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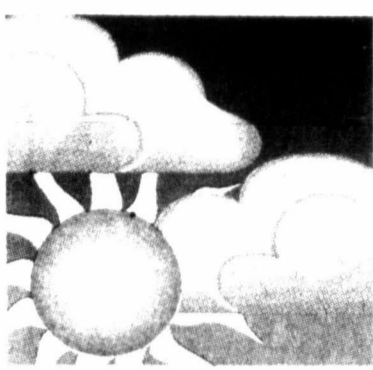
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PAMPA — Former Pampa High School vocational students will speak to their school-age counterparts Thursday morning in celebration of Business Professionals of America week.

The alumni will participate in a panel discussion in Vocational Building Room 2 about changes in the program since their graduation, according to sponsor Sherrell Wheeler.

Business Professionals of America is the national vocational student organization for students preparing careers in the business world.

The organization's purpose is to prepare students for the business workforce through the development of leadership, citizenship, academic and technological skills.

The club members also prepared valentines for a number of groups, including PHS faculty and senior developmental class members.

An open house for those interested in the cooperative education program will be held from 7:30 to 11 a.m. in Vocational Building Rooms 1 and 2.

PAMPA — The Pampa Community Concert Association will open its membership campaign Saturday, Feb. 17, with a brunch at 10 a.m. at the First Baptist Church.

Scheduled concerts for the 1996-97 season will include the Saint Lawrence String Quartet classical music program; the Kevin Roth pop and jazz concert; Tian Jiang's piano concert; and the toe-tapping rhythms and dances of Rhythm in Shoes.

For more information, call (806) 665-0343.

STATE

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston jury today awarded \$138 million in punitive damages to 22 residents of a rural area near Brenham whose property was ravaged by a gas pipeline explosion nearly four years ago.

The jury, which on Monday awarded them \$5.4 million in actual damages, deliberated all day Tuesday and briefly today before returning with its punishment verdict against three gas and pipeline companies — Seminole Pipeline Co., Mid-American Pipeline Co. and MAPCO Inc.

In its earlier verdict, the jury said the explosion resulted from conscious indifference to the victims and that the companies showed a "flagrant disregard" for others.

The April 7, 1992 gas explosion killed three people, injured 23 others and caused more than \$6.5 million in damage. The gas emanated from what authorities believe was an overloaded underground salt dome storage facility.

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Phil Gramm to exit race for president

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Bob Dole called Phil Gramm today to wish him well as the Texas senator exits the race for the Republican presidential nomination, but Dole said he didn't ask for Gramm's endorsement.

"Phil, I didn't call to solicit anything," Dole said, recounting the conversation to reporters while campaigning in Manchester, N.H.

"Having been through this I know it's tough," Dole said he told Gramm, referring to his own humiliating loss to George Bush in 1988. "You've invested a couple of years of your life and a lot of time and your wife has."

"You know, we're friends. We understand each other."

Gramm planned an announcement today in Washington on his future.

With a Senate re-election race on the back burner in Texas, Gramm faced pressure from some advisers to pull the plug on his moribund presidential bid and focus on winning a third 6-year Senate term.

"If he's not going to be able to turn it around, then the smart thing to do is simply to pull out and concentrate on the Senate," said Texas GOP Chairman Tom Pauken, who hasn't endorsed a presidential candidate.

Gramm was considered the top challenger to Dole as the Republican field took shape last year. He staked out conservative turf and boasted that he "had the best friend in politics — ready money."

But after poor showings in Louisiana and Iowa, where he finished fifth, Gramm decided to quit the race, according to

Dole and his supporters.

"He's decided now it's time to turn attention to other things," Dole said in Manchester, N.H.

Gramm's North Dakota campaign chairman, Leo Reinbold, said the senator called him this morning to say he was withdrawing. "He said, 'I'm sorry things didn't work out this time,'" Reinbold said.

Gramm opened his campaign hoping to capitalize on the spirit of the GOP congressional sweep in 1994. He labeled Dole a compromiser, heralded his own role in pushing Ronald Reagan's tax-cutting 1981 budget through Congress and told audiences, "I was conservative before conservative was cool."

But spending \$19 million by the end of 1995 and establishing a large campaign organization failed to win votes for the Texas senator whose style on the dais drew criticisms he was charismatically challenged. "That grumpy Texan," another candidate's ad called him.

The first sign of trouble came in Gramm's own backyard, when he lost the Louisiana caucuses to commentator Pat Buchanan.

Gramm had predicted he'd win and establish himself as the viable conservative to challenge Dole.

In Iowa's caucuses a week later, he finished well back in the pack.

"When you run fifth in Iowa, an important state, you would have to be brain dead not to take a look at where you are and what you're doing," Gramm told reporters before abruptly cancelling afternoon campaign events Tuesday and leaving New Hampshire.

Valentine bouquet



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Ivan Gutierrez buys a bouquet of flowers Tuesday afternoon at Freeman's Flowers for his parents, Joseph and Romana Gutierrez of Pampa, who are marking their 21st anniversary today, Valentine's Day. Ivan, the older of Mr. and Mrs. Gutierrez's two children, is employed at Pampa Office Supply.



(Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzanskis)

Bill and Elsie Earles of Lefors reminisce in their home about their courtship and long life as a married couple.

Lefors couple began married life 50 years ago today as valentines

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

LEFORS — It all began with a promise.

Nineteen-year-old Elsie Holloway took 22-year-old Bill Earles as her husband 50 years ago today and they've been valentines ever since.

They were married at the First United Methodist Church of McLean after a four year courtship that spanned the years of war an ocean away.

Between terms of military service, the Earles met at a neighbor's birthday party in McLean.

"She poured out a glass of grape juice on my Navy whites," laughed Earles, who served first in

the U.S. Navy, then the U.S. Army. "I thought it was (love at first sight). He was pretty handsome," said Mrs. Earles.

Before they married, Earles served a stint in the European theater. He was in the third wave of the Normandy invasion and the experiences of war shaped his commitment to marriage.

"(I promised) if I got home I'd get married, raise a family, buy some land. If you sleep in a fox-hole four years, you can do that pretty easy," he said.

"You make a promise to the Old Boy Upstairs, you gonna do it. He let me keep it," Earles continued.

The Earles laughingly recalled their wedding day, which includ-

ed a shivaree by ornery friends. "I sat on the corner in a wheel barrow and sold toilet paper," Mrs. Earles said.

"And I pushed," Earles added. Much to her chagrin, the new silk stockings for which Mrs. Earles had saved were ripped by the concrete-crusted wheel barrow as they roamed up and down the streets of McLean.

"They didn't last long in that wheel barrow," she laughed.

From that enterprise, the Earles made a little money.

"We got enough to buy our first groceries," Mrs. Earles said.

Earles went to work at a filling station earning \$5 a day for 16-hour days.

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Court upholds lottery sale ban

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A ticket broker Tuesday lost its challenge to a federal ban on out-of-state lottery sales in a dispute that began with a New Jersey police officer who couldn't collect a \$10.4 million Lotto Texas jackpot.

A three-judge panel of the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said the ban on interstate lottery sales was constitutional, upholding a judge's dismissal of a lawsuit by Pic-A-State Inc.

The Lakewood, N.J., company sold chances for at least 12 out-of-state lotteries at more than 100 Pennsylvania outlets until Congress passed a law making it illegal to sell one state's lottery tickets in another state.

The Interstate Wagering Amendment, "rationally relates to Congress' goals of protecting state lottery revenues, preserving state sovereignty in the regulation of lotteries, and controlling interstate gambling," Judge Anthony J. Scirica wrote in a unanimous opinion.

Meeting the candidate



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Gray County Democrat Club President Zetha Dougherty introduces resident Betty Henderson to Aaron Alejandro, Democratic hopeful in the 13th District Congressional race. Alejandro spoke to the club in Pampa Tuesday night, telling the crowd of about 20 supporters that Rep. Mac Thornberry does not support his district. "I'm running because I think people [in this district] have been abandoned," he said to the applause of the audience.

City commissioners ponder legal issues in sewer line damages case

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

A Pampa woman asked city commissioners this week to reimburse her for some expenses incurred when a city sewer line backed up into her home in mid-January.

And while commissioners voiced sympathy for her situation, they also expressed concern for the legal position which might develop if leaders abandon the city's historic position of claiming immunity for such crises.

Frankie Bransford's Cuyler Street home was flooded with sewage on Jan. 16. She praised city workers for helping her cope with the mess but asked the panel to reimburse her for expenses not covered by insurance.

"I'm here to ask you for some help in paying for the damage," Bransford said.

She said damage totaled several thousand dollars.

For her benefit and the benefit of others, help should be given, she said.

"I hope you will give it some consideration," Bransford said.

City Manager Bob Eskridge told Bransford the line may be replaced in the summer and City Attorney Don Lane told her he would study the matter more.

Commissioners learned in work session Monday that operation of sewer lines is a government function and therefore immune from damage claims. Lane told commissioners that his concern is a waiver of immunity in one area may carry over into others areas where cities are immune from damages.

"What is ethical and what is legal may be different," countered Commissioner Faustina Curry.

Eskridge told the panel a sewer main backup is a relatively rare occurrence.

"It is hard to explain to someone with a sewer backed up in their house that we're not gonna do anything," he said.

"The legal issue," said Commissioner Jeff Andrews, "scars me to death."

Public Works Director Richard Morris said the sewer line in Bransford's alley is not cleaned regularly and lies in a low area of a 10-foot wide alley.

In other meeting action Monday, commissioners:

- Authorized demolition of the old Capri Theater, 300 N. Cuyler.
- Approved a resolution supporting a Tralee Crisis Center project so the agency

may utilize inmate labor from the Rute Jordan Unit.

• Approved an interagency agreement with the city of Amarillo continuing participation in the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force. The agreement authorizes the use of task force funds to reimburse the city for \$34,022 in personnel costs.

• Ordered a May 4 city election to fill the Wards 2 and 4 positions. They are now held by Jeff Andrews, Ward 2, and Faustina Curry, Ward 4.

• Commissioners took no action on an ordinance allowing pot-bellied pigs in the city. No motion was offered for its adoption.

They also took no action following an executive session to discuss litigation in City of Pampa vs. Brenda Mosley, and Ricky Pettit vs. City of Pampa.

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Services tomorrow

CRISLER, Jerry — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.
SCHONES, Martha — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Amarillo.

Obituaries

EDITH P. GUTHRIE OWENS

Edith P. Guthrie Owens, 97, a longtime Pampa resident, died Monday, Feb. 12, 1996, at Guymon, Okla. Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Fred Palmer, pastor of The Carpenter's Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Zybach Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Owens was born March 30, 1898, in Oklahoma Territory. She married Melvin Guthrie on July 12, 1915, at Pauls Valley, Okla.; he died in 1955. She later married Frank Owens, who also preceded her in death. She had been a Pampa resident since 1976, moving to Guymon in 1995. She was a member of the United Pentecostal Church.

She was also preceded in death by a daughter and two sons.

Survivors include three daughters, Bessie Ringler of Prescott Valley, Ariz., Mary Williams of Pampa and Mildred Rather of Parker, Ariz.; two sons, Raymond Guthrie of Purcell, Okla., and Ray Guthrie of Jonesboro, La.; 24 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and several great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Dunaway Manor Nursing Home, 1401 Lelay, Guymon, OK 73942.

CHET L. REEVES, JR.

LONGMONT, Colo. — Chet L. Reeves, Jr., 70, a former Pampa, Texas, resident, died Saturday, Feb. 10, 1996, at Longmont United Hospital. Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. MST Saturday in the Santa Fe Funeral Options and Memorial Garden at Santa Fe, N.M. The body was cremated under the direction of Ahlberg Funeral Chapel of Longmont.

Mr. Reeves was born Dec. 17, 1925, at Childress, Texas, to Chet and Thelma Reeves. He was a 1943 graduate of Childress High School. He married Rosamond Allen in 1950 at Pampa. He was a 1952 graduate of West Texas University. He worked for The Western Company, the University of Texas McDonald Observatory and the University of New Mexico. He taught school in Pampa for 12 years, retiring in 1993. He was a Methodist and a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving in the Navy Air Force during World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Francis Clark.

Survivors include his wife, Rosamond, of Dacono, Colo.; four children, Chet L. Reeves III of Santa Fe, Julia Reeves of Dacono, Carla Cunningham of Tatum, N.M., and Sandra Caldwell of Seattle, Wash.; a sister, Jackie Philpot of Lubbock, Texas; a brother, Dickie Reeves of Santa Fe; and seven grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Pampa Meals on Wheels program or to the Good Samaritan Christian Services in Pampa.

CLYDE WILLIAM SCHAUB

Clyde William Schaub, 82, of Pampa, died Monday, Feb. 12, 1996. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Charlie Price, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Canyon, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Schaub was born Jan. 9, 1914, at Wheeler. He married Bonnie Meathenia on Oct. 8, 1944, at Wellington. He had been a Pampa resident since 1945 and had worked for Cabot Corporation as an electrician and instrument technician for 32 years, retiring in 1977. He was a veteran, serving in World War II. He coached Optimist baseball for several years and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Pampa.

He was preceded in death by a son, Clyde Duane Schaub, in 1990.

Survivors include his wife, Bonnie, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Paula and Johnny Longbine of Childress; a son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Monty Schaub of Pampa; a sister and brother-in-law, Pauline and Robert Wright of West Columbia, Texas; a brother, James L. Schaub of Houston; eight grandchildren, Howard Duane Schaub of Independence, Kan., Derek Troy Schaub and Aaron Eugene Schaub, both of Tulsa, Okla., Mark Wesley Mercer, Josh Tabor Longbine and Leah Gee, all of Childress, Krista Anita Schaub Jones of Amarillo and Allyn Gayle Schaub of Houston; and nine great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Hospice of the Panhandle, Box 2795, Pampa, TX 79066-2795; or to the First Baptist Church.

The family will be at 2725 Comanche and 1001 S. Banks.

MARTHA SCHONES

AMARILLO — Martha Schones, 79, a former Pampa resident, died Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1996. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church in Amarillo with the Rev. Lynn Garrett, associate pastor of the church, officiating. Entombment will be in the Llano Mausoleum under the direction of Schooler-Gordon • Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mrs. Schones was born at Mobeetie and moved to Amarillo from Pampa in 1947. She married Ted Schones in 1947 at Pampa; he died in 1978. She was a senior purchase clerk for Pioneer Natural Gas Company for 20 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church and the Joy Sunday School Class.

She was preceded in death by a son, Jerry Russell Skaggs, in 1974.

Survivors include a granddaughter whom she raised, Thelka Clemons of Abilene; three sisters, Velma Carter of Lefors, Anita Hathaway of Fritch and Leta Mae Gatlin of Mobeetie; and two great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 3816 Jackson St.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrest in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Feb. 13

Theft was reported in the 1500 block of North Hobart at 8:30 p.m. Saturday.

Domestic assault was reported in the 800 block of South Reid at 1:09 p.m. Tuesday.

Burglary was reported in the 1100 block of Neal Road at an unknown time.

Assault - family violence was reported in the 1200 block of East Francis at 7:55 p.m. Tuesday.

Harassment was reported in the 200 block of Tignor at 4:50 p.m. Tuesday.

Gas 'n' Stuff, 225 W. Brown, reported theft at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart, reported theft under \$50 at 9 p.m. Tuesday.

Arrest

TUESDAY, Feb. 13

Elithia Delores Calloway, 20, 1117 Varnon Dr., was arrested at 1233 N. Hobart on a charge of theft under \$50.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident and arrests in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Feb. 13

Frazier Farms Inc., Groom, reported theft from a grain elevator scale office. Total loss is \$255.

Arrests

TUESDAY, Feb. 13

Eduardo Javier Hernandez, 21, 1197 Prairie Dr., was arrested on Donley County warrants alleging speeding and failure to appear and a charge of assault and evading arrest from Gray County. His bonds are \$2,000 each on the assault and evading charges. Bond on the speeding ticket is \$300 and failure to appear is \$400.

Jesus Gayton Vasquez, 18, is in jail to serve a sentence on a charge of evading arrest.

Fires

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

TUESDAY, Feb. 13

12:44 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to 12 miles south of the city on Seminole Road on a grass fire that burned one acre.

1:18 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to 713 E. Scott on a grass fire.

2:53 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to 112 E. Brown on a dumpster fire.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 14

3:08 a.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to One Medical Plaza on an alarm.

Calendar of events

LAKE McCLELLAN IMPROVEMENT INC.

Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. will hold its monthly members/board meeting on Thursday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m. in the Gray County Courthouse, second floor courtroom. The public is invited to attend the meeting. For more information, call Marilyn Lewis at 669-7290.

WOODROW WILSON SCHOOL PRACTICAL PARENTING WORKSHOP

Woodrow Wilson Elementary School will host a practical parenting workshop, "Giving Children Responsibility for Themselves," Thursday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. or 7 to 8 p.m. Child care is provided in the library, and door prizes and refreshments will be offered.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa.

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| Wheat | 5.09 | Chevron | 56 1/8 | NC |
| Milo | 6.18 | Coca-Cola | 80 5/8 | dn 1/8 |
| Corn | 6.72 | Columbia/HCA | 57 3/4 | dn 1/4 |
| | | Diamond Sham | 31 3/8 | dn 1/8 |
| | | Halliburton | 39 | NC |
| | | Ingersoll Rand | 42 3/8 | up 3/8 |
| | | KNE | 30 5/8 | dn 1/2 |
| | | Kerr McGee | 63 3/8 | dn 3/8 |
| | | Limited | 16 3/4 | NC |
| | | Mapco | 57 1/2 | up 1/8 |
| | | McDonald's | 51 7/8 | dn 3/4 |
| | | Mobil | 116 | dn 1/4 |
| | | New Atmos | 22 1/2 | dn 1/8 |
| | | Parker & Parsley | 22 | NC |
| | | Penney's | 48 1/2 | up 1/8 |
| | | Phillips | 34 3/8 | dn 1/8 |
| | | SLB | 73 1/8 | up 1/2 |
| | | SPS | 33 | dn 1/8 |
| | | Tenneco | 55 3/4 | dn 1/2 |
| | | Texaco | 52 1/8 | dn 1/8 |
| | | Wal-Mart | 21 7/8 | NC |
| | | New York Gold | 402.10 | |
| | | Silver | 5.68 | |
| | | West Texas Crude | 18.80 | |

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

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| Noweco | 13 5/8 | dn 3/8 |
| Occidental | 24 | up 3/8 |

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

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| Magellan | 88.79 |
| Puritan | 17.57 |

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

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|-----------|---------|--------|
| Amoco | 72 1/4 | up 3/8 |
| Arco | 116 3/4 | dn 3/4 |
| Cabot | 60 | NC |
| Cabot O&G | 16 5/8 | NC |

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Feb. 13

7:28 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to TDCJ Hall Red Unit in Wichita Falls for a patient transfer to a nursing home in Hereford.

8:18 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Coronado Hospital for a patient transfer to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Correction

Lefors does not offer free rabies shots for residents' pets once a year, as reported erroneously in a front page story on Tuesday. The town does provide a special price for the shots, however, once a year.

Emergency numbers

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|------------------------|----------|
| 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 |

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Couple

"That's when he quit and went for the oilfield, more money," Mrs. Earles explained.

Earles retired as superintendent for McSpadden Oil after 25 years service.

About a month before the wedding, Earles asked Clyde Holloway for his eldest daughter's hand. It was frightening, he said.

"I do remember after the wedding, he'd introduce me 'This is my son-in-law.' I was proud of him and he was proud of me ... 'til I crossed his daughter," Earles said.

While their life has had its ups and downs - they lost their youngest son in a car accident - pulling together and remembering their vows has kept them going.

"That's where your heart pulls you through. We depended on each other," Mrs. Earles said.

"We wouldn't have made it through! without each other," she said.

Earles had some advice for young men contemplating marriage.

"Read that contract good before you sign it. Read it over and over and let it soak in," he said.

Mrs. Earles offered: "Marry for love not for romance. Too many are getting married just for the thrill of it. They don't really know what they're getting into. They don't know the true meaning of love. You've got to have love and mutual respect or its not gonna work," said Mrs. Earles.

"If you expect her to take care of you, you help take care of her," he added.

Earles offered his gratitude to the people who have supported them through 50 years of marriage.

"The biggest part of them's done passed on, but they's others still here," he said.

Pentagon closing more Guard units

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon says nearly 16,000 positions in Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps reserve forces from coast to coast will be eliminated and hundreds of units closed in the next seven months.

The reductions are the third in a series of five major cutbacks designed to adjust the military to new defense requirements in the aftermath of the Cold War.

National Guard and Reserve forces, which peaked at 1.2 million people in 1989, are to be cut by about 15,900 this year to 975,100. The Pentagon's goal is to eliminate another 21,700 by Oct. 1, 1998, to reach a final force of 953,400.

The active duty force, also cut sharply, now stands at about 1.5 million.

Here is a breakdown of the 1996 National Guard and Reserve cuts announced Tuesday:

Army Reserve — Reduce 900 positions, to 211,500.

Army National Guard — Add 800 positions, to 416,000.

Naval Reserve — Reduce 4,400, to 112,400.

Marine Corps Reserve — Reduce 400, to 42,200.

Air National Guard — Reduce 5,700 to 113,600.

Air Force Reserve — Reduce 5,300, to 79,400.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Partly cloudy tonight with a low near 32. Northeast winds 10-15 mph. Thursday, variable cloudiness with a windy change to cooler weather. A high near 60 with light and variable winds switching to the north and increasing to 20-30 mph in the late afternoon. Friday, partly cloudy with a high in the 40s. Tuesday's high was 72; the overnight low was 39.

North Texas — Tonight, mostly cloudy and cooler. Lows 43 to 52. Thursday, mostly cloudy and cooler. Highs 60 to 66.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, clear to partly cloudy. Lows from low 40s Hill Country to near 50 south central. Thursday, partly cloudy and cooler. Highs in mid 60s Hill Country, upper 60s to low 70s south central. Upper Coast: Tonight, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers. Lows from upper 20s to low 30s. Thursday, partly cloudy, cooler, and becoming windy in the afternoon.

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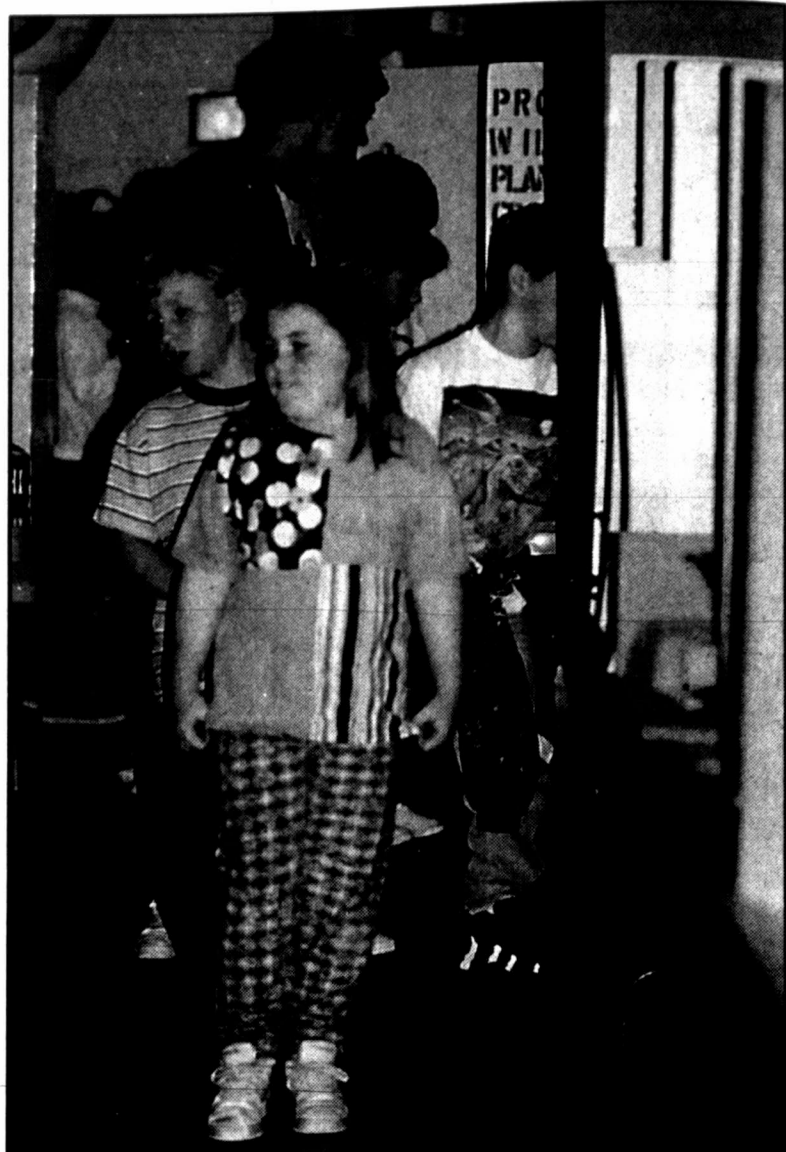
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Science Fair viewing



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Travis Elementary School second graders in Sharon Carter's class, led by Nicole Sturgill, walk down a row of science fair exhibits in the school gymnasium Tuesday afternoon. Approximately 221 student entries were judged.

Area school boards prepare to call elections for trustees

Twenty-five trustee slots will be up for election in upcoming school board elections across the area.

School boards in Pampa, White Deer, McLean, Lefors, Miami, Groom, Canadian, Grandview-Hopkins, Fort Elliott and Wayne Wheeler school districts this week and next are calling their elections and announcing which positions are open.

Incumbents in each election include:

Pampa — Jim Baker, John Curry and Pat Kennedy.

White Deer — Terry Lewis and Jerry Urbanczyk.

McLean — Eugene Galley and Jake Hess.

Lefors — Nora Franks and Roger Davenport.

Miami — Charles Byrum and Tom Henderson.

Groom — Gary Davis and Tony Treadwell.

Canadian — Dan Cornett and David Tubb.

Grandview-Hopkins — Melvin Wills and a vacant seat.

Fort Elliott — Wanda Hefley, Royce Zybach and Wayne Zybach. Also, two one-year unexpired terms currently held by Greg Estes and Dennis Hefley will be voted on.

Wheeler — Dell Ford, Wayne Keeler and Mike Smith.

Trustee positions are three-year terms. Candidates may file for places on the ballot Feb. 19 through March 20.

Filing is free. Applicants must designate a campaign treasurer.

Early voting by personal appearance runs from April 15-30. Elections will be held May 4.

Wounded officer awakes from coma

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — A police officer who was in a coma for 7 1/2 years after he was shot in the head suddenly started talking, "like flipping on a light switch." He was quickly making jokes and talking with relatives on the phone.

"There's not but one way to describe it," family friend Tim Thompson said. "It's a miracle of God."

Gary Dockery, 39, was shot in the head by a drunken man while working for the police department in Walden, a town near Chattanooga. He had been in a

coma ever since the September 1988 shooting and was cared for in a nursing home.

Dockery's sister, Lisa, was sitting beside him earlier this week when he awoke. The family had been keeping a bedside vigil because he was sick with pneumonia and it was feared he would die. He was in stable condition today.

"She said it was like

Congressional auditors seek criminal investigation of ex-Clinton aide

WASHINGTON (AP) — Six weeks after a memo surfaced pointing to Hillary Rodham Clinton as a key figure in the White House travel office firings, the U.S. attorney is being asked to launch a criminal investigation of whether a presidential aide lied about the matter.

The General Accounting Office, which is the investigative arm of Congress, notified U.S. Attorney Eric Holder that David Watkins may have made false statements to GAO investigators in 1993 when he said the dismissals were prompted by an accounting firm's findings of mismanagement in the travel office.

But according to a copy of a 1993 memo by Watkins — which the White House says was stored in boxed-up files of his former deputy — it

was Mrs. Clinton who was behind the purge. "We ... knew that there would be hell to pay if ... we failed" to remove the travel office employees "in conformity with the first lady's wishes," Watkins wrote in his memo, which he said was a draft that was never sent.

Rep. William Clinger, R-Pa., released a GAO report Tuesday that said "Mr. Watkins told us" in 1993 "he did not consider the first lady to be exerting pressure on him" to fire the travel office employees.

Another "inconsistency," according to the GAO report: Watkins told the GAO in 1993 he consulted no one other than Hollywood producer Harry Thomason in replacing the fired employees with a Little Rock, Ark., travel agency.

The firm had worked for the Clinton campaign. Watkins' memo says the plan the first lady described to him for running the travel office included bringing in the Little Rock firm.

"Statements in the Watkins memo and in the Watkins notes indicate that Mr. Watkins considered himself to be under 'irresistible' pressure from the first lady, among others, to fire the employees," the GAO report said.

Clinger said it was "most significant" that the decision to go to the U.S. attorney in this matter was made "by a non-partisan independent agency based on the merits of the case."

White House spokesman Mark Fabiani said the White House would "absolutely" cooperate with a criminal investigation of the Watkins matter.

The dormant travel office controversy was reignited by Watkins' memo, which was produced by the White House in early January, six months after the start of a congressional probe by the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee that Clinger chairs.

The travel office employees were fired just four months into the Clinton administration. The resulting furor resulted in a reversal of the firings and six of the seven employees being offered their jobs back.

The seventh, longtime travel office director Billy Dale, was placed under criminal investigation, and later tried and acquitted on charges of stealing travel office funds paid by the news media for trips.

State briefs

Burglary-on-order ring broken, ringleader under arrest

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A massive burglary-on-order ring believed responsible for as many as 70 burglaries in the Corpus Christi area may have been broken up.

Guadalupe Yanez, 47, was arrested at his residence on Tuesday, and police said they're confident he's the ringleader. Yanez remained in the Nueces County Jail today in lieu of \$35,000 bail on felony theft charges.

Among the items stolen in the burglaries over the past nine months, police said, were a \$5,000 computer that contained eight years' worth of diabetes research and a Dallas Cowboys football helmet autographed by quarterback Troy Aikman valued at \$600.

Yanez was the "fence" for the operation, buying stolen property and reselling it, Corpus Christi police Cmdr. U.B. Alvarado said.

According to an affidavit for the arrest warrant, Yanez provided money and cocaine to two Corpus Christi men in exchange for stolen items.

Community seeks to halt research complex

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Residents of Brushy Creek, a predominantly black community a few miles south of College Station, have asked Gov. George Bush to block construction of an animal research complex there.

Texas A&M University's beef industry complex already is at the site near Brushy Creek, which sits about two miles west of Easterbrook Airport, which serves College Station and Bryan.

The governor's press secretary, Karen Hughes, said Tuesday that the governor's office has received a letter sent by the Brushy Creek residents, "but I don't know if the governor has seen it or is aware of the issue." He was traveling in San Antonio and could not be reached for comment, she said.

Because of community opposition, A&M earlier had backed off of plans to move its swine center, dairy processing center and feed mills to the site.

Cookbooks for sale ...



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Pampa Junior Service League members Sharron Andrews, Dana Terry and Lori Hukill display the league's newly arrived cookbooks. Members are selling the books to raise funds for seven local charities. Books are for sale at Uniglobe, by calling Andrews at 665-6138 or through any member of the organization.

Middle-aged people hold majority of gun permits

AUSTIN (AP) — A criminal research expert says he isn't surprised that middle-aged people comprise the largest number of those issued concealed handgun permits.

Professor Charles Friel, who teaches at the College of Criminal Justice at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, said the process of getting a concealed handgun permit takes time and money — things young and poor people don't always have.

According to records released Tuesday by the Texas Department of Public Safety, whites and Hispanics account for 97 percent of the 10,043 concealed handgun permits issued as of Monday.

Friel said he attributes the difference between races to econom-

ics. He also said maturity and economics contribute to the differences between younger and older age groups.

"To procure a license takes money," Friel said. "The people who lawfully pursue a license are going to be older, more affluent. You're looking at a pretty good chunk of change."

Permits cost \$140 for four years. That does not include required training or handguns.

As of Monday, 50,444 Texans had applied for the licenses under a law that took effect Jan. 1.

According to documents released by the DPS, white and Hispanic men hold 8,502 of the licenses, while white and Hispanic women hold 1,198.

According to 1992 census estimates, whites represent just more

than 50 percent of Texas' 17 million residents.

While race and gender statistics were combined, information about age was issued separately. By age, people between 40 and 59 hold 5,649, or 56 percent, of the permits.

"I think there are an awful lot of people in Texas who have weapons and carry them in their glove compartments or under their seats," Friel said. "When you ask who is going to go the next step to legalize it, it's not going to be a single mother in a transition job. When you combine age, maturity and economics together, I'm not surprised."

State Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena and author of the law, said he hopes economics are not the reason minorities are under-represented.

Exxon Company USA announces downsizing

HOUSTON (AP) — Reorganization of Exxon Company USA this summer will wipe out about 350 jobs, or 10 percent of the production work force, company officials say.

Job losses announced Tuesday came as the petroleum industry endures a slowdown in the search for new reserves.

"What we're trying to do is to make sure that the staffing reflects what the level of business is," said Bruce Tackett, a spokesman for the Houston-based domestic oil and gas operating division of Exxon Corp.

Exxon Company USA employs 1,200 to 1,300 people in Houston, about 1,000 in New Orleans, about 650 in Midland and about 500 in Thousand Oaks, Calif. Tackett said the changes will affect field workers, supervisors and managers.

"Our expectation or outlook would be that decision-making becomes better, faster and more flexible," he said.

Tackett said Exxon does not know yet how many of the job reductions would result from layoffs, attrition or early retirement. Some employees will be offered work in other segments of the company, he said.

Tackett said the reorganization is another step in the company's effort to become more efficient with fewer people.

"Overall in total, when you say that sounds 'downward,' that's a

fair statement," he said. "That does not necessarily mean the level of business is going down."

Steve Melzer, director of the University of Texas-Permian Basin Petroleum Industry Alliance, said majors like Exxon are selling off properties where oil recovery has gotten too tricky and costly.

"We tend to get bombarded with information about layoffs, layoffs, layoffs because they don't have as many properties to produce anymore," Melzer said Tuesday.

"What generally happens in the background is that the companies that are picking up the properties sold by the majors typically take up some of those (people) laid off," he said.

The region around Midland and Odessa yields about 900,000 barrels of oil a day — about 64 percent of the 1.4 million barrels produced daily in Texas.

The Texas Railroad Commission reported in 1995 that the state's oil production has been falling over the past five years at a rate of about 5 percent per year.

But Melzer said people tend to overreact to the pessimistic talk.

"There's so much it affects the mentality of the people in your neighborhood," he said. "When people are reapplying for their jobs ... and going through something like that, it weighs on your security, your family's security. It can't help but have a negative ripple through the economy."

Pampa choir students place in solo and ensemble contest

Pampa High School choir students competed Saturday in U.I.L. District solo/ensemble contest in Canyon.

Student who scored first divisions on class 1 solos included Amy Bradley, Dave Bridges, Kristi Carter, Faustine Curry, Desiree Friend, Rhonda Gourley, Julie Snider, Megan Hill, Nicole Meason, Beverly Schiffman, Chrissie Wells, Laura Johnson, Hugh Craddock and Cullen Allen.

Students who scored first divisions on class 2 solos included Justin David, Crystal Fondren, Amy Hahn, Carla Wood, Annie Geiser, Mindee Stowers, Tiffany House, Sarah Landry, Tabby Lane, Jennifer Mackie, Lindsay Morgan, Sara

Schumann and Carson Turner. Students who scored first divisions on class 3 solos included Erin Mulanax, Lindsay Scribner, Stephanie Ensey, Rose Fruge, Rebecca Gaddis, Amanda Johnson, Sheila Berry and Holly Brooks.

Class 1 ensembles scoring first divisions included a mixed choir ensemble; a quartet of Cullen Allen, Hugh Craddock, Garrett Craddock and Devin Lemons; a quartet of Jay Braddock, Ryan Bruce, Jeff Henderson and Josh Blackmon; and a trio of Laura Johnson, Megan Hill and Nicole Meason.

Solo judge was Judy Putney of Richardson. Ensemble judge was James Caldwell of Monahan.

Police suspect man of fathering his granddaughter — and her baby

HOUSTON (AP) — A man believed to have fathered his own granddaughter and now suspected of impregnating the 12-year-old girl was investigated in 1993 but not charged.

The district attorney lacked physical evidence and a complaint from the girl, which were needed to file charges, sheriff's Capt. Don McWilliams said Tuesday.

The Sheriff's Department closed the case in November 1994 after investigating for 13 months. A county child protection agency had investigated for six months.

This time, however, the 12-year-old girl and her mother told police that the man had molested the girl.

The 46-year-old man was arrested Monday and charged with molesting the girl and her 10-year-old sister, whom he did not father, police said. He was jailed on \$300,000 bond.

Police believe the man fathered his granddaughter and her unborn baby, Officer Kendal Clark said. The girl, who is five months pregnant, and her five younger siblings have been placed in protective custody.

The man denies molesting the

girls, and said he is not the 12-year-old girl's father, Clark said. He also said he isn't sure he's the father of the girls' 25-year-old mother.

Social workers were investigating whether the man impregnated the girl.

Relatives first alerted authorities to possible abuse in October 1993. The man and the girl, then 9, were living together at the time, while the mother and the other children were living elsewhere.

After the abuse was reported, authorities returned the girl to her

mother and provided counseling. The agency closed its case six months later, said Judy Hay, spokeswoman for Harris County Children's Protective Services.

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Opinion

'Social promotion' still in existence

The major Texas school reforms of 1984 sparked much fanfare and not only because a Dallas businessman named Ross Perot was the guiding force behind those efforts.

The 1984 reforms produced higher salaries for teachers, a short-lived and controversial teacher competency test, and the ever-popular no-pass, no-play rule. The reforms were also supposed to outlaw social promotion of students who have not made the grades to warrant passing on to the next grade.

A teachers' union is now alleging that many school administrators are still engaging in widespread social promotion of mediocre students. The Texas Federation of Teachers says that 77 percent of members who answered a survey stated that administrators had passed students after the teachers had given them failing grades.

An undeserving student who is passed to the next level can risk falling even further behind his or her peers. The student may eventually suffer the injustice of graduating without the skills needed to get or keep a job that will support the youth through adulthood.

There are no easy answers on this issue - as is often the case when dealing with educational matters. Schools should hold minimum passing standards at each grade level. Those who haven't mastered one level shouldn't be pushed to the next grade.

But efforts should be made to help failing students catch up with their peers. Teachers and counselors can try to assess individual needs and problems and recommend the best way to help students. And varieties of alternatives should be available, such as tutoring by peers or adult volunteers, mixed-media educational programs, and disciplinary measures when needed.

Most importantly, helping students - all students, not just those who aren't progressing satisfactorily - requires communication and cooperation among teachers, administrators, and most importantly, parents.

Thoughts for today

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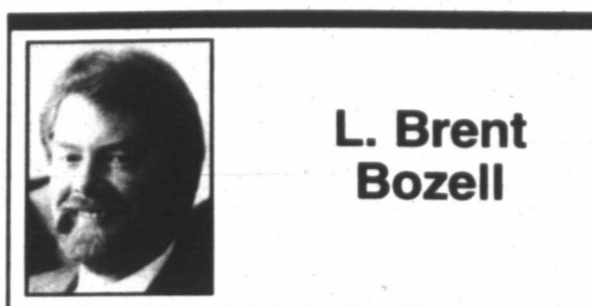
If you're both a conservative and an aficionado of popular culture, you're reminded time and again that many of the entertainers you enjoy are the same people who stand on the soapboxes of stardom you've bankrolled for them as they spew forth leftist political claptrap.

True, most celebrities keep their views to themselves. I have no idea what George Clooney's leanings are, or Jerry Seinfeld's, or how any member of Hootie and the Blowfish voted in the last election. Yet, the exceptions are legion.

Examples from the recording industry leap to mind. I openly profess that my favorite rock band is the Eagles, even though their leading light, Don Henley, is just as vocal a business-bashing environmental extremist as he is a singer. A few years back, my wife attended a Bonnie Raitt concert and had to endure a Raitt diatribe in praise of the far-left, conspiracy-theorizing Christie Institute. A B-52s concert can be fun - until the band concludes its performance with a sickening appeal for financial support of pro-abortion groups.

This dichotomy comes to mind in regard to the splendid movie *Sense and Sensibility*, scripted by and starring the English actress Emma Thompson. While much credit must go to performers such as Kate Winslet and Alan Rickman, to director Ang Lee, and (of course) to Jane Austen, whose novel was adapted for the screen, the success of *Sense and Sensibility* is ultimately Thompson's achievement.

And, yet, to know the off-screen Emma Thompson is to find her far less appealing. An outspoken leftist ideologue, she has called the 1980s "greedy and morally bankrupt" and "a fairly repugnant age ... It was a period of backlash - in my country against things like the welfare state as



L. Brent Bozell

well as feminism ... As women have taken more power, there's some wish to punish us." She's supported the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament and the British equivalent of the hyperfeminist, pro-abortion American political-action committee EMILY's List.

OK, that's just standard-issue, show-business, knee-jerk leftism. But Thompson has gone beyond rabid ideology to real moral seaminess. She commented that Hugh Grant's arrest for lewd conduct with prostitute Divine Brown was "wonderful" because it tarnished his wholesome image. Now, Grant and his girlfriend, model Elizabeth Hurley, have lived together for several years without benefit of matrimony, so he's not squeaky clean to begin with. That is, unless you share Thompson's views on sex and marriage. As she explained to *Us* magazine in 1993, you shouldn't get married "until you have (had sex with) everything with a pulse."

But Thompson is smart enough to keep explicit politics separate from art. *Sense and Sensibility* and *The Remains of the Day* (which she starred in but didn't write) are by no means devoid of social commentary, but they aren't smash-mouth polemics, either.

More toward the political center than Thompson but still liberal is Steven Spielberg, a major Democratic Party fund raiser. Yet, look at Spielberg's last two blockbusters, from which advocacy was virtually absent. *Jurassic Park* was pure entertainment, and *Schindler's List*, aside from taking the common-sense position that Nazism was despicable, was nonideological as well.

And if it is the filmmakers intention to promote a certain political message, a soft approach will certainly achieve better results. *Bob Roberts*, Tim Robbins' first effort as a writer-director, was one part entertainment and four parts leftist agitprop. Activist liberals cheered it, but the general public stayed home.

However, Robbins' new movie, *Dead Man Walking*, is no screed. It is a thoughtful examination of the death penalty that doesn't offend or shortchange those on either side of the issue. Some critics have felt that *Dead Man Walking* is subtly anti-capital punishment, but actually, the film is so balanced that such remarks have much more to do with those critics' own opposition to the death penalty than with any statement Robbins supposedly was trying to make.

On the other hand, for Oliver Stone, political crusading and filmmaking seem to be pretty much the same thing, an approach that works to the detriment of his movies. Take his recent *Nixon*. In its more character-driven moments, the film is quite effective, but when it's speculating about evil, secretive, right-wing cabals, it's a chore to sit through.

My advice to Stone and like-minded auteurs is to study *Sense and Sensibility* carefully and then decide if they want to be artists or polemicists. It's not impossible to be both.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 14, the 45th day of 1996. There are 321 days left in the year. This is Valentine's Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 14, 1929, the "St. Valentine's Day Massacre" took place in a Chicago garage as seven rivals of Al Capone's gang were gunned down.

On this date:

In 1778, the American ship *Ranger* carried the recently adopted Stars and Stripes to a foreign port for the first time as it arrived in France.

In 1859, Oregon was admitted to the Union as the 33rd state.

In 1876, inventors Alexander Graham Bell and Elisha Gray applied separately for patents related to the telephone. The U.S. Supreme Court eventually ruled Bell the rightful inventor.

In 1895, Oscar Wilde's final play, "The Importance of Being Earnest," opened at the St. James's Theatre in London.



Reporting from the Medicaid front

The *Women's Quarterly*, a publication of the Independent Women's Forum, can be counted upon to unearth examples of the kind of absurdity we accept these days without blinking.

A recent example, from the Winter issue, is offered by Deborah Weiss, formerly an attorney with the Department of Social Services in New York City.

"I was prosecuting a paternity case," she writes, "on behalf of the welfare department to determine who was the father of an illegitimate child. The department was seeking child support. The court officer called in 'John Smith.' A beautiful, big-busted woman approached the stand. She had long blond hair and smooth skin, and was wearing a low-cut blouse."

"'Are you John Smith?' the court officer asked."

"'Yes.'"

"I cleared my throat and began my case: 'Are you the father of this child?'"

"'Yes,' John Smith stated in a manly voice. 'I am.'"

"It was business as usual in Manhattan's Family Court."

Upon further questioning, Smith explained that "she" was undergoing a sex change. She'd had all of the required psychotherapy, had taken all of the injections and was awaiting only a final bout of surgery to make her a woman.

Weiss writes, "We proceeded to the matter of child support. 'Mr. Smith,' I asked, 'can you contribute \$25 per month to assist the welfare department in supporting your child?'"



Mona Charen

"'I can't.'"

"'But, Mr. Smith,' I said, 'twenty-five dollars per month is ... just a token gesture really. Besides, how can you say you don't have any money for child support when you are paying for a transsexual operation?'"

"'Oh no,' Smith answered with surprise. 'I'm receiving this operation for free.'"

"'For free? You found a doctor to work for free?'"

"'No, no,' Smith explained. 'Medicaid is paying for it.'"

Sure enough, it turns out that in New York, Medicaid does indeed pay for transsexual operations (and the related costs including drugs and psychotherapy) when such a change is considered "medically necessary." Weiss' colleagues were quite stern with her for expressing skepticism. A supervisor scolded her for being so "judgmental" and pointed out that it was obvious that Smith was a woman "trapped" inside a man's body. Until quite recently, when adverse publicity put

a stop to the practice, it was also Medicaid's policy to pay for fertility treatments for would-be unwed mothers. Having had some experience with infertility myself, I know how much such therapy costs. It is so expensive (between \$8,000 and \$11,000 for a single attempt at in vitro fertilization, for example) that most insurance companies do not provide coverage for it at all, and those that do rarely cover more than two or three attempts.

Translation: A working married couple in New York that experiences infertility is quite unlikely to be able to afford medical assistance. But that couple is (or was, until recently) taxed to provide just such services to women who will bring more illegitimate children into the world.

All of this travels under the name of compassion toward the poor.

Republicans in Washington, recognizing not just the corrupting influence of such largesse but the mathematical certainty that spending on all of these programs will bankrupt the country within a generation, attempted not to cut but to slow the rate of growth of spending on Medicare and Medicaid, and were thwarted by a president waving the standard of "compassion."

In France, politicians surrendered for years to the electorate's desire for more and more services from government. Now, the government is truly broke and must make real cuts, not just reductions in the rate of increase. The results? General strikes and violence in the streets.

Are we heading down that road, just so we can provide sex-change operations to the poor for free?

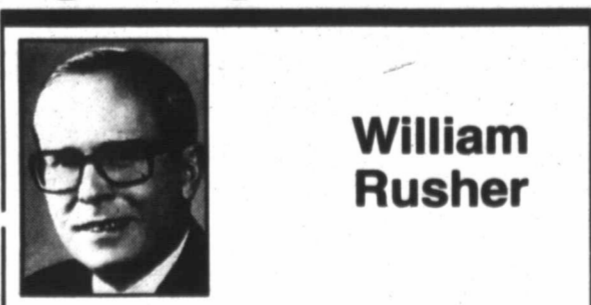
Say no to drug legalization advocates

My old colleague on *National Review*, Bill Buckley, has long personally believed that the best way to handle the problem of drugs would be to legalize them. Now he has taken the added step of putting *National Review* itself on record as favoring legalization.

Well, Bill is the owner of all the voting stock in the corporation that owns the magazine, so that's his privilege. Speaking for myself, however, I have never favored drug legalization, and I probably owe it to my readers to assure them, in view of this latest development, that I still don't.

It is certainly an issue concerning which reasonable people can differ. I can understand the arguments of the legalizers, and even agree with them up to a point. It is true that the laws against drugs, and all the efforts made to dry up or interdict the drug trade, have thus far failed to eradicate the problem. And it is also true that making it legal to buy drugs under controlled conditions (e.g., from federally licensed stores) would to some extent undercut the criminal network that currently supplies them - just as ending Prohibition undercut the bootleggers.

But the legalizers, it seems to me, make far too light of some serious objections to their proposal. In the first place, it seems to me indisputable that decriminalizing drugs would effectively end their current social condemnation, and therefore lead to an increase in their consumption. That is precisely what the repeal of Prohibition did - and don't let



William Rusher

anybody sell you the false extension of the analogy, that since we managed to cope with that increase we will manage to cope equally well with this one. Alcohol is one thing; hard drugs are quite another.

Second, it is simply untrue that legalizing the sale of drugs will put the illegal purveyors out of business altogether. The unstated assumption of the legalizers is that a drug user would be allowed to buy enough of his favorite drug to satisfy his own craving; but what if he wants to buy a much bigger quantity, to spread around among friends not yet acquainted with its joys? And presumably there will be strict limitations on how old a person must be before he can make even a small purchase. In both cases, do you doubt that there will be somebody on a nearby corner, ready to sell (for a suitable markup) what the licensed store won't? Finally, say not the struggle naught availeth. It's

true that we haven't licked the drug problem yet by a long shot, but there are (or rather, until recently were) encouraging signs of progress.

In the February *Reader's Digest*, Daniel R. Levine reports that there has recently been an alarming increase in teenage drug use:

"After declining steadily through the 1980s," Levine writes, "teen-age drug use, especially of marijuana, has jumped sharply ... In 1995, nearly twice as many teen-agers had smoked marijuana at least once during the previous twelve months as in 1992." That's the bad news - but what was that about a steady decline of teen-age drug use during the 1980s? According to Dr. Robert DuPont, the first director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, marijuana use dropped steadily for 13 years "because an unrelenting, unified chorus of parents, schools, the media and national leaders made sure teens understood that drugs, starting with marijuana, were dangerous and unacceptable." Nancy Reagan's "Just Say No" campaign, for example, was far more effective than her detractors were willing to admit.

But then the messages faded away, while "popular culture, especially music, has portrayed marijuana as a normal, even glamorous, aspect of teen life. Drug use began to climb."

In other words, what our leaders and role models say matters. Another reason why the legalizers ought to reconsider.

Berry's World



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World briefs

Italy beset by yet another leadership crisis

ROME (AP) — Premier-designate Antonio Maccanico today abandoned efforts to form a government, leaving Italy in yet another leadership crisis that has prompted new efforts to reform the country's famously unstable political system.

The next move was up to President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro, who may call early elections or name another figure to try to form Italy's 55th postwar government.

"I believe we have lost a great and extraordinary opportunity for the future of the country, which remains steeped in a grave crisis of its political-institutional system," said Maccanico, who was trying to get Italy's left and right to agree on an agenda of reforms.

Maccanico said his efforts to build a coalition failed despite "the presence of a wide parliamentary majority" willing to work "toward a solid federal system" including a French-style presidency, with a more powerful head of state.

Maccanico, 71, a former government adviser and banker, was picked by Scalfaro to try to form a government following the resignation of Lamberto Dini on Jan. 11. His failure leaves Italy in the embarrassing position of having a caretaker government during its 6-month turn as European Union president, which ends in June.

Rescue workers finally make progress in tunnel cave-in

TOKYO (AP) — Finally, the digging has begun.

Four freezing days and nights after a huge boulder crushed a highway tunnel in northern Japan and trapped 20 people, workers succeeded today in blasting the rock into small enough pieces to begin digging their way in.

A cluster of backhoes, their bright orange and yellow hues standing out sharply against a towering hillside of gray debris, began shoveling scoops of the broken-up rock from the top and side of the tunnel and dropping it into the sea.

Authorities said it could still take days to dig into the shattered tunnel, outside a remote cliffside village about 550 miles north of Tokyo.

Even though hopes of finding survivors have faded, the rescue drama has captured national attention since Saturday, when a slab of mountain the size of a 20-story building peeled free and crushed the tunnel. A bus with 19 aboard and a car with one occupant were trapped.

GOP hopefuls vie to win primary, gain momentum

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — Competing for New Hampshire momentum, Bob Dole and Lamar Alexander were rolling out high-profile endorsements today while arguing over who would be the best Republican candidate against President Clinton.

After back-to-back defeats, Texas Sen. Phil Gramm prepared to call it quits.

The dizzying pace of developments reflected the urgency, and volatility, of the GOP campaign six days before New Hampshire's primary. And as eight GOP hopefuls campaigned across the state today, they had to prepare for a televised debate Thursday night.

"You don't go to the White House unless you win New Hampshire," Dole said Tuesday night in framing the stakes for the weeklong sprint here.

Fresh from Iowa's caucuses, Dole, Pat Buchanan and Alexander made the case Tuesday that their top three showings, respectively, had turned the GOP nomination chase into a three-man race.

Publishing heir Steve Forbes, however, was due in New Hampshire today to make the case that his fourth-place Iowa showing hardly took him out of contention. But there were signs Forbes, too, might be mapping an exit strategy if he doesn't rebound in New Hampshire. By late Tuesday, he had not renewed television advertising buys that expired in the Dakotas and South Carolina.

Bowing out for good was Gramm, who called supporters around the country Tuesday night to tell them he was quitting the race after disappointing showings in the Louisiana and Iowa caucuses. Several GOP

sources told The Associated Press that Gramm would announce his departure at an afternoon event in Washington.

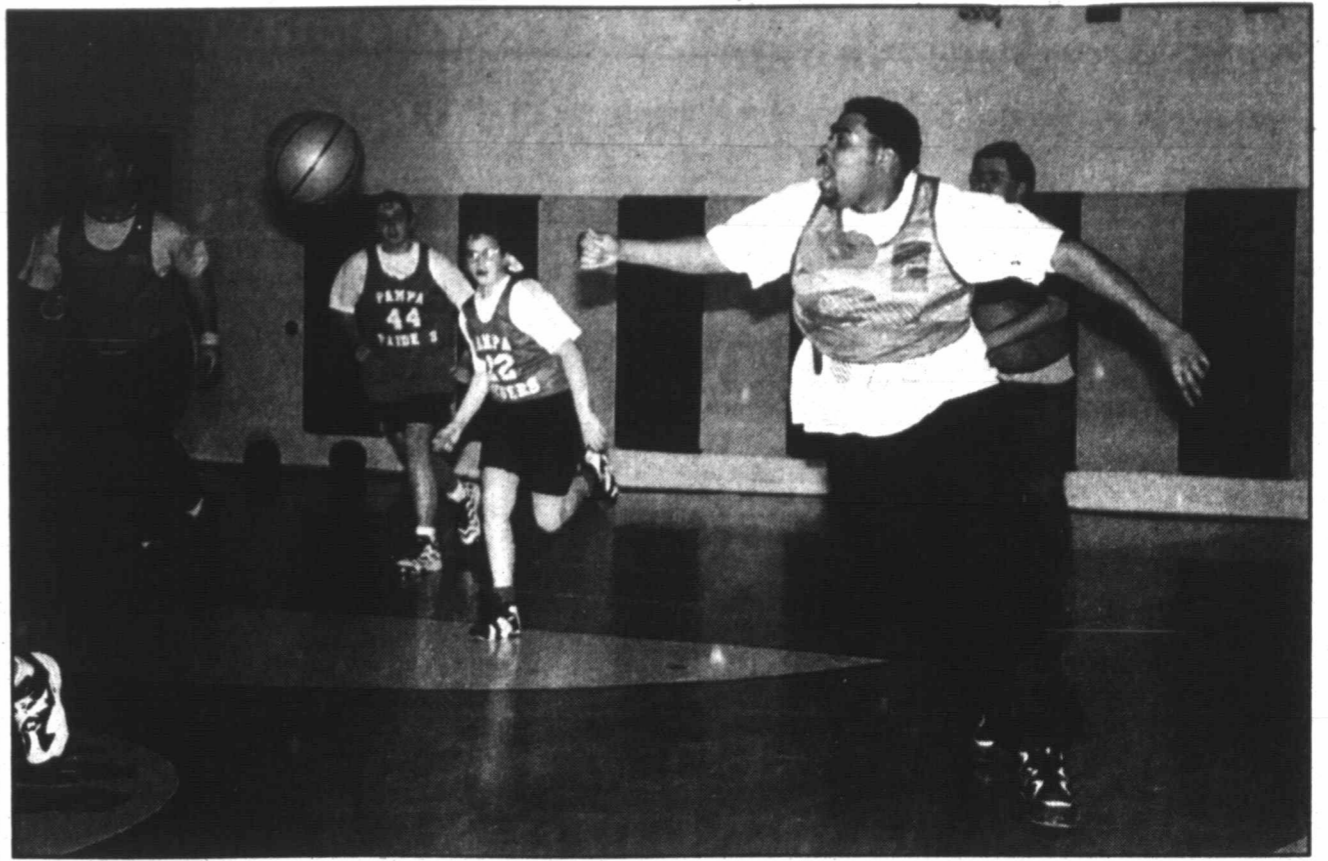
He would be the third candidate to quit, following California Gov. Pete Wilson and Pennsylvania Sen. Arlen Specter.

They now both back Dole, and the Senate majority leader was adding to his endorsements roster today. Campaign sources said GOP Govs. William Weld of neighboring Massachusetts and George Allen of Virginia were traveling to New Hampshire to endorse Dole. That would give Dole the backing of 23 of the 31 Republican governors.

Alexander, too, was rolling out a major GOP figure in an attempt to suggest his third-place Iowa showing was translating into momentum. William Bennett, the former education secretary and drug czar, was to appear with Alexander and deliver his backing. They were to discuss ideas for shifting welfare money back to states and local communities.

While he predicted a big boost from Iowa, Alexander's schedule had no events during the mid-afternoon hours Tuesday and today so he could work the phones in an attempt to raise sorely needed campaign cash. Aides said the former Tennessee governor had enough to compete in New Hampshire, but needed to raise money fast for the rush of primaries that follows.

Dole, too, looked to raise more funds, but not in person. His campaign sent out 300,000 telegrams Monday night citing his Iowa win and urging contributions to help Dole wrap up the race.



(Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzanakis)

Special Olympics basketball players scrimmaged recently with a sixth grade girls all stars team at Horace Mann Elementary School. The Olympians are practicing for the Feb. 24 basketball tournament at Pampa Middle School, which is expected to draw 300 athletes.

Special Olympics to have basketball tourney

Over 300 Special Olympics athletes will play basketball beginning at 8:15 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, in a tournament which is expected to last all day.

Teams from Amarillo, Borger, Canyon, Hereford, Perryton

and Pampa will play at Pampa Middle School boys gym. The day will start with a parade of athletes, a torch run and Special Olympics oath. Games will begin when the ceremony is complete.

Traditional and unified teams will play and individual competition is also scheduled.

For more information, call Cindy Cooper at 669-6322 during the day or 665-5477 at night.

Northwest Airlines slashing prices by up to fifty percent

EAGAN, Minn. (AP) — Northwest Airlines is slashing prices by up to 50 percent as part of a fare sale for travel in the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean.

Fares are good for travel between Feb. 28 and April 30 and

must be purchased by midnight Feb. 20, the Eagan, Minn.-based airline said late Tuesday. Tickets must be bought at least 14 days in advance, require a Saturday night stay and are nonrefundable.

Fares for most destinations are 30

to 40 percent below regular prices, with some destinations discounted as much as 50 percent, the airline said.

Deepest discounts for most routes are available for travel on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

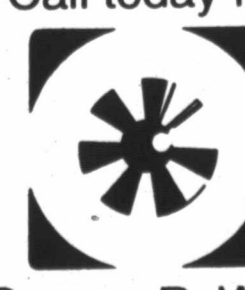
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Kids Are Cute winner



(Special photo)

Dathan Wayne Reeves, son of Darian and Christy Reeves of Borger, won the cutest baby contest for boys ages 6-9 months in the Kids Are Cute event sponsored by the Muscular Dystrophy Association in Amarillo Jan. 27. Grandparents include Kenneth and Carolyn Hall of Pampa and James and Liz Reeves of Borger. Great-grandparents include Francis Hall of Pampa, Auslie Scott of Plainview, and Eula Berry and Opal Reeves of Borger.

Nation briefs

Police probe Internet posting on teen's alleged abuse

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — An Internet posting accusing a woman of mistreating her daughter is being investigated by Montgomery County police.

William A. White, 18, a student at the University of Maryland, told *The Washington Post* he sent the message last week to various Internet news groups devoted to child welfare, psychology, radical left-wing politics and civil liberties.

He said he learned of the teenage girl's treatment from her friends and felt compelled to intervene even though he does not know the family.

However, officials said White's Internet message was based on confidential information from a group therapy session the girl attended.

The message said the girl was a victim of abuse because she was confined to home, except to go to school or work, was forbidden to use the telephone or have friends and was fed nothing but peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

Three Carpenter brides for three West brothers

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — For the Carpenters and the Wests, love is all in the family.

One by one over a 10-year period, Sandra, Lynda and Joyce Carpenter married Jerry, Larry and Max West.

Students inspired by dead classmate

HOUSTON (AP) — Fund-raising efforts, organ donor solicitations and a blood drive occupied students at Cypress Creek High School the day after the death of a classmate following a liver transplant.

Robbie Mooneyham, 16, died Monday in Hermann Hospital after rejecting the liver he received Feb. 2. An autopsy showed the replacement liver, described as big and bloated, had been destroyed by a severe rejection reaction.

Throughout the student's final weeks, emotion had run high at

It all started in 1966, when Sandra and Jerry met at a party. Four months later, they were married. Larry and Lynda, who met the same night, exchanged vows three years later.

When Joyce's first husband died in 1976, her happily married sisters once again turned to the West family. Joyce and Max West were married later that year.

The Wests and the Carpenters have 13 children and 16 grandchildren among them.

"We fill up half the church," said Larry West, 47. "People look, and they always ask, 'How did it happen?'"

Charlie Daniels qualifies as guest speaker

WILMINGTON, N.C. (AP) — Charlie Daniels says he may not be a man of letters, but he knows a lot about life that could benefit the University of North Carolina's class of 1996.

"My career spans almost 40 years, and you don't go through 40 years of hard work and unrelenting competition without learning a few things," Daniels wrote this week in an open letter to the seniors after some students protested his choice as commencement speaker.

"I can tell you where some of the land mines are hidden, the shortest path to the top of the mountain and the quickest way down," he wrote.

the school as students followed his daily progress through media accounts and word from friends.

Applications now available for service agencies wanting to be considered for United Way funding

Pampa United Way is giving applications for 501 (C) 3 non-profit organizations to be included in the budget allocations process.

Organizations may pick up applications at 200 N. Ballard, Suite 105, or call 669-1001 for more information on the process, according to Katrina Bigham, United Way executive director.

Deadline for picking up the applications is Feb. 19. Those accepted into the budget allocations process will need to pick up another set of forms to be completed for the process.

Bigham said there are 10 criteria most commonly used by United Ways to determine funding eligibility of local agencies. The guidelines are broadly stated to provide the maximum opportunity for United Ways to review them in a manner that will best serve the interests of the respective communities.

Each criteria, listed below, is followed by a brief explanation which describes issues and implications surrounding their implementation.

1. Be incorporated, not-for-profit and IRS tax exempt.

Agencies receiving United Way dollars must be not-for-profit organizations that have been declared tax exempt by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) or have a 501 (C) 3 purpose. The United Way has the responsibility of verifying that the recipient organization has been ruled tax exempt. Evidence of compliance with state charitable regulations should be provided, where applicable. A copy of the agency's by-laws should also be provided to the United Way.

2. Offers human service programs.

The United Way of America Service Identification System defines various human services and programs that may qualify for funding. Many communities may limit "human service programs" specifically to health, welfare and youth guidance programs. United Way funded agencies should meet the tests of accessibility (e.g., location of the facility) and availability (e.g., frequency and times of operation). The entity in service must have been in service for two full years.

3. Provides community service based on documented needs.

The agency or program should address itself to an identifiable current need, demand or problem in the com-

munity. Services which are supported by voluntary dollars should be clearly defined and their impact documented by the organization. The programs should be offered to a target population or geographical locale not presently served by existing programs.

4. Non-discriminatory.

Discrimination by race, creed, color, sex, age or religion should be prohibited in programs, service, staffing and volunteer areas. A written affirmative action plan for employment of staff would reinforce compliance with the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972.

5. Has an active, rotating, volunteer leadership that represents the diverse elements of the community.

The agency's board of directors or governing body should consist of volunteers who participate in the policy-making processes, represent the diverse elements of the community, periodically rotate off the board and meet at least quarterly. Members of the volunteer structure should not receive financial remuneration from the programs or services they oversee.

6. Has sound financial and program management.

The organization should have demonstrated ability to manage the finances of the programs and/or services with generally accepted accounting procedures. The organization should provide a copy of its annual audit using an independent certified public accountant or accounting firm, where feasible. A determination should be made as to the convincing likelihood that the organization can or will meet its state program objectives.

If the above guidelines are satisfied, the United Way may be reasonably assured that the applying organization is eligible for voluntary support, Bigham noted. Eligibility determination, however, does not necessarily result in United Way funding, she said.

The amount of available dollars, the urgency of existing needs and other key variables are important to the United Way budget allocation process and the final funding decision.

Many United Ways require additional information from agencies as conditions for funding. These conditions are unique to the United Way funding rela-

tionship and are often included in formalized agreements.

Examples of common agreement conditions are listed below:

7. Agrees to support and cooperate with the United Way in the following areas: Fund raising, planning, communications and allocations.

United Way's relationships with agencies should be one of partnership rather than one of ownership. This relationship evolves around four primary areas: raising voluntary contributions, planning for the needs of the total community, communicating their services to the public and allocating the funds through an equitable and effective budget allocations process.

8. Agrees to provide timely financial and program information.

Agencies share the responsibility of being accountable to the community for the expenditure of voluntary dollars. Periodic reporting of financial and program data to the United Way on operating costs and income can document agency expenditures and substantiate their validity.

9. Agrees to inform and seek approval from the United Way for all significant program/staff expansion or reduction.

The United Way should not be expected to assume financial responsibility for any expansion or discontinuation of the agency's operations or facilities without prior approval and discussion of how this action will affect the agency's allocations, if at all.

10. Agrees to obtain prior approval from the United Way before engaging in any supplemental fund-raising effort.

Agencies must obtain prior approval from the United Way regarding their capital and supplemental fund-raising needs. Efforts by agencies to develop sources of income should be carried out in such a manner as to assure that:

- The United Way giving base in the community will not be adversely affected.

- Agency financing efforts are consistent with mutually agreed upon policies between the United Way and the agency.

- The United Way is fully informed and supports, in advance, special financing efforts undertaken by the agency.

Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week encourages parents to make sure children buckle up, obey the law

Law enforcement officers have heard all the excuses but they agree that nothing warrants putting a child's life in jeopardy. Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week began Sunday.

Coordinated Campaign Safe and Sober is encouraging parents across the state to learn the laws and property procedure for buckling up children when they are taken for a ride in any motor vehicle.

When used correctly, child passenger safety seats are 71 percent effective in preventing fatalities. Minor injuries are prevented 50 percent of the time when children are in safety seats.

The Texas 1984 Child Safety Seat law mandates that all children under the age of two must be secured in a federally approved child safety seat and all children more than two years old, but less than four years old, must be secured by either a safety seat or by a safety belt.

Susan Bryant, chief of the Traffic Safety Section for the

Homemakers' News Donna Brauchi



Texas Department of Transportation in Austin, said adults use seat belts more often on themselves than they do on their children.

She indicated that parents who complain they have a hard time keeping children in safety seats or seat belts, are unaware of the laws or consider there to be little risk while driving short distances.

The Texas 1985 Safety Belt law requires that any front seat passenger in a car or a truck less than one ton must be secured by a seat belt. The 1989 Children Transported in Open Beds law states no children less than 12 years old may ride in the open

bed of a pickup truck or open flatbed trailer if it is traveling faster than 35 miles per hour.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) warns that newer cars with a passenger side air bag can injure younger children in safety seats. Even with rear facing safety seats, an inflating air bag may strike the back of the seat hard enough to cause injury to the child.

The NHTSA recommends infants less than 20 pounds ride in a rear-facing child safety seat in the center of the back seat of the vehicle. Children who weigh more than 20 pounds may be

placed in a forward-facing child seat. If it is not possible to place the child in the back seat, safety experts suggest securing a child more than 20 pounds in the front seat, but pushing the seat as far back as possible and consulting your owner's manual.

The NHTSA also suggests the best place for any child to ride is in the back seat with a lap and should belt.

Campaign Safe and Sober is a national initiative to reduce alcohol-related deaths and increase seat belt use. The Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Department of Public Safety and private organizations are working together for this goal.

Remember, it only takes three seconds to buckle up and just a few minutes to secure a child. A life is worth that amount of time.

For more information on health and safety, contact your Gray County Office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

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'Broken Arrow' debuts at No. 1

By JOHN HORN
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The nuclear bomb thriller *Broken Arrow* was No. 1 at the weekend box office with a \$15.6 million debut, while the Demi Moore drama *The Juror* collapsed in only its second weekend.

The Juror took in just \$4.4 million, skidding nearly 50 percent from its opening weekend and finishing in fourth place. *White Squall* also slipped badly, earning \$2.4 million and placing 10th.

Mr. Holland's Opus continued to play strongly in its fourth weekend, earning \$6.8 million for second place.

Black Sheep earned \$6.5 million for third place and the Academy Award favorite *Leaving Las Vegas*, in its first weekend of wide national release, finished fifth with \$3.3 million.

The romantic movie *Beautiful Girls* opened in seventh place with \$2.8 million. In a re-release timed to the Academy Awards, *The Bridges of Madison County* fared poorly, earning about \$408,000.

The top 20 movies at U.S. and Canadian theaters Friday through Sunday, followed by studio, gross, number of theater locations, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled by Exhibitor Relations on Monday:

1. *Broken Arrow*, 20th Century Fox, \$15.6 million, 2,388 locations, \$6,526 per location, \$15.6 million, one week.
2. *Mr. Holland's Opus*, Disney, \$6.8 million, 1,659 locations, \$4,072 per location, \$40.3 million, four weeks.
3. *Black Sheep*, Paramount, \$6.5

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| Top weekend movies | | |
| Weekend of February 9-11, 1996 | | |
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| Gross to date, weeks in release, number of screens | Weekend gross | |
| 1 <i>Broken Arrow</i> \$15.6, one week, 2,388 screens | \$15.6 | |
| 2 <i>Mr. Holland's Opus</i> \$40.3, four weeks, 1,659 screens | \$6.8 | |
| 3 <i>Black Sheep</i> \$19.3, two weeks, 2,092 screens | \$6.5 | |
| 4 <i>The Juror</i> \$15.3, two weeks, 2,205 screens | \$4.4 | |
| 5 <i>Leaving Las Vegas</i> \$15.4, 16 weeks, 1,310 screens | \$3.3 | |
| 6 <i>Dead Man Walking</i> \$13.9, seven weeks, 821 screens | \$2.9 | |
| 7 <i>Beautiful Girls</i> \$2.8, one week, 752 screens | \$2.8 | |
| 8 <i>Bed of Roses</i> \$15.1, three weeks, 1,533 screens | \$2.7 | |
| 9 <i>Sense and Sensibility</i> \$24.3, nine weeks, 952 screens | \$2.4 | |
| 10 <i>White Squall</i> \$7.4, two weeks, 1,524 screens | \$2.4 | |

Source: Exhibitor Relations Co., Inc. AP

million, 2,092 locations, \$3,100 per location, \$19.3 million, two weeks.

4. *The Juror*, Columbia, \$4.4 million, 2,205 locations, \$2,004 per location, \$15.3 million, two weeks.

5. *Leaving Las Vegas*, MGM, \$3.3 million, 1,310 locations, \$2,483 per location, \$15.4 million, 16 weeks.

6. *Dead Man Walking*, Gramercy, \$2.9 million, 821 locations, \$3,513 per location, \$13.9 million, seven weeks.

7. *Beautiful Girls*, Miramax, \$2.8 million, 752 locations, \$3,673 per location,

\$2.8 million, one week.

8. *Bed of Roses*, New Line, \$2.7 million, 1,533 locations, \$1,759 per location, \$15.1 million, three weeks.

9. *Sense and Sensibility*, Columbia, \$2.4 million, 952 locations, \$2,525 per location, \$24.3 million, nine weeks.

10. *White Squall*, Disney, \$2.4 million, 1,524 locations, \$1,545 per location, \$7.4 million, two weeks.

11. *12 Monkeys*, Universal, \$1.7 million, 1,434 locations, \$1,190 per location, \$51.8 million, seven weeks.

12. *Jumanji*, TriStar, \$1.4 million, 1,300 locations, \$1,101 per location, \$90.6 million, nine weeks.

13. *Grumpier Old Men*, Warner Bros., \$1.3 million, 1,507 locations, \$887 per location, \$67.6 million, eight weeks.

14. *From Dusk Till Dawn*, Miramax, \$1.1 million, 1,049 locations, \$1,067 per location, \$23.5 million, four weeks.

15. *Eye for an Eye*, Paramount, \$1.08 million, 1,235 locations, \$881 per location, \$24.8 million, five weeks.

16. *Toy Story*, Disney, \$940,000, 887 locations, \$1,059 per location, \$180.7 million, 12 weeks.

17. *Seven*, New Line, \$802,000, 901 locations, \$890 per location, \$94.3 million, 19 weeks.

18. *Restoration*, Miramax, \$747,000, 457 locations, \$1,635 per location, \$2.9 million, seven weeks.

19. *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls*, Warner Bros., \$726,000, 653 locations, \$1,112 per location, \$106.1 million, 14 weeks.

20. *Waiting to Exhale*, Fox, \$711,000, 634 locations, \$1,122 per location, \$63.3 million, eight weeks.

Court report

COUNTY COURT

Criminal
An order was entered issuing a capias warrant for the arrest of Chris J. Pullin to answer for violation of terms and conditions of probation.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense, against Harold Gene Hobbs because he was convicted in another case.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of assault causing bodily injury against Richard William McClelland because the complaining witness has requested dismissal.

An order was entered amending the probation of Ricky Joe Diaz. The Gray County Community Supervision and Corrections Department requested he serve 30 days in Allen Treatment Center. If he successfully completes the course, Gray County will pay; if he is unsuccessful, then expenses will be the responsibility of Diaz. He is to remain in jail until transported to Allen Treatment Center.

An order was entered granting an occupational driver's license to James Kirk Douglass.

An order was entered modifying the probation of Shirley Landers Young. Her probation was extended to March 14 with time to pay fine and court costs extended also.

Robert Lewis Leitch, Thomas Brown Jr. and Lavon Herndon were discharged from misdemeanor probation.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of theft of property by check against Elton Rayford Gammage because the court costs and restitution have been paid.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of theft of property by check against Elton R. Gammage because the evidence is insufficient.

An order was entered dismissing a motion to proceed with an adjudication of guilt against Thomas Randell Townsend.

An order was entered revoking the probation of Roger L. Beals. He was ordered to spend 15 days in Gray County jail with no credit for time served.

An order was entered issuing a capias warrant for the arrest of Kenneth Lee Hair to answer for violation of terms and condition of probation.

An order was entered issuing a capias warrant for the arrest of Bobby Ladell Dorsey to answer for violation of terms and condition of probation.

Marriage licenses issued
Tommy Curtis Pickering and Stephanie Lee Raymond

DISTRICT COURT

Criminal
Orders were entered discharging Paul Tambunga and David Haskit Jr. from probation.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of interference with child custody against Melvin Dale Haynes.

An order was entered dismissing a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle against Mashonda Rene King because she was convicted in another case.

Orders were entered dismissing a motion to revoke the probation and dismissing charges of burglary of a habitation, aggravated kidnapping and aggravated sexual assault against Jody Edward Brunson because he is deceased.

An order was entered modifying the probation of Sam Houston Kennedy to waive 160 hours community service restitution because of his medical condition.

Adelaide Chavez Molina was discharged from deferred adjudication probation.

An order was entered extending the probation of Cynthia Ann Vargas for two years.

Divorces granted
Troyce Lee Reeves and Julie Ann Reeves
Kenneth Lowrie and Sandra Kay Lowrie
Stephanie Lyn Reynolds and Albert Ross Reynolds

Civil
The state of Texas vs. Lorcin pistol, seizure and forfeiture
Delta Distributors vs. Debbie Minyard and Brandi Minyard
Commercial Union Insurance Companies vs. Hugh McManus, breach of contract

Marshals raid registers for cash at Kmart stores

MIAMI (AP) — For Louis Eso, a shopping trip to Kmart was like a ride back in time to the wild, wild west.

With the power of a court order behind them, U.S. marshals raided two stores in Hollywood and Davie, taking \$45,000 in cash from the registers. They left behind the coins and checks.

"Jesse James held up a train and counts his money in the woods. These guys counted it on the counter in the front of everybody," said Eso, 73, who was shopping with his

wife at the Hollywood store. The raids were unorthodox but perfectly legal.

A court clerk gave the go-ahead for lawyers to collect the money after Kmart failed to post the required \$2 million bond in an age-discrimination lawsuit. Company officials were outraged.

"I would have to think our federal marshals would have other activities they could be attending to rather than this charade," said Shawn Kahle, a spokeswoman for the Troy, Mich.-

based department store chain.

In August, a federal jury awarded three former Kmart pharmacists in the Miami area \$2.17 million in back pay and damages. The jury found that Kmart engaged in age discrimination when it began a program to bring in a younger management team to fill the positions of pharmacists, store managers and others.

U.S. District Judge C. Clyde Atkins lowered the verdict to \$920,000 plus lawyers' and court fees.

Vietnam, China open rail links after seventeen years

DONG DANG, Vietnam (AP) — A Chinese train draped in red ribbons and banners crossed into Vietnam today as officials from both sides pledged to turn the once-tense frontier into a crossroads for peaceful trade.


The reopening of rail links 17 years after they were cut by

war dramatized the recent improvement in relations between the socialist neighbors, who have often been political rivals.

Deputy foreign ministers Vu Khoan of Vietnam and Tang Jiaxuan of China met briefly in the train station while dancers


on the platform performed dragon and lion dances — a shared tradition learned from China during its more than 1,000 years of rule over Vietnam.

Vietnamese officials also traveled to the Chinese side of the border for a ceremony at the Pingxiang station.



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Follow Commandments Of Love To Keep Valentine Spirit Alive

DEAR READERS: Happy Valentine's Day one and all — and what better day to haul out my annual valentine to you, my Ten Commandments of Love!

Yes, Dear Readers, I actually had the chutzpah to write my own Ten Commandments. But it wasn't as though I was stealing from strangers — I steal only from the best! One of my ancestors was privileged to have received them on Mount Sinai from the Lord himself. At least that's what the Good Book says.

I originally wrote two sets of commandments: one for men and one for women. Then I received a letter from Mandy Stillman, a lawyer and early feminist from Milwaukee, demanding equal rights for women and insisting that there be only one set of commandments.

She was right, of course. So how's this for a gender bender?

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF LOVE

• Put your spouse before your mother, your father, your son and your daughter. Your mate is your lifelong companion.

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• Remember that cleanliness is a virtue.

• Permit neither your busi-



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ness nor your hobby to make you a stranger to your children. The most precious gift a parent can give is time.

• Willingly share all of your worldly goods with your mate.

• Do not forget to say, "I love you." Even though your love may be constant, your spouse needs to hear those cherished words often.

• Remember that the approval of your spouse is worth far more than the adoring glances of a hundred strangers, so be true and forsake all others.

• Keep your home in good repair, because out of it come the joys of old age (not to mention its resale value).

• Forgive with grace, because who among us does not need to be forgiven?

• Honor the Lord your God every day of your life, and your children will grow up and bless you.

Today, be a sweetheart. Call someone you love and say, "I love you." (Make two or three calls; who says you can't love more than one person — in different ways, of course.)

Go through your closets and give all those clothes you've been saving until you lose 10 pounds to your favorite charity. Call someone who's lonely and say, "I'm thinking of you." Or, better yet, say, "I'll be over tomorrow to take you to lunch ... or to run some errands for you ... or to give you a ride."

Visit a sick friend. Say a prayer. Donate some blood. Adopt a pet. Will your eyes, your kidneys and all your usable organs to someone who can use them after you're gone. Forgive an enemy. Hug your teen-ager. Write a fan letter. Listen to a bore. Pay your doctor. Tell your parents you think they're wonderful. Spay your dog. Neuter your cat. Quit smoking. Drive carefully. If you're walking, watch where you're going.

And don't wait until next year to be a sweetheart again.

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Horoscope



Your Birthday

Thursday, Feb. 15, 1996

Joint endeavors could provide the greatest opportunity in the year ahead. If people you admire and respect come to you with proposals, study them carefully.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Certain developments might make you feel as though you're pressed into a corner today. You may be, but don't worry. You will perform at your best when your back is against the wall. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Friends who didn't seem to have time for you yesterday might fawn all over you today. Let bygones be bygones and dismiss their insincerity.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Elevate your sights and expectations today. Luck will be on your side if you take bold actions and remain positive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Opportunities will abound today, but they could be fleeting. You will have to act quickly to capitalize on these developments. Do not deliberate for too long.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today you will have the ability to inspire others to do things they know they must do, but may have lacked the courage or motivation to do them in the past.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you try to negotiate an important matter today, you must make sure that all parties are committed to the success of the agreement.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Stick to projects that require quick bursts of energy rather than long, concerted efforts. You may have moments of brilliance with intermit-

tent relapses today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You will take risks in areas usually avoided by others, and as a result, you might reap greater dividends. However, don't press your luck too far.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do not become discouraged today when pursuing your objectives. You may not start off strong, but you will make great strides down the stretch. Go for the gold.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You can be remarkably resourceful today in arrangements about which you feel enthusiastic. Do not spin your wheels on endeavors that don't excite you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Presently, you have the ability to manipulate your financial affairs and make substantial profits. The end results will satisfy you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Although you might be tempted to do otherwise, it will be better to manage important situations yourself today. You can do a better job than your surrogates.

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For Better or For Worse



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"Another thing we have in common, Daddy — we both have the same Valentine — Mommy!"

The Family Circus



Grizzwells



Marmaduke



Alley Oop



Peanuts



Peanuts

Sports

Notebook

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Pampa defeated Caprock, 66-49, to end the junior varsity girls basketball season.

Scoring for Pampa were McKinley Quarles with 13 points, Heather Petty 12, Lisa Dwight 10, Lisa Kirkpatrick 7, Faustine Curry 7 and Keilli Earl 5.

Other team members are Tiffany McCullough, Deidra Crawford, Melissa Butcher, Heather Petty, Sarah Maul, Kaysi Fueglein and Yvette Brown. Manager is Andrea Rodriguez.

PAMPA — Hereford defeated Pampa, 44-42, in a 9th grade boys' basketball game Monday night.

Justin Roark was high scorer for Pampa with 19 points, followed by Kyle Gamblin with 7.

Pampa won the B team game, 37-27.

Manny Wine had 16 points and John Hervey 12 for Pampa.

BOWLING

PAMPA — Jeff Clark of Pampa saved his best game for last.

Bowling in a Monday night league at Harvester Lanes, Clark rolled a 182-191 his first two games and then finished off the series with a 300.

Clark carries a 187 in that league.

FOOTBALL

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SOCCER

AMARILLO — Tascosa swept Pampa in a District 3 soccer doubleheader Tuesday.

Tascosa won the boys' match, 2-0, and the girls' match, 4-0.

PHS Athletic Director Dennis Cavalier is filling in as boys' coach until Warren Cottle and Matthew Gantz return. Cottle and Gantz were injured in a vehicle accident Monday morning north of town. Both coaches were treated and released from Coronado Hospital.

"I think the impact of not having their coaches may have been partially responsible for the outcome, but Tascosa has a good team," Cavalier said. "Our boys fought hard, but it just wasn't meant to be."

The Pampa Soccer Association will hold spring sign-ups one day only. Sign-ups will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 at the Pampa Mall.

New players must be at least 4-years-old by Jan. 1. Please bring a copy of their birth certificate and registration fee is \$30. The spring season will begin March 2 and end April 27, barring any weather complications.

Players who sign up in the spring will first be added to any existing teams that have vacancies, and then new teams will be formed if there are sufficient players.

If you played on a team in the fall, you do NOT need to sign up. You are still on that team, and you should contact your coach if you have, not already been contacted.

For more information, please call 669-1273 and leave your name and number.

Pampa perfect in district play

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

PAMPA — Pampa survived a foul-plagued battle with Hereford to post a perfect 12-0 won-loss record in District 1-4A Tuesday night.

Hereford jumped ahead early, but Pampa started taking control midway through the first quarter on the way to a 74-61 win at McNeely Fieldhouse.

The third-ranked Harvesters improved to 27-3 for the season in collecting the eighth straight District 1-4A title for the school's basketball program.

"These guys deserve all the credit in the world for putting together an unblemished record against tough competition," said PHS head coach Robert Hale. "They've worked hard all season long."

Hereford, which is still in the running for a playoff berth, is 19-10 for the season and 8-3 in district play. Hereford can force a playoff with Randall for the district's No. 2 seed by beating the Raiders Friday night.

Senior guard Rayford Young had 32 points against Hereford along with 6 assists and 6 steals to spark the Harvesters, who led by 13 points at halftime, 35-22, and by 19, 56-37, after three quarters.

There were 49 fouls whistled, 25 against Pampa and 24 against Hereford. Three Hereford players, along with Pampa's Coy Laury and Jason Weatherbee, fouled out.

"We knew Hereford would come ready to play," said Weatherbee, who finished with 16 points, 4 rebounds and 4 steals. "We would have to go out and play hard against them, and we were able to do that."

Pampa had the edge at the foul line, hitting 20 of 31 tries for 65.5 percent. Hereford was 22 of 35 for 62.8 percent.

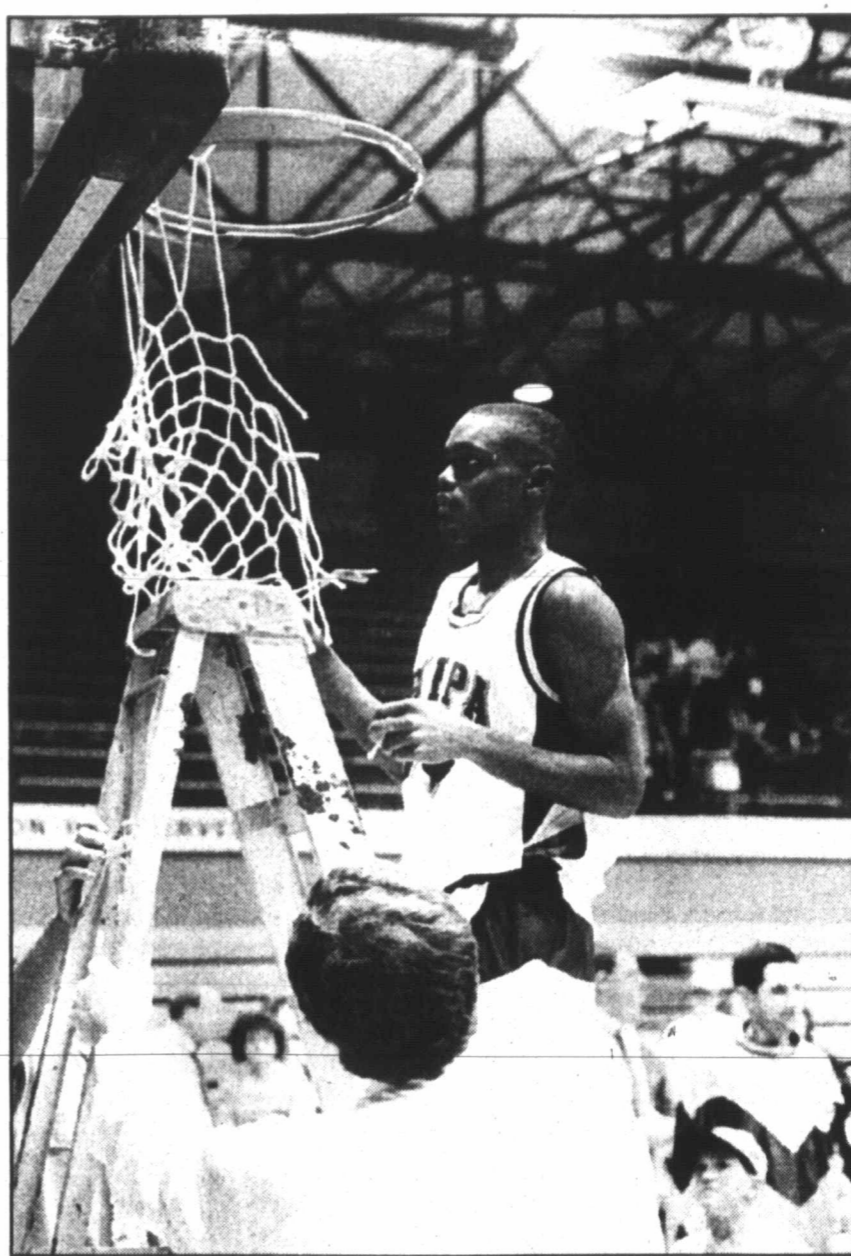
The Harvesters won out on the boards, 33-29, with 6-6 senior Chris Miller coming off the bench to pull down 7 rebounds.

Pampa forced Hereford into 21 turnovers. Pampa had just 7.

Hereford's leading scorer was Isaac Walker with 16 points, followed by Michael High with 15. High had 11 rebounds.

Scoring Summary
Pampa — Rayford Young 32, Jason Weatherbee 16, August Larson 8, Devin Lemons 7, J.J. Mathis 4, Chris Miller 4, Coy Laury 3; **Three-point goals:** Larson 2, Weatherbee 1, Young 1.

Hereford — Isaac Walker 16, Michael High 15, Todd Dudley 12, Bryan McNutt 6, Jonathan Keenan 5, Brian Torres 5, Ronald Torres 2; **Three-point goals:** McNutt 2, Keenan 1.



(Pampa News photo)

Senior guard Rayford Young helps cut down one of the nets after the Harvesters beat Hereford last night to finish the district season unbeaten.

Tubbs' sophomore streak ends at Texas Christian

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Texas Christian hired Billy Tubbs last season because in three previous coaching jobs he had proved that he could win, and win fast.

Tubbs was known as a second-year success story. With Tubbs in his sophomore season, Southwestern went 19-8, Lamar went 18-9 and Oklahoma went 22-11 and reached the Great Eight in the NCAA Tournament.

So expectations were understandably high at TCU this season after Tubbs went a personal-best 16-11 in his first year guiding the Horned Frogs.

"We didn't think we'd win a national champion or even be in the Top 25," Tubbs said. "We did think about the postseason."

Instead, overaggressive scheduling and injuries have set things back.

Entering tonight's game against Houston, TCU was 11-12. That's one more loss than all

of last season, with six regular-season games remaining.

"Last year was the best first-year I've ever had, so we've kind of reversed the cycle," Tubbs said.

The Horned Frogs were a great success story last year as they clicked under Tubbs. An even better story was Kurt Thomas' rise to become national leader in scoring (28.9 points per game) and rebounding (14.6 per game).

It's obviously tough to make up for that kind of production, but freshman Damion Walker has been a decent replacement by averaging around 22 points and nine rebounds per game.

Another blow has been a hamstring injury to guard Juan Bragg, last year's SWC newcomer of the year. He missed 11 games and even though he's back, Tubbs said, "He's half of what he was."

Several of the Horned Frogs'

losses were games nobody figured them to win, especially ones like Connecticut and Kentucky.

But what's really bothered Tubbs is that his teams didn't give enough of a fight.

"It's kind of crushing," Tubbs said. "Even at Lamar, we handled them a lot better than we did this year. I played DePaul with Mark Aguirre the very first day they were No. 1 and they beat us on last-second shot."

Tubbs said the disappointing season makes him realize how much more work he must do to prepare TCU for its move from the Southwest Conference to the Western Athletic Conference beginning next season.

"Maybe we rested on our laurels and thought it'd be easy with the success we've had," he said.

There's more hope for next season because Walker will be a year older, Bragg will only be a

junior and Tubbs can unveil Prince Fowler. Tubbs recruited him Oklahoma and he has transferred to TCU to play for Tubbs.

"I like his warrior mentality," Tubbs said of Fowler, who started 25 games for the Sooners last year. "He's little, but at 5-9 he plays like he's 6-4. His attitude is really the key."

Tubbs still has plenty of work left to mold the roster the way he wants.

"We've got bodies," Tubbs said, "now we need players."

They won't get them right away. There's room for only a few recruits next season. The big turnover will come after next season, when he graduates as many as five seniors.

"I think the people who we bring in to replace them will be key, but for now the foundation is Prince and Damion," Tubbs said. "That's a good inside and outside threat. It lends us something to build around."

Former Browns tour Baltimore's Memorial Stadium

BALTIMORE (AP) — As part of their formal introduction to Baltimore, Vinny Testaverde and a few of his teammates toured Memorial Stadium and signed autographs for dozens of eager school kids.

The question now is: Will Bill Belichick get the chance to do the same thing?

Testaverde, fullback Leroy Hoard, safety Eric Turner and left tackle Tony Jones visited their new home Tuesday for the first time since the NFL approved the relocation of Art Modell's franchise from Cleveland last week.

Then, joined by Pepper Johnson, the former Browns players went to a nearby elementary school as they began the process

of becoming part of their new community.

Belichick would love the opportunity to check out Baltimore as coach of the transplanted NFL franchise. But Modell has not made a commitment to his coach of the past five years — and is seemingly looking in another direction.

Modell's son David, who has been living in Baltimore for three months and was on hand for the player's tour of the stadium, said a decision on Belichick's status will be made in the near future.

"We will be dealing with staffing issues shortly," said David Modell, a paid assistant to his father.

"If they decide to bring Bill

back, I hope they hurry up and do it. If they're going to bring in a new coach, I hope they hurry up and do that," Jones said.

"They've got to make a decision soon because we need to know which direction we're going in."

Testaverde, meanwhile, can't wait to add his name to the list of great Baltimore quarterbacks that includes John Unitas and Bert Jones.

"I'm not saying I'm in their class, but I'm going to do my best on the football field to get there," Testaverde said.

As soon as the players stepped onto the turf at Memorial Stadium, they were greeted by a harsh gust of wind that reminded them of another aging park —

Cleveland Stadium.

"The first thing that hit me was a gust of wind, and that immediately reminded me of Cleveland. Then I thought about all the tradition and all the great players that went through here, and that also reminded me of Cleveland," Testaverde said.

Tony Jones played in many a game in Cleveland in which the winds off Lake Erie made for a chilling afternoon. There is no lake near 33rd Street in Baltimore, but there were still plenty of gusting winds coming through the open end of the stadium.

"It was like my brain was frozen out there," Jones said in the warmth of the spacious locker room.

Baseball league cuts teams

DALLAS (AP) — It's strike three for the Mobile Baysharks and the Corpus Christi Barracudas.

Competition from the Southern League and the inability to sell beer at one stadium has trimmed the Texas-Louisiana Professional Baseball League from eight to six teams for the 1996 season.

The league's teams in Mobile, Ala., and Corpus Christi will not play in 1996, but hope to relocate for the 1997 season, said league spokesman Jack Lazorko.

The league will field teams in Amarillo, Lubbock, Abilene, Tyler and Harlingen in Texas and Alexandria, La., next season, which begins in May and includes a 100-game schedule.

The league decided to pull the Mobile franchise because of that city's plans to field a Southern League AA team in 1997, which will play in the

stadium used by the Baysharks.

"We didn't want 1996 to be a lame-duck year," Lazorko said.

The Barracudas will move partly because the team played at a high school stadium and was not allowed to sell beer at games.

"There's only about one or two teams in all of baseball that don't sell beer," Lazorko said. "That's a big part of the game. People want to go down and have a hot dog and a beer."

Michael Schiff, general manager of the Barracudas, said another factor in the move was the stadium's inadequacies, despite some \$500,000 worth of improvements done by the league.

"The ballpark still needed a lot of work," he said.

The Barracudas lost money, drawing an average of just 1,300 fans a game, he said.

PHS powerlifters win at Borger

BORGER — The Pampa Powerlifters won the first-ever powerlifting meet at Borger.

The three-event meet, which consists of the squat, bench press and deadlift, was held at the gymnasium on the Frank Phillips College campus last weekend.

Placing for the Harvesters were:

275-pound division: Jared Pyle, first, 1,205-pound total; Ronnie Proby, second, 1,155.

242-pound division: Aaron Hayden, first, 1,130; Jeremy Miller, second, 1,090.

220-pound division: Chad Epperson, second, 990.

181-pound division: Ross Watkins, first, 4,050; Marques Long, fourth, 960; Brian Gwin, fifth, 935.

165-pound division: Logan Stinnett, first, 925.

148-pound division: Kevin Jernigan, fifth, 730.

Other Pampa athletes participating were Dustin Hall, Heath

Cowan, Josh Franklin, Brian Frels, Jared White, Juan Saldevina, Randy Burklow and Eljijo Hernandez.

Coach Wade Wesley said that a number of athletes who placed at the Pampa meet held earlier were involved in other activities and could not compete at Borger. Eight Pampa athletes, including five who placed, were entered in their first meet.

"This just shows the strength of the Pampa off-season program," Wesley added.

At the Pampa meet, Donnie Middleton placed first in the 220-pound division; Dee Thompson was second in the 275-pound division; Ryan Bruce, second in the 181-pound division; Jeremy Knutson, second in the 148-pound division; Ryan Davis, third in the 242-pound division; Jay Braddock, first in the 165-pound division, and Victor Roden, second in the 165-pound division.

Clinton greets Cowboys

By SONYA ROSS
Associated Press Writer

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The Cowboys became NFL champions after defeating the Pittsburgh Steelers on Jan. 28 in Tempe, Ariz. They have won the Super Bowl three of the last four years.

"This was a good year for the Dallas Cowboys. Because of the way they won and the way they played and the obstacles they overcame, it was a good year for professional football," Clinton said. "Every one of us in America can cheer them for that great accomplishment."

Jones presented Clinton with a silver Super Bowl trophy, and the president received two white and blue jerseys: No. 95 from defensive end Chad Hennings and No. 22 from running back Emmitt Smith.

"Since you're going up for re-election this year, hopefully you can put this on and run with it," Smith said as he handed his jersey to Clinton.

Clinton congratulated "my longtime friend and fellow Arkansan," coach Barry Switzer, for his championship season.

"He was second-guessed so much, for a while I thought people had mistaken him for the president," Clinton said.

McLean grabs playoff berth

MIAMI — McLean defeated Lefors, 69-59, Tuesday night in a playoff for the No. 2 seed in District 5-1A.

Jeremy Crutcher led McLean in scoring with 25 points, followed by Blake Crockett with 19.

McLean led at the half, 31-25.

Tommy Green also had 25 points for Lefors. Matt Green added 14.

Both teams were 1-3 in district play going into the game. McLean's overall record to 11-11 while Lefors is 4-16.

Tigerettes turn back Gruver

GROOM — Groom cagers tuned up for the playoffs with practice games against Gruver Tuesday night.

In the girls' game, Groom, led by Kay Case's 25 points, won by a score of 49-43. Sandie Conrad added 15 points for the Tigerettes.

Case had 20 of her 25 points in the first half to help give the Tigerettes a 31-18 lead at halftime.

Crystal Christian and Weslyn Maupin had 12 points each for Gruver.

Groom has a 23-4 record while Gruver is 20-9. The Tigerettes posted a 6-0 record to take first in the District 3-1A standings.

Gruver won the boys' contest, 57-46.

Daniel Burt was high scorer for Gruver with 10 points, followed by Phil DeLaCruz, 8.

Brandon Crump had 11 points and Justin Ritter 9 for Groom.

Groom's record is 15-11 while Gruver is 24-6.

Scoreboard

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association
At A Glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

| Team | W | L | Pct | GB |
|--------------|----|----|------|--------|
| Orlando | 35 | 14 | 71.4 | — |
| New York | 30 | 16 | 65.2 | 3 1/2 |
| Washington | 22 | 25 | 46.8 | 12 |
| Miami | 18 | 27 | 44.9 | 13 |
| New Jersey | 19 | 29 | 39.6 | 15 1/2 |
| Boston | 12 | 30 | 28.6 | 16 1/2 |
| Philadelphia | 10 | 36 | 21.7 | 23 1/2 |

Central Division

| Team | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-----------|----|----|------|--------|
| Chicago | 43 | 5 | 89.6 | — |
| Indiana | 31 | 17 | 64.6 | 12 |
| Cleveland | 27 | 20 | 57.4 | 15 1/2 |
| Atlanta | 26 | 21 | 55.3 | 16 1/2 |
| Detroit | 23 | 22 | 51.1 | 18 1/2 |
| Charlotte | 22 | 25 | 46.8 | 20 1/2 |
| Milwaukee | 18 | 28 | 39.1 | 24 |
| Toronto | 14 | 34 | 29.2 | 29 |

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

| Team | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-------------|----|----|------|--------|
| San Antonio | 31 | 15 | 67.4 | 1/2 |
| Utah | 33 | 16 | 67.3 | — |
| Houston | 32 | 18 | 64.0 | 1 1/2 |
| Denver | 20 | 28 | 41.7 | 12 1/2 |
| Dallas | 16 | 31 | 34.0 | 16 |
| Minnesota | 14 | 32 | 30.4 | 17 1/2 |
| Vancouver | 10 | 37 | 21.3 | 22 |

Pacific Division

| Team | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---------------|----|----|------|--------|
| Seattle | 35 | 12 | 74.5 | — |
| L.A. Lakers | 28 | 19 | 59.6 | 7 |
| Sacramento | 24 | 21 | 53.3 | 10 |
| Portland | 24 | 25 | 49.0 | 12 |
| Phoenix | 22 | 25 | 46.8 | 13 |
| Golden State | 22 | 26 | 45.8 | 13 1/2 |
| L.A. Clippers | 16 | 33 | 32.7 | 20 |

Sunday's Game

All-Star Game
East 129, West 118

Monday's Games

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Orlando 121, Denver 93
Toronto 98, Miami 87

Wednesday's Games

Indiana at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Charlotte, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Sacramento at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Atlanta at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Boston at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Cleveland at Toronto at Hamilton, Ontario, 7 p.m.
Denver at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Dallas at Utah, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at Portland, 10 p.m.

Optimist Boys' League

Results in the Pampa Optimist Club boys basketball program after the first three weeks of play are as follows:

5th-8th Grade Scoreboard

Heat 28, Sonics 19; H - Gerber 12, McComas 8; S - Abernathy 7, Hughes 4
Spurs 44, Grizzlies 35; S - Nash 10, Stucker 8; G - Harper 18, Helms 8
Knicks 37, Sonics 9; K - Zemanek 14, Waggoner 6; S - Connor 4, Brown 2
Raptors 46, Grizzlies 21; R - Francis 16, Davis 8; G - Harper 10, Bell 5
Longhorns 32, Heat 22; L - Wade 6, Gonzalez 6; H - Gerber 8, Jenkins 6.

FISHING REPORT

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 2 feet low; 43 degrees; black bass are fair on minnows, jigs and spinner baits; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs; no report for catfish.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water murky; 6 feet low; 43 degrees; black bass are slow to fair on dark worms and spinners; hybrid strippers are fair to good on slabs and spoons; catfish are fair on shrimp and nightcrawlers.

GRANBURY: Water clear; normal level; 50 degrees; black bass are fair, but small on white Crappie Jigs, spinners and worms fished in 4 to 10 feet of water in the canals; striped bass to 8 pounds are fair on large minnows fished around the outlet; white bass to 2 pounds are good on medium minnows fished in the river; crappie are fair on small minnows fished in 4 to 10 feet of water in the canals; catfish are good on shrimp, shad and cheese bait fished over baited holes.

OAK CREEK: Water clear; 6 1/2 feet low; 48 degrees; black bass to 11.98 pounds are very good on worms and Jig-N-Pigs fished in 28 to 38 feet of water; crappie are good on minnows fished in 20 to 25 feet of water; catfish are slow.

O.H.V.I.E.: Water clear on main lake, murky in upper end and tributaries; lake level 1549.79; 42 degrees; black bass are slow; white bass are slow; crappie are slow to fair on minnows and jigs fished around docks and brush piles; channel and blue catfish are slow; yellow catfish are slow; no catches of walleye reported.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 3 feet low; black bass are fair to good on Jig-N-Pigs, spinners and crank baits; striped bass are fair to good on live bait and slabs fished under the birds; white bass are fair to good on minnows and slabs fished under the birds; crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished around the docks and over brush; catfish are fair on shrimp and cut bait.

PROCTOR: Water clear; normal level; 45 degrees; black bass are slow; crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished in 14 feet of water; catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad and peanuts.

SPENCE: Water clear; 33 feet low; 45 degrees; black bass to 8.11 pounds are good on dark Jig-N-Pig combos fished in 20 to 25 feet of water; striped bass are good, but small on live bait and slabs; white bass are fair on slabs fished in the Red Bluff and Paint Creek areas; crappie are fair on minnows fished in 8 to 10 feet of water at the Wildcat Bridge; catfish are slow.

TWIN BUTTES: Water clear; low; cold; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs; very few fishermen out.

WHITE RIVER: Water clear; low; cold; very few fishermen out.

NORTH SABINE LAKE: Redfish are fair to good on shrimp, crab and mud minnows fished in the channels; trout are fair on shrimp, silver Rat-L-Trap, Shrimptails and topwaters; black drum are fair on dead shrimp; sheepshead are good on shrimp and chunks of crab fished in the GSU Canal; Black's Bayou, East Pass, Middle Pass and around the bridges; catfish are good on shrimp fished in the bayous on outgoing tides; live bait is scarce.

Baseball's spring training camps open

By The Associated Press

Spring training, and all the positive thoughts that accompany baseball's annual rite of renewal, is ready to begin.

The New York Yankees become the first team to open camp today, and within a week almost every other club will be at work.

For Ryne Sandberg, the past and present second baseman for the Chicago Cubs, there never has been a renewal quite like this.

"Offensively, defensively and with the young pitchers we have coming back, I think all the pieces are in place," said Sandberg, who is set to join pitchers and catchers in Mesa, Ariz., on Wednesday. "I like what I've seen this winter."

Most of all, what many baseball players and fans like is that

there's no strike to skew the spring. Last year, replacement players were the only ones in camp early and by the time the regulars reported later, there wasn't much time to work.

"I'm happy about it because it takes away a distraction you really don't need," Texas catcher Ivan Rodriguez said. "It also gives us more time under circumstances that we're all accustomed to, not cramming two months of work into one."

The Cubs were scheduled to officially open their camp to pitchers and catchers on Thursday, along with Houston, Los Angeles, the New York Mets, Philadelphia, St. Louis and San Francisco.

Among those who now must report earlier than expected is

reliever Dennis Eckersley, traded Tuesday from Oakland to St. Louis. Eckersley will be back in the National League for the first time since 1986, when he played with Sandberg for the Cubs.

Roberto Alomar, Ron Gant, Paul Molitor and Jack McDowell are among the many players who have either been traded or signed with new teams during the winter.

Dave Winfield, though, has retired and Don Mattingly and Tom Henke have no plans to return. Detroit manager Sparky Anderson also has left the game, at least for now.

On Friday, pitchers and catchers are scheduled to report for Colorado and Pittsburgh, with Atlanta, Cincinnati and Florida a day later. San Diego batterymates

report Sunday, with Montreal and coming in last on Thursday, Feb. 22.

In the American League, Thursday was the first official day of pitchers and catchers for Seattle, while Baltimore and Texas were one day later. On Saturday, Cleveland pitchers and catchers were set to report, followed on Sunday by California, Detroit, Minnesota and Oakland.

On Monday, it was Boston, Kansas City, Milwaukee. Toronto pitchers and catchers are due in next Tuesday.

Six teams have new managers — Davey Johnson in Baltimore, Ray Knight in Cincinnati and Buddy Bell in Detroit among them — and six teams have new general managers.

It was a good night for bad NBA road teams

By CHRIS SHERIDAN

AP Basketball Writer

If the oddsmakers in Las Vegas had this parlay on the board, only a fool would have gone for it.

A four-team combination of Minnesota, Philadelphia, New Jersey and Toronto — all among the NBA's five worst road teams — all won their games outright.

What would the odds have been? 1,000 to 1? 5,000 to 1? More?

Strangely enough, that bet would have paid off.

The Timberwolves, 76ers, Nets and Raptors all did the unlikely Tuesday night, winning their fifth, fourth, sixth and fourth road games of the season, respectively. Minnesota sent Sacramento to its season-high fourth straight loss with a 94-90 victory, Philadelphia edged Milwaukee 104-101, New Jersey stunned Indiana 101-92 and Toronto surprised Miami 98-87.

"The first game after the All-Star break is always very difficult and I know that we were one of the last teams Sacramento wanted to play after not practicing for five days," Minnesota coach Flip Saunders said. "We've lost a lot of games, but we play hard and make the other team work for its baskets, and despite our record we're a dangerous team to play."

Vernon Maxwell of the Sixers wasn't so long-winded.

"Any win we get, it's like a championship. We haven't got but 10 wins."

Butch Beard, whose New Jersey Nets ended Indiana's 17-game home winning streak, put his team's victory in simple terms.

"We did a hell of a job tonight. What we did was play very good basketball. We played smart basketball."

For the Raptors, the post-game mood was ecstatic.

"Road kill! Isn't that what they call it?" Carlos Rogers said.

"For us, it was a great win," guard Willie Anderson added.

In other NBA games, Utah edged San Antonio 114-111 in overtime, Seattle nipped Phoenix 102-98, Golden State defeated Portland 99-98, Chicago beat Washington 111-98, Houston beat Dallas 121-106, Orlando crushed Denver 121-93, Boston topped the Los Angeles Clippers 108-94 and Cleveland beat Charlotte 110-100.

Timberwolves 94, Kings 90

Mitch Richmond had three 3-pointers and scored 11 points in less than two minutes to create a 90-90 tie, but Tom Gugliotta hit a jumper with 58 seconds remaining and, following a turnover by Richmond, Sam Mitchell's two free throws concluded the scoring.

The Kings shot 39 percent, the 13th straight time Minnesota has held an opponent below 50 percent.

76ers 104, Bucks 101

Maxwell scored 14 of his 24 points in the final quarter for Philadelphia, which entered the game with the worst record in the NBA.

Vin Baker had 28 points and 17 rebounds for the Bucks, but he and Terry Cummings both fouled out trying to contain Maxwell in the open court.

Nets 101, Pacers 92

Armon Gilliam scored 17 of his 31 points in the fourth quarter, and New Jersey had a late 11-0 run.

The Nets, who haven't played a home game since Jan. 27, ended a six-game road trip with two victories and four close losses.

"We have been playing well this whole road trip," Kendall Gill said. "We have been in all the games."

Raptors 98, Heat 87

Damon Stoudamire scored 29 points and Toronto outscored Miami by 24 points in the third quarter.

"It was a bad loss coming off the break," Heat guard Rex Chapman said. "It's a game that if we come out and play well at all, we win. I guess we learned that there are no automatic wins."

Jazz 114, Spurs 111

John Stockton hit a leaning 3-pointer with five-tenths of a second left to give Utah the victory at San Antonio.

"My main focus was not to take the 3, but when David Robinson came to help, it forced me beyond the arc," said Stockton, who finished with 18 points and 16 assists. "The shot felt good when I let it go. My feet were balanced and I got a good look at the basket."

Charles Smith and Monty Williams stayed in San Antonio's locker room in the first half, apparently due to a last-minute snag in the Knicks-Spurs trade.

Spurs spokesman Tom James refused to elaborate and Smith said he didn't know what the problem was. Smith had seven points and two rebounds in the second half.

SuperSonics 102, Suns 98

Gary Payton had 23 points and 10 assists, Shawn Kemp had 12 points and 14 rebounds and Hersey Hawkins scored 21 points and made three free throws in the hectic final 11.6 seconds at Phoenix.

"We haven't played a game in a week, haven't practiced in a week, and for us to come in here and get a win, that says a lot about our team," Hawkins said.

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| <h3>1 Public Notice</h3> <p>NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WADE W. REEVES, DECEASED</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary regarding the Estate of WADE W. REEVES, Deceased, were issued on the 12th day of February, 1996, in Cause No. 8072, pending in the Probate Court of Gray County, Texas to DOUGLAS W. REEVES.</p> <p>The mailing address of such Independent Executor is P.O. Box 359, Letors, Texas 79054.</p> <p>All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them at the above address within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.</p> <p>DATED this 12th day of February, 1996.</p> <p>ROBERT L. FINNEY, attorney for the Estate of WADE W. REEVES, Deceased. State Bar No. 07035500</p> <p>WARNER, FINNEY & WARNER Attorneys at Law P.O. 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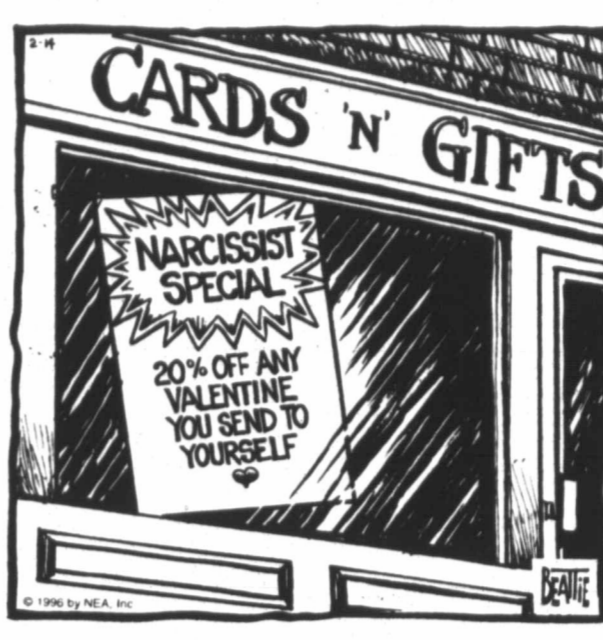
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TxDOT warns candidates of limits on signs

AUSTIN — The recent filing date for candidates for statewide public office brought the start of the campaign season. To avoid a deluge of illegally placed campaign signs, the Texas Department of Transportation is reminding candidates of the laws on signs along highways.

TxDOT is mailing information about illegal signs to statewide candidates. The information is also available at TxDOT's 25 district offices.

Under Texas law it is a Class C misdemeanor to place any sign on highway right of way without a license and permit. The fine for violating this law can be as much as \$500 per sign.

It is also illegal to place a sign, even off of state right of ways, along most major highways in the state without a license and permit. Violation of this Class B misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of as much as \$1,000 per sign.

Within city limits, the placement of signs along roadways may also be regulated by local ordinances.

"These laws are designed to keep roadsides clean and uncluttered so that official traffic control signs are clearly visible for the safety of the traveling public," said Bill Burnett, TxDOT executive director.

"We ask candidates to remind their workers about sign laws to save themselves a lot of time and money," he said.

More information about TxDOT is available through the department's World Wide Web site (<http://www.dot.state.tx.us>).

Hush kits for jets

DALLAS (AP) — American Airlines Inc. will modify engines on 75 of its Boeing 727 jets to meet federal noise requirements, rather than replace the aircraft.

The hush kits required to reduce the noise level, plus installation, will cost more than \$200 million.

Tim Smith, a spokesman for the Fort Worth-based airline, said it's more economical to modify the Boeing 727-200 rather than buy new quieter airplanes.

Delta Air Lines Inc. bought hush kits for 46 of its Boeing 727-200s last year.

Community Calendar

February

PAMPA MEALS ON WHEELS GARAGE SALES collection through March. Sale will be on Mondays from 2-5 p.m. at the south end of the Pampa Mall near Mr. Gatti's. Collection will be on Mondays only through March. For more information, contact 669-1007.

15 — PAMPA AREA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP, regular meeting, 7-8 p.m., Coronado Hospital Medical Building (NOT in the hospital). For more information, contact Kathy Gist at 665-4742 or Emily Washington at 669-7619.

16 — PAMPA SHRINE CLUB regular meeting at the Sportsman's Club, 7 p.m. For more information, contact James Lewis at 669-8056 or 669-7290.

16 — "ART FOR HEART" auction at Pampa Country Club, 6-9 p.m. Local merchants are donating items for the silent auction at 6 p.m., and at 7 p.m. local and area artists have donated paintings, pottery, jewelry, etc., for the live auction. Tickets are \$6 for individuals and \$10 per couple. Tickets may be obtained by calling Terri Gamblin at NBC Bank, 665-0022, or Chrys Smith or Dee Barker at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency at 665-0356.

19 — PAMPA RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION to host Jane Steele, assisant superintendent of Pampa ISD, at 2 p.m. at the Lovett Memorial Library auditorium. For more information, contact 665-2913.

19 — PAMPA COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION INC. presents the Imperial Chinese Acrobats and Magicians at 7:30 p.m. in the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium. For more information, contact Mrs. E.H. Brainard at 665-4579.

19 — JUNIOR SERVICE LEAGUE regular meeting, 7 p.m., at 931 Christine. RSVP at 665-7027.

20 — ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH ANNUAL PAN-CAKE SUPPER, 5-8 p.m., at the church Parish Hall, 727 W. Browning. Tickets are \$4, with pre-school children eating free. Proceeds to benefit the Day School. Tickets available at the church office or purchased at the door. For more information, call 665-0701.

Feb. 21-March 8 — EARLY VOTING FOR PRIMARIES. For more information, contact County Clerk Wanda Carter's office at 665-8004.

22 — ANNUAL PAMPA CHAMBER OF CONCERT BANQUET, 7 p.m., M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium, with special guest, humorist Ben Burton from Hot Springs, Ark. Citizen of the Year will be presented. Cost is \$12.50 per person. For more information or tickets, call the Chamber at 669-3241.

23-25 ACT I to present "Bus Stop." Friday, 23rd, and Saturday, 24th, at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, 25th, matinee, 2:30 p.m.

24 — SPECIAL OLYMPICS AREA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT at the Pampa Middle School Gym from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Open to the public. No admission charge. For more information, contact Cindy at 665-5477.

24 — FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS hosting a potluck supper at 6 p.m. at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. Election of officers will be held. For more information, contact John and Carolyn Stokes at 665-7896 or Jim and Kathleen Greene at 665-8067.

24 — TOP O' TEXAS RODEO ASSOCIATION hosting a free Chili Supper & Benefit Dance for Lowry Baggett medical expenses starting at 7 p.m. Dance starts at 8:30 p.m. with music by John Mann & Riders of North Fork. Tickets \$10 a couple, available at the door. Live and silent auctions. Set-ups provided, BYOB. Also, a donation account has been established at the National Bank of Commerce.

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

Spanish info available on computer Web

COLLEGE STATION — Handling household maintenance problems, raising a garden or nurturing children can be a bilingual experience on the World Wide Web via "Publicaciones en Español" from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

More than 220 fact sheets — many coupled with their English counterpart — have been translated, designed and placed on the Web through a special effort of the Extension Service, according to Bill Watson, communications specialist and project coordinator.

"We had two goals," Watson said. "We wanted to distribute good, research-based educational material in the United States and internationally, and we wanted printing economy — to not have to spend a lot of money running copies through a printing press."

Publicaciones en Español, which is continually adding more materials, stems from an increased awareness of the need for Spanish language materials, especially in southern border and coastal states where Hispanic populations are flourishing.

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates "that growth of the Hispanic-origin population may increase to 31 million, double its 1990 size by 2015 and quadruple its 1990 size by the middle of the next century. In fact, the Hispanic-origin population would contribute 32 percent of the nation's population growth from 1990 to 2000," according to a 1994 census bureau report.

Out for a morning walk



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Nena Wiltz, who recently moved to Pampa from Benson, Ariz., is out getting some exercise on a morning walk Tuesday in one of the local parks. Wiltz moved to Pampa to be close to her sister, Betty Tackett. She said anyone who moves to the Texas Panhandle from Arizona at this time of year must be added, but added she is enjoying being here.

Meredith Museum to have photo display

FRITCH — The Lake Meredith Aquatic and Wildlife Museum will be hosting a photographic display by Howard Holland of Borger.

The exhibit, titled "Impressions of Nature," is a black and white photograph display that everyone of all ages would enjoy viewing, museum officials said.

Howard states, "The art of photography in my opinion would best be described as

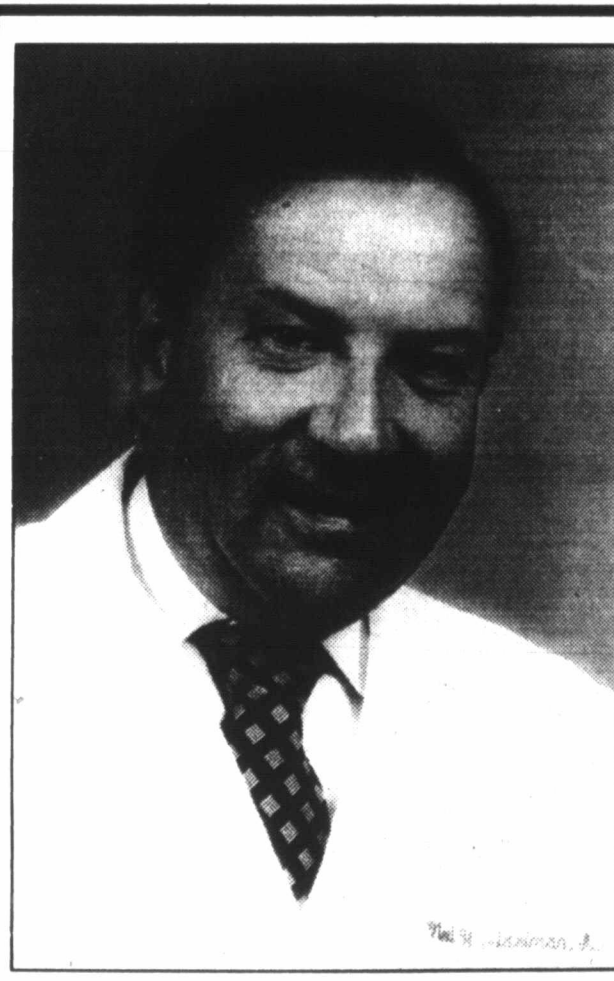
the ability to capture image and structure in a reproducible and desirable manner."

He states that in his photography, he seeks to raise the images to the level of fine art. He believes that his photography embodies an essence of craftsmanship above and beyond what many people would associate with the medium. What he seeks to record in his photographs is

the majesty of nature.

The exhibit contains photographs of birds, trees, rocks, caves, wildlife, landscapes, florals, aquatics and a variety of other subject matter.

The display will be at the museum through the end of February. The museum is open Monday-Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 2-5 p.m. For more information, contact the museum at (806) 857-2458.



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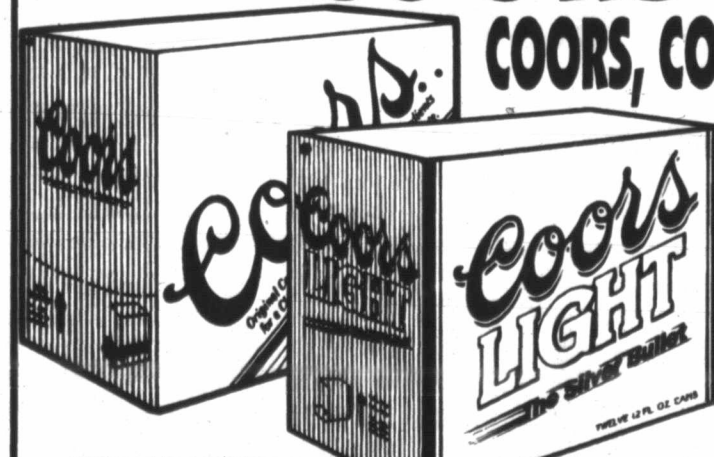
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