behavior and we lose a productive member of society," he said.

"We have so many people in confinement. Is that the answer or a symptom of the problem?"

The undercover operation is one facet of a partnership Morris said he aims to develop with the citizens of Pampa.

"It takes awhile to effect the issue that person has described," he said, "I think we're on the road to building those partnerships."

To borrow a phrase, it takes a village.

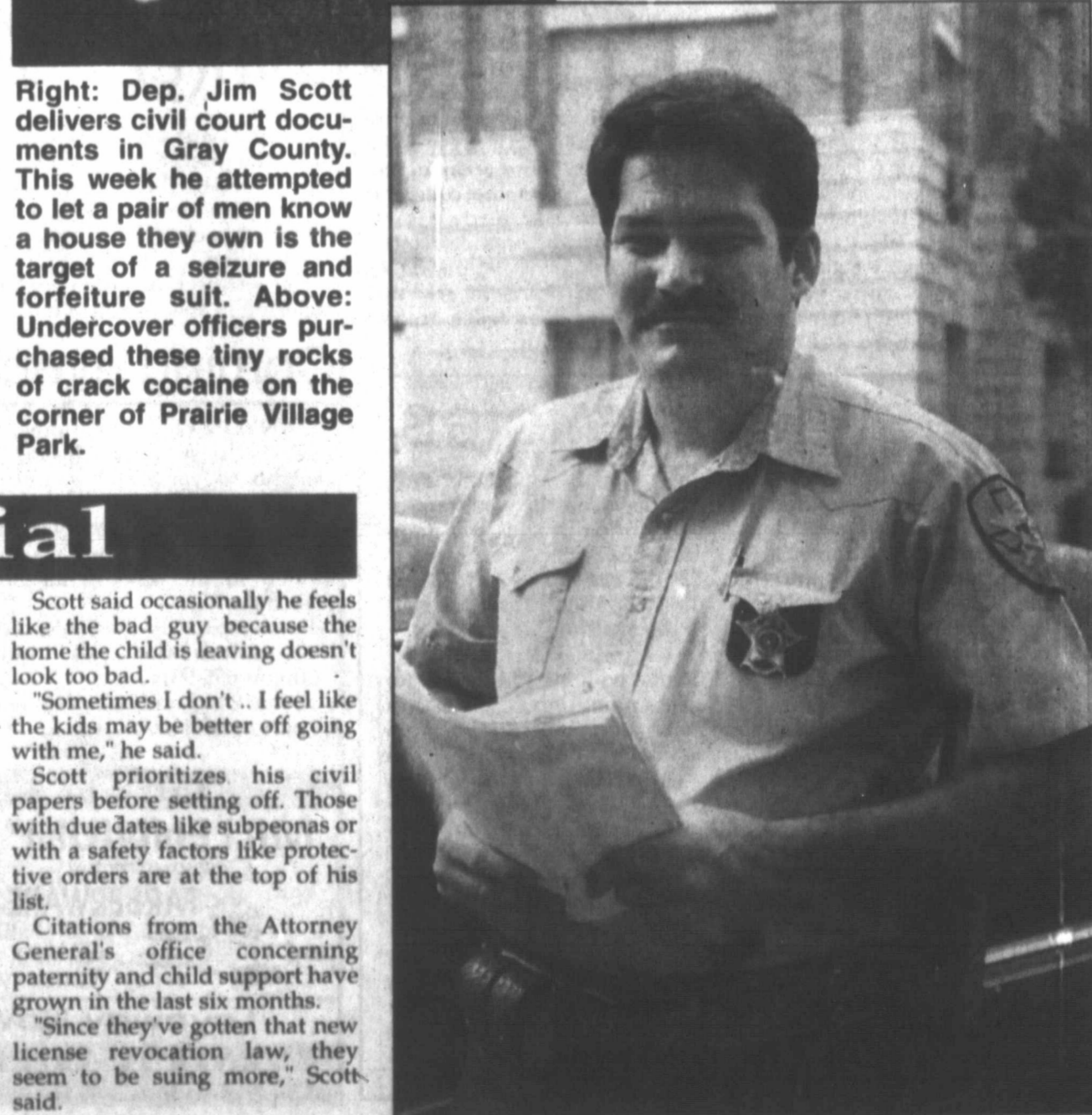
A partnership among law enforcement, prosecutors, schools and citizens is required.

"I can't talk about it enough. I've been in this business 24 years. I've put a lot of people in jail and while that might be a good law and order stand, it's not the best approach," Morris said.

"We've consulted with the Gray County Sheriff's Office, the District Attorneys' Office, the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force on this operation so that it would be successful and we'd have a cooperative effort to deal with these issues," he concluded.



Illustration by Marijane Kent. Story and photos by Cheryl Berzanskis



Right: Dep. Jim Scott delivers civil court documents in Gray County. This week he attempted to let a pair of men know a house they own is the target of a seizure and forfeiture suit. Above: Undercover officers purchased these tiny rocks of crack cocaine on the corner of Prairie Village Park.

Making it official

Deputy Jim Scott gathered a sheaf of civil papers, checked the names on them against the names and addresses on his computer-generated list and satisfied he was at the right place with the right documents got out of his patrol car.

Scott walked across a tiny mowed lawn to the front door of a pink house and tapped on the door. No answer. He rapped again harder. No answer.

He returned to the car and radioed Gray County Sheriff's Office that his "attempt to serve" was unsuccessful.

Last week Scott was attempting to serve notice of seizure and forfeiture on a pair of men who own a house believed to have been

used in the drug trade. A civil suit called seizure and forfeiture was filed by the state is an attempt to confiscate property believed to have been used in the sale or distribution of drugs. If the suit is successful, proceeds from the sale of the house could be used to help finance the war on drugs.

The civil suit alleges that on four occasions in 1994 and 1995 cocaine was purchased at a Craven Street home by undercover buyers who made sworn statements about their activities. It will be up to a district judge to decide the fate of the little brick house with statuary in the front yard.

But Scott rarely gets papers so interesting. The bulk of his five

day work week is consumed with delivering citations giving people the bad news they are about to be divorced or sued. He may occasionally have a court order to seize a piece of property or a child.

The prospective recipients of citations sometimes try to hide, knowing there is only one reason for a deputy to come to see them.

He is not well received by people whom the court has ordered to turn over a child, perhaps for visitation to a non custodial parent or to Department of Protective and Regulatory Services workers.

"They'll fight over their pick up, but they'll really fight over their kids," he said.

Scott said occasionally he feels like the bad guy because the home the child is leaving doesn't look too bad.

"Sometimes I don't .. I feel like the kids may be better off going with me," he said.

Scott prioritizes his civil papers before setting off. Those with due dates like subpoenas or with a safety factors like protective orders are at the top of his list.

Citations from the Attorney General's office concerning paternity and child support have grown in the last six months.

"Since they've gotten that new license revocation law, they seem to be suing more," Scott said.



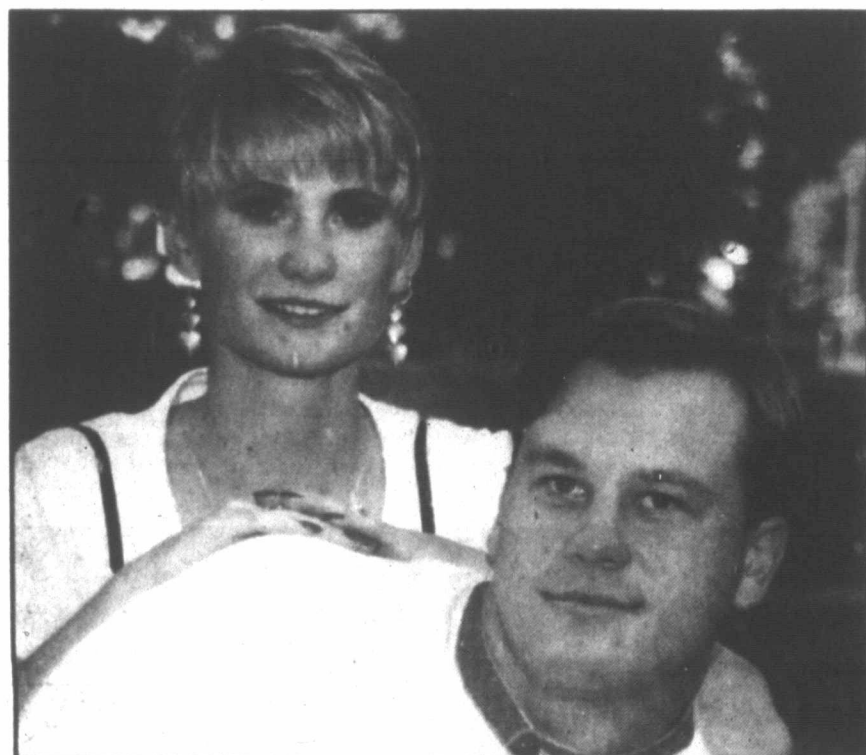
Betty and Floyd McDowell

McDowell anniversary Neslage - Hall

Betty and Floyd McDowell were honored Sept. 14 with a family dinner celebrating their 50th anniversary. It was held at the home of their daughter and son-in-law Billy and Pat McBee, Lefors, and also hosted by their son and daughter-in-law Danny and Connie McDowell of Pampa.

Mr. McDowell married Betty Marie Cockrell on Sept. 16, 1946 in Pampa. They have lived in Pampa and Lefors for the entire 50 years.

They are the grandparents of Daron and Mecca McBee, Billy McBee, Danny and Amy McDowell, Randy McDowell, Becky and Terry Carpenter, and Katy and Keith O'Dell. They have six great-grandchildren: Brandon and Brian McBee, Justin and Shelby Carpenter, Leslie McDowell and Keenan O'Dell.



Lindy Denee Sells and Jason Kane Howell

Sells - Howell

Lindy Denee Sells, Pampa, and Jason Kane Howell, White Deer, plan to marry Oct. 26 at Central Baptist Church.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Michael D. and Jolita Sells, Pampa. The prospective groom is the son of Charles Kevin and Karla Howell, White Deer.

She is a 1996 graduate of Pampa High School and is employed by Balfour Optical. She attends Clarendon College - Pampa Center.

He is a 1994 graduate of White Deer High School. He plans to graduate from Texas Tech University with a degree in history and Spanish.

Pampa Civic Ballet sets auditions

Auditions for Pampa Civic Ballet will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6 at the Beaux Arts Dance Studio, 315 N. Nelson, for area ballet dancers who would like to audition for the company.

The Nutcracker Suite is set for Saturday, Dec. 7 at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.

Returning as guest artist will be Cornel Crabtree. Appearing with Crabtree will be Inga Loujerenko, a principal dancer in Ballet Austin, as the Sugar Plum Fairy.

Dancers chosen to be in the company must take a minimum of two ballet classes per week from their regular teacher. Those chosen for the company will be ages 13 and up, with junior members to be chosen from 11 and 12

year olds.

Guest audition examiner for this year again will be Neil Hess of Amarillo, artistic director of the Lone Star Ballet and director of the musical drama TEXAS.

An audition fee will be charged.

Dancers selected during the audition will be required to attend all company rehearsals.

Pampa Civic Ballet is a non-profit organization chartered in 1972. Jeanne Willingham is founder and artistic director of the company. Auditions are held yearly.

The company promotes interest in ballet while preparing its members in dramatic arts and staging, as well as ballet, according to Willingham.



Mrs. Kevin Michael Hall
Jacqueline Ann Neslage

Jacqueline Ann Neslage, Austin, and Kevin Michael Hall, Bryan, were married Saturday, Sept. 28 at Texas Guard All - Faiths Chapel in Austin. The Rev. Tom Clerkin of St. Austin's Catholic Church officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Neslage, Pampa. She is the granddaughter of Kathryn Conlin of, Colorado Springs, Colo., and the late John R. Conlin, and Fred Neslage of Pampa and the late Dorothy R. Neslage.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Hall, Yorktown, Va. He is the grandson of Kathryn Edmunds of Cape May, N.J., and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hall of Phoenix, Ariz.

Maid of honor was Stephanie Stadler, Falls Church, Va. Bridesmaids included Paige Michener, Lawton, Okla.; Stacey Wilson, sister of the groom, Greenridge, Mo.; Dawn Lewis, San Antonio; and Rebecca Sheehan of Austin.

Kelcey David, Richmond, Va., stood as best man. Groomsmen included Roger Askew, Yardley, Pa.; Rob Neslage, brother of the bride, Austin; Ray Holliday, Naperville, Ill.; and Mike Overmeyer of Vienna, Va.

Ring bearer was Ray Holliday IV, godson of the groom.

Guests were registered by Sarah Neslage, cousin of the bride, Borger.

Following the service the couple was honored with a reception at the Austin Women's Club.

The bride is a graduate of Lawton High School, Lawton, Okla. and a 1992 graduate of Texas A&M University, College Station, where she earned a bachelor of landscape architecture degree. She is employed as a land planner for Richardson Verdoorn in Austin.

The groom graduated from Ferguson High School, Newport News, Va. and Virginia Tech University, Blacksburg, Va. He earned a master of urban planning degree from Texas A&M University in 1991. He is employed as a planner for Texas Transportation Institute in Austin.

Following a honeymoon to the Canadian Rockies, the couple will make their home in Austin.



Kayla Marie Baker and Kyle Wade Parnell

Baker - Parnell

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Baker of Pampa announce the engagement of their daughter, Kayla Marie, to Kyle Wade Parnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Parnell, Pampa.

They plan to marry Dec. 21 at Central Baptist Church, Pampa.

The bride-elect is a junior at West Texas A&M University majoring in education.

The prospective groom is a junior at West Texas A&M University majoring in special education.

Coming events

CANYON - Heritage Women's Club is to sponsor Christmas Delights Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9 at Rex Reeves Elementary School, 1005 21st Street, Canyon. The bazaar is located in the school's all-purpose room.

Booth space is available. For more information call Linda Cotter at 655-9314.

A snack bar and bake sale will be part of the bazaar.

HEREFORD - Wesley United Methodist Church will host its 16th annual Festival of Arts and Crafts from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 7. It will be held in the Community Center.

A limited number of booths are available with applications being screened. Booth fee is \$10. Applications may be obtained by writing Ellen Collins, 801 Miles Street, Hereford, 79045 or by calling (806) 364-0774.



Mrs. Julian Gregory Clark
Charisse Denielé Dansereau

Dansereau - Clark

Charisse Denielé Dansereau and Julian Gregory Clark, both of Houston, were married Aug. 24 at Church of the Immaculate Conception, New Orleans, La., by the Rev. Harry Thompson, of the church.

The bride is the daughter of Carole Anne Dansereau, Thibodaux, La., and Charles Dansereau, Thibodaux, La.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack F. Clark, Pampa.

Matrons of honor were the bride's sisters Carla Dansereau Talbot, Metairie, La., and Chellé Dansereau Sonnier, Lafayette, La. Martha Toups, Metairie, La., served as bridesmaid and Loren Carlyle, niece of the groom, Houston, was junior bridesmaid. Sydney Sonnier, niece of the bride, Lafayette, La., was flower girl.

Standing as best man was brother of the groom, Jeffery F. Clark, Pampa. Groomsmen included Jonathan M. Clark, brother of the groom, Pampa, Brent C. McCarty, Dallas, and Richard J. Siegfried, Houston. Jarron Clark, nephew of the groom, Pampa, was ring bearer.

Serving as ushers were William R. Boyer, Houston, Thomas M. Landry, Waco, Terrence Landry, Dallas, and Mark Hayden, Lubbock. Readers for the service included aunt of the bride, Mrs. Jeffery Clement, Thibodaux, La., and Janna Carlyle, sister of the groom, Houston.

Providing music for the occasion were vocalist Kay Higginbotham and organist Randy Higginbotham, New Orleans. Ron Benko, New Orleans, played the trumpet.

Following the ceremony, the couple was honored with a reception in the Blue Room of the Fairmont Hotel, New Orleans. The Nobles band played at the reception.

The bride graduated from Louisiana State University Medical Center, New Orleans, La., and is a self employed physical therapist in Houston.

The groom is a Texas Tech University graduate and is employed as a client manager for SAP America Inc., Houston.

Following a honeymoon to Italy and Switzerland, they couple is making their home in Houston.

Club news

Preceptor Theta Iota

Preceptor Theta Iota met in the home of Nancy Broggin with Carol Carpenter, presiding.

The date for honoring Girl of the Year Merilyn Howell, has been changed to Oct. 8 at the Big Texan.

Beta Sigma Phi cookbooks are now for sale.

Pat Kindle is a new member in the chapter.


Preceptor Theta Iota's 1996-1997 Sweetheart is Jan Oblak.

The Thanksgiving social has been set for 6:30 p.m. Nov. 16 at the Hughey House.

The next city council meeting is set for Oct. 10.

Nancy Broggin gave the program on a trip down Route 66 to Dearborn, Mich., and on to Niagara Falls.

The next meeting will be at the home of Jan Oblak.



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2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday, prior to Sunday insertion.

3. Engagement, wedding, and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.

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ding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

5. Bridal photos and information will not be accepted in The Pampa News office later than one month past the date of the wedding.

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7. Information that appears on engagement, wedding and anniversary forms will be used at the discretion of the editor. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, Texas 79066-2198

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<p>Pampa Schools MONDAY Breakfast: Pancakes, syrup, fruit or juice, choice of milk Lunch: Pizza, green beans, applesauce, choice of milk TUESDAY Breakfast: Biscuits, fruit or juice, choice of milk Lunch: Chicken dippers, barbecue sauce, sliced potatoes, mixed fruit, hot roll, choice of milk WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit or juice, choice of milk Lunch: Taço salad, pinto beans, pineapple, cornbread, choice of milk THURSDAY Breakfasts: Toasts, fruit or juice, choice of milk</p>	<p>Lunch: Steak fingers, whipped potatoes, broccoli florets, fresh fruit, hot roll, choice of milk FRIDAY Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit or juice, choice of milk Lunch: Hot dog, oven fries, vegetarian beans, spice cake, choice of milk Meals on Wheels MONDAY Impossible pie, okra and tomatoes, corn, plum dessert TUESDAY Barbecue, baked beans, potato salad, apricots WEDNESDAY Sausage spaghetti, green beans, cauliflower, jello THURSDAY</p>	<p>Baked ham, spinach, yam patties, pineapple FRIDAY Chicken patties, macaroni and cheese, pickled beets, applesauce Senior Citizens Center MONDAY Chicken fried steak or taco salad; mashed potatoes, cabbage, beets, brown beans; slaw, tossed or jello salad; strawberry cake or lemon cream pie; hot rolls or cornbread. TUESDAY Meat loaf or chicken fried chicken breast; creamed new potatoes, Brussel sprouts; squash, navy beans; slaw, tossed or jello salad; chocolate cake or bread pudding; hot rolls or</p>	<p>cornbread. WEDNESDAY Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice; mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, butter beans; slaw, tossed or jello salad; French vanilla cake or chocolate pie; hot rolls or cornbread. THURSDAY Lasagna or barbecued Polish sausage; potato salad, green beans, squash, brown beans; slaw, tossed or jello salad; angel food cake or coconut cream pie; hot rolls, cornbread or garlic bread sticks. FRIDAY Fish or chicken spaghetti, potato wedges, turnip greens, brown beans; slaw, tossed or jello salad; Boston cream pie or tapioca; hot rolls or cornbread.</p>
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4-H Futures & Features

Dates

30- Horse project meeting, 6:30 p.m., Arena
1- E.T. 4-H Club meeting, 7 p.m., Annex
3-WOW meeting, 6 p.m., Annex
Method demonstration meeting, 7 p.m., Annex
Dog project meeting, 7 p.m., Bull Barn
5-Achievement Banquet, 6:30 p.m., M.K. Brown Auditorium, Heritage Room
Petting zoo, Lake McClellan, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

4-H Achievement Banquet
You are invited to attend this year's 4-H Achievement Banquet

on at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 at the M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa. All 4-H families and leaders are invited to attend this annual event.

The E.T. and Grandview 4-H Clubs will host this year's event. Families are asked to bring the following:

- 4-Clover (McLean) - potato dish - for eight
- 5-H (Lefors) - dessert - sheet cake
- Prime Swine - fruit or vegetable salad - for eight - one bottle of dressing if necessary
- Rabbit Raiders- fruit or vegetable salad - for eight - bottle of dressing if necessary
- Grandview - dessert - sheet cake

E.T. - potato dish- for eight
Awards will be presented to all 4-H'ers who completed a 4-H project record from or record-book. Special awards to be presented include: Gold Star, I Dare You, Outstanding Leader, 4-H Letter Jackets, and 4-H "Points" participation jackets.

WOW (Wonders of Washington)

A meeting to begin planning the fund-raising efforts for the WOW (Wonders of Washington) trip in 1998, will be conducted at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3 at the Gray County Annex. All 4-H'ers who have indicated an interest in the trip and their parents

are encouraged to attend.

It is not too late to join this group. If you are 12 or older and are interested in going to Washington D.C. the summer of 1998, come and meet with us.

Method Demonstration Workshop No. 2

Tips for great posters and ideas for polishing our 4-H presentations will be the focus of a workshop at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3.

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Mrs. Derek Patton
Amy Houseman

Houseman - Patton

Amy Houseman and Derek Patton, both of Amarillo, were married Saturday, Sept. 28 at First Baptist Church of Pampa with the Rev. Jerry Arrington officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Chuck and Marti Houseman, Pampa. The groom is the son of Bob and Carolyn Patton, Liberal, Kan.

Donna Hamby, Amarillo, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids included Christy Patton, sister of the groom, Liberal; Kelli Duffy and Teresa Duffy, cousins of the bride, Amarillo. Ashley-Duffy, cousin of the bride, Amarillo, was flower girl.

Standing as best man was Layne Glunt, Mission, Kan. Groomsmen included Shane Hall, Canyon, Casey Mein, Liberal, and Shaw Trisler, Guymon, Okla. Austin Duffy, cousin of the bride, Amarillo, was ring bearer.

Chad Patton, brother of the groom, Oklahoma City, and Glenn Barnett, Amarillo, were ushers.

Guests were registered by Jodi Etheredge, Abilene. Soña Solano, Amarillo, provided music for the service.

Following the wedding, the couple was honored with a reception in the church. Guests were served by Rhonda Metcalf, Amarillo; Danile Mason, Wildorado; Judy Sapp, Hugoton, Kan.; Paula Winkleblack, Amarillo.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of Pampa High School. She graduated from Amarillo College in 1995 and is employed by Billy J. Metcalf D.D.S.

The groom graduated from Liberal High School in 1990. He attended Seward County Junior College and is employed by Autoplex BMW.

Following a honeymoon to Santa Fe, N.M., the couple is making their home in Amarillo.

Opportunities abound for volunteers to aid education

September seems to be a month when the importance of quality education becomes a central theme. Children start back-to-school, colleges begin the new semester and school bonds are voted on. Adults, as well as youth, have the opportunity to become involved in the ongoing process of educating tomorrow's leaders.

Volunteers in education have a major impact on the success of the organized educational process. Certainly paid staff offer continuous learning opportunities and a quality learning environment; however, they cannot do it alone.

How can you be a volunteer in education? The opportunities are many and there seems to be a place for everyone! The first step must be identifying special talents and interests, as well as the amount of time you are willing to commit. Then explore your options.

Pampa schools offer some type of parent support and involvement group. Some schools refer to these groups as booster clubs, others are more likely called a support group.

Booster clubs are best known for their fundraising efforts which enable schools to have special equipment or supplies, they might otherwise not have. Beyond fundraising you will find booster club members assisting with a variety of school activities. Parent support groups in schools are just what they imply groups that provide the opportunities and training for parents to be involved in the school while also being involved with their child. The school and parent partnership is an important key to student success, indeed, the grandparents and other primary caregivers are also invited to participate!

The HOSTS program offers a one-on-one mentoring opportu-

nity at the elementary school level. Adult volunteers commit a small amount of time each week to work with a child on reading or math. The Altrusa Club of Pampa has implemented an outstanding "Star Reader" program at Baker elementary to encourage children to read. All of the Altrusa members conducting this program are volunteers.

The P.I.E. program at Pampa Middle School is a highly effective effort to involve adults in education. Partners In Education provides parents with the opportunity to share their time with youth at middle school and to observe first hand how parents and schools working together create an environment for learning that is benefi-

cial to all students.

The Pampa Home School Association and the private schools in Pampa also offer a variety of opportunities for training and support that encourages parents and others to become involved in the education process.

Education doesn't stop with youth. The Pampa Adult Literacy program reaches out to adults who do not know how to read. Through individual volunteer efforts, adults are gaining confidence in their abilities and are mastering that very necessary life skill - reading. Training is available for volunteers in the Literacy program. For information on how you can be involved, contact the Pampa Area Adult Literacy Council.

Special thanks to the hundreds of volunteers and the thousands of hours they commit to ensuring that youth and adults alike are successful through a quality education experience. If you aren't involved as a volunteer in education, I challenge you to look into the possibilities and opportunities.

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Lights, Camera, Action

By CONSTANCE SOMMER
Associated Press Writer

Actors doing own stunts all the rage

There's Tom Cruise hurling himself through a plate glass window as a huge aquarium explodes behind him. Then there's Helen Hunt facing down twisters as homes and cows fly by. And, of course, there's Arnold Schwarzenegger doing everything.

It seems all the rage these days actors doing their own stunts in action blockbusters. And while industry insiders say the Big Names are doing more stunts, there's still a lot of work out there for the men and women who make a living risking life and limb for that extra heart-pounding shot.

Stunt professionals say some actors do as much as 90 percent of their own stunts. But it's that last 10 percent - the high falls, the eardrum-shattering explosions - that are generally left to the experts.

"A lot of the time, you get a Sylvester Stallone, a Bruce Willis, and these are ballsy guys," says longtime stuntman Roy Clark. "Depending on the actor, he wants to let the public (see) him doing everything. There are times you have to tell an actor not to do his own stunt."

One actor who won't allow anyone else to do his stunts is Hong Kong phenomenon Jackie Chan, who prides himself in doing all of his action sequences.

Chan has been doing his own inimitable brand of martial arts mayhem for 15 years but his big breakthrough in the United States came with "Rumble in the Bronx," which included in the final credits some of the stunts he botched, including a leap in which he broke his ankle.

The 41-year-old star is a walking miracle of physical endurance. He has broken numerous bones doing stunts, and sports a hole in his head the size of a quarter, suffered when he fell out of a tree during a stunt.

But conditions in Hollywood are a little different in Hong Kong, where any insurance is hard to come by, says Chan's "Supercop" co-star Michelle Khan.

Can you imagine, she says, sitting down with a local insurance agent and demanding accident coverage for 40-foot falls, ear-splitting explosions and leaps between skyscrapers. And that's just the opening scene?

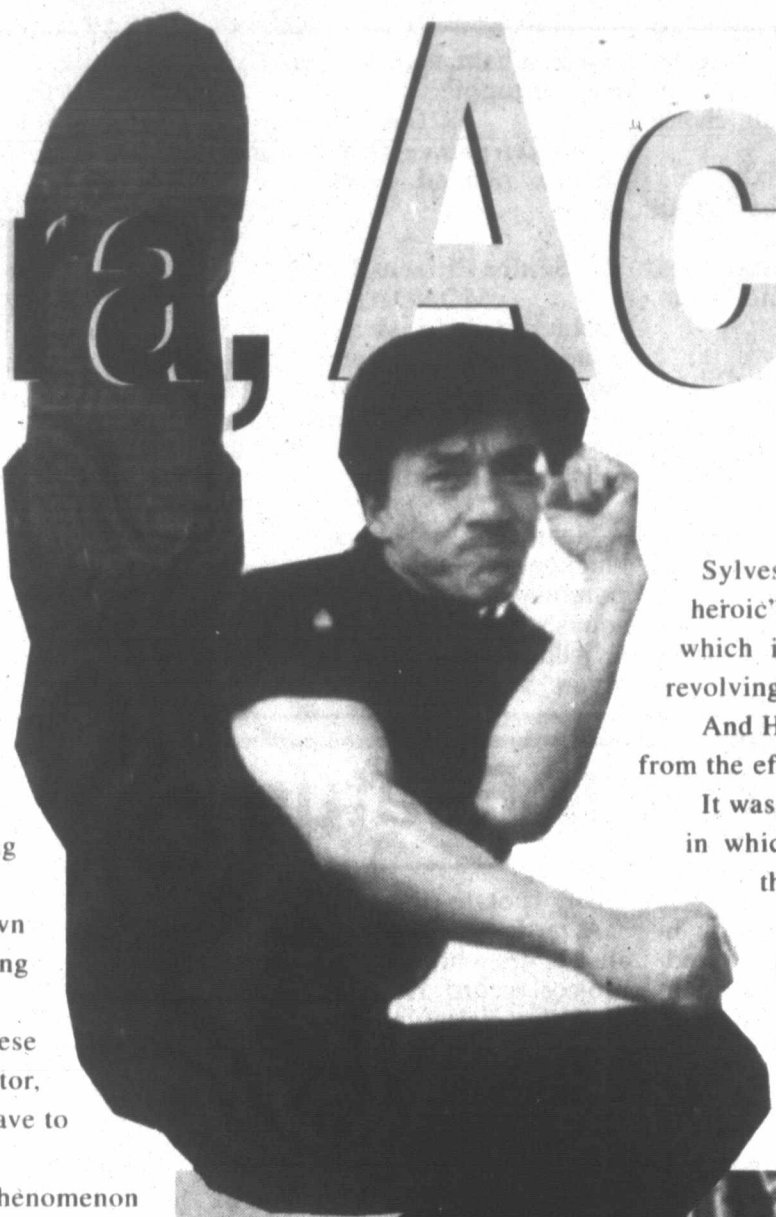
Khan laughs. "Here we're almost not really covered by insurance," she said.

Operating under different handicaps, action filmmakers stateside at least try to make it look like the famous faces are performing every stunt.

"Hopefully, you should never know," Clark said. "That's the mystique of the business. You of the paying public, we don't want you to know."

Still, actors pushing the stunt envelope abound.

Christian Slater apparently did a lot of his own stunts for "Broken Arrow," including working out with boxer Carlos Palomino, a former World Boxing Council welterweight champ, to add to the authenticity of the film's opening sequence when he spars with John Travolta's character in a gym.



From Hong Kong to Hollywood, actors are getting into the swing of doing their own stunts.

Sylvester Stallone, no stranger to danger, was deemed "super-heroic" for the work he did in his upcoming film "Daylight," which includes a scene of him running between the massive revolving blades of a "monster machine."

And Helen Hunt's work in "Twister" reportedly left her battered from the effort of doing much of the work herself.

It was rumored that she got a concussion from filming one scene in which she opened the door of a vehicle that was speeding through a cornfield, according to Entertainment Weekly.

"The thing about me is, I have all the courage of a stunt person, but I don't have all the talent," Hunt told the magazine. "If you're Arnold Schwarzenegger or Mel Gibson, and you've done 9,000 action movies, you're used to everything blowing up. I wasn't. It was new for me."

Loren Janes, a stuntman with 40 years in the business, puts it another way:

"If you were an insurance company insuring a movie, and (the star) was getting \$20 million and you were going to have to pay everybody else while he recovers (from an injury), aren't you going to say, 'Hey, you'd better have a double?'"

So if you're worried about your favorite celebrity performing all those death-defying stunts he's bragging about on the late-night talk shows - don't. It's entirely possible that someone else took the fall.

Trevi gets lukewarm reviews

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexican pop star Gloria Trevi can light up a sound stage and sell a lot of albums here, but her new role hosting a TV show won her only lukewarm reviews in a newspaper survey released on Thursday.

Trevi made her debut early this month at the helm of "Xetu-Remix," a program of catchy pop songs and comedy skits broadcast by Mexico's Televisa network and aimed at youth.

But many Mexicans merely yawned when Trevi, with boundless energy and traditionally zany costumes, began appearing in the

new role a week and a half ago.

According to the Mexico City newspaper Reforma, the Mexican singer and actress won an overall rating of "6.5" on a scale of 1-10 for her appearances on "Xetu-Remix."

In addition, some 63 percent of those interviewed said they would have liked someone other than Trevi hosting the program, while 37 percent said they would not.

Meanwhile, 76 percent said Trevi was better as a pop and rock performer, 16 percent preferred her as a model, and 6 percent as an actress. Only 2 percent said she should be hosting a television program.

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Historic cotton imports worry producers

By MARK BABINECK
Associated Press Writer

CONE, Texas (AP) — Cotton growers are resigned to drought and pests as defeatable enemies to their business. The Russians are another story.

"We spent billions keeping those people at bay, and now we have them stealing our markets," said Scott Gilbreath, a third-generation farmer with 1,700 acres near Lubbock. "Nobody's doing anything about it, and with the budget constraints Washington has been having, we will not survive."

The United States traditionally had been off limits to cotton imports. This year, mills are expecting more than 700,000 bales from Russia, Argentina, Pakistan and elsewhere, surpassing 1919 as the largest import year in memory.

A typical cotton bale weighs about 480 pounds and produces enough fabric to weave 330 pair of blue jeans.

Imports remain just a fraction of the market, which will see 19 million bales of American-grown cotton picked this fall. That fraction, though, didn't even exist until last year.

The 1990 farm law created a three-step process to allow imports if the price of U.S. cotton on the Northern Europe market exceeds an adjusted world price index by 1 1/4 cents. Recent poor crops triggered the import quotas in May 1995, and cotton from abroad has been arriving since.

The adjusted world price is hovering around the 59-cent range, its lowest point since early 1994. American cotton was selling about 8 1/2 cents higher on the European markets last week, a gap that won't close anytime soon if current trends continue.

The break-even point for domestic farmers tends to range from 65 cents to 80 cents a pound. Imports really began picking up steam this year, said Janice Zymont, who monitors cotton imports for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

"I think we have not been in an import situation in a long time, so there was some uncertainty," she said. "There's a learning curve for everyone involved."

This year's imports will only scratch the surface of the 9.2 million foreign bales that legally could have entered U.S. ports under the federal program, a massive chunk of the global market.

The three-step federal program calls for subsidies to make domestic farmers more competitive under Step 2. However, price differentials have caused Step 3 to be in effect since last Nov. 1, meaning farmers aren't eligible for government relief.

American cotton has remained about a nickel higher than the USDA's worldwide index in Europe, meaning mills should have the opportunity to import cotton in the foreseeable future.

"The fundamental reason Step 3 is there is to keep the U.S. textile industry competitive," said Texas Tech University agricultural economist Don Etheredge. "The domestic textile industry is the U.S. cotton farmers' best customer."

Domestic growers won't have any customers at all if cheap imports continue, Gilbreath fears. That's why he's circulating a petition calling for a return to a protectionist cotton policy.

Gilbreath suggests stiff curtailment of import quotas under Step 3 and for subsidies to be available to American farmers during any period in which imports are legal.

U.S. Rep. Larry Combest, R-Lubbock, was a key player in the passage of the 1995 farm policy. He has called for a review of the way the USDA determines its index, but he also maintains American farmers can retain the advantage.

"American farmers can compete with anyone as long as they don't have to compete with their own government," said Combest, referring to U.S. environmental, labor and financial

laws other countries don't have.

Despite minor insect infestations that decreased the quality of some of last year's harvest in Texas and Arizona, the United States continues to be the world's largest net exporter of cotton.

William B. Dunavant Jr., a leading U.S. cotton merchant, has said Russian fiber is in many ways better quality than that grown in his Memphis area, and Argentine fiber could become a denim mainstay. Merchants profit from cheap cotton, wherever it's grown.

The new farm policy, which initially drew support from all segments of the cotton industry, was an import time bomb from the start, Gilbreath said.

"(USDA Secretary) Dan Glickman should have known this, but you could bet those dadgum cotton mills weren't going to bring it to their attention," Gilbreath said. "They don't care who they run over, chew up or spit out. All they care about is the bottom line."

Healthy prices are necessary to fuel domestic cotton production, which could reach 25 million bales annually in coming years, Texas A&M University cotton expert Carl Anderson said.

About one in every seven American bales is grown on the South Plains around Lubbock, where the prices recently have inched into the low 70-cent range per pound.

Many Texas cotton growers planted sorghum this year because it appeared more profitable, and Gilbreath believes that could become a trend if the law doesn't change.

"If you look around today, all you see here is cotton," Gilbreath said, surveying the horizon. "Pretty soon, you might not see any."

Border checkpoint debate continues

By ARTHUR H. ROTSTEIN
Associated Press Writer

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Real estate agent and Tubac resident Gary Brasher thinks building a permanent Border Patrol checkpoint on Interstate 19 would signal surrender in the battle against illegal immigration.

Brasher and other members of the Santa Cruz Valley Citizens Council he leads say they are not opposed to efforts to stem illegal immigration and drug trafficking. They just don't want the checkpoint built miles north of the border.

"In general, the group is very supportive of the Border Patrol and INS," Brasher said. "But let's support it at the border, and with the establishment of more mobile checkpoints rather than one fixed checkpoint that will be very obvious on how to circumvent it."

Ron Sanders, chief of the Border Patrol's Tucson sector, is a convert to the need for highway checkpoints. He has instituted five temporary ones in the sector, which covers 280 miles of the Mexican border.

But he believes his agents need a permanent site on northbound I-19, more than 25 miles from the border, as a backup to their along-the-line enforcement at Nogales.

The I-19 checkpoint would provide computer and other high-tech help and a temporary detention facility.

Opponents dominated an audience of more than 125 people at public meeting in Tubac earlier this month. Sanders attended, along with Democratic Rep. Ed Pastor and Republican Rep. Jim Kolbe.

'I think the checkpoint should never be designed that it's the end-all to catch aliens.'

"The thrust was that if they set up a permanent checkpoint, it's not going to be very effective," said Hank Kensi, an aide to Sen. Jon Kyl.

Santa Cruz County Supervisor Ronald Morriss said many of his north-county constituents "believe that it will be inconvenient, they believe that it simply sends the wrong signal" to visitors.

Others are concerned it will force more illegal traffic onto other roads to the east, particularly Arizona 82 and 83, he said.

One speaker cited recent congressional testimony from a California-based Border Patrol agent, who said the agency falsified its alien arrest records to hype its success.

Opponents of a permanent checkpoint concentrated on how illegal aliens would skirt it, insisted that there would be an adverse impact on property values and that a checkpoint would discourage shoppers from going to Nogales, Sanders said.

Supporters will get their chance to talk at another meeting, probably in October.

"I think the checkpoint should never be designed that it's the end-all to catch aliens," Sanders said.

"We have said we need to have our employees on the border right on the line as much as possible. We recognize that we can't catch everyone."

Brasher calls it a drop-back concept. "We've tried this at the border

and can't do it. So let's drop back 25 miles and try it again."

He believes that will create a no-man's land in which "there will be some agents at the border, but if they get by them, they're pretty much home free."

Sanders said he expects the opposite effect from a stationary checkpoint.

The nation's anti-drug czar, Barry McCaffrey, cites figures claiming Border Patrol agents find one load of drugs per 8,000 vehicles at checkpoints compared to one per 40,000 vehicles at ports of entry.

Checkpoints have a direct impact on the movement of drugs across the border, Sanders said.

"If I-19 is open, all the smugglers have to do is throw the dope over the fence. It's basically free to go up the highway. Whenever the checkpoint is up, a vehicle stands a chance of getting caught at the checkpoint."

Border Patrol sensors along secondary and side roads let patrolling agents monitor and intercept out-of-the-ordinary traffic, Sanders added.

Brasher and others contend that mobile checkpoints offer "some option of surprise and mobility." But courts have been less receptive to them than to permanent sites, which are authorized by law within 100 miles of the border, Sanders said.

A permanent checkpoint probably would be at least three years in the future by the time it was approved, authorized and built.



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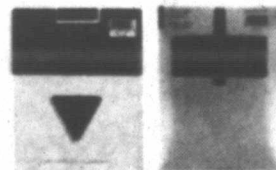
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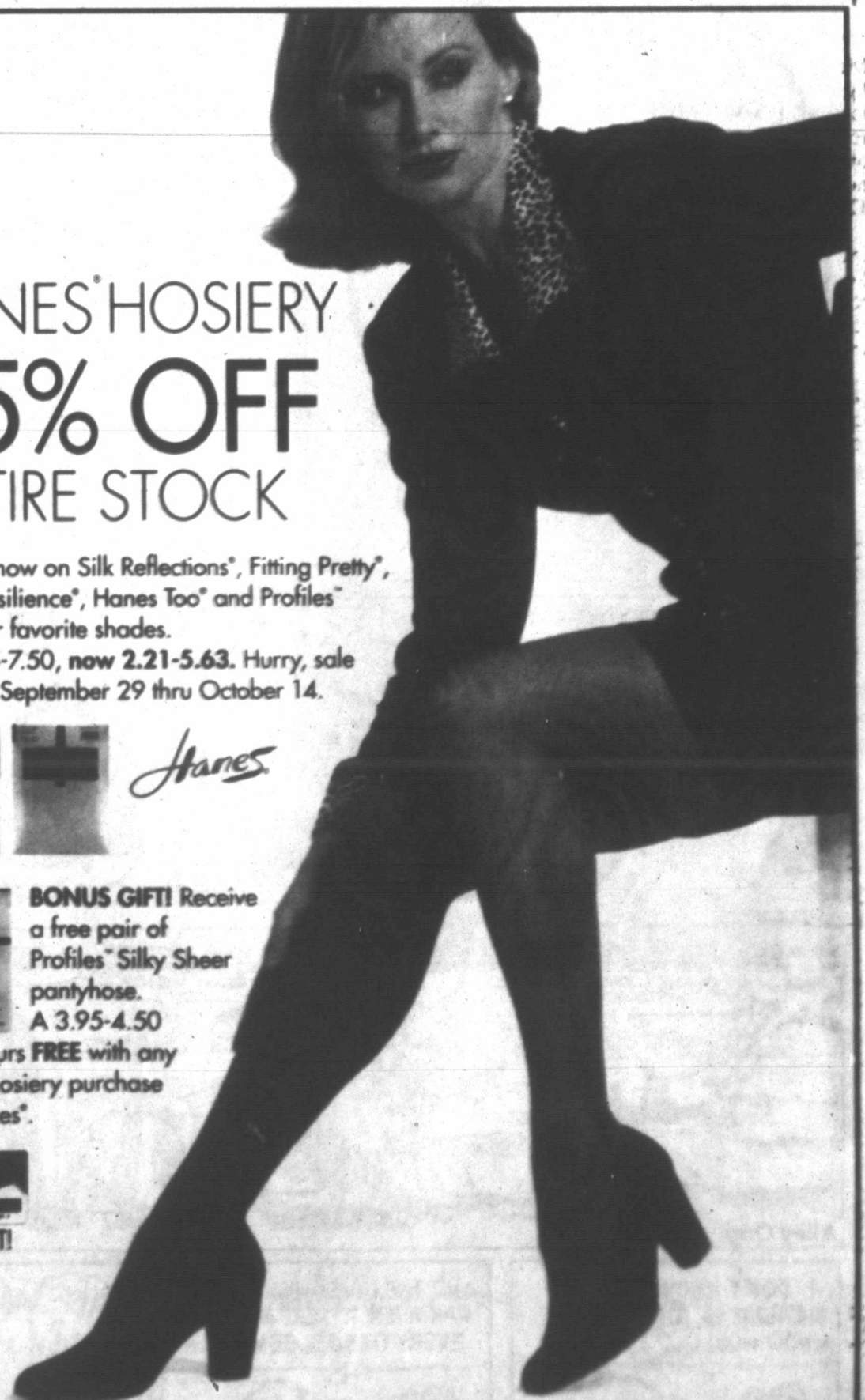


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My parents live on the East Coast and I am way out here on the West Coast, but I have been able to get beyond this with the help of friends and the bereavement support group connected with the hospital. I focused on giving back to society by volunteering at the hospital. Since I work five days a week, I can only do this on Saturday or Sunday, so I am now the receptionist for four hours every Saturday in the intensive care unit.

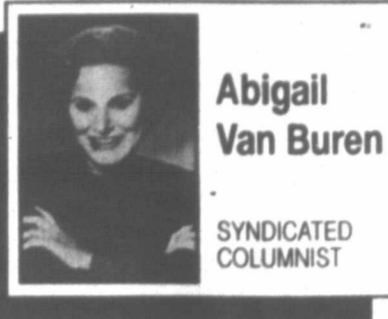
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Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

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DORIS OAKBERG, SACRAMENTO

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go to extremes when managing your resources today. One rash purchase could wipe out the savings you have worked so hard to accumulate.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Instead of demanding that others do things for you today, you will get greater satisfaction if you make an effort to help your friends.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Do not give up today if you can't finish a project on the first try. If you persist, you will succeed after a strong second or third effort.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) High-flying friends might try to draw you into an expensive activity today. No one will think less of you if you tell them that you just can't afford it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You can achieve material objectives today, but perhaps not in the way you envisioned. Surf on the crest of the wave when positive changes occur.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You can accomplish a great deal today, provided you keep your priorities in perspective. Focus on essential tasks first.

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Horoscope



Your Birthday

Monday Sept 30 1996

This will be a good year to increase your participation in a club or group. Fellow members might introduce you to intriguing new situations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do not refrain from doing something nice for a friend just because your pal has yet to do something nice for you. This account will be balanced eventually. Major changes are ahead for Libra in the coming year. Send for your Astro Graph predictions today. Mail \$2 and SASE to Astro Graph.

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SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Making impulsive decisions could be counterproductive today. Conversely, when you study the situation carefully, your judgment will be sound.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You will have better ideas than your co-workers today. Listen to their input, but do not discount what you have to offer.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) In an important situation today, it will be imperative not to let your emotions govern your behavior. Strive to be logical and rational at all times.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A change you've wanted to implement should be pursued today, even if your family isn't in total accord.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Do not let wishful thinking cloud your ability to make career decisions today. Assess the facts realistically and use them as your starting point.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You might



For Better or For Worse



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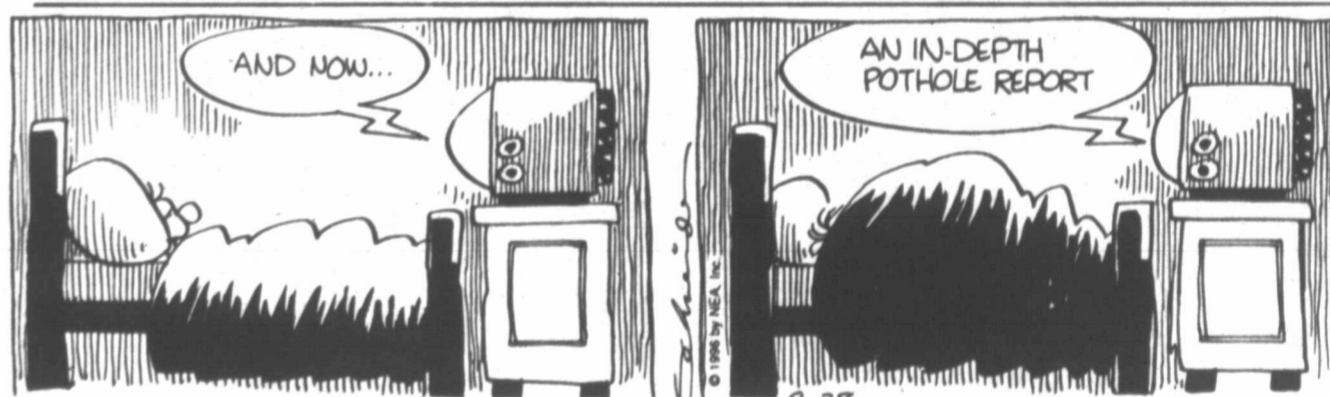
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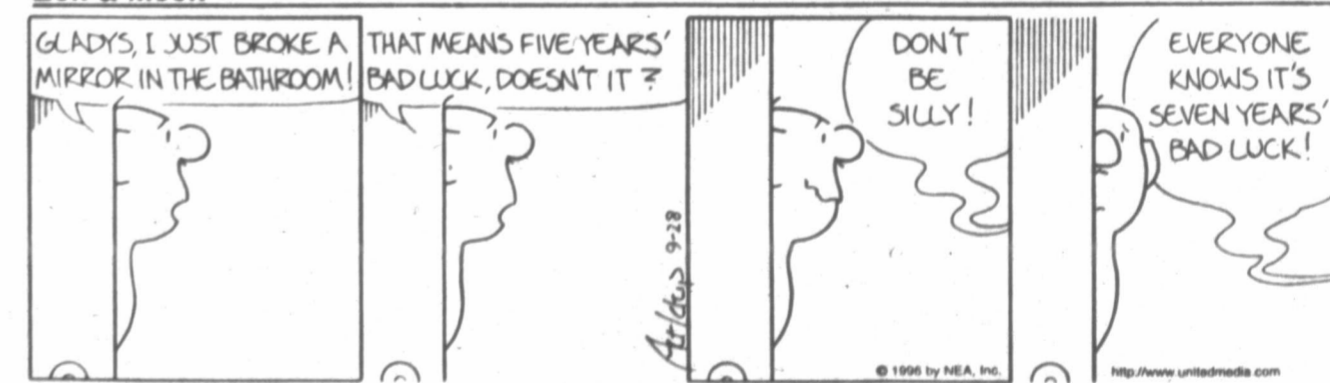
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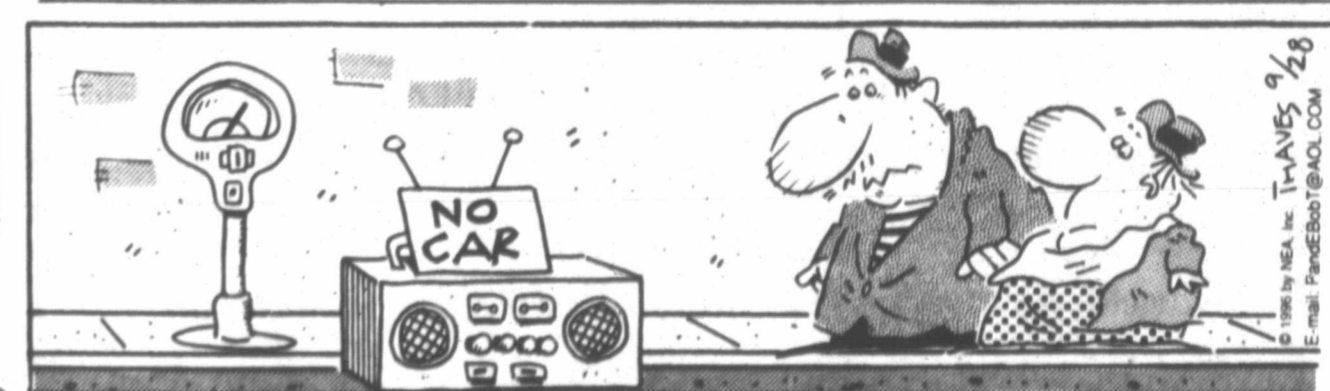
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The Born Loser



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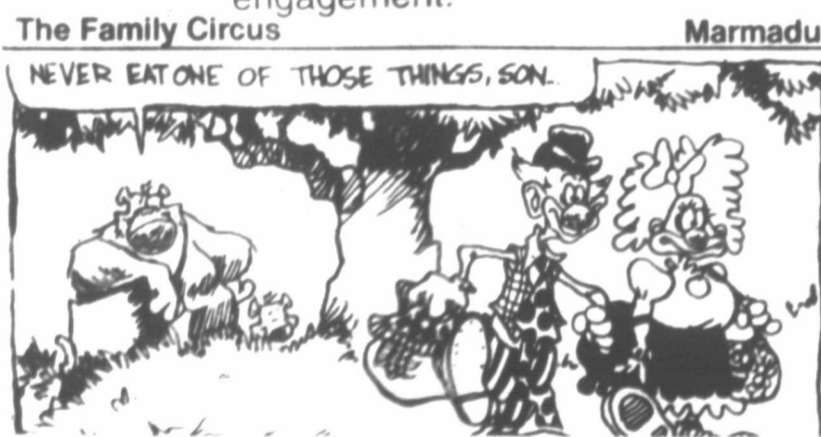
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Billy's final revealing account of Daddy's speaking engagement.



"You can't play with us because you play tackle baseball."



The Family Circus



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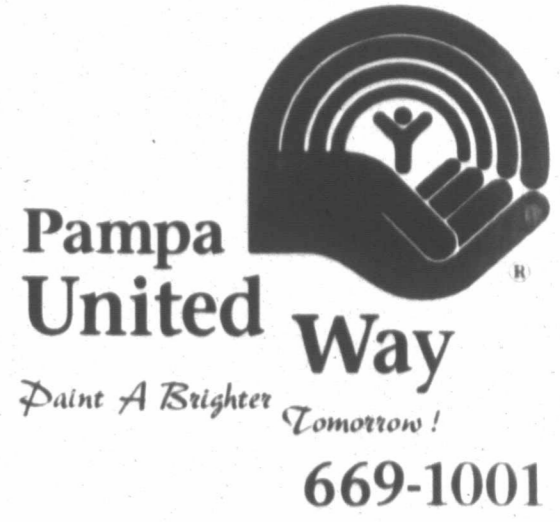


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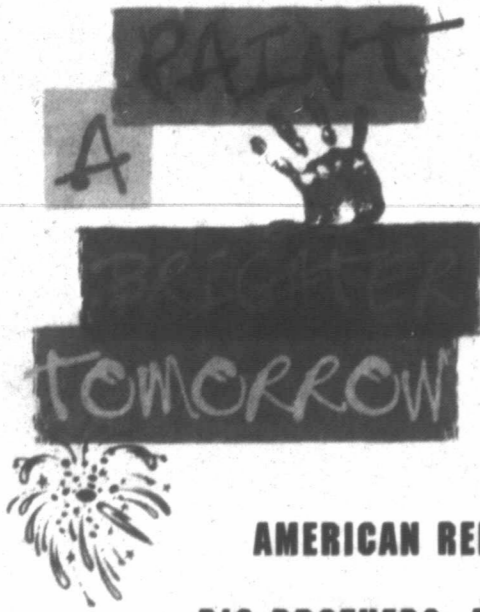
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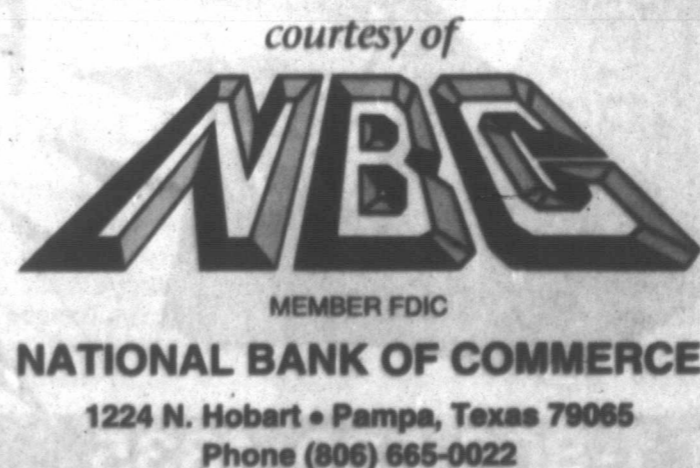
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Agriculture

The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

WHEAT - (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: There's an old trading adage which goes something like this: "Bottom pickers get their hands slapped." What this means is markets can go lower [or higher] than you think. It is very tough to pick a low [or high] since they are rarer than what lies in the middle.

This is the case in wheat. The market is quite oversold, and it is still my belief we are close to the bottom, but the actual bottom number is hard to pick. Markets can overreact. There is a lot of bearish news in the marketplace lately about the increased competition for export business and relatively good crops around the world. In fact, the news seems to be all bearish. This is what you see at market bottoms. A preponderance of bear news.

Remember the top? The news was all bullish - we were going to run out of wheat. Bottoms generally take longer to develop. However, there are some reasons to believe the market will recover. Wheat feeding is up, exports are picking up and world supplies are still historically tight. I think we are close.

Strategy: Hedgers: Those of you who simultaneously sold cash wheat and replaced the bushels by buying call options have generally been pleased with the strategy. The reason is the price of wheat has fallen by more than the option value. A floor price was established [which lowers risk] and by selling wheat, the cash money can be used to pay down debt or invest.

This strategy continues to make sense versus storage. Just buy the at the money options [I

would use December at present] as you sell your wheat. This will maintain ownership while placing a limit on your downside.

Traders: Last week we were stopped out of our December Chicago purchase [from under \$4.50] at \$4.25 for a loss a bit under 25 cents. The market continued to work lower, but at this writing is showing some signs of recovery. If the market can close two days above \$4.25, I would consider a repurchase, risking 15 cents for a \$4.75 objective by year end.

CORN - (BEAR)

Outlook: The best you can say for this corn market is that it is oversold. I look for a bounce, but the trend remains down. The market probably will not free-fall, however. There is a lot of storage space this year and farmers plan to use it. They remember five dollar corn from just a few months ago and are in no hurry to sell three dollar corn now.

This will be supportive in the near term, but will prevent major rallies over the longer term. Look for trading range affair as we enter the harvest period.

Strategy: Hedgers: We remain 75 percent hedged in the December with an average price above \$3.36. I would now look to sell any remaining December 350 calls [originally brought to protect against an early freeze]. Look to remove the hedgers as you sell harvested corn.

Feed users can buy at the money calls to protect against higher prices [not futures]; the calls will allow you to benefit from lower cash prices at harvest should they occur.

Traders: I would look to trade the range by buying December

futures on breaks under \$3.03 and shorting on rallies above \$3.32. Risk 10 cents on a closing basis for a 15 cent profit objective.

CATTLE - (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: Feedlot inventories are growing but still sharply below a year ago. There is a feeling the tightest numbers of market ready cattle of the year are with us now. Due to higher placement rates, the numbers are expected to rise into year end and peak in early '97. This is why the December futures are trading at a discount to the Octobers, and why the February is trading at a discount to the December.

This feeling is probably correct, but the future never seems to be as bleak as the futures predict. With beef supplies at 10-year lows, and the February futures at an eight dollar discount to cash, I would warn against getting too bearish too far out. Perceptions and conditions change.

Strategy: Feeders: Due to a weaker technical tone to the market, cattle feeders may now wish to expand hedge protection to the December time period. I suggest puts at this time as opposed to short futures. Put options act as price insurance, and effectively place a price floor under the market. The main advantage over selling futures or forward contracting is that they never limit your upside potential.

Cow/calf operators: We still suggest cow/calf people look to purchase at the money put options for the October/November time period. I have not liked the way the feeders acted when corn prices were collapsing. They just didn't go up enough; there was something wrong. Now if corn prices rise a bit, feeder prices could fall. While puts give price protection in down markets, they never limit upside potential.

Traders: Last week we were stopped out of our long-held February futures position [purchased under 64] at 6450 for a modest profit. We will look to reenter when our technical indicators turn positive, but for now stand aside.

Texas A&M land center to open one-stop shop for grazing land

COLLEGE STATION - The Center for Grazinglands and Ranch Management at Texas A&M University will bring together expertise from the entire Texas A&M Agriculture Program to become a one-stop shop for grazing land managers to get information.

Ranchers and/or other natural resource managers will be able to contact the center with questions. A Knowledge Seeker System will be used to access databases and search for information. The search will provide names of contact persons throughout the Agriculture Program, available publications and existing web pages that address the question.

The center will then refer the caller to the correct contact, tell them where to find the needed publication - often on the World Wide Web or at the local office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service - or fax or mail the publications to them. There will be a fee to offset the cost to the center for handling publications by fax or mail.

In this way, the center will promote existing agricultural programs by allowing ranchers to find out where in the maze of departments and agencies they should go for information pertaining to grazinglands, said Wayne Hamilton, the director of the center.

All natural resource managers

will have access to the center regardless of technology capabilities, he said. Information will be available on the world wide web by e-mail, phone, fax and mail. The WWW address is: <http://cnrit.tamu.edu/cgrm>.

According to Hamilton, the center will utilize a multi-disciplinary approach to solving problems. A steering committee comprised of seven department heads and representatives from the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Extension Service and the College of Veterinary Medicine will direct center activities, he said.

Grazingland managers, he continued, often have complex problems associated with the management of farm and ranch enterprises that no single discipline can adequately address. They must be concerned with production, economics, social policy, environmental practices and meeting their diverse objectives simultaneously, while academic departments may focus on only one of those components. This illustrates the need for an integrated approach to range management.

To put it simply, "Universities have departments; ranchers have problems," Hamilton concluded.

Therefore, the center will integrate available knowledge and resources in one place to support, encourage and thus strengthen established agricultural pro-

grams that fulfill a critical part in the need for integrated ranch management.

The center will draw on the established record of expertise from Texas A&M departments, including Animal Science, Rangeland Ecology and Ranch Management, Wildlife and Fisheries Science, Soil and Crop Sciences, Entomology, Agricultural Economics and Recreation, Park and Tourism Sciences, as well as the College of Veterinary Medicine and the Extension Service and Experiment Station.

According to Hamilton, the center is still being developed and currently has limited response potential but is open for business.

"Our doors are open and we are beginning to serve clientele," he stated.

As funding becomes available and the center grows, it will offer expanded resources as well as sponsor workshops and seminars.

Although its main clients are ranchers, the center also serves those concerned with public domain, wildlife refuges and park lands.

Funding will come from foundation and industry support, grants, contracts and fee-based services, and, as more funding becomes available, Hamilton said, the center will be able to hire full-time staff to handle calls and better serve the clientele.

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Amarillo prepares for annual Farm & Ranch Show

BURNSVILLE, Minn. - The 12th annual Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show will open Dec. 3, giving agricultural producers entering the exhibit area an opportunity to view the latest agricultural equipment from across the United States and Canada.

National manufacturers from the U.S. include: AGCO, Buffalo, CASE, Caterpillar, DMI, John Deere, Massey Ferguson, New Holland, Orthman, Priefert, Sunflower and Wylie. Canada's Pavilion will feature manufacturers from Alberta, Manitoba and other parts of Canada.

The Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show is considered to be "one of the top five farm shows in the country" by many national

manufacturers. The show will offer over 700 exhibits of the latest in agricultural products and services for the Panhandle producers. Manufacturers, dealers and retailers will be on hand to demonstrate and explain the advantages of the latest models and services.

The 1996 Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show is scheduled for Dec. 3-5 in the Amarillo Civic Center. Show hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sponsors for this year's event include the High Plains Journal, KFDD-TV, KGNC-Radio, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Texas Wheat Producers. Admission is free.

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Ag briefs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bad weather, high feed costs and less-productive cows have pushed dairy prices to record levels. Even higher retail prices are expected the rest of the year.

Average retail dairy prices in 1996 are expected to rise 6 percent to 7 percent, the first time since 1990 that dairy prices rose faster than the Consumer Price Index, the Agriculture Department predicted. "In early 1997, increases in retail prices are expected to be large, but then more moderate."

USDA's Economic Research Service foresees prices rising next year by as much as 5 percent.

At the farm, milk prices for the year are expected to exceed \$15 per 100 pounds, up about 20 percent from 1995, with production down 1 percent. That output decline is expected to be recovered next year and shave 50 cents to \$1 off the hundredweight price.

U.S. farmers have about 1 percent fewer cows than a year ago. More producers quit the business after their feed supplies were exhausted late last year or during the first half of this year, USDA said. Other farmers delayed plans for expansion.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Spurred by growing demand in Mexico, Europe and the Pacific Rim, exports of U.S. agricultural products are up 12 percent and headed for a record.

Shipments during the first 10 months of the budget year — which began last Oct. 1 — were valued

at \$50.4 billion. The Agriculture Department is forecasting a \$60 billion total for the full 12 months, which would be the highest ever.

July exports were worth \$4.4 billion, up 11 percent from a year earlier. Bulk commodities shipped during the month were valued at \$2 billion, up 25 percent.

"Gains for wheat, coarse grains (mainly corn) and soybeans more than offset declines for cotton, tobacco and rice exports," USDA said. The 10-month total for bulk commodities was 23 percent better than a year earlier.

"Strong prices and robust demand from Asian Pacific Rim countries, Mexico and the European Union were key factors boosting the value of U.S. bulk exports," the report said.

KENNEWICK, Wash. (AP) — Eastern Washington farmers whose potatoes are bound for processing plants are expecting a good year, but growers who supply the supermarkets face low prices.

"Potato farmers are doing OK, especially if they're processing growers," said Dale Lathim, director of the Potato Growers of Washington. "The quality is very good and the yields are very good."

Farmers of potatoes used for french fries and other processed foods will receive \$95 to \$100 a ton this year, compared with about \$88 a ton last year, Lathim said. Farmers for the fresh market are getting only about \$75.

Israel, Texas alliance continues study of saving water in irrigated croplands

UVALDE — When Texans take a bite of cantaloupe or watermelon, they probably don't think of Israel. But there's a closer tie than they might imagine.

That's because Texas Agricultural Experiment Station researchers are part of an alliance between Israel and Texas that focuses on a timely topic for both places: saving water in irrigated cropland, including that used for melons.

The research is part of the Texas-Israel Exchange program, an effort whose primary purpose is to boost agricultural research and business opportunities between the two partners. It is funded by the Texas Department of Agriculture and the Israeli Ministry of Agriculture and has started its second year of funded projects this summer.

Texas and Israel have similar climates and a common interest in growing crops under semi-arid conditions, said Daniel Leskovar, a horticulturalist with the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Uvalde.

"Water issues are critical to both Israel and Texas because both have or will have only limited supplies of usable water in the future. Salty, brackish water is their (Israel's) main consideration," Leskovar said.

However, poor water quality could also become an issue in portions of Southwest Texas served by the Edwards and Carrizo aquifers, where water levels are dropping during the current

drought. Some experts fear brackish water could seep into freshwater portions of the aquifer when its water level drops too far.

In any event, both Texas and Israel must use irrigation carefully, and Leskovar leads the Texas part of the project, which examines the best ways to irrigate watermelons and cantaloupes.

Throughout the state, Texas grows watermelon on approximately 50,000 acres and cantaloupe on some 25,000 acres each year.

About 7,000 acres of watermelons and 2,000 acres of cantaloupe are planted in the Winter Garden area of South Texas, where the Uvalde center is located. All test plots in the program's first year were located at the Uvalde center, but Leskovar hopes this year to expand his program to include work with a private producer.

The project was one of nine funded for 1995-96 by state appropriations to the Texas-Israel Exchange Board. More than 50 proposals have been submitted.

Winners of 1996-97 grants were named in August, and Leskovar's work was one of 10 projects funded, including nine that received continued funding.

In Texas, Leskovar spent the first year of the program examining yield and growth efficiency of two watermelon cultivars under different irrigation and water stress levels. Preliminary results indicated yields were better at higher levels of irrigation, but growth efficiency was better at

lower irrigation levels.

With cantaloupes, he looked at various systems ranging from low inputs to high inputs. The lowest input scenario included irrigation on the day before planting, followed by dryland conditions dependent on rainfall. The highest input scenario included transplanting plants from grown in containers, use of mulch and drip irrigation. Drip irrigation uses an underground irrigation line that emits water.

During the project's second year, Leskovar will continue looking at different planting methods with and without mulch, with drip irrigation emitters positioned at varying soil depths and with transplanting of plants whose initial growth is in containers. Watermelons will be studied under a greater array of water-deficit treatments.

Leskovar is exchanging information with Israeli coordinator Avraham Meiri, primarily through electronic mail, but he also visited Israel in December and will visit again this winter. Meiri visited Uvalde in September 1995 to view the start of the Texas portion of the project.

The Israeli portion of the project is focusing on how salt stress, or high levels of salt in irrigation water, as well as water stress affect yield and reproductive growth of watermelons and cantaloupes.

"Our initial results have been encouraging," Leskovar said. "Concepts here can be applicable statewide, with some adaptation to other regions' conditions, and even to other crops."

Scientists attack corn-damaging nematodes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Science is gaining control over the nematode, a worm that can cut yields of corn and other major crops by 30 percent.

The key is resistant plants now available to breeders. The engineered plants cause worms hatched from eggs deposited in their roots to die quickly or take longer to mature, said plant pathologist Gary Windham of the Agriculture Department's Agricultural Research Service.

Fewer surviving adults means less harm to the crops. USDA research has focused on the Southern root-knot nematode, *Meloidogyne incognita*, and the peanut root-knot nematode, *M. arenaria*.

W. Paul Williams, an ARS agronomist, said commercial corn bred from the resistant lines could benefit farmers in Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and other Southern states where the nematodes do the worst damage to corn, cotton and soybean.

There is little need for spraying chemical killers on corn plants that can hold their own against these pests, said Williams, who works out of an ARS research unit at Mississippi State University.

Williams and Windham worked with Mississippi State personnel to develop, test and produce seed of the new corn germplasm lines, dubbed "Mississippi (Mp) 709, 710, 711 and 712." Williams said the yield isn't as high as commercial corn, but plant breeders can remedy this by crossing the lines with higher-yielding varieties.

Southern farmers often rotate corn with cotton or soybeans for greater flexibility with weed-killing herbicides and less risk of disease. But planting corn in worm-infested soils can greatly increase nematode numbers, endangering crops planted after corn the following season, Windham said.

"We figure that if you plant corn that can resist the nematodes, you can really do something to reduce their population size in a crop rotation with cotton, for example," Williams said.

Although *M. incognita* is a greater threat to corn than *M. arenaria*, Windham said, both can be found in the same crop fields, especially those with sandy soils. The tiny worms pierce the roots of corn plants to feed, mate and later deposit hundreds of eggs each. Their feeding damage causes galling, or knots,

in the roots so the plants get fewer nutrients and less water from soil, stunting their growth.

In the greenhouse studies, the scientists applied 3,000 nematode eggs to seedlings of each of the resistant corn lines and susceptible check lines. Worms that hatched from the eggs were given 60 days to feed and mate. The researchers then counted the number of eggs deposited by the surviving females and rated the plant's resistance or susceptibility.

Of the resistant lines, Mp 709 fared best with only an occasional egg or cluster on the roots of each plant. Mp 710 was second best, with only one or two egg clusters per plant. A susceptible check, Ab24E, had 65 egg masses per plant.

The two resistant lines are selections of plants from two 50-year-old corn varieties called Old Raccoon and Tebeau. But what makes them resistant to nematodes is still a mystery.

One possible clue may be a natural protein the plants produce upon attack, but that suspicion has yet to be confirmed, Williams cautioned. "Now that we have the resistance, we can start looking at what the mechanisms are behind it," he said.

Tobacco farmers have trouble with new crops

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. (AP) — Tony Slaughter could be a poster boy for those who would have tobacco farmers start anew with different crops. It's easier said than done.

For 11 years, Slaughter has been growing fruits and vegetables on his tobacco farm. But now he is considering growing only burley tobacco next year.

"The market is the problem," he said. While the market for tobacco is well-established, finding a place to sell vegetables and alternative crops is not as certain. Meanwhile, the assault on tobacco and cigarettes has increased. President Clinton has unveiled strict government regulations to curb tobacco advertising to teenagers and to allow the Food and Drug Administration to regulate sale and promotion of cigarettes.

Those actions led to increased talk of alternative crops and supplemental crops. But experts said that for East Tennessee farmers, there really is little alternative to tobacco because of the terrain

and the climate.

"After 11 years, it's disheartening to give up," Slaughter says. "This is tobacco country and that's what it's going to stay."

Last year in Tennessee, tobacco was second to cotton as a cash crop with sales of \$248 million. Most of the 84 million pounds grown was burley tobacco, mainly in East Tennessee.

"I don't think folks need to get scared," said Slaughter, a Sullivans County farmer. "I think tobacco's always going to be here. I do not believe the FDA will ultimately be able to regulate tobacco."

Don Fowlkes, a tobacco specialist with the University of Tennessee's Agriculture Extension Service, agrees. "The FDA stuff right now is not going to amount to much," he said.

Fowlkes says he supports "the concept of diversification" for the economic well-being for burley farmers. But he also admits that there really is not much choice other than tobacco for most East Tennessee farmers who grow the leaf.

Bob Miller of the extension service's Tobacco Experiment Station in Greene County says the same thing.

"The bottom line is we haven't identified any other crop in this part of the state that a lot of families can grow that can make anywhere near the return per acre," Miller says.

The mountainous terrain is not conducive to the scale needed to make row crops such as corn profitable. The cooler climate makes for a shorter growing season, meaning almost everyone is harvesting at the same time.

"We have vegetables when everybody has stuff in their garden," Slaughter says.

He grew tomatoes, peppers, beans, squash, cucumbers, zucchini, watermelon, cantaloupe and okra. For a while, he sold his produce to a local grocery chain.

Then, that chain was bought out. The larger grocery chains are not interested in local produce, Slaughter says, because they can get fruits and vegetables more cheaply through a broker.

Texas Longhorn breeders set annual convention

LAREDO — Members of the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America will hold their 32nd Annual Convention and general membership meeting Oct. 24-26 at Laredo.

Presidents of the TLBAA's 32 affiliate organizations in the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand will meet Oct. 24, and then will host an opening reception for conventioners.

On Oct. 25, there will be a meeting of the TLBAA Board of Directors followed by a luncheon and guest speaker. Then the group will adjourn to enjoy

shopping at Marty's in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico.

The general membership meeting will be held at 10 a.m. Oct. 26. The guest speaker will be Jorge Haynes discussing "The Effects of NAFTA." Haynes was involved in the discussions preceding the NAFTA agreement.

A TLBAA Presidents Round Table session among past presidents will be held next. These past leaders will discuss the Texas Longhorn breed and TLBAA events during their tenure.

The convention will end with a reception, awards banquet and

dance. Among the awards are the Elmer Parker Award for lifetime devotion to the preservation and promotion of the breed, and the Dave Evans Breeder of the Year Award. Affiliate presidents will also present the Jack Phillips award to an individual who works hard but has received little recognition.

The TLBAA, headquartered in Fort Worth, was organized in 1964. Today it has 4,500 members worldwide, with over 240,000 head of cattle in the herd registry. For more information, call (817) 625-6241.

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Paralyzed man makes physical and mental transformation in life

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NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Here was true communion: Kevin Duthu, 31, dragging a metal exercise machine from its resting place against the wall, mounting it, then tipping himself over a metal bar until he hung upside down in his one-bedroom, \$75-a-month apartment.

The Orthopod — that's the name on the contraption — is designed to alleviate the compressing effects of gravity on discs in the spine. For Duthu, it's like a Ouija board, a channel connecting the mind with its obsession, the body.

Duthu hung on the Orthopod for a few moments, the blood rushing to his head, reddening his narrow face and widening his sharp, unsettled eyes. His pullover shirt slid down around his neck, exposing his bare back and a scar running along it like the sealed entrance to a cave of mystery and power.

"Before my accident, I did not have an aura about me," Duthu said.

Details of the consecrating moment of Duthu's life are these: At age 18, on May 29, 1983, about 10:30 p.m., he dived head first into the shallow end of a swimming pool and broke his neck, paralyzing himself from the neck down.

He did not fully recover, but eventually was able to walk out of the hospital with the help of two Lumex-brand canes. His right hand remains twisted. His legs are shrunken saplings deprived of water and sun.

In the truest sense of the cliché, Duthu's rehabilitation was a "triumph of the human spirit" because with the triumph came much more. Namely, the death of the old Kevin and his rebirth as an intense and sometimes prickly young man with rather arcane preoccupations.

"In my mind and soul, I changed," he said. "I became eccentric, exactly. Eccentric and narcissistic. Look around. Am I not narcissistic?"

One recent morning, Duthu's stereo featured a lone saxophonist playing lilting riffs, marshaling the power of silence to enhance the concentrated effect of the music. His walls were covered with posters with sports or New Orleans musical themes. Set into an alcove, like a Madonna in the corner of a Gently garden, was a neck brace.

"They call that a halo device," said Duthu, looking at the brace crowned with an LSU baseball cap. "In the Bible, it says that anybody who wears a halo around his head is considered an angel."

In Duthu's case, where a broken spine has led, the mind has followed, down mystical alleyways through which no one else can ever go.

Not his mother, a housewife. Not his father, manager of a coal-towing company on the Mississippi River. What must parents think when their son, a diehard Saints fan, recites rhyming paean to the team in a voice a little too loud, or announces with conviction that the Superdome is heaved because it was built on top of a 19th century cemetery?

"Everybody in my family has gotten mad at me because of the way I think," said Duthu, who has had trouble holding a steady job since the accident but has attended Delgado Community

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College and is trying to develop a sports-memorabilia business.

"They said I was acting erratic, irrational, irrelevant, illogical. But they are not in my position. I had gone deep inside and begun to search for new realities of my life."

His friends from before the accident, captured in photos at long-past celebrations, are far away from him now. He keeps their pictures in a box, looking at them and reciting each name like an emigre far from the shores of his homeland.

His voyage began the instant he hit the water, when his legs flipped above his upper body and drove it like a piling into the bottom of the pool.

After that, Duthu moved in with his parents, but within a year or so they clashed. He tried moving in with friends, then back home again, and finally to the Mississippi Gulf Coast before making his way back to New Orleans.

Over the course of time he became engrossed in several subjects — sports, the history of his family and of New Orleans — fixtures removed from the realm of the unpredictable.

"When I lived with my friends, we had an apartment next to a cemetery where my grandfather's tomb is," Duthu said.

"I used to go to the grave site and pray all the time. A granite and stone grave site, above ground. I went there on Memorial Day the year the Celtics won their 16th championship and I placed some Mardi Gras marching-cane flowers, white and green, and four Mid-City doubloons on the tomb. I was fully ambulatory by then. I used my great-grandfather's retirement hickory cane that he got from the Southern Railway."

Duthu swung himself off the Orthopod, collapsed it, and laboriously stored it back against the wall. Returning to his chair — his apartment is furnished with portable seats that used to be hawked outside the old Tulane Stadium before football games — Duthu began talking about going back to college to become a physical therapist.

Who knows if that dream will ever materialize? If it doesn't, perhaps there is some other job out there for him — working with disabled people like himself.

"I have spent millions of hours by myself," Duthu said. "There is no documentation that my accident affected me mentally, but I don't think the way everybody else thinks. People want me to conform to standards which don't apply to me. Because I am in a world by myself. And I've been in a world by myself since 1983."

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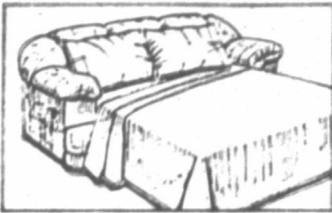
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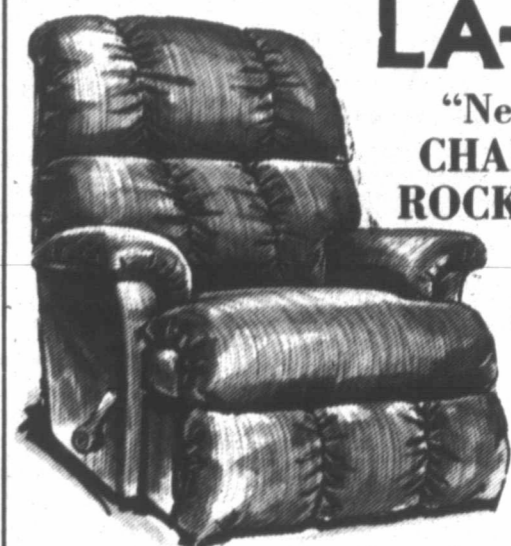


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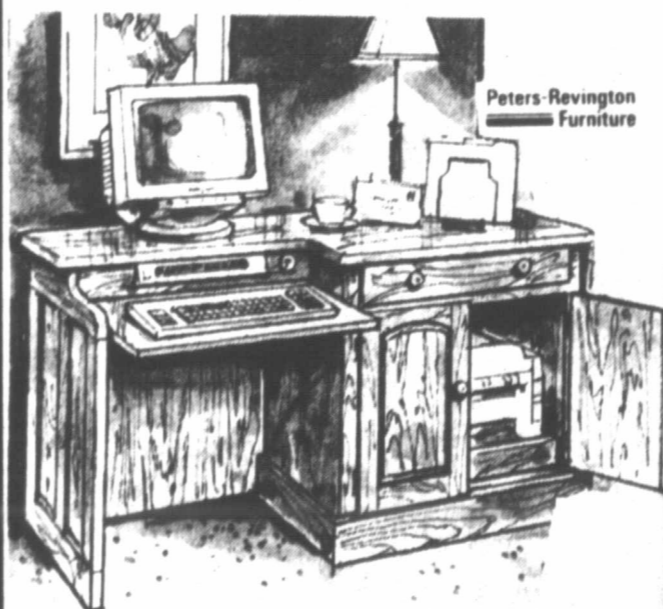
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