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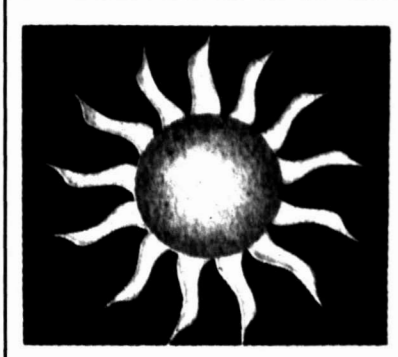
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No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the Lotto Texas game. The ticket would have been worth an estimated \$22 million. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 5, 21, 28, 36, 40, 43. Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$28 million.

AMARILLO Texans 60 years or older have the chance to become a representative to the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature and work with the Texas Legislature on senior issues which may become law. Candidates may file through March 31. ISHS are elected to two-year terms and pay their own expenses. Elections will be May 26. For more information, to vote or to obtain forms for filing, contact the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle with in Amarillo at (806) 372-3381.

- **Abigail McKenzie Armstrong**, infant daughter of Shana and Thomas Armstrong Jr.
- **Glenda Kay Burrell**, 42, Pampa resident.
- **Thelma Jo Caskey**, 76, retired employee of Santa Fe Railroad.
- **David Joseph Darce**, 46, services pending.
- **Robert Ellison II**, 86, former employee of El Paso Natural Gas and Bell Telephone.
- **Mary E. Hatfield**, 95, former Letors resident.
- **Jim King**, 85, retired Celanese employee.
- **Willie Mae 'Bill' Manry**, 84, homemaker.
- **Jerry T. Mayberry**, 65, heavy equipment operator.
- **Milan Paul Mertel**, 76, farmer.
- **Lula Mae Motley**, 74, retired IRI International employee.
- **Clarence Upton**, 85, former PISD, USPS employee.

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Bang, bang



City crews were busy building a house for shooting today. Pampa police and city street employees were leveling ground around a foundation that has been poured for a "shoot house." The roofless structure will provide a training facility for live fire tactical training for police officers. The thick-walled building is being built by city crews and police officers using recycled material in an effort to keep costs down. It is located next to the police department's firing range east of the city. Israel Ulloa with a tractor and front end loader and Dean Bliss in a smaller front loader were leveling and smoothing the dirt around the foundation under the supervision of Terry Brown.

DOE orders investigation of Pantex safety records

AMARILLO (AP) — A team will examine safety documentation for Pantex weapons facilities as part of a three-month federal review at the facility which dismantles nuclear warheads near this Panhandle city.

Energy Secretary Bill Richardson said that the investigation at the plant will follow up on a 1996 report on Pantex safety management.

"Protecting the safety and health of workers, the public and the environment is an integral part of the Department of Energy's mission, including the responsibilities carried out by the National Nuclear Security Administration," said Richardson in a statement Friday. "I am committed to continuing the department's emphasis on independent safety reviews while transitioning our nation's defense activities to a new organization."

A 12-person team from the department's Office of Environment, Safety and Health will conduct the review to determine if safety documentation is current and technically adequate. It is scheduled to start March 27.

A DOE deputy area manager told the Amarillo Globe-News the safety review was a routine matter.

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Police release accident stats

The Pampa Police Department released the monthly accident report for February, 2000.

In February, six accidents resulted in injuries, with no fatalities. So far, Pampa is on par for injury-accidents. There were 62 injury-accidents per month in 1999 in Pampa. There were 74 accidents resulting in injuries in 1999.

In February, 21 accidents did not result in injuries. The number is up from 20 non-injury accidents in January. And it is also higher than the 1999 average of 15.7 non-injury accidents per month. There were 188 non-injury accidents in 1999.

Four of the six injury-accidents occurred on a Tuesday. The most common locations for injury-accidents were 1000 W. 23rd, and 1300 N. Hobart. There were two injury-accidents at each location.

Tuesday was also the busiest day for non-injury-accidents, with eight occurring on a Tuesday.

Four accidents involved parked cars.

Five citations were issued for failure to yield right of way, and five were issued for following too closely.

A day at work on the Bush campaign

**By J.B. HORTON
For The News**

(Pampa's J.B. Horton has an internship with the Bush For President Campaign and he writes an occasional column for The Pampa News)

Ring-o-ring, the alarm clock makes its presence known around 6:45 a.m. As I wake, my mind races with thoughts of the exciting day that awaits. My hand reaches with great force to press the snooze button for a few more moments of precious sleep. After repeating this process a few times, I roll out of bed and get ready for the day.

I leave San Marcos, where I have the good fortune of staying with a friend who has an extra

bedroom, and enter I-35 traffic on a 30 minute commute to Austin. Traffic is not overwhelming because my internship does not require my services until after morning rush hour. Nevertheless, Austin traffic tends to generate an adventure in one way or another, almost like a roller coaster ride.

After I reach my driving destination, a free parking lot south of Town Lake, I walk to the nearest trolley stop and wait for the next Dillo (Armadillo) tram which provides free service to commuters. The Dillo takes me into downtown Austin and drops me off at 301 S. Congress Avenue where I walk inside a 22-story skyscraper, a structure not often seen in the panhandle. This building is home to the presiden-

tial campaign of Texas Gov. George W. Bush. It is located about eight blocks south of the Texas Capitol Building.

In this building, the second floor is completely occupied by the campaign, a campaign that is very complex and yet extremely organized. All 125 full-time employees call this building their national headquarters where they perform duties in one of the following sections of the campaign: Administration, Advance, Correspondence, Executive, Finance, Legal, Texas First Lady's Office, Policy, Political, Press, Scheduling, Strategy and Treasury. My duties on the campaign reside mainly in the e-campaign division, a special subsection of the Press Office.

The e-campaign will send out anywhere between 10,000 and 500,000 e-mails a day to targeted states hosting primaries or special events relating to the campaign. We receive an average of 1,200 volunteers from the Web each day from all over the United States, over a million dollars total in donations through the georgewebush.com website, and thousands of e-mails from people requesting information or giving their opinions on issues. In this new age of technology, business is not the only segment of society being revolutionized; simultaneously, politics is being affected, too. To say the least, now is an exciting time to be involved with technology in politics.

Behind the scenes of the web

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Pampa Chamber of Commerce Luncheon - March 21st, 2000
200 N. Ballard - Please RSVP at 669-3241

Future of area water supply meeting topic

The second of two water planning meetings will be in Pampa this week.

The Panhandle Water Planning Group will hold public meeting in Dumas Tuesday and Pampa Thursday, according to Roberts County Judge Vernon Cook, vice chairman of the group. C.E. Williams of White Deer is chairman.

Mandated by the Texas Legislature, Water Planning groups across the state are trying to determine the amount of water available in each region of Texas over the next 50 years, water needs of each region and how to match needs and availability.

The public meetings scheduled by the Panhandle Water Planning Group, which covers 21 counties, will deal with the description of the planning region and analysis of population and water demands in the region, available water supplies.

The meeting in Pampa will begin at 7 p.m., Thursday, at Pampa City Hall, 200 Foster.

The Dumas meeting will begin at 7 p.m., Tuesday, at the Dumas Meals on Wheels Room, 310 East First Street.

"These meetings are open to all interested parties," Cook said. "The Panhandle Water Planning Group welcomes and encourages participation from anyone interested in the future of the water resources of our region."

Pampa man faces charges in auto death

**By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor**

A Pampa man remained in Gray County Jail this morning following his arrest by Gray County deputies Saturday on a warrant for first-degree manslaughter charges in connection with a car wreck in Oklahoma on January 16.

Bryan Neal Hooks, 22, 704 E. Browning, who was driver of a 1995 Dodge Neon, was also charged with DUI, transporting an open container and failure to wear a seat belt which were related charges in the incident that killed Jay Brennan Collins, 24, Booker.

Collins was a passenger in the Hooks vehicle which, according to Oklahoma Highway Patrol reports, was traveling eastbound at a high rate of speed eight miles south of Bryan's Corner on Highway 83 at 3:45 a.m. on January 16.

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Incumbents only so far

Only the incumbents have indicated an interest to serve an additional term as the deadline to file for office approaches for those seeking a position on the Pampa City Commission.

The terms of current Pampa City Commissioners Jeff Andrews and Faustina Curry are expiring. Both commission members have filed to seek reelection to the commission.

Deadline for filing to have a place on the May 6 ballot is at 5 p.m. Wednesday at Pampa City Hall.

Pampa Independent School Board members Sue Fathere and Lee Porter have been the only candidates to file for that election. It will also be May 6.

If no other candidates file to seek places on the city and school governing boards, elections for the two entities will not be held as provided by law.

First day of early voting by personal appearance is April 19 while the last day is provided to be May 2.

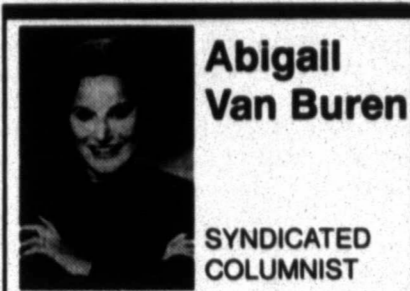
Man in Abusive Relationship Also Fights Others' Disbelief

DEAR ABBY: Finally, someone was willing to point out that women can be as abusive as men. The letter I'm referring to came from "Worried Mother in Oregon." When I read the "15 Reasons to Leave Your Lover, Warning Signs of an Abusive Personality," I was disappointed, but not surprised. You have no idea how many men are in abusive relationships. People assume that women can never be as violent or controlling as men. It's even harder to believe if the man is much bigger than the woman.

Because of my ex-wife, I lost my dream job and several friends. This woman had kicked, punched, choked and scratched me. She had thrown things at me in the middle of the night. Possessions of mine were destroyed or tossed outside. I never wanted to fight with her. If there was a problem, I tried to communicate by talking things out. She preferred to hit or verbally assault me.

I tried to leave several times so I could cool down and the children wouldn't have to see any more violence. My wife would stop me by blocking the door or threatening to call the police. If one of us did call the police, I was always the one who had to leave.

Because I believe so strongly in family and having two parents in the house, I kept coming back. Things only got worse. I tried to convince my wife, whom I still cared about, to go to counseling with me. She refused, saying I was the one



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

who needed help.

Well, I got the help I needed — my dignity and self-worth are returning and I'm finally out of the situation. However, the problem remains unsolved because she still wants to control what I do with my children and the time I have with them. Since I will not allow her to do this, she has become more desperate and volatile.

I pressed charges when she hit me while I was picking up the children. The police would not take her to jail; they just talked to her. This is the main reason why you do not hear much about men who are abused. If we hit a woman, we automatically get a ride to jail. Unless you have it on camera, with 20 witnesses and the judge present, a woman can do what she wants.

For men in abusive relationships, all I can say is, "Get out as fast as you can. It will take time to heal, but you'll be much better off."

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STORY

DEAR OTHER SIDE: No one

— male or female — should raise a hand in anger toward the other. Since your wife seems to have such poor control of her anger, it concerns me that your children are in her care. If incidents of female-to-male violence are not being taken seriously, I'm stating for the record that police should have further training to help them to deal evenhandedly with abuse by both sexes.

DEAR ABBY: Please advise your readers to take the time to get the telephone number of an emergency animal clinic before they need it.

Tonight my neighbor's dog was hit by a car. Valuable time was saved because she had the telephone number of an after-hours emergency animal clinic programmed into her cell phone. Luckily, I also had a card for the clinic with a map and directions on the back.

When an accident occurs, moments count. A moment of preparation now could save a precious life later.

A.J. WARE, ATLANTA

DEAR A.J.: That's a terrific suggestion, and I'm pleased to pass it along to my pet-owning and animal-loving readers. Consider it added insurance against the unexpected.

P.S. It's also a good idea, when traveling with your pet, to take along its vaccination and medical records. In case of an emergency, the vet will need them.

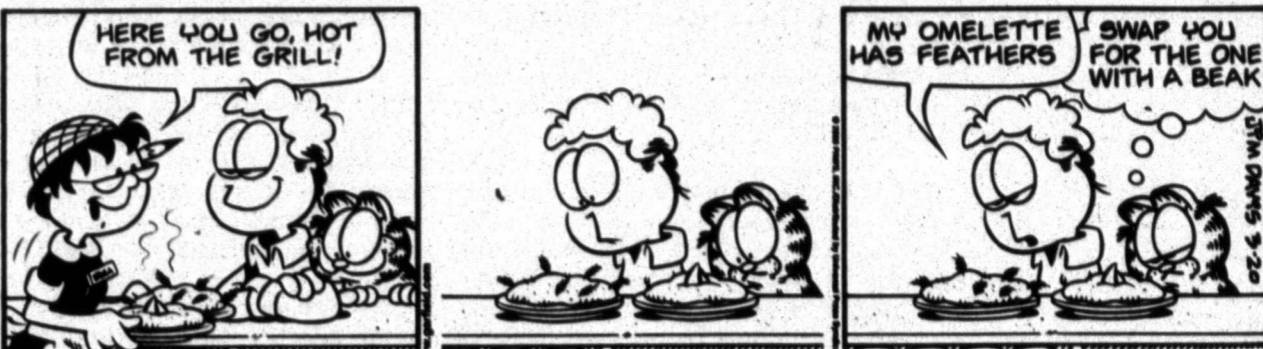
For Better or For Worse



Zits



Garfield



Beetle Bailey



Marvin



B.C.



Hagar The Horrible



Peanuts



Blondie



Mallard Filmore



Horoscope

TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ***** The unexpected occurs with a friend. You're unconventional and full of surprises; others present different points of view. Fortunately, you don't get stuck in thinking that things have to go a certain way. Tonight: Allow another to make the call.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *** Dig into work, and flow with change and unpredictability. You accomplish a lot as long as you don't have a rigid game plan. Your ability to flex and move breeds success. Bosses are unpredictable, and you'll need to manage their energy. Tonight: Work late.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** An unexpected change promotes creativity and allows you to use your imagination. Tap into your resources, knowing full well what you want from an important relationship. A surprise encounter can develop into a lot more. Are you ready? Tonight: Add more fun to your life.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** An associate makes you laugh and adds to the levity of different situations. Dig into work; discuss the implications of a long-term project. Work with others. Consider a home office or another

type of investment. Tonight: Your home is your castle.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Allow greater flexibility into your life. You'll be a lot happier, and communication will flourish. Working with others becomes a snap. Another might sometimes irritate you with his temperament. Choose to enjoy his unpredictable behavior instead! Tonight: Out and about.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Get feedback from others. Financial matters flourish. Stay ahead of changes. Be willing to learn and let go of what hasn't worked, especially in your professional life. Examine your financial long-term goals and those within a partnership. Tonight: Treat yourself well.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** You are a force that is difficult to stop. You know what you want and will be most ingenious in making it happen. You intrigue a new friend or a special loved one. Do not minimize the importance of a partnership. Honor an established tie. Tonight: Be spontaneous.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ** You could be rattled by a boss or parent. Think about the different points of view that are being presented. Yours might not be the only valid one. Question whether there is a right and wrong, or if present issues revolve around individual differences. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** Aim for what you want, knowing that anything is possible. This conviction will take you in new directions. Be willing to break patterns and take different paths than others take.

Friends play a significant role in present decisions. Tonight: Where the gang is.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** All eyes turn to you. Make solid decisions, knowing what you want. Let your sense of humor come into play. Your luck with money is akin to a roller coaster ride right now. Take responsibility. Make decisions for the long run. Tonight: Make a must appearance.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** You work better with others when you detach and take an overview. Many attempts to get your attention, but you have your own unique filtering system. Make calls: reach out for those at a distance. Learning doesn't have to be through formal education. Seek information. Tonight: Where the music is.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Your instincts could take you in a new direction. Visualize what you want. Think through a question carefully. Your sense of what is appropriate plays into an important partnership decision. Schedule a lunch meeting. Tonight: Take a hard look at taxes and financial well-being.
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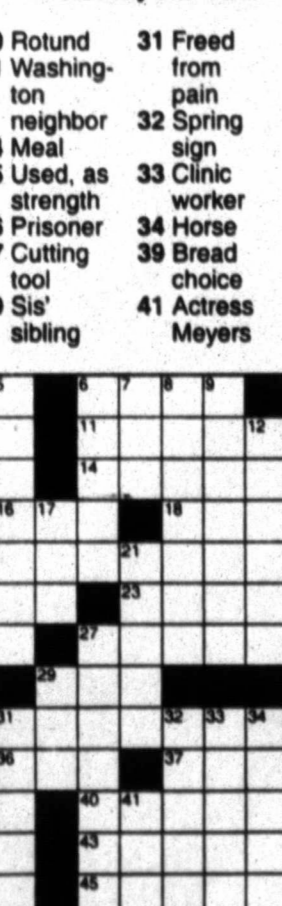
Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Dance document
 - 45 — and
 - 6 Cronos dined
 - 10 Writer Chekhov
 - 11 Out on —
 - 13 Actress Gibbs
 - 14 Contender
 - 15 Numero —
 - 16 Make a knot
 - 18 Historic time
 - 19 Breath fresheners
 - 22 — Vegas
 - 23 Losing plan
 - 24 Happen again
 - 27 Sets of cards
 - 28 Final, for one
 - 29 Scrooge's cry
 - 30 They're ground in mills
 - 35 Museum topic
 - 36 Fine
 - 37 Ump's call
 - 38 Agitates
 - 40 Buffalo player
 - 42 "Fiddler on the Roof" hero
 - 43 Stand
- DOWN**
- 1 Block
 - 2 Foolish
 - 3 Razor sharpener
 - 4 Gen.'s subordinate
 - 5 Carousing
 - 6 Women's quarters
 - 7 Boxing great
 - 8 Surrendered
 - 9 Hurt
 - 12 Explosions
 - 17 Tax org.
 - 20 Rotund
 - 21 Washington neighbor
 - 24 Meal
 - 25 Used, as strength
 - 26 Prisoner
 - 27 Cutting tool
 - 29 Sis' sibling
 - 31 Freed from pain
 - 32 Spring sign
 - 33 Clinic worker
 - 34 Horse
 - 39 Bread choice
 - 41 Actress Meyers



Saturday's answer



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"He's letting those snowflakes know it's the first day of spring."

The Family Circus



"... And this last one sure weighs a lot. Daddy said it's the POUND key."

