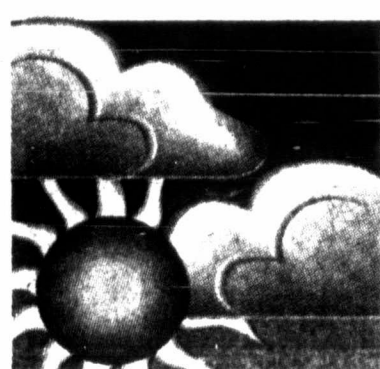


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High today near 80.
Low tonight in upper
40s. See Page 2 for
weather details.

BELLEFONTE, Pa. (AP) —
The execution of torture-
murderer Gary Heidnik was
put on hold Saturday after
the state Supreme Court
ordered hearings into
whether he is mentally com-
petent.

The justices voted 4-2 to
give Heidnik a reprieve after
a flurry of stop-and-go court
orders since April 11.

The court told the state and
anti-death penalty opponents
to file papers next week in
anticipation of arguments on
Heidnik's competency later
this month.

Heidnik, condemned in
1988 for torturing and killing
two women in his basement,
has never fought his death
sentence, but death penalty
opponents did, and won the
right for his 19-year-old
daughter to intervene.

BOSTON (AP) — Ten
years ago, a little girl named
after a Jewish-born nun killed
by the Nazis lay dying in a
Boston hospital.

The doctors didn't expect 2
1/2-year-old Teresia Benedic-
ta McCarthy to make it. Her
parents prayed to her namesake,
Edith Stein, who was known
as Sister Teresia Benedic-
ta.

Their prayers were
answered and the girl lived.
Now, the Vatican has ruled
that her recovery was a mir-
acle attributable to the nun
and moved Stein a step closer
to becoming a Roman
Catholic saint.

"The choices are either it's
an accident or purposeful —
there's nothing in between,"
said the Rev. Emmanuel
Charles McCarthy, the girl's
father. "And our position is
that this is not an accident,
that it is purposeful and it is
within the providence of God."

DALLAS (AP) — The gov-
ernment plans to begin
Monday seizing an estimated
\$1.5 billion in Colombian
drug profits stashed in banks
around the country, a news-
paper reported.

The seizures were to begin
with 100 accounts in South
Florida and expand to a
total of 5,000 accounts in
Florida, New York, Texas
and California over the next
two years, *The Dallas
Morning News* said in a
copyright report on its Web
site.

The newspaper, which
quoted federal law enforce-
ment officials it did not iden-
tify, said the seizures were
part of "Oro Verde," a federal
investigation of 300 to 400
Colombian financial man-
agers. The Spanish name
means "green gold."

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Farmers to meet to assess freeze damage to crops

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, April 22, Gray
County Extension Agent Danny
Nusser is holding two separate
meetings to help farmers deter-
mine the extent of freeze damage
to their wheat crops and to learn
what other options are open to
them.

"There is a lot of speculation
as to the damages suffered to the
wheat fields in our area. Indi-
viduals will find that their
wheat fields reveal variations of
damages from minor to severe
loss of production, and we will
talk about how to identify and
recognize the injuries to the
wheat," Nusser said.

The first meeting will be in the
conference room of the Gray
County Courthouse Annex
building, starting at 10 a.m. The
afternoon meeting will be con-
ducted at 1 p.m. at Britten Feeds
in Kingsmill. The meetings are
open to all persons interested in
learning about what is affecting
local plants and regarding the
recent freeze damages to area
crops.

Discussions will center on
how to identify and recognize
the injuries to the plant and at
what stages it is developing.

Nusser says cutting the plant
open to find the head and grow-
ing point is the best method to
determine what stage the crop is
reaching. The normal appear-
ance of the plant should be pale
green and watery, but if there is
damage at the growing point (or
at the head), it will be white with
no green color, or turning
brown. If the head shows severe
damage, it will not produce and
there is no value to harvesting
the crop.

In looking at the plant to es-
timate freeze damage, there are
three things to keep in mind,
Nusser said. First, look for the
stem damage — see if there is
flattening of the stem. Second,
check for splitting of the stem,
and third, if there is a brown to
black coloration around the
first node, it is a sign the plant
is lost.

Severely damaged wheat or
grasses may soon give off a sour
odor, but the first signs will be
the burned appearance of the
leaf, brown at the tips. This is
caused from the low to minus
zero wind-chill temperatures
that have been registered along
with the below freezing
Fahrenheit temperatures in the
past couple of weeks.

"From the standpoint of yield
loss due to leaf burn, we'll not
see a major problem in Gray
County," Nusser said, "and the
reason it does not cause a big
problem is because the wheat
plant produces so much foliage
that enough green leaf surface
helps it photosynthesize, and do
what the normal plant function
needs to do."

Nusser suggests farmers take
individual plants on each tiller,
following the steps mentioned
above, to find a percentage of
damaged stems, heads and
growing points from several
areas of the entire growing field
to get an estimate of damage
percent overall.

Every day that there is more
warm weather, as the tempera-
tures go into the 70s and 80s,
damage to the crops is more evi-
dent. Testing for damage too
early may be deceiving; there-
fore, it is best to wait until there
have been enough hot days so
that the plant gives truer results
of its level of damage.

According to Nusser, the PET
Network Weather Station in
Kingsmill registered the follow-
ing temperatures during the
worst of the recent cold spell:

Tuesday, April 8 — 25 degrees.
Wednesday, April 9 — 26
degrees.

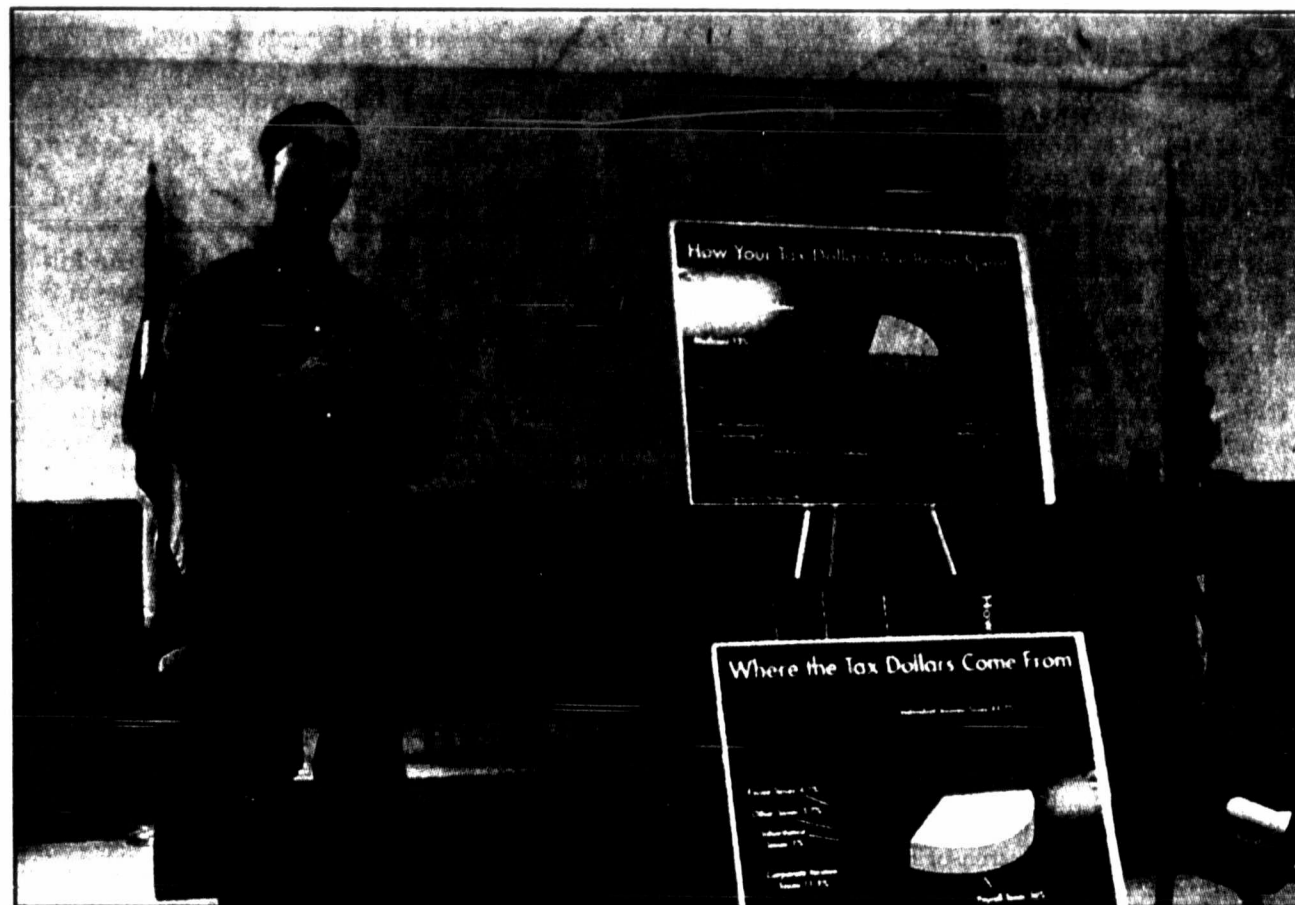
Thursday, April 10 — 28
degrees.

Friday, April 11 — 11 degrees
minimum; 28 degrees high.

Saturday, April 12 — 17 degrees
minimum; 37 degrees high.

Sunday, April 13 — 23 degrees
minimum.

An estimated crop damage is
at 50 percent if exposed to tem-
peratures below freezing for
more than a 24 to 48 hour period.
See FREEZE, Page 2



(Pampa News photo by Laura Haley)

U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry uses charts to explain taxes' effects on family incomes during a town meeting Friday evening in Pampa.

Thornberry says his main priority is to cut taxes and national debt

By LAURA HALEY
Staff Writer

U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry told
area residents Friday evening
that his main priority is to cut
taxes and the \$5.5 trillion nation-
al debt.

"I believe it is very important to
listen to the people I work for and
I look for as many ways as possi-
ble to get that communication,"
said Thornberry, who encour-
aged residents to ask questions
during a town meeting at the
Pampa Community Building.

Most of the discussion and
questions centered around taxes
and Social Security. Forty-four
percent of the government's
income, said Thornberry, comes
from individual income taxes, 36
percent comes from payroll taxes
and 11 percent comes from cor-
porate income taxes.

The government currently
spends approximately 22 percent
on Social Security, 17 percent on
non-defense items such as edu-
cation and environmental issues,
16 percent on defense and anoth-
er 16 percent to pay the net inter-

est of the national debt.

Thornberry also gave statistics
on how incomes taxes affect
individual households. Federal,
state and local taxes comprise
approximately 38.2 percent of an
average family's budget. This is
more than food (9 percent),
house and household costs (15
percent) and medical care (10
percent) combined. Thornberry
advocated lessening the individ-
ual income taxes by introducing
a flat tax rate, a discussion that
has centered around the income
tax debate for the past several
years.

In addition, Thornberry also
advocated overhauling the tax
system with no special
allowances for certain groups of
people and/or corporations.
This, he said, would cut down
the time wasted in trying to
determine to whom the special
allowances can be applied.

"We spend more hours in this
country complying with the tax
code than building every car, van
and truck built in this country,"
said Thornberry, further giving
examples of the time spent on

deciphering tax laws.

Some resolutions offered to the
tax problem by Thornberry
include ridding the country of an
inheritance tax, which only com-
prises 1 percent of the federal
income. He also advocated
reducing the capital gains tax. A
reduction in this tax, Thornberry
said, would create more jobs,
investment and spending.

The other area Thornberry
focused on was Social Security
and Medicare. The system, he
said, needs to be reformed as the
government is borrowing money
from the Social Security fund
faster than the funds can be
replenished. In addition,
Medicare is going broke faster
than expected, he said.

Although he did not discuss
any options for correcting the sit-
uation, Thornberry admitted it
was a touchy subject among the
elderly and baby boomer gener-
ations. He suggested that the
problem with Medicare be
resolved first to prove the gov-
ernment could do so without
dissolving the program.

See TAXES, Page 3

Clean Pampa to have open house to thank volunteers

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

Clean Pampa Inc. is conclud-
ing its 13th year of service to the
greater Pampa area, according

to CPI President Vic Cavalli,
who invites the public to an
open house function this week.

On Wednesday, April 23, CPI
board members and volunteers
are hosting the open house

from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the
Clean Pampa office, 836 W.
Foster.

"The whole idea is for us direc-
tors to have a chance to get to
know all our volunteers and

financial contributors from
Pampa and surrounding com-
munities," says Cavalli, "and it is
also good for the people who will
get a chance to meet committee
chairs and current board offi-
cers."

The visitors will have an
opportunity make new sugges-
tions, comment on current
activities and review scrap-
books, photographs, posters
made by school students and
letters sent to the organization
by local students and others
concerning past and present
activities.

"When people are so
involved and busy, we often
forget to say 'thank you,' and
this is CPI's way of saying
'thank you' to the many people
who have helped make our pro-
grams successful," he said.

Lora Baggerman, executive
director, encourages the public
to stop in her office for a visit,
to learn more about the beautifi-
cation programs and recycling
programs that are available to
the citizens of the city and coun-
ty area, and to acknowledge
themselves as volunteers. Last
year more than 40 individual
volunteers contributed 2,000
hours of time to help promote
the recycling and clean-up pro-
grams in the areas.

"We are wanting to locate all
persons who have been
involved since its (CPI's) orga-
nization, and this is a good time
for those people to let us know

'When people are so
involved
and busy, we
often forget to
say "thank you,"
and this is CPI's
way of saying
"thank you ..."

who they are," Baggerman said.

According to Baggerman and
Cavalli, there are approxima-
tely 600 to 700 volunteers, as indi-
viduals through businesses and
other organizations, who have
helped in the various programs
sponsored through Clean
Pampa.

The two leaders believe this
reunion/open house will be an
exciting method of getting
those same people to come for-
ward and identify themselves
and celebrate the many years of
working together for the same
cause.

The current CPI board of
directors includes Baggerman,
office manager and executive
director; Cavalli, president;
James Oblak, vice president and
treasurer; Jan Oblak, secretary;
and Roberta Pollard, events
director.



(Pampa News photo by Dianna Dandridge)

Clean Pampa Inc. board members join together to extend an invitation to the public to
attend the first CPI open house from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Wednesday, April 23. Lora
Baggerman, executive director, is seated in front of her board officers, who are, from left,
Roberta Pollard, Vic Cavalli, Jan Oblak and Jim Oblak.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

DYSON, Roy Marvin — Memorial services, 2 p.m., First Baptist Church chapel, Pampa.

MULLICAN, Tanner Glen — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

WATERS, Brody Ray — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, Pampa. Graveside services, 2 p.m., Washita Cemetery, Hemphill County.

Obituaries

ROY MARVIN DYSON

AMARILLO — Roy Marvin Dyson, 91, a former Pampa resident, died Saturday, April 12, 1997. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the chapel of First Baptist Church in Pampa with the Rev. John Glover, associate pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa under the direction of Memorial Park Funeral Home in Amarillo.

Mr. Dyson was born Sept. 6, 1905, at Sopla, Okla. He had been a Pampa resident since 1987, moving from Long Beach, Calif. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Pampa.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Aval Dyson, on June 24, 1992.

Survivors include a son, Bobby Roy Dyson of Sayre, Okla.; three sisters, Ester Key and Virginia Myatt, both of Salinas, Calif., and Helen Connors of Denver, Colo.; and several nieces and nephews.

TANNER GLEN MULLICAN

Tanner Glen Mullican, 8, of Pampa, died Friday, April 18, 1997, at Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Roger Hubbard, pastor of the Bible Church of Pampa, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

The child was born Dec. 26, 1988, in Pampa and was a lifelong resident of Pampa. He was a member of the Bible Church of Pampa.

Survivors include his parents, Jerry and Michelle Mullican, of the home; two sisters, Kellie Mullican and Brenna Mullican, both of the home; his maternal grandparents, Mike and Marilyn Frye of Pampa; his paternal grandparents, Don and Betty Mullican of Carnegie, Okla.; and five uncles and four aunts, Shawn and Melissa Frye of Mountain Home, Idaho, Erin and Emily Frye of Canyon, Dan Frye of Pampa, Jimmy and Lou Ann Talbert of Chickasha, Okla., and Raul and Kim Salanis of Hollis, Okla.

The family requests memorials be to the Amarillo Speech, Hearing and Language Center, 1300 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 2-4 p.m. today.

JIM BOB COTTON TAYLOR

Jim Bob Cotton Taylor, 80, of Pampa, died Saturday, April 19, 1997. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Taylor was born Jan. 21, 1918, at Waytis, Texas, in Wood County. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1970. He was an oil field worker.

Survivors include two sons, Johnny Taylor of Pampa and Carol Wayne Taylor of Las Vegas, Nev.; a daughter, Bobby Jean Alexander of Pampa; three sisters, Tinv Fromme of El Paso, Lila Brennan of Fort Worth and Helen Davis of Salt Lake City, Utah, four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

BRODY RAY WATERS

Brody Ray Waters, two-week-old son of Monty Ray and Crystal Waters of Pampa, died Friday, April 18, 1997, at Amarillo. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. in Washita Cemetery in Hemphill County under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Survivors include his parents, his paternal grandparents, Speck and Cheryl Waters of Pampa; his maternal grandparents, Harold Gideon of Amarillo and Trudy and Rodney Lundahl of Pueblo, Colo.; his paternal great-grandmother, Maudie Wheeler of Pampa; an uncle, Roy Waters of Pampa; and aunts and uncle, Tena and Mike Martin of Canyon and April Lundahl and Erin Lundahl, both of Pueblo, Colo.

The family will be at 2228 N. Sumner and requests memorials be to Children's Miracle Network, 1400 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

Emergency numbers

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

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls for the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, April 18

9:41 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing facility to transport a patient to Columbia Medical Center.

3:51 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of North Hobart on a motor vehicle accident. No one was transported.

4:05 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to Baptist St. Anthony's West in Amarillo.

8:55 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of South Faulkner on a medical assist. One patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, April 18

10:03 a.m. — Two units and seven personnel responded to a smoke scare at 2218 N. Hobart.

3:52 p.m. — Two units and six personnel responded to the 800 block of North Hobart for a motor vehicle accident. No injuries were reported.

SATURDAY, April 19

11:45 a.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to a grass fire and a vehicle fire two miles south on Highway 70.

11:47 a.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to a vehicle fire in the 100 block of West Kingsmill.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 36-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, April 18

Arrests

Miriam Hortencia Solis, 18, Amarillo, was arrested on charges of speeding, no Texas driver's license and failure to appear. She was released.

Roger Weeks Jr., 20, 1056 Varmon Dr., was arrested on charges of no registration and failure to appear. He remains in custody.

Jimmie Lee Blalock, 21, 1514 N. Faulkner, was arrested on a charge of burglary of a habitation. He remains in custody.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incident for the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, April 18

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1300 block of Garland. Minor injuries were reported.

Calendar of events

T.O.P.S. #149

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

T.O.P.S. #41

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

AL-ANON

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

TRALEE CRISIS GROUP COUNSELING

Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler, is offering group counseling for battered and abused women 11 a.m. to noon Mondays. Facilitator is Priscilla Kleinpeter, LMFT. For more information, call Ann Hamilton at 669-1131.

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

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

VFW CHARITY BINGO

The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. The public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS

The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. Mondays at Warren Chisum's Office, 100 N. Price Road. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session.

TOP O' TEXAS TRADE DAYS

Entries are being taken for events in the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association's Trade Days, set for May 3-4 at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion and rodeo grounds. Events include chili cookoff, brisket cookoff, arts and crafts booth, and team penning competition. For more information on these activities, call 669-3241.

Barbed wire traders



(Pampa News photo by Sherry Cromartie)

Dan Sowle of Stanley, N.M., and Larry Butzlaff from North Fort Meyers, Fla., make a trade agreement on barbed wire collections with each other. Sowle and Butzlaff have been collecting a variety of kinds of wire since the early 1970s. They have been coming to Texas for several consecutive years to show their collections at the McLean/Devil's Rope Museum Barbed Wire Show and to meet others with shared interests in barbed wire to make trades or to buy new collection pieces. The show continues today until 4 p.m. and is free to the public.

Dog handler refuses rehiring attempt by school

EDINBURG (AP) — Ex-school district dog handler Jose Pulido, accused of mishandling finances for the district's drug-sniffing dog, has refused an offer to get his job back.

"You tell me I can have my job back, but what about my reputation? Where do I go to get that

back?" Pulido wrote Friday in a letter addressed to Douglas Moore, superintendent of the Edinburg school district.

Pulido was fired April 1, one day before a grand jury refused to indict him on allegations that he used the now-retired drug dog, Magnum, for private breeding.

Pulido has sued Moore and the school district for slander. Pulido says that Moore is responsible for published allegations that Pulido mishandled finances for Magnum. Moore had alleged that Magnum was used to sire puppies for which the district received no reimbursement.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Today through Monday, partly cloudy with a slight chance for afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms. High today near 80 with northerly winds 10-20 mph. Low tonight in upper 40s. High Monday in mid 70s. Saturday morning's low was 46; Saturday's high was 81.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Today, partly cloudy with a slight chance for evening thunderstorms in northern regions. Highs from mid 70s to around 80. Tonight, partly cloudy with lows from low to mid 40s. Monday, partly cloudy with chance for showers or thunderstorms late in day. Highs in low to mid 70. South Plains: Today, sunny morning, partly cloudy

afternoon. Highs 80-85. Tonight, clear. Lows from 45-50 extreme southwest Panhandle to 55-60 portions of the rolling plains. Monday, sunny morning, partly cloudy afternoon. Highs from 75-80 north to 80-85 south.

North Texas — Today, partly cloudy and warm. Highs 83 southeast to 90 west. Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy east. Partly cloudy elsewhere. A chance of thunderstorms. Lows 56 to 61.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Today, becoming mostly sunny, and warm. Highs in the 80s. Tonight, mostly fair skies. Lows in the 50s Hill Country, 60s south central. Upper Coast: Today, becoming mostly sunny and warm with highs in the 80s inland to the 70s coast. Tonight, becoming partly cloudy with a slight chance of

showers. Lows in the 60s. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Today, partly cloudy. Highs in upper 70s coast to the 80s inland. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the 60s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Today and tonight, skies fair to partly cloudy. A slight chance for afternoon and evening thunderstorms, mainly north. Highs near 60 to mid 70s mountains with mid 70s to mid 80s lower elevations. Lows upper 20s to mid 40s mountains with 40s to mid 50s lower elevations.

Oklahoma — Today, partly cloudy. A chance of thunderstorms central and east. Highs upper 70s to mid 80s. Tonight, a chance of evening thunderstorms central and east, otherwise partly cloudy. Lows mid 40s to mid 50s.

City briefs

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

TRALEE RESALE Shop - 308 S. Cuyler, End of the Month Clearance. \$1 Bag Sale, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Monday. Adv.

JUST ARRIVED: Candles, room sprays, angelic fragrance hand cream, picture frames, acid free Mrs. Grossman's stickers and lots of new gift ideas at Celebrations, 1617 N. Hobart, 665-3100. We deliver. Adv.

GOLF CLUBS - Ping ISI-K Black Dot, 2 months old, 2 thru Sandwedge. \$600 or best offer. 665-8000. Adv.

KITCHENS, BATHS, cabinets, tops reface, marble. We update. Gray's Decorating. Adv.

WE SURVIVED the freeze! Our plants are blooming and need your home. New shipment of trees, shrubs and Rugosa roses. Hanging baskets, dish gardens, garden ornaments, stepping stones. Watson's Hwy. 60 East. Adv.

MOTHER'S RINGS, Crystal Kids necklaces - order now for Mother's Day, May 11th, Rheams Diamond Shop. Adv.

TOP O' Texas Crisis Pregnancy Center Walk For Life, April 26, Central Park, 9 a.m. Adv.

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

NEED SNOW Cone Flavors? Call M & H Leasing at 665-1841. http://www.ccnx.com/mh. Adv.

CNA MALE looking to do home sitting in the Pampa area. Call 669-6037. Adv.

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

REMEMBER YOUR Secretary with a gift basket of Camille Beckman products from All Its Charm, 109 W. Foster. Adv.

NATIONAL SECRETARIES Week starts Monday! Remember your special secretary with a gift basket, blooming plant, balloon bouquet or a dish garden. Call Celebrations 665-3100. We deliver. 1617 N. Hobart. Adv.

1979 FORD Courier, good shape, new tires. 665-0234. Adv.

GRADUATION MONOGRAMING: The Stitchin' Barn has hanger, tote bags and shaving kits in school colors, large laundry bags and towel wraps. Bring us your letter jackets, bath and beach towels, robes, etc. 669-3543 (located in Walnut Creek). Adv.

PARTIAL ESTATE Sale of Denamary L. Bolin - ivory china service for 8, silverware service for 8, jewelry, Avon collectables, 30 pieces Cape Cod ruby red glass, 15 porcelain figurines, 50 pieces of crystal, much more. Call 665-2254 between 10 a.m.-6 p.m. for appointment. Adv.

RESERVE NOW for Summer events - Cotton candy, Snow cone and Popcorn machines. Dates are going fast. Call M & H Leasing at 665-1841. Adv.

NO COLLECTIONS after Monday, April 21st. Pampa Meals on Wheels Garage Sale. Adv.

HELPER NEEDED. Apply in person at M & H Leasing Co., Inc., 1925 N. Hobart. Must have good driving record. Adv.

A. NEEL Locksmith - Keys, padlocks, locks rekeyed. Sales and installation. Same location since 1953, 319 S. Cuyler, 669-6332, 8:30-5 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Adv.

CARRIERS WANTED!! Apply Pampa News Circulation Department. No phone calls please.

YOU ARE cordially invited to the Clean Pampa Open House, April 23, 1997, 836 W. Foster, come and go between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Adv.

SILENT AUCTION closes 4 p.m. Monday, April 28th. Pampa Meals on Wheels Garage Sale. Adv.

CHICKEN EXPRESS - Lunch Special. Everyday 11 a.m.-8 p.m. All You Can Eat "Tenders" \$4.95. Adv.

REMEMBER WHEN your Pampa News Carrier collects, does the carrier have his/her cards and hole punch? If not, don't pay. Thanks, Circulation Department.

SUNDAY BUFFET Best in Town! Grand Coronado Inn Coffee Shop. Every Sunday, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Adv.

CALL 1-800-359-3131 for Weight Watchers information. Adv.

ACT I Presents "God's Favorite" today at 2 p.m. at Theatre in Pampa Mall. For reservations call 665-3710. Final two performances. April 25 and 26 at 7:30 p.m. Adv.

SHE'S BACK - Call Gwen's Cake Decorating for all occasions. No novelties. 707 Garde-nia, White Deer 883-3021. Adv.

ST. VINCENT de Paul School pre-registration for the 1997-98 school year ends April 30th. Pre-K-3 thru 5th grade. State Accredited Curriculum, Certified Classroom Teachers. Come by the school office at 2300 N. Hobart or call 665-5665. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - Sunday 11-2 p.m. Country style ribs, roast beef, chicken and dumplings, hamburger steak. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

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Freeze

County Agent Nusser and many others are concerned about the wheat in Gray County.

"Wheat is as hearty a plant as any plant produced here, and the further along it is in its maturity, the more susceptible it is to the freezing conditions," he said.

He is also concerned about the local ranchers suffering severe damages to the grasses and to

their animals due to the drastic changes in temperatures in a short period. Suffering resulted because of the accumulated freezing moisture and flooding in some areas.

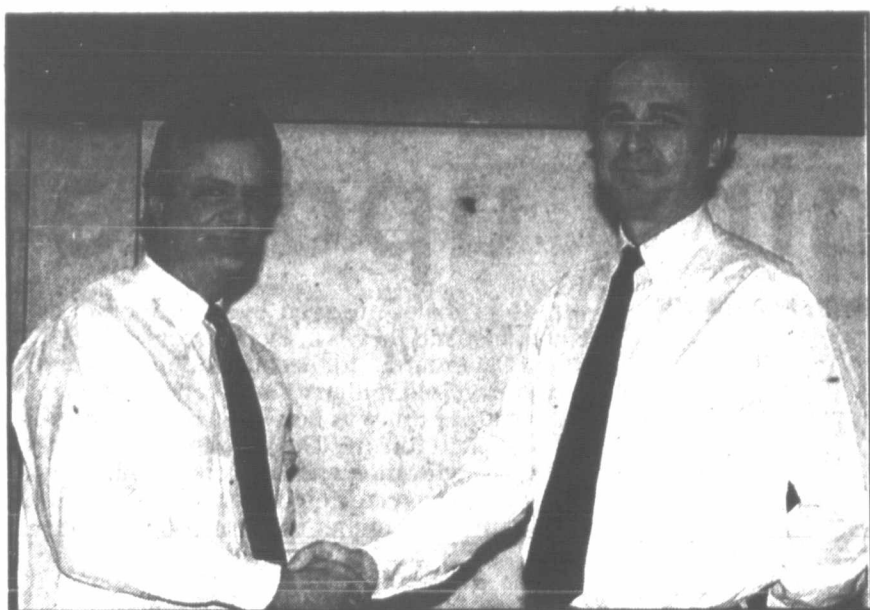
The severe cold slowed the rangeland grasses considerably, and with some pastures flooding also, this means less grass for grazing this spring. Also, the ranchers are in the calving season now, Nusser said, and the newborn calves and their mothers are

suffering stress problems because of the drastic cold weather.

"The purpose for these discussions on Tuesday is to help the farm and ranch producer evaluate his own situation so that he can make a sound decision. Some farmers may need to look into other options, such as grazing or haying the field, or destroying the crop to prepare the land for grain sorghum in cases where a total loss is determined," Nusser said.

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Phil Gentry, left, shakes hands with the man he is replacing, Larry Orman, as new president of FirstBank Southwest in Pampa.

FirstBank Southwest names Phil Gentry as new president

FirstBank Southwest Chairman Carl W. Ellis has announced that Phil Gentry was named as president of the Pampa office at the April 16 meeting of the board of directors.

At the same time, Ellis announced a new assignment for former Pampa President Larry J. Orman. Orman has been selected as executive vice president and chief lending officer of FirstBank Southwest, N.A. Both moves are effective immediately.

Ellis said, "Our bank is fortunate to have professional such as these to call upon when opportunities present themselves. We are pleased to be able to make use of Orman's expertise at the corporate level and still have some one like Gentry to step right in as FirstBank Southwest continues with the business of providing superior service to people of Pampa, Gray County and the Panhandle."

Gentry assumes the president's role with more than 20 years of experience in the banking industry. He served as an examiner with the office of the Comptroller of the Currency for six years, prior to an 18-year career with the First National Bank in Pampa. He moved to FirstBank in October 1996 as senior vice president.

"I am excited to have the opportunity to continue to be of service to my customers and the business community of the Pampa area," Gentry said. "The FirstBank Southwest organization offers Pampa customers the great combination of local ownership and significant financial resources."

Gentry has served as president and board member of the Pampa Rotary Club and the Pampa Chamber of Commerce. He has

held board memberships with various community organizations, including the Pampa United Way, Pampa Industrial Foundation, Salvation Army, Pastoral Counseling Center and others. Gentry and his wife Pat have one son, Brooks.

Orman has served as president of the Pampa office since 1990. He came to Citizens Bank and Trust Company from First National Bank of Perryton. Both banks were part of FirstPerryton Bancorp which consolidated its five subsidiary banks into a single charter and renamed itself FirstBank Southwest in 1995.

Orman's new duties will make him responsible for lending policy and direction for the entire organization. He will relocate to Amarillo, where he will oversee the lending function for all five FBSW offices.

"I am proud of the progress we have seen in Pampa over the past seven and one half years. I will remain a strong promoter of Pampa, even though I'll be serving the bank in a different capacity," Orman said.

While in Pampa, Orman has been active in many facets of the community. He currently is a member of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation, serves on the boards of the Pampa Senior Citizens Association and the Pampa Lions Club and is active in the Pampa chapter of the American Cancer Society.

He has previously served several community organizations, including the Pampa Chamber of Commerce board, First United Methodist Church trustee and Pampa Youth and Community Center. Orman and his wife Cheryl have two grown daughters.

Randy Watson named president of Boatmen's in Pampa

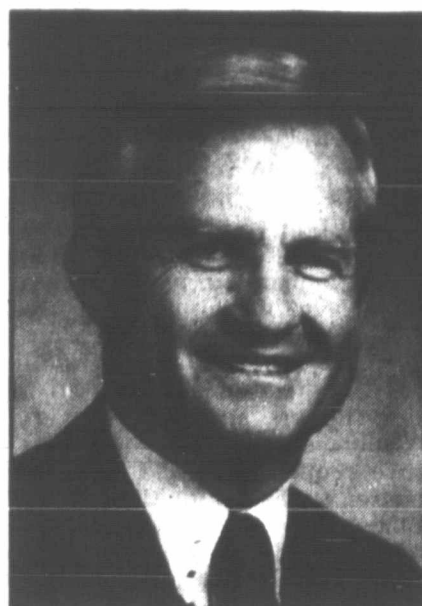
Two local bankers, Don Babcock and Randy Watson, will have new positions as a result of the merger between NationsBank and Boatmen's Bancshares Inc.

Boatmen's First National Bank in Amarillo announced that Babcock, 59, has been promoted from the president of Boatmen's First Pampa Banking Center to the senior credit relationship manager for the Private Client Group in Amarillo.

NationsBank announced that Babcock will be replaced at Boatmen's Pampa location by Watson, 39, who is currently the senior vice president of commercial lending at Boatmen's First Pampa Banking Center.

"Don Babcock has a deep commitment to customer service and great expertise in understanding the complex financial needs of our customers," said Eddie Henderson, Amarillo market executive for the Private Client Group at Boatmen's First National Bank. "Our Private Client Group customers will benefit from his experience and proven leadership."

Babcock has 35 years experience in banking and financial services. He began his career in 1962 as an assistant branch manager for Southwestern Investment Company. In 1966, Babcock entered the banking industry in Amarillo and served in senior lending positions at two Amarillo banks until 1985. He joined Boatmen's through a predecessor



Don Babcock

organization in 1985 and served as president and CEO of Boatmen's First National Bank of Pampa from 1988 until the present.

Born in Pampa, Babcock earned a bachelor of business administration degree from Texas Tech University. He also graduated from the National Commercial Lending School at Oklahoma University.

Babcock has a record of extensive civic involvement and has served on the boards of Pampa Meals on Wheels and the Pampa Senior Citizens Association. In addition, he has served on the board of trustees for Wayland Baptist University and on the



Randy Watson

advisory board for the McCauley Foundation Trust. He and his family are members of the First Baptist Church of Pampa.

As Babcock's successor, Watson also has many outstanding achievements professionally and in the community.

"As a native of Pampa, Randy is very knowledgeable about the specialized needs of customers in Pampa and is committed to providing them with superior customer service," said David Hemphill, regional manager for Boatmen's in Amarillo. "His strong commitment to banking and his leadership in the community will be further enhanced in his new role."

Watson began his banking career in 1978 with the Comptroller of the Currency in Lubbock. Since then he has served in various capacities including loan review and compliance, commercial lending and professional and personal lending. He joined First National Bank in Pampa in 1991 as a senior vice president in commercial lending and has maintained that role until his recent promotion to president.

Watson graduated with a bachelor of business administration degree in finance from Texas Tech University. He also has graduated from the Intermediate Banking School at Southern Methodist University and from the RMA/Omega Commercial Lending School in Lubbock.

Watson has an extensive record of civic achievement and has served on the boards of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, United Way of Pampa and the Pampa Center Foundation. In addition, he serves as a trustee of the Nona S. Payne Scholarship Trust and is a member of the Rotary Club of Pampa.

He and his wife, Beth, have two children: Emily, age 6; and Luke, age 4. They are members of the First Baptist Church in Pampa.

NationsBank completed its legal merger with Boatmen's Bancshares Inc. on Jan. 7, 1997. Boatmen's in Amarillo and Pampa will convert to NationsBank later this year.

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Taxes

Whatever options are chosen, however, Thornberry did say it would most likely be phased in over the next several years.

In addition to questions about taxes and Social Security, area residents also questioned Thornberry about such issues as government spending, illegal aliens, the United Nations and military troops still stationed in various parts of the world.

Thornberry responded to the issue of government spending by simply saying that "cutting overhead is a big problem" that needs

to be addressed by every branch of the government and every agency.

Illegal aliens, he admitted, are also a big problem, especially in the states of Texas and California. A new bill that has recently been signed into law should help combat the problem, he said.

The new bill doubles the border patrol, makes it easier to send illegal aliens back to their country and cuts government aid for illegal residents. In addition, Thornberry advocated using military forces to monitor the borders and building fences to secure the borders.

"If you don't have control of

your borders, then you have a big problem as a government and as a country," he said.

Along that same respect, Thornberry also stated that he believed the military troops in Bosnia should be withdrawn. Troops in other parts of the world, such as in Asia and Europe, have been decreased but are still necessary, he said. This is mainly due to the threat of nuclear weapons still operational in those regions of the world, including the former Soviet Union. Although they are now considered to be on friendly terms with the United States, the former Soviet states still have a great deal of nuclear weapons, he said.

Thornberry did not advocate a tie with the United Nations, however, to help solve world problems. The United States, he said, should cut back on funds spent for U.N. policies that do not work in the interest of the United States.

Thornberry met Thursday in Lubbock with members of the cotton industry and in Amarillo with members of the cattle industry and the Hispanic community. The Friday night town meeting in Pampa is one of three that was held for Thornberry's constituents over the weekend. Town meetings were also held Saturday in Wheeler and Canadian.

Last year it was all drought; this year, crops are all wet

HOUSTON (AP) — Last year, Texas farmers watched drought shrivel up their crops. This year, too much rain has made it too wet to plow.

In Southeast Texas, frequent rains have tortured farmers, turning their corn, milo, rice and soybean fields into sticky muck covered with weeds. Each time it started to get dry enough to plant, another heavy rain fell.

Rice farmer Jack Wendt of Richmond, in Fort Bend County, says he will be lucky to get much planted before May 1. Any hopes of a second crop are "completely out the window," he said.

Farmers in prime crop-growing areas such as Fort Bend, Wharton, Matagorda and Jackson counties are just starting to plant, a month or two behind schedule.

This lost time translates into lower income, forcing some to turn to lower-profit crops and others to live with one harvest instead of two.

When it gets dry enough, which should be any day now, "every tractor in the county will be rolling," said County Agent John-nie Cosper in Wharton.

Normally corn planting would have begun around the end of February.

From Jan. 1 to this past Thursday, 20.25 inches of rain have fallen at Houston Intercontinental Airport, according to the National Weather Service.

That's nearly double the normal total of 10.8 inches.

One Fort Bend County farmer is said to have measured 35 inches from Jan. 1 through March 31, the *Houston Chronicle* reported.

Some fields in Fort Bend County are covered by weeds and grass "thicker than hair on a dog's back," said Walter Kelley, who heads the federal Farm Service Agency office in Richmond. "It's rough when you can't even get seed in the ground," he said.

During last year's drought Mark Wendt averaged 45 bushels of corn per acre on his farm at Needville, about half of what is considered a good crop.

This year's average will be zero because Wendt returned his corn seed to the dealer for a refund. The returned seed will be sold to farmers in Tennessee and Kentucky who use similar hybrids.

Even if it rains when needed, late-planted corn doesn't do well in this area because the heat interferes with pollination, said Wendt, who grows corn on one-third of his acreage.

There's also the potential of heat-stressed corn getting infected with aflatoxin, a carcinogenic mold.

And unless there is a remarkably late fall, rice farmers have now lost the opportunity for a second harvest by stimulating regrowth from the stubble left after the first cutting.

This second crop is smaller,

but it is more profitable because the costs are lower.

"That is a \$4 million to a \$6 million hit just in this county," said Cosper, the Wharton County agent.

As of April 15 only about 1 percent of the rice in Wharton County had been planted compared with 96 percent a year ago.

As of Thursday approximately 4,000 acres of corn had been planted compared with 50,000 to 60,000 acres planted in a normal year in Wharton County, according to ag officials.

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THE FAITH OF THE GOSPEL

"Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ: that, whether I come and see you are absent, I may hear of your state, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one soul striving for the faith of the gospel," (Phil. 1:27.) Since one cannot believe in something he knows nothing about, and since he must hear the Word of God in order to believe (Rom. 10:14-17), then it is conclusive that "the faith of the gospel" is the faith produced by the gospel. Jesus commanded His disciples "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to the whole creation. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that disbelieveth shall be condemned." (Mk. 16:15-16.) The gospel is what must be believed and it must first be heard before it can be believed.

The apostles were guided into all the truth by the Holy Spirit (Jn. 16:7-13). Resulting from this guidance, they preached the gospel to the whole creation (Col. 1:23). This is the gospel which Paul says is "the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth" (Rom. 1:16.) But before the

gospel can realize God's saving power, it must be believed. We can see the need, therefore, for the gospel being preached to every creature.

In Eph. 4:5, Paul says there is only "one faith." That is, there is not a multiplicity of "faiths" but just one. And so, the gospel only produces one faith and that is the faith that Paul hoped to hear that the Philippians were striving for and upholding. If a faith is produced in an individual that does not coincide with the faith we read of people having in those early days, we conclude that it is not "the faith of the gospel." People, back then, upon hearing the gospel, believed in Jesus Christ, repented of their sins, confessed their faith in His Divine Sonship and were baptized in the name of Christ for the remission of their sins (Acts 18:8; 2:38; 8:37; 19:5.) There was no confession that "God, for Christ's sake has pardoned my sins" or time spent at the mourner's bench praying the gospel for salvation. They simply obeyed from the heart the form of teaching, the gospel, preached to them (Rom. 6:17-18.)

- Billy T. Jones

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Opinion

Violent criminals belong behind bars

America is facing a dilemma we shouldn't have to confront. What should we do with dangerous men who have already served their prison time?

The question was raised again after Lawrence Singleton admitted to stabbing a prostitute to death in Florida. The 69-year-old predator was released from prison after a mere eight years for raping a teenager, cutting off her arms and leaving her as dead by the side of a California road.

It is fair to ask whether the criminal justice system shares the blame in the death of Singleton's latest victim.

"Such incidents are all too common," The Associated Press reported. "In Georgia, a rapist sentenced to five life terms but released in 1983 after 14 years raped again in 1992. In Rochester, N.Y., Arthur Shawcross, who had killed two children 18 years earlier, was arrested in 1990 and convicted of strangling 11 women."

Another case has brought this issue to national attention. It involves Leroy Hendricks, a pedophile who warns that he may strike again, now that he has completed his ten year term in a Kansas prison. The U.S. Supreme Court is currently considering whether state officials can keep him incarcerated to protect the public.

Kansas officials should be commended for trying to protect their citizens, but the Sexually Violent Predator Act is unlikely to withstand constitutional scrutiny. That law allows the state to keep sexual predators locked up in a psychiatric hospital after they have finished serving their prison terms.

"Hendricks is being incarcerated prospectively for crimes he is likely to commit," columnist Charles Krauthammer wrote. "How in a constitutional democracy can we imprison for that?"

More than half of those convicted criminals out on parole or probation are caught committing new crimes within three years of their release.

Surely, there must be something Americans can do to protect themselves from these repeat offenders.

Some new laws offer potential. Three strikes-and-you're-out laws that lock up felons for life after a third felony conviction have passed in 22 states and appear to have a deterrent effect. After Washington state passed such a law, scores of convicted sex offenders fled for more lenient locales.

But those laws are no panacea. Often these measures don't distinguish between violent and nonviolent offenses. For example, a California man was sentenced to life in prison after stealing pizza. And such laws don't protect the victims of a criminal's first or second offense.

While there are no easy answers to America's violent crime problem, there is no great dilemma. Americans simply must find ways to keep violent criminals locked up longer.

For one thing, judges, juries and parole boards should exercise their powers to ensure that more killers spend their remaining days behind bars.

In recent years, America's murder rate has dropped precipitously. There are many reasons for this welcome decline, including demographic factors. But most observers give credit to the longer prison terms meted out since the 1980s.

There is no easy way for society to protect itself from the Lawrence Singletons and Leroy Hendrickses after the justice system sets them loose on society.

But there is a way to deal with criminals before they strike again: Have the gumption to keep them behind bars for the duration of the sentences they are given.

Thought for today

"When people will not weed their own minds, they are apt to be overrun with nettles."

Horace Walpole, 1717-1797

Berry's World



NEW CHINESE DRAGON

A gender-norming update

In October 1994, Lt. Kara Hultgreen was killed during an attempted landing of her F-14 on the aircraft carrier Abraham Lincoln. Femfear (fear of feminists) Navy officials first reported that engine failure caused the death of the Navy's first female F-14 pilot. That was a deliberate lie and cover-up, as later revealed in a leaked Mishap Investigation Report and the Navy's Judge Advocate General's report.

After three requests under the Freedom of Information Act, the Center for Military Readiness recently obtained a 1995 paper written by Admiral Lyle G. Bien. It confirms special treatment for female F-14 pilots. It also notes that Hultgreen was retained in the F-14 training program and graduated to the fleet despite low scores and four major errors (Downs), two of which were similar to those made the day she died. Just one or two major Downs have been enough to send men packing.

Then there's Lt. Carey Lohrenz, who was washed out of the F-14 program and has brought suit against Elaine Donnelly, director of the Center for Military Readiness and several newspapers. Lohrenz claims public release of her training records violated her privacy. Claiming sex discrimination, she's demanding reinstatement. Her training records are reported as being "the lowest night grades in the history of the FRS (Pacific F-14 Fleet Replacement Squadron) ... No pilot in the history of the FRS was allowed to



Walter Williams

attempt requalification with grades as low as hers."

Aircraft carrier maneuvers are error-unforgiving. Pilot incompetence not only jeopardizes the life of the pilot, but also the crew members and the ship's mission. Case in point: During refueling, Lohrenz failed to secure the F-14's right engine so as not to suck approaching crew members into a turning engine. Since there is so much noise on deck, deck hands can't tell whether an engine is off — it's the pilot's responsibility.

Because of the alertness of the flight instructor, a catastrophe was averted. Lohrenz was given a minor demerit, Signal of Difficulty, instead of a more serious Down. Other concessions included no Downs for serious violations such as not engaging automatic maneuvering devices in air-combat engagements. Officers who insist that females be held accountable to the same high

standards as males are seen by higher brass as obstructionist and they risk their careers.

Double standards to accommodate women have compromised military effectiveness. Women are three to four times as non-deployable as men, as we learned during Desert Storm. Despite relentless sex education and condom distribution, pregnancy rates average eight percent to ten percent, and are much higher in some enlisted units. Fighting ships compromise their missions to ensure the safety of pregnant females. Training standards have been lowered to accommodate the lower strength and stamina of women.

The General Accounting Office reports that annual surveys done at service academies since 1992 show that complaints about double standards have been identified as the first or second most common form of verbal sexual harassment. Male resentment against double standards is sometimes expressed in inappropriate ways, which have been featured in recent news stories of sexual harassment, intimidation and rape at military posts.

There are physical differences between the sexes that affect combat readiness, but those differences do not deny a role for women in the nation's defense. Women were indispensable and served honorably in WW II. The femfearful military leadership does not have the guts to recognize sex differences and are willing to risk national security to appease radical feminists.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, April 20, the 110th day of 1997. There are 255 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 20, 1902, scientists Marie and Pierre Curie isolated the radioactive element radium.

On this date:

In 1792, France declared war on Austria, marking the start of the French Revolutionary wars.

In 1812, the fourth vice president of the United States, George Clinton, died in Washington at age 73, becoming the first vice president to die while in office.

In 1836, the Territory of Wisconsin was established by Congress.

In 1889, Adolf Hitler was born in Braunau, Austria.

In 1940, RCA publicly demonstrated its new and powerful electron microscope.

In 1945, during World War II, Allied forces took control of the German cities of Nuremberg and Stuttgart.

In 1968, Pierre Elliott Trudeau was sworn in as prime minister of Canada.



Tobacco suits are frivolous

Charley Reese

To understand the tobacco suit that several states have filed, you must first understand they have nothing to do with health. They have to do with greed.

The suits are ridiculous on their face. How can a state sue a company for selling a legal product that the state licenses and taxes?

Because they are lawsuits, they have to prove wrongdoing on the part of the companies. To do so they have floated two ridiculous ideas:

1. Tobacco companies knew tobacco was addictive and didn't tell their customers.

2. Tobacco companies have manipulated the nicotine content.

People have known tobacco was habit-forming or addictive, if you want to use that word, for several centuries. Why should tobacco companies have told their customers what their customers already knew? Liquor companies don't tell their customers they can become alcoholics or develop liver disease.

As for nicotine content, tobacco companies for at least 40 years have been competing with each other on the basis of lowering the nicotine content. They've spent millions developing tobacco plants with lower nicotine. They developed filters. They advertise their nicotine content. The claim that tobacco companies secretly manipulated nicotine contents is the most stupid and false of all.

As for the bad health effects of tobacco, that,

too, is old hat. The first report linking smoking to cancer was in 1859. Since 1966, all cigarette packages have carried health warnings. The truth is, nobody who smokes can blame tobacco companies for any negative outcomes.

Using the word "addictive" is itself just a lawyer trick. The World Health Organization officially defines "addiction" as "a state of periodic or chronic intoxication produced by the repeated consumption of a drug. Its characteristics include the following:

1. An overpowering desire or need to continue taking the drug and to obtain it by any means.

2. A tendency to increase the dose.

3. A psychic and, generally, a physical dependence on the effects of the drug.

4. A detrimental effect on the individual and on society."

Tobacco use in most individuals doesn't fit that definition. It does fit the WHO definition of habituation, "which is a desire, but not a compulsion, to continue taking the drug; little or no tendency to increase the dose; some degree of psychic dependence on the effect of the drug but absence of physical dependence and hence of an

abstinence syndrome; and detrimental effects primarily on the individual.

At any rate, people have known for generations that smoking was habit-forming.

So what's the game? It's a half-billion-dollar feeding frenzy for lawyers. Most of these yahoo politicians who have sued tobacco companies have cut deals with trial lawyers. In fact, the trial lawyers may have even planted the idea in the politicians' heads, for many of these lawyers have private class action and individuals suits going against the tobacco companies.

So far only one dumb jury has returned for the plaintiff in a private suit, and I hope that will be overturned on appeal. No one can claim not to know the health risks involved in smoking. And if knowing these risks, one chooses to smoke, then the fault lies not with the company. Suing tobacco companies is like a woman suing a pistol manufacturer because her husband played Russian roulette and lost.

As for blaming cigarette smoking for Medicare costs, that's a scam. The mortality rate for non-smokers is exactly the same as the mortality rate for smokers — 100%. To attribute any illness a smoker may have to the smoking is unscientific and will not hold up logically. What has catching an infectious disease, falling off a ladder or developing kidney stones got to do with smoking. Nothing. Not everybody smokes, but everybody dies, and generally of the same causes.

'The Weekly Newsmagazine' — Hah!

R. Emmett Tyrrell Jr.

Now comes the current issue of *Time* magazine. It follows a week during which news reports surfaced that a major Clinton supporter — a small-time restaurateur from Little Rock — received large money transfers from Beijing's state-controlled Bank of China. This was about the time he was spreading his largesse to the Clintons. The cosmopolitan restaurateur — now on the lam in Asia — also came up with \$600,000 for our Boy President's legal defense fund. Supposedly, this money has been returned, but, given the evanescence of the donor, this reimbursement could not have been easy.

The news also carried reports that American intelligence agencies were enlisted in the re-election efforts of the president. Then, too, there was the historic report that back in 1994, two of the president's top aides involved themselves in efforts that raised at least half a million for a disgraced Clinton confidant just before he entered prison. That would be former Associate Attorney General Webster Hubbell, once a law partner of Hillary Clinton and always a faithful political enforcer for Bill. During Senate hearings in the summer of 1995, he refused to answer questions about these payoffs, emotionally suggesting that the questioner, a congressional counsel named Michael Chertoff, should be ashamed to make such an insensitive query of a broken man. Finally, the news from Europe echoed with reports of political instability in London, Paris and Berlin, to say nothing of the ongoing turbulence in the governments of the former Soviet Union.

So what about *Time*, "The Weekly Newsmagazine"? What news story did it lead off with? Its cover boomed two banner headlines: "Antarctica's Secrets" and "The Backlash Against

HMOs." But the cover itself was dominated by a tanned and toothsome middle aged woman squatting back on her right leg, possibly about to leap off the page — her head has already surged past the *Time* logo. According to the headline, "she's coming out." Readers aware of the week's churning events well might ask, "Coming out from where?" Has she been colluding with the Chinese? Is she about to explain some perfidious role as liaison between the National Security Council and the Clinton-Gore campaign? Perhaps this spirited, wholesome-looking blonde spirited off a few hundred thou to Mr. Hubbell as he packed up his overnight kit for his stay in federal prison. No White House has been engaged in raising hush money for felons since 1973, when the hellish Nixon conferred with John Dean about raising a million or so for the Watergate break-in squad. And by the way, who is this blonde? So far as I have been able to ascertain, only a few million of my fellow Americans could possibly know her identity and fewer still could care.

Her name is Ellen DeGeneres, and she has had nothing to do with any major news story ever in her entire vacant life. She is a "sitcom" star — here today and gone tomorrow. That which she is "coming out" about is nothing more momentous than that which those of a sociological and psychological turn of tongue call "sexuality." She is a lesbian. Of course, after all these years of sexual revolutions, readers might respond that the lady's sexuality is her own business. And it is, but in a slightly different understanding of the word

"business." Ellen's sexuality has become an element in her business. She is making it a feature on her sitcom, and so brilliantly has this marketing ploy been played that she has already dominated the news of "The Weekly Newsmagazine's" week.

As for the biographical details of Ellen's (May I call you Ellen? You have already revealed so much of yourself to me) life and of her "coming-out," you will have to read the article. I glanced over the piece and found few details of interest, biographical or otherwise. Aside from her sitcom, there does not seem to be much else to her life. Apparently, there has been some anxiety. Then, too, dating in Yuppieland was unsatisfactory, but for Ellen, truth to tell, dating in Yuppieland is always unsatisfactory. Finally, she is offended — as are the writers at *Time* — that the Rev. Jerry Falwell called her Ellen DeGeneres. But could that not be a harmless error? Possibly the Rev. Falwell was as unaware of Ellen as the rest of us have been. Now, get it right, Mr. Falwell, her name is DeGeneres. If she is as gifted as the rest of the prime-time thespians have been, she will not be around for long, so, for God's sake, be respectful.

Yet, this lesbian schtick might overcome her mediocrity and render her an enduring presence on the national scene. If she plays it just right, she could become a leading advocate of the lesbian cause. And what is the lesbian cause? It is a group of nulliparous Americans who want to talk about themselves and how tough life has been. As with feminism, so with lesbianism — and so with all the other movements of America's artificially aggrieved in recent years. Their chief goal is to talk about themselves. As Ellen demonstrates in this inbred issue of *Time*, America's artificially aggrieved are bored. The country's progressive intelligentsia never tires of boredom.

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Newsmakers

NORFOLK, Va. — Kathryn Moore (Kaye), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allyn Moore, formerly of Pampa, will be performing the role of Ado Annie in the Virginia Opera Company production of *Oklahoma!* this month in Norfolk.

Moore, who sang the role of Grace Farrell in the Pampa High School production of *Annie*, currently resides in Queens, N.Y.

NORFOLK, Va. — Navy Seaman John D. Dawson, a 1990 graduate of Pampa High School, recently participated in Exercise Tandem Thrust off the coast of Australia while assigned to the amphibious transport dock USS Dubuque, homeported in Sasebo, Japan.

Dawson was one of more than 28,000 U.S. and Australian Sailors, Soldiers, Airmen and Marines participating in the combined military exercise between Australia and the United States.

Scheduled routinely at 18-month intervals, the exercise is designed to train the military staffs of both countries in the planning and execution of contingency operations in a combined effort. Specifically, the exercise includes carrier battle group and amphibious ready group operations, amphibious landings, live gunfire exercises and parachute landings.

USS Dubuque's primary mission is to provide fast transport of combat troops and rapid landing ashore by both helicopter and waterborne assault.

Landing craft and CH-46 Sea Knight helicopters operating from USS Dubuque can transport up to 900 combat troops, their equipment and supplies from ship to shore. These troops can take control of port and air base facilities and prepare for follow-on forces.

Dawson's ship's secondary mission is evacuation and civilian disaster relief. The ship's medical and outpatient facilities can provide limited hospitalization care, as well as outpatient treatment, to hundreds of sick or injured.

Dawson joined the Navy in January 1996.

SHERMAN — Former Pampa resident Kevin Kirby, a 1977 Pampa High School graduate, joined the Austin College staff as director of annual giving in the Institutional Advancement Division, Jim Lewis, vice president for institutional, announced recently.



Kathryn Moore

Kirby will plan and provide oversight for all annual giving programs of the college including personal solicitation, telemarketing and direct mail appeals. He will be working with other Institutional Advancement professionals in an ongoing program of prospect identification, qualification, cultivation and solicitation in the overall fundraising efforts of the college.

Kirby comes to the college from McMurry University in Abilene, where he served as director of development for alumni and church relations, and previously as director of development and director of alumni relations/development.

A graduate of McMurry, he earned his M.S.S.W. at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Kirby and his wife, Kay Ellen, have two children.

SAN ANTONIO — Air Force Airman Lynn N. Brown, a 1995 Pampa High School graduate and daughter of Lynn A. and Mary E. Brown of Pampa, recently completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

During the six weeks of training, Brown studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

Airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Letters to the editor

On battling discrimination

To the editor,

I applaud William Rasmussen and his effort to put the Ten Commandments up front so that our children may be exposed to them on a daily basis. But, at the same time I am puzzled as to why he is mainly targeting our school children.

The discrimination and outright hostility I have experienced in our community has not been by our school children. When I first began writing to this public forum, the storm of indignation and outright name-calling did not come from our school children. This same occurrence repeated itself when I decided to begin writing to the *Amarillo News-Globe*.

While I did go through some discrimination in our public school system, again, it was not demonstrated by any number of students. Rather, it was demonstrated by the adults and employees.

Again, even while serving in our local armed forces, I believe this same hostility was the main factor in my not receiving the proper medical care I was entitled to by law after I sustained injuries in a training accident. These injuries would later lead to my not being able to work on a regular basis.

Not many years ago while voicing my opinion at a county meeting (my constitutional right), I had to wait until jeering, stomping and name-calling subsided before I was allowed to be heard. Those that participated in this ugly exercise were not our school children.

Mr. Rasmussen needs to concentrate on government at all levels to remind all bureaucrats and politicians that all of us are God's children.

At a time in our political process where one of our two main parties is using race and nationality bashing to achieve dominance, it is very appropriate to not only heed our Ten Commandments but the teachings of the Bible.

Us adults must lead by example. Children see and children do.

It's time for all religious leaders in this town, this state, this country to preach against discrimination and race bashing.

Let me hear a chorus of indignation from all preachings — in all our churches — for this bashing to stop. Obeying the Ten Commandments is a start in fulfilling God's wishes but only a start.

Ray Velasquez
Pampa

Tax plan hurts rural schools

To the editor:

The select committee on revenue and public education funding has proposed legislation that will significantly have a negative impact upon many area schools. By the proposed shifting of property taxes on business assets from the local school districts to the state, rural school districts will not be left with adequate funding to operate schools in their communities. The only local property tax left for local enrichment, which in rural communities really means having a local school, will be against the value of residential property. In communities such as Follett, Higgins, Miami, Lefors, McLean, Groom, Samnorwood, Hedley, etc., the local taxes on residential properties will raise \$40,000 to \$60,000 per district, which

will not be enough to make up the loss of funding that will range from \$400,000 to \$800,000 per district that these communities will lose. The proposal does contain a hold harmless provision, but it expires in two years.

This proposed legislation will have an awful effect upon rural and sparsely populated school districts. The schools in these small towns, along with the churches, form the center of social and community life in those rural areas. Without local schools those communities will cease to exist, and under this proposed school financing, they will eventually lose their local schools. Those of use who live in those communities do not have the political influence or the votes to change our plight; we can only ask that those who live in the more populous areas come to our aid and defense. As with all parents it is our desire to have our children receive a basic education in our communities among our friends, families and neighbors. This proposed legislation will deny us that neighborhood school, absolutely and most certainly.

Please help us in rural Texas by contacting whomever you may know to defeat this terrible injustice.

Thomas H. Grantham
Miami

Support cultural events

To the editor:

I could not help but notice an interesting contrast Friday night as we wound our way past crowded restaurants to attend the ACT I play, eight weeks in production by a committed group of troopers — all volunteers. There was no crowd — and the price for the two hours of "food for thought" was about the same as for one hour of food to consume, a problem for many calorie-counting people.

This was after a drive for Community Concert memberships, when the common excuse for not purchasing was "I can't make all four performances," knowing that the price of a single admission in a city — or Branson — would be equivalent to a year's membership, four excellent concerts right here in Pampa.

Cultural programs are on the "endangered species" list in Pampa. If we don't support them, we don't have them. Where are your priorities — for you and your children?

Darlene Birkes
Pampa

Seeks information on Texas

To the editor:

Hi! My name is Matthew Whitehead and I am in the 5th grade and a student at O'Malley Elementary School in Anchorage, Alaska. I am currently researching Texas for my state report due in four weeks. Recipes, pictures, brochures or any information would be greatly appreciated.

Would you please consider printing this letter in your next publication so a reader can hopefully send me some information?

Thank you.

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BUSINESS

Minding your own Business

By Don Tulyer



New breed of customer

The television set he returned was nearly three years old. The customer who brought it back demanded a new TV. "If you don't give me a new set, I'm going to stand in front of your store every day and drive your customers away," he said. What would you do if you owned the appliance store?

The dress was less than a week old when the customer returned it. The clerk pointed out the perspiration stains under the arms and the spot on the front. "I can't take this back because you've worn it," she said. The customer grew angry and shouted, "I did not wear it, those stains were on the dress when I bought it. That's why I'm returning it."

The car's odometer showed 7,000 miles when the owner returned it to the dealership for the fourth time. "It still isn't running right," he stated angrily. "If you don't get it right this time, I'm calling the manufacturer and I'll have my attorney invoke the lemon law. I want my money back." On previous visits, the car had checked out fine. The sales manager and three different mechanics had all driven the car and could find no fault in its performance. The owner of the dealership is certain that nothing is wrong with the car. She also knows the car's owner lost his job just weeks later after buying the car and may be struggling financially. What should she do?

The new breed of customer

Today's customers are more demanding and less willing to accept mediocre service. They are value driven and much less tolerant of inconvenience. Customers are getting harder to please and many businesses are feeling the sting of unhappy customers.

I call this new breed of customer the "Four-A-Customer." They want anything they want, anytime they want, anyway they want, anywhere they want it. As competition for customer loyalty increases, this new breed of customer is even more likely to get their way.

This brings us back to the original question: "Is the customer always right?" The answer of course is a resounding "NO!" However, our customers — even when dead wrong — are still the only reason our businesses exist. Without enough customers, we quickly become devoid of profit and have to close our doors.

So how do you handle unreasonable customer requests like the true-life examples mentioned earlier in the column? Do you give away the farm? Do you risk litigation? Do you chase away customers with a cat-o-nine-tails?

A panel discussion

On April 29, the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Business Connection Trade Show. One of the exciting business development training programs offered will feature a panel discussion titled "Is the Customer Always Right?"

You'll hear how national chain store managers and savvy small-business owners handle challenging customers. It will be my privilege to moderate this panel, and I think you'll glean some valuable tips on negotiating settlements, establishing customer service policies and culling unreasonable customers.

Four other workshops are scheduled for the day as well. The schedule of training events is as follows:

- 9 a.m. — Checks and Balances — Reduce your losses from bad checks
 - 10 a.m. — The Management Smorgasbord
 - 1 p.m. — Is the Customer Always Right?
 - 2 p.m. — Is the Gold Mine On Line?
 - 3 p.m. — Selecting the Best Legal Structure for Your Business.
- We'll see you at the show.

Lockheed-Martin CEO to step down in August

BETHESDA, Md. (AP) — Norman Augustine will give up his position as chief executive officer of defense contractor Lockheed Martin sometime later this year.

Augustine, 61, will continue to serve as chairman of the world's largest aerospace and defense company, the company said in a brief statement confirming a story in *The Wall Street Journal*.

The statement said Augustine will retire as CEO "in keeping with his long standing plans."

The *Journal*, citing anonymous sources, reported that he will be replaced as CEO by Vance Coffman, now the company's president.

Augustine, a former defense undersecretary, apparently has told his board that he won't assume a new senior job at another company or take a government post, the *Journal* reported.

Coffman, 53, is a scientist with a strong technical background who rose through the ranks of the former Lockheed Corp. to become president of its

key Space & Strategic Missiles unit. He went on to become executive vice president and chief operating officer of the parent company.

Augustine was instrumental in the merger of Lockheed and Martin Marietta in 1995 into a defense industry giant. He was initially chief executive officer and became chairman last December on the retirement of Daniel Tellep.

Lockheed Martin employs 190,000 worldwide and had annual sales of almost \$30 billion in 1996. It has won several big contracts recently, including one last year to develop the nation's next space shuttle and another that keeps it in the competition to build the nation's next light strike-fighter jet for the military.

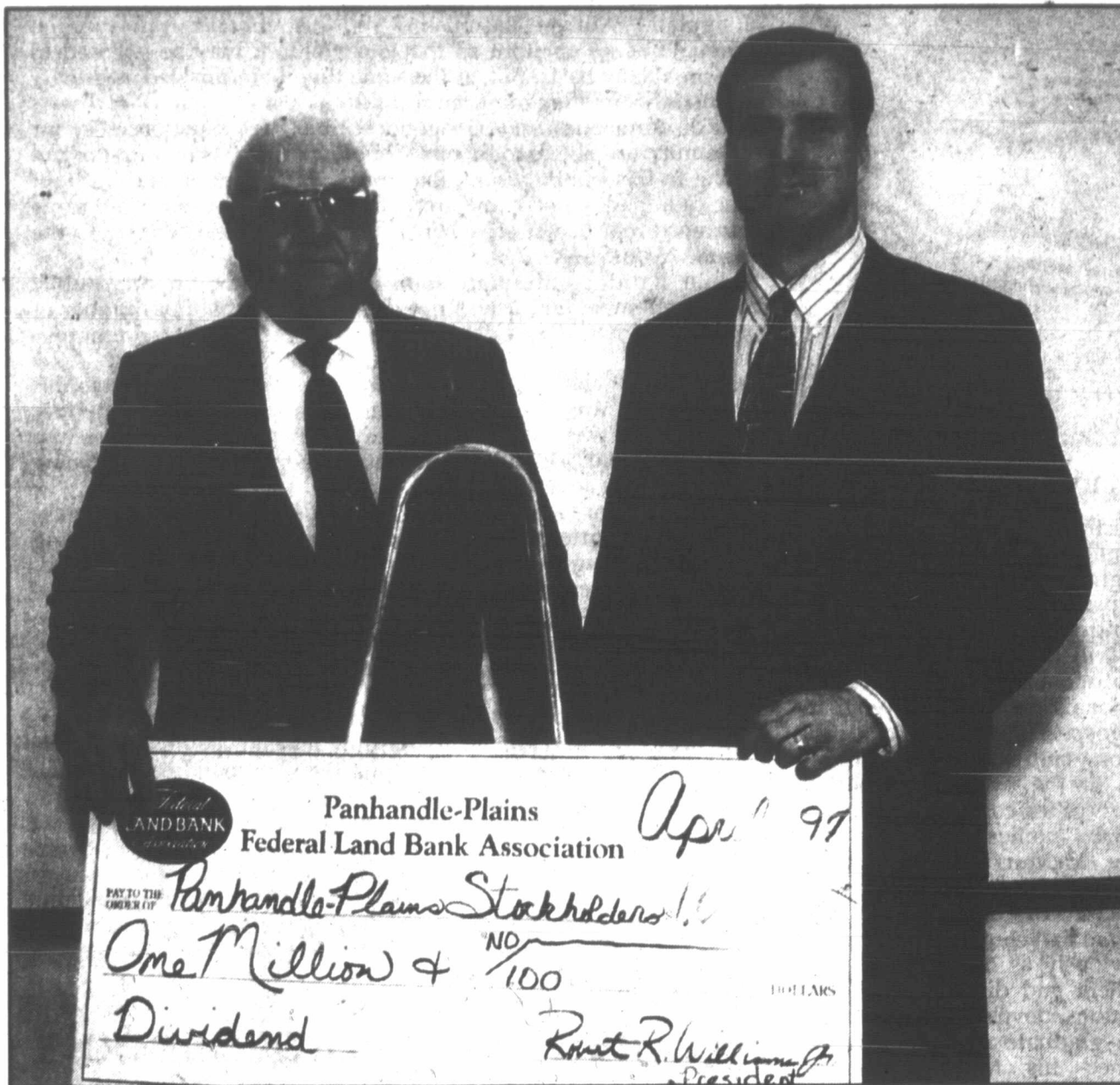
Chamber Communique

Welcome new Chamber members U.S. Bus Manufacturing Co., Inc., and Mobile Long Term Care, LLC.

Gary Therrien is plant manager at U.S. Bus Manufacturing and Vernika Azure serves as administrative manager.

Mobile Long Term Care is owned by Sharon Ward. This new service offers mobile bone density testing and is based at 2601 W. Kentucky.

Meetings: Tuesday — 4 p.m., Tourism Committee. Nona Payne Room



Dean H. Burger of Pampa, left, director of the Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank Association, and Alan Eubank, loan officer in the Pampa office, display the \$1 million dividend distribution recently distributed to association stockholders.

Bank announces \$1 million dividend

Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank Association (FLBA) formally announced a \$1 million dividend distribution to member-stockholders during its annual meeting held April 5 at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo.

Approximately 160 Panhandle-Plains stockholders, directors, spouses, special guests and employees attended the association's annual meeting.

"Panhandle-Plains FLBA is pleased to make returns to association shareholders. Assuming the association's continuing solid financial performance, dividend payments such as this one will be made on an annual basis, lowering the actual cost of credit for the borrower," said Robert R. Williams Jr., CEO. "This adds validity to the concept of a cooperative business by providing credit at the lowest cost possible to member-stockholders."

Among other items on the agenda, humorist and cowboy poet Jim Cameron provided entertainment at the meeting. Cameron is a native of the Texas Panhandle.

Also, stockholders re-elected Ronnie N. Hopper of Petersburg, Dean Turner of Matador and Larry E. Fairchild of Adrian to three-year terms on the board of directors.

Other board members include C.L. Edwards, Panhandle; Ervin J. Davis, Happy; Jerry K. Oswald, Abertamy; Jon "Mike" Garnett, Spearman; Dean H. Burger, Pampa; and John C. Duke, Follett. Headquartered in Pampa, Panhandle-Plains FLBA is a member-owned agricultural lending cooperative which provides long-term financing for agricultural real estate purchase, refinance and improvement.

The association has approximately \$135 million in loans outstanding to farmers, ranchers and agribusiness in 16 counties. Officers are located in Amarillo, Pampa, Perryton and Plainview.

Desk and Derrick schedule meeting

The Pampa Desk and Derrick Club will meet Tuesday night at the Pampa Country Club for its monthly meeting.

Guest speaker will be Kent Bowen, senior risk control consultant for Bituminous Insurance Co. of Amarillo and insurance representative for W. O. Operating Co. of Pampa. His topics will include office safety, carpal tunnel syndrome, lifting and back injury prevention.

Bowen, 37, received his bachelor of science degree in chemistry from Wayland Baptist University in Plainview. His other credentials include CSP (certified safety professional), ARM (associate in risk management), Texas Field Safety Representative, Certified Professional Safety Source, a certified supervisor in oil well control and OSHA certifications in industrial hygiene and construction.

Prior to his employment with Bituminous Insurance Co., he worked for Transwestern Natural Gas Co. in Roswell, N.M., Dow Chemical Co. in Freeport, Texas, and Crum & Forster Commercial Insurance in Amarillo.

Bowen and his wife Tydie have

Nickles Corp. undergoing restructuring

Nickles Industrial has announced managerial changes in the areas of engineering and quality assurance and also at one Texas division.

Geoffrey Smith was named operations manager for Nickles Industrial's Grayco Division in March. Grayco, located in Pampa, specializes in repair and new manufacture of compressor products utilized in the gas transmission, production and distribution industries.

Smith has been with Nickles Industrial in Ponca City since 1991, beginning as a project engineer, and was most recently engineering and quality assurance manager.

Smith earned his master of science degree in manufacturing engineering technology from the University of Mississippi after obtaining his bachelor's degree in mechanical design engineering technology from Oklahoma State University.

Dave Johnson will take over as engineering and quality assurance manager for Nickles Industrial effective April 21. Johnson will be located in Ponca City and have responsibility for engineering and quality of all new manufacturing and repair products company-wide.

Johnson comes from Painted Post, N.Y., where he worked 31 years for Dresser-Rand (formerly Ingersoll Rand).

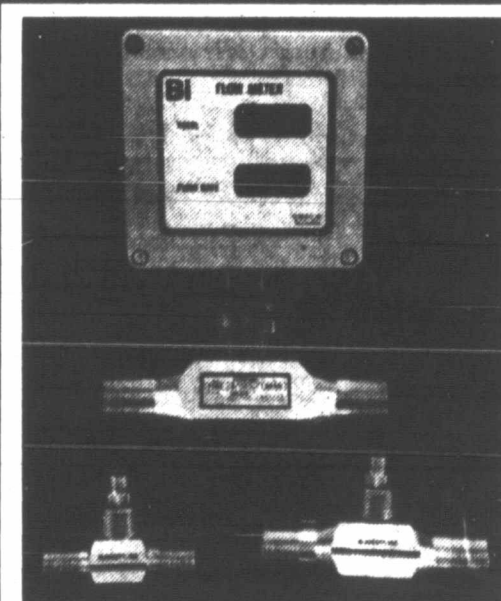
His positions at Dresser included production manager over light products, compressor cylinders, machine shop, assembly and testing of compressor cylinders. Johnson's most recent positions included manager of quality over all products, production over all products and procurement development within DRSD (Dresser Rand's after-market product sales focus effort).

"We are excited about these changes in our management team," said Bob Nickles, company vice president and general manager. "These key management moves serve to position Nickles Industrial for continued strength in current markets, and also for future growth."

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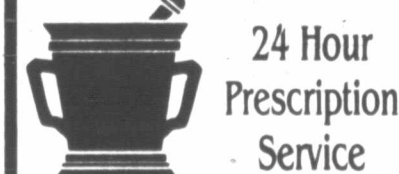
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Edward D. Jones to offer program for accountants

Roger D. David, a local Edward D. Jones investment representative, will host the second program in the Professional Education Network's 1997 Broadcast Series for accounting and legal professionals, "Payroll Tax Concerns for Small Business." The satellite broadcast will be held on Wednesday, April 30, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. CST.

"I am excited to offer a program of this caliber to our local attorneys, CPAs and other accounting professionals. It should be of great interest to any tax or accounting professional who works closely with small businesses and their owners," David said.

Discussion topics will include a review of payroll tax withholding requirements; the difference between employee status and self-employed status; and why it is important; withholding and payroll tax implications for

retirement and fringe benefits; and current developments and more.

Panelists will include Michael Jon Deppe, CPA, a partner at Bland, Garvey, Eads, Medlock & Deppe, P.C., in Richardson, Texas; Francis X. Mellon, attorney, counsel to Verner, Lipfert, Bernhard, McPherson and Hand in McLean, Va.; and James McCoy, CPA, president of Garverick McCoy Tax Seminars, Inc., in Raleigh, N.C.

This program is eligible for three CPE hours for CPAs and accountants. CLE credit for attorneys is pending approval in all states with general education requirements.

The enrollment fee is \$50, which includes admittance for one person and all course materials. Reservations are required. For more information or to register for the program, contact David's office at (806) 665-7137.

Mesa suspends test flights

FORT WORTH (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration's decision to halt test flights and order procedural changes will not delay Mesa Airlines' planned start-up of commercial service, officials said.

"We found after making a few flights between Fort Worth and Houston that we needed to make some changes in our procedures," said Larry Risley, chairman and chief executive officer of Farmington, N.M.-based Mesa. "But we see no hurdles today that would prevent us from starting service as planned. We're looking forward to it and anticipating a May 5 start."

A scheduled 50 hours of federal proving tests were stopped this week after 18 hours of flights

between Fort Worth Meacham International and Houston's Hobby airports.

Pilots were having trouble programming sophisticated navigation computers during the 40-minute trips between the two cities, the FAA said.

Officials cited 30 deficiencies, including a finding that ground crews must learn to do their jobs more efficiently if they are to avoid delaying some of the 11 daily flights scheduled from each city.

Other areas where the airline failed to make the grade included the use of the flight management computer and checklists, flight planning, ground handling and passenger loading, according to a letter sent to Mesa management.

Volunteers work to get schools on the Internet

By ROBERT GREENE
AP Education Writer

Students in San Elizario, Texas, schools can learn about planets or the latest space mission in a flash, or find electronic pen pals in Canada or Japan.

But it took cable and the sweat of 50 volunteers to connect schools in that impoverished border town, where some houses lack electricity or running water, to the Internet.

"Just because we were poor, we were not going to lower our expectations," said Maria Pacheco, the school technology coordinator who led the effort last October to string cable. There are still more jacks than computers, but Pacheco noted, "This is a long journey, and I've got them more than halfway there."

Saturday — NetDay — that kind of volunteer effort repeated itself around the country, as parents, teachers, corporate officials, communications workers and retirees ran high-capacity cable through classrooms.

President Clinton was calling attention to the effort in his weekly radio address Saturday and took part with Vice President Al Gore in a video conference with students and volunteers in Los Angeles and Hartford, Conn.

Despite an abundance of information to

be gained, it can take miles of cable to bring the data from the outside phone line to the classroom. The research firm Market Data Retrieval estimates that 27,000 to 40,000 public schools — about one-third to one-half of the national total — use the Internet.

But other surveys indicate that the connection reaches less than 10 percent of the classrooms, computer labs and libraries where students actually sit.

The founders of NetDay came across that reality when high-tech California wanted to wire its schools. The lowest cost estimate was \$1 billion for labor and cable.

Two volunteers recruited others from high-tech companies in the state, and they made a day of it March 6, 1996. The idea caught on with encouragement from Clinton and Gore. Other states held similar events last fall. Organizers estimate that last year, 250,000 volunteers in 40 states wired more than 50,000 classrooms.

Some states, meanwhile, have scheduled their own Internet days independent of Saturday and some telephone companies have launched their own wiring campaigns.

The administration says it wants to help wire every American classroom and library to the Internet by 2000. Its budget request seeks \$2 billion over the next five years to

buy classroom computers, provide Internet access and train teachers to use it.

Access brings a range of materials to students from sources such as the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the National Geographic Society, the Public Broadcasting Service, Scholastic Network and America Online Education.

But some critics question whether people are blindly rushing to put schools on the "Information Superhighway."

"People have been become fixated on the white line down the middle without going beyond that and saying, 'Are we actually achieving results?'" said William L. Rukeyser of Learning in the Real World, a Woodland, Calif., group that wants such a closer examination before more public money is spent.

The group worries how much time kids will gobble up by simply playing on the Internet. There also are concerns that attention spans will be further eroded by the quick pace of information.

But Sun Microsystems scientist John Gage, a NetDay co-founder, said schools that are not linked deprive children of the real-world connections that their parents often have, in a workplace increasingly dominated by whiz-bang communications.

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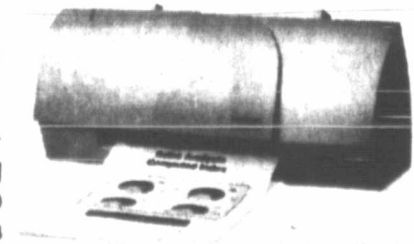
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1) High definition television, shown here, will be the only way to receive television signals by the year 2006. The new HDTV system uses (CHOOSE ONE): an analog, a digital system to operate.

2) A court in Tennessee will allow a rifle, allegedly used by ... to murder Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in 1968, to be tested to see if it's the actual murder weapon.

3) A Paris art exhibit showcases paintings, drawings, and sculptures stolen by the Nazis from French Jews during ...

4) Protesters are demonstrating against the new (CHOOSE ONE): immigration, welfare) law which went into effect April 1, calling it unfair and even racist.

5) The Air Force searched for a pilot and a missing A-10 Thunderbolt "Warhog" jet fighter missing since April 2. The search centers on a mountain in (CHOOSE ONE): Montana, Colorado).

NEWSNAME

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| 1-dialogue | a-simpleton |
| 2-dulcet | b-musical |
| 3-doodle | c-chat |
| 4-dullard | d-adventurous |
| 5-doughty | e-sketch |

PEOPLE/SPORTS

(5 points for each correct answer)

1) The composer of such hits as "Stoned Soul Picnic" and "Save the Country" from the 1960s, ... died recently at the age of 49.

2) Along with being the first African American and Asian to win the Masters golf tournament, Tiger Woods is also the youngest person at the age of ... to win the prestigious match.

3) She played Mrs. Peel on "The Avengers" in the 1960s. Now British actress ... is playing the scary Mrs. Danvers on a Masterpiece Theater production of "Rebecca."

4) McDonald's restaurants across the nation are cashing in on the latest toy craze, giving away tiny ... with certain meals for children.

5) The Chicago Cubs recently tied a National League record by losing 10 straight games to start a season. They tied the record held by the ... the team that beat the Cubs in the 10th game.

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SPORTS

Notebook

SOCCER

PAMPA — The Pampa Soccer Association will hold its annual general meeting Tuesday April 22, starting at 7 p.m. in the Austin Elementary Gym.

All PSA parents, coaches, referees and players in the U12 and older may vote. Proposed playing rules changes include revision of U 8 playing rules and the possibility of playing with casts and splints with a doctor's permission.

Officers to be elected are vice-president, treasurer and public relations scorekeeper.

If you have something you want to say, something you want to change, come to the meeting and be heard.

If questions, please contact Glennette Goode at 665-9432.

BASEBALL

HEREFORD — Senior righthander Ryan Schumacher shut out Hereford for four innings as Pampa posted a 15-2 win in District 1-4A action Saturday.

Pampa is now 3-5 in district play and 11-9 for the season. Hereford is 2-8 and 8-15.

Schumacher went the distance on the mound and allowed four hits while striking out four and walking two. Hereford scored its only two runs in the fifth inning and the game was called in the sixth due to the 10-run rule.

Schumacher helped his own cause with a triple, two singles and three runs-batted-in. Jerren Miller had three doubles while August Larson knocked in three runs with a pair of hits.

Pampa is scheduled to play Randall at 4:30 Tuesday at Randall.

BASKETBALL

BORGER — The 1997 Lady Plainsmen Pride of the Panhandle Basketball Camp takes place in June at the Borger Community Activity Center and will feature a day camp, resident and commuter camp, as well as a position play camp. For more information, contact Randy Meyer at 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, extension 757.

The day camp for 3rd through 8th grade girls will be held Monday, June 23, through Thursday, June 26 from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost of the camp is \$59, which includes a T-shirt and basketball. A \$25 non-refundable deposit is required.

The resident and commuter camp for 6th through 12th grade girls will be held Sunday, June 15 through Thursday, June 19 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Registration for the camp is on Sunday, June 15, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The cost is \$195 for resident and \$125 for commuter. A \$75 non-refundable deposit is required, checkout will be at noon on Thursday, June 19.

The position play camp for 9th-12th grade girls will be held Thursday, June 19 through Saturday, June 21. Registration is Thursday, June 19 from 3-5 p.m. Checkout is noon on Saturday, June 21.

Lady Plainsmen Coach, Randy Meyer, will serve as camp director. Meyer has many years of experience with girls summer basketball camps, and was camp coordinator at Louisiana Tech.

Cowboys take tight end in first round of NFL draft

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Tight end David LaFleur had a personal stamp of approval from none other than Troy Aikman and was so coveted by the Dallas Cowboys that they moved up to get him in the first round of Saturday's NFL draft.

The Cowboys' offense staggered from lack of tight end productivity last year. Jay Novacek had a bad back and never played, Kendall Watkins got hurt in training camp and Eric Bjornson limped around on two bum ankles.

"We saw what happened last year and didn't want that to happen again," said owner Jerry Jones, who gave the green light for a trade with Philadelphia to move from the 25th to the 22nd pick. Dallas had traded out of the first round the past two years.

In addition to Dallas' 25th pick, the Eagles got a fifth-round pick and a third-round selection in 1998.

The 6-foot-7, 280-pound LaFleur, who led Louisiana State with 30 catches for 439 yards and three touchdowns and delivered crunching blocks for tailback

Kevin Faulk, said Aikman's appearance at Westlake, La., for a workout made him a little nervous.

"I was in awe that he came down," LaFleur said. "It was a weird feeling but the workout went just great. Troy has a great touch on the ball and his passes are easy to catch."

LaFleur said he had a hunch he was going to be a Cowboy "because they kept in constant contact for two weeks but I was never sure what would unfold. They must have really wanted me to move up like they did in the draft."

Aikman came back from the workout and told tight end coach Bob Ford: "That's who I would like on the team."

Aikman also threw to California tight end Tony Gonzalez, who went 13th, but coach Barry Switzer said "LaFleur was our No. 1-rated tight end."

Switzer said LaFleur, who made a key block on an 8-yard touchdown run by Faulk last season, "extends our running game. We haven't had our total offensive package in there at tight end. LaFleur should make Bjornson an even better player."

Player personnel director Larry

Lacewell said LaFleur is a rare type of player.

"You don't see too many 6-7, 280-pound guys who can run like he can," Lacewell said. "And he put on a great exhibition of catching the ball."

A catch that most impressed Aikman was a ball thrown low and behind LaFleur. He handled it without problems.

"That impressed Troy," Lacewell said. "It was a great way to check out a receiver under pressure having Troy throw to him. This guy acted like he had been catching the ball forever."

Ford said he likes the kind of receiver "where you have to get on a box to talk to him. He's a very large young man. And he can run a 4.7 in the 40."

Jones didn't say how the Cowboys would free up cap money to sign LaFleur, but it would become a lot easier if defensive end Charles Haley or Novacek retire.

Jones said the Cowboys must get immediate help from LaFleur.

"We can't have a player in the first round who doesn't come in and make an impact, and we think he will," Jones said.

The Cowboys hadn't taken a tight end with their first pick since Billy Joe DuPree in 1973.



(Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa's Lori Walling hits some iron shots in preparation for the regional tournament.

Pampa girls made shambles of district golf race this spring

PAMPA — From start to finish, the Pampa High girls golf team dominated the District 1-4A golf race this season. It's the most talented group PHS coach Frank McCullough has ever assembled.

"From top to bottom this is the best girls team I've seen since I've been here.

There may have been better individuals, but this one is the best overall," McCullough said.

The Pampa girls completed four district rounds with a total of 1,427. Hereford was a distant second, 88 strokes back.

"These girls were very consistent. They were shooting in the mid-80's to the low 90's almost every time out," McCullough said. "Five of them were in the top 10 in the medalist standings. That's a pretty good accomplishment."

Christina Gage, one of three seniors on the squad, was second behind Randall's Kacey Henderson in the medalist standings. Shelby Allison was No. 3 on the medalist list while Melissa Gindorf was fourth, Alison Piersall fifth and Patti Montoya ninth. Montoya and Lori Walling are the other senior team members.

The Lady Harvesters were entered in the regional tournament Monday and Tuesday in San Angelo.

We've seen everybody play in the spring matches and it looks like Snyder will be the overall favorite (at regionals)," McCullough said. "Nobody's beat them that I know of. It should be a tossup between Pampa, Fort Stockton and Andrews for second."

While the Lady Harvesters were making a shambles of the girls division, the Pampa boys slipped into second place to also qualify for the regional tournament.

Pampa was tied with Randall for second headed into the fourth and final round. The Harvesters beat Randall by six strokes to take sole possession of second. Borger won the district title by 15 strokes.

Pampa team members are Mike Smith, T.J. Davis, Barry Brauchi, Brian Brauchi, Nathan Banner, Grady Locknane and Jordan Fruge.

Smith ended up tied with Borger's Evan Hays for second in the medalist standings. A playoff to break the tie was canceled because of lightning.

Caprock's Jeremy Dockery was the district medalist by three strokes.

WT downs Abilene Christian, 10-3

CANYON — West Texas State defeated Abilene Christian, 10-3, in a college baseball game Friday.

Winning pitcher was Chris Carson who went the distance

to pick up his fifth win of the season against three losses.

Mike Olm and Tim Dubrule led the Buffs at the plate with three hits apiece.



(Pampa News photo by Matt Hutchison)

Pampa girls soccer coach Matt Gantz is pictured with all-district players (l-r) Jessie Maddox, Candace Cathey, Michelle Guerra and Marisol Resendiz.

Lady Harvesters honored at banquet

PAMPA — Four Pampa athletes have been named to the All-District 5 Girls Soccer Team for 1997.

The all-district players and other team members were honored with a banquet last week.

Honored as All-District 5 players were Michelle Guerra, Jessie Maddox, Marisol Resendiz and Candace Cathey. Guerra received the team's best defense award, Maddox the best offense award and Resendiz the best all-around award.

Other awards went to Jeanette Silva, most improved; Sheila Berry, junior varsity all-star; Annette Botello, outstanding athlete, and Christi McCullar, coach's award.

Head coach of the Pampa team is Matt Gantz.

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WALTHAM, Mass. (AP) — U.S. soccer star Eric Wynalda says he was misquoted: He doesn't hate Mexico. He just hates to lose to Mexico.

The two countries play an important World Cup qualifier in

SOCCER

Foxboro today, and a matchup that was once a cakewalk for Mexico is now shaping up as a genuine rivalry.

"At the moment you have a rivalry — this is not friendly," Mexico coach Bora Milutinovic said after the team's first practice at Brandeis University. "You want to win."

Milutinovic is responsible for some of the drama leading to this game at Foxboro Stadium. As U.S. coach for four years, the Yugoslav oversaw an improvement that culminated in a respectable U.S. showing in the 1994 World Cup. Before that, he coached Mexico and Costa Rica.

The United States and Mexico are bidding for spots in next year's World Cup in France. Three

nations will advance from the six-team group from North and Central America and the Caribbean.

"There's a lot of qualifying games left to play. But this is a home game and we have got to win our home games," U.S. defender Alexi Lalas said. "As you get farther along in the process, the margin of error decreases."

The game will be the fourth of 10 qualifiers for both the United States and Mexico.

Undeclared Mexico (2-0-1) leads the group with seven points. The Americans (1-1-1) follow with four points. Costa Rica, with a win and a tie, has four points. Canada, Jamaica and El Salvador all have a single point, though the latter two have played only one game.



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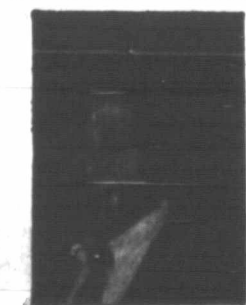
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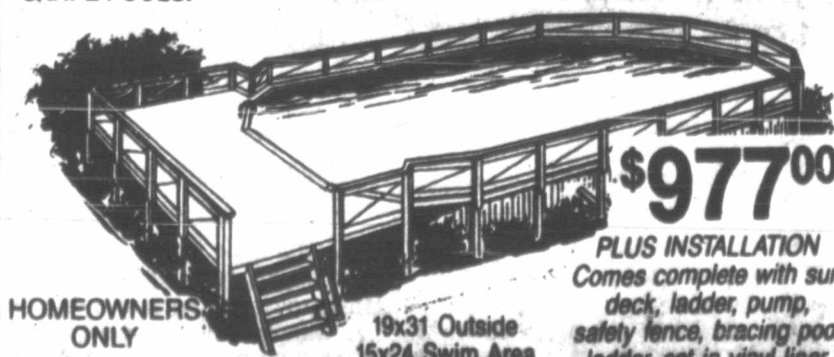
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East Division

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Baltimore	10	3	.769	—
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Toronto	7	6	.538	3
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Boston	8	7	.533	3
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Detroit	7	11	.389	5 1/2
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New York	6	10	.375	5 1/2
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Central Division

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Milwaukee	8	5	.615	—
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Minnesota	9	7	.563	1/2
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Kansas City	8	7	.538	1/2
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Cleveland	7	9	.438	2 1/2
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Chicago	4	11	.267	5
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West Division

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Seattle	10	6	.625	—
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Texas	7	8	.529	1 1/2
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Oakland	9	8	.529	1 1/2
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Anaheim	6	8	.429	3
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Friday's Games

Baltimore at Boston, p.p.d., rain

Oakland 9, Detroit 5

Milwaukee 10, Cleveland 2

N.Y. Yankees 10, Chicago White Sox 4

Toronto 8, Texas 5

Minnesota 10, Seattle 3

Only games scheduled

Saturday's Games

Late Games Not Included

Baltimore at Boston, p.p.d., rain

Oakland 7, Detroit 1

Cleveland 11, Milwaukee 6

N.Y. Yankees at Chicago White Sox (n)

Anaheim at Kansas City (n)

Toronto at Texas (n)

Minnesota at Seattle (n)

Sunday's Games

Baltimore (Key 2-0) at Boston (Gordon 1-1), 1:05 p.m.

Oakland (Kansas 0-1) at Detroit (Moehler 0-1), 1:35 p.m.

Milwaukee (Karl 0-3) at Cleveland (Hirshiser 0-0), 1:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Wells 1-0) at Chicago White Sox (Beldwin 0-2), 2:05 p.m.

Anaheim (Dickson 2-0) at Kansas City (Rusch 2-0), 2:05 p.m.

Toronto (Guzman 2-1) at Texas (Witt 2-0), 3:05 p.m.

Minnesota (Aldred 1-1) at Seattle (Wolcott 1-1), 4:35 p.m.

Monday's Games

Baltimore at Boston, 11:05 a.m.

N.Y. Yankees at Chicago White Sox, 8:05 p.m.

Detroit at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

Kansas City at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.

Toronto at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m.

Only games scheduled

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East Division

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Atlanta	12	3	.800	—
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Florida	10	5	.667	2
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Montreal	5	8	.385	6
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New York	5	10	.333	7
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Philadelphia	4	10	.286	7 1/2
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Central Division

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Houston	9	7	.563	—
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Pittsburgh	7	8	.467	1 1/2
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Cincinnati	6	11	.353	3 1/2
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St. Louis	4	10	.286	4
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Chicago	0	13	.000	7 1/2
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West Division

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San Francisco	11	3	.786	—
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Colorado	10	4	.714	1
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Los Angeles	10	4	.714	1
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San Diego	8	5	.615	2 1/2
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Friday's Games

Chicago Cubs at N.Y. Mets, p.p.d., rain

Philadelphia 6, Montreal 3

Cincinnati 6, Pittsburgh 1

Atlanta 14, Colorado 0

Los Angeles 5, Houston 3

San Francisco 5, Florida 4

Only games scheduled

Saturday's Games

Late Games Not Included

Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 5

N.Y. Mets 6, Chicago Cubs 3

Atlanta at Colorado

Florida at San Francisco

Montreal at Philadelphia (n)

Sunday's Games

Chicago Cubs (Foster 0-1 and Trachsel 0-2) at N.Y. Mets (Micki 0-0 and Jones 2-1), 2, 12:10 p.m.

Montreal (P.Martinez 1-0 and Jaden 1-0) at Philadelphia (Portugal 0-0 and Munoz 0-3), 2, 1:05 p.m.

Cincinnati (Mercker 1-1) at Pittsburgh (Lieber 0-0), 1:35 p.m.

Atlanta (Smoltz 2-2) at Colorado (Holmes 0-0), 3:05 p.m.

Houston (Holt 1-1) at Los Angeles (Valdes 1-2), 4:05 p.m.

Florida (A.Fernandez 2-1) at San Francisco (O.Fernandez 1-1), 4:05 p.m.

St. Louis (Raggio 1-0) vs. San Diego (Ashby 0-1), at Honolulu, 8:05 p.m.

Monday's Games

Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.

Chicago Cubs at N.Y. Mets, 1:40 p.m.

Only games scheduled

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East Division

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Y-Miami	60	21	.741	—
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X-New York	56	25	.691	4
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X-Orlando	45	36	.556	15
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Washington	43	30	.591	17
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New Jersey	25	58	.309	35
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Philadelphia	22	59	.272	38
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Boston	15	66	.185	45
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Central Division

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X-Chicago	55	12	.822	—
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X-Atlanta	55	25	.688	13
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X-Charlotte	54	27	.667	15
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X-Detroit	53	28	.654	16
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Cleveland	42	39	.519	27
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Indiana	39	42	.481	30
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Milwaukee	32	49	.396	37
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Toronto	29	52	.358	40
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Midwest Division

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X-Utah	62	18	.775	—
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X-Houston	56	25	.691	6 1/2
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X-Minnesota	40	41	.494	22 1/2
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Dallas	24	57	.298	38 1/2
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San Antonio	20	61	.247	42 1/2
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Denver	20	61	.247	42 1/2
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Pacific Division

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X-L.A. Lakers	56	25	.691	—
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X-Seattle	56	25	.691	—
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X-Portland	48	33	.593	8
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X-Phoenix	40	41	.494	16
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X-L.A. Clippers	36	45	.444	20
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Sacramento	33	47	.413	22 1/2
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Golden State	30	51	.370	26
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z-clinched conference title

y-clinched division title

x-clinched playoff berth

Friday's Games

New York 97, Indiana 89

Boston 119, Philadelphia 113

New Jersey 86, Miami 74

Toronto 108, Charlotte 100

Cleveland 82, Detroit 75

Minnesota 122, Milwaukee 112

Phoenix 108, San Antonio 95

Washington 104, Orlando 93

Houston 112, Dallas 102, OT

L.A. Lakers 123, L.A. Clippers 95

Saturday's Games

Toronto at Boston, 1 p.m.

Washington at Cleveland, 3:30 p.m.

Houston at San Antonio, 3:30 p.m.

L.A. Lakers at Portland, 3:30 p.m.

Detroit at Indiana, 3:30 p.m.

Atlanta at New Jersey, 6 p.m.

Charlotte at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.

Utah at Sacramento, 9 p.m.

End Regular Season

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At A Glance

Eastern Conference

	W	L	SOW	Pts	GF	GA
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Tampa Bay	3	0	0	9	8	2
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D.C.	3	0	1	7	7	3
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Columbus	2	1	1	4	3	4
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New England	1	2	0	3	2	7
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NY-NJ	1	3	0	3	5	5
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Western Conference

	W	L	SOW	Pts	GF	GA
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Kansas City	3	1	1	7	8	7
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San Jose	2	2	1	4	7	5
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Colorado	1	3	0	3	6	8
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Dallas	1	3	0	3	4	6
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Los Angeles	1	3	0	3	5	8
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NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for shootout win and zero points for loss.

Friday's Games

Kansas City 2, Dallas 1

Los Angeles 2, Colorado 1

Saturday's Games

Washington D.C. at New York-New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.

San Jose at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Colorado at Dallas, 3 p.m.

Tampa Bay at New England, 5:15 p.m.

HOCKEY

NHL Playoff Glance

All Times EDT

FIRST ROUND

(Best-of-7)

Wednesday, April 16

St. Louis 2, Detroit 0, St. Louis leads series 1-0

Dallas 5, Edmonton 3, Dallas leads series 1-0

Colorado 6, Chicago 0, Colorado leads series 1-0

Anaheim 4, Phoenix 2, Anaheim leads series 1-0

Thursday, April 17

New Jersey 5, Montreal 2, New Jersey leads series 1-0

Buffalo 3, Ottawa 1, Buffalo leads series 1-0

Philadelphia 5, Pittsburgh 1, Philadelphia leads series 1-0

Florida 3, New York 0, Florida leads series 1-0

Friday, April 18

Lifestyles

A ballet on two wheels



Wendel Winkleblack, trial marshal, below



Matt Moore, top photo, bursts over the rim of the canyon as trial judge Dawna Maudlin watches. Above, Raymond Peters bursts forth out of canyon during round two of the Diamondback Nationals. Geoff Aaron, left, battles uphill as does Jess Kempkes, below, during the Diamondback Nationals at Lake McClellan. Aaron won his third consecutive National Championship title last year.

Observed trials riding is definitely the ballet of motorcycle competition

Diamondback Trials, with 39 yearly points. He has held the #5 spot in the top ten U.S. Trials Riders for 1996. In his career he has a 1992

involved in the sport are among the most dedicated. Because trials is regarded as an amateur sport, even the "pros" compete for trophies, and those who pursue excellence do it simply for the sake of personal satisfaction.



In Europe, however, the sport is much more popular and the top riders from each country can often make a living with their riding skills. Though the World Championship Trials Series events do not pay the winners, riders make their living from outside sponsorship money. Fortune, for instance, is a huge Spanish tobacco firm that sponsors many of that country's top riders. In addition, team riders are paid salaries from the factories, as well as event and series championship bonuses. It is rumored that seven-time World Champion Jordi Tarres earned over one million dollars in 1995.

Because of the level of support the sport receives in Europe, the World Championship Series riders are on a completely different level than most of America's best. Nevertheless, Americans like Geoff Aaron and Jess Kempkes continue to push themselves to higher levels. Of the top U.S. riders, Aaron is the favorite for a top finish at the California World Round, and could very well become the first American to score a World Championship Series points in several years. This year, the AMA/NATC National Championship Series got underway on April 12 and 13th at Lake McClellan near Pampa. Seven more rounds complete the series. For the support classes, only the best five of nine will count towards the overall series standings, but eight of nine will count for Championship class riders.

Following the third round of the National Championship Series is the El Trial de Espana. Held on Sunday, April 20, in conjunction with Round 3 of the NATC National Trials Championship, the popular event raises funds for the United States Trials des Nations team.

The event is expected to attract the nation's top riders, as they will be present for the preceding day's National Trials. Aaron, riding his Beta, was the 1996 winner in this event. Spectacular spectator sections are sure to please.

For the second consecutive year, the World Championship Trials Series will visit the United States, doing so in Truckee, California on July 26th and 27th. The world's best trials riders will carry on with their championship battle while America's best will try their hand at the super difficult sections.

Photos by
David Bowser

It is said by the professionals that observed trials riding is definitely the ballet of motorcycle competition while air and speed sometimes play a part in trials, balance, throttle control and nerves of steel are the main ingredients necessary to be successful.

The American Motorcycle Association/National Association of Trials Competition (AMA/NATC) rounds 1 and 2 of the National Championship Trials Series/Diamondback Nationals, were held at Lake McClellan, west of Pampa. This is the third time the Panhandle Motorcycle Association has hosted the national event, the last time was in 1990, according to Doug Youree, a local association member. Seven more rounds are scheduled to complete the entire series, and the next trials are this weekend in Boulevard, Calif.

Tied for first place in the Pampa Diamondback Trials during the weekend of April 12 and 13, are Geoff Aaron and Raymond Peters, after the two-day rounds were averaged. Aaron came in fifth on Saturday, with a 16, but rated 30 points after Sunday's laps. Peters came in first after Saturday's laps were totaled, with a 30, but rated 16 points after finishing the laps on Sunday, resulting in a tie for the year-to-date points.

As the competitors headed for California, they left the Texas Panhandle with their standings in the Nationals championship race, for the first five champions, as follows:

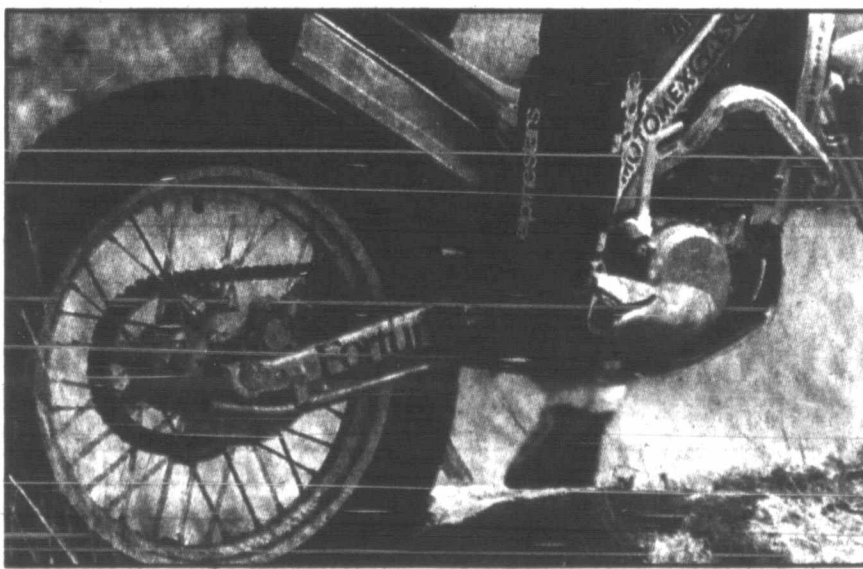
Geoff Aaron, 24, placed first with 46 yearly points to-date. Aaron, whose hometown is West Redding, Conn., is a three times National

champion, has won 24 nationals, and is rated #1 in the top ten U.S. Trials Riders for 1996. He is the 1991 and 1996 winner of the El Trial de Espana, and five time Trials des Nations team member. In the Pampa/Diamondback Trials he tied Raymond Peters for first place in the Champion Trials.

Aaron, is 6 ft. 4 in., rides a Beta, and a true competitor by making the best marks in each event under the best and worst of pressures. His goal this year is to be the first American to earn world competition points in several years.

Raymond Peters, age 23, tied Aaron for first place with 46 yearly points to-date. Peters' home is in Watkins Glen, New York. He has held a #3 in the top ten U.S. Trials Riders for 1996. In his career he earned the High School National Championship in 1990, five-time Trials des Nations team member, the 1995 and 1996 Ute Cup winner, and a six time winner in New York State Champion Trials. Peters takes his riding competition seriously, and consistently emerges nearer the top in each event.

Lonny Hallsted, age 21, of San Diego, Calif. earned third place in the Diamondback Trials, with 43 yearly points. He has held the #6 slot in the top ten U.S. Trials Riders in 1996. He is also credited with two-time Trials des Nations team member, and three time Oregon state champion. Hallsted has stayed in the championship phase since 1993. He has competed in Scotland, in the 1996 Scottish Six Day competition. Jess Kempkes, age 19, is from Lincoln, Neb. He earned fourth place in the



Champion Trials

Champion Trials
Geoff Aaron, tie, first place, 60 points
Raymond Peters, tie, first place, 60 points
Lonny Hallsted, third place, 43 points
Jess Kempkes, fourth place, 39 points
Mark Manniko, fifth place, 38 points

SR 30s
Ron Lee, 60 points
SR 35s
Bob Rowland, 55 points
SR 40s
Daniel D. Bales, 60 points
SR 45s

Gilbert Reed, 60 points
SR 50s
Dale Malasek, 60 points
SR 55s
Bill DeGaris, 60 points
SR 60s
Jack Heminway, 60 points
SR 65s
Hawley Slayton, 60 points

Expert
Derek Martinson, 60 points
High School
Brian Martinson, 48 points
Sr. Expert
Steve Clark, 55 points
Support
Scott D. May, 60 points



Crystal Lynn Riley and David Allen David

Riley-David

Crystal Lynn Riley and David Allen David, both of Pampa, were wed April 12, 1997, at Skellytown with Justice of the Peace Sharon Harper officiating.

The maid of honor was Crystal Smith of Pampa.

The best man was Milton David, father of the groom, of Pampa.

The bride is the daughter of Charles and Juanita Riley of Pampa. She attended Pampa High School and is currently employed by Little Caesars.

The groom is the son of Milton and Teresa David of Pampa. He attended Pampa High School and is currently employed by Milton David Roofing.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Amarillo and intend to make their home in Pampa.

Beard-Smith

Stephanie Renae Beard and James Adam Smith, both of Fort Worth, plan to wed April 26, 1997, in Pampa. The service will be held at the groom's parents residence.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Jean and Dale Beard of Pampa. She is currently employed at Parkway Animal Hospital in Grand Prairie, Texas.

The prospective groom is the son of James and Patti Smith of Pampa. He is currently employed at Witch Equipment in Arlington.

Amarillo Symphony to close its season with Youth Orchestra

AMARILLO - The Amarillo Symphony Orchestra will close its 1996-1997 season with a free performance at 8 p.m. Monday, April 28, in the Amarillo High School Auditorium.

This concert marks the 10th Anniversary of the Youth Orchestra. The concert will feature 70 players from middle schools and high schools around the Texas Panhandle.

The Youth Orchestra will perform Brahms' *Hungarian Dances No. 1, 3 and 10*, Gabriel Musella's *Concerto for Vibraphone and Orchestra*, Gounod's *Funeral March of a Marionette*, and *Suite from Sylvia* by Delibes. This performance will also feature the String and Vocal division winners of the Amarillo Symphony Guild's Young Performers' Competition in recital, soprano Heather Jewel and violinist Llana Setepen.

Composer Gabriel Musella is the Band Director for Randall High School. The soloist for his composition will be Michael Sheffield. Sheffield is the assistant band director at Randall and a member of the Amarillo Symphony's percussion section.

Amarillo Symphony Youth

Orchestra Director Dr. M.T. "Mo" Trout is an assistant professor of music at Amarillo College. Dr. Trout teaches trumpet, music theory, music literature and is the director of the Jazz Ensemble at Amarillo College. He performs on trumpet with the Amarillo Symphony, the Randel Chamber Orchestra, the Amarillo Opera and the Amarillo Little Theater.

Also scheduled for this evening is the announcement of this year's winners of the Youth Orchestra's three annual scholarships. The A. Clyde Roller Scholarship is a \$500 scholarship awarded to a Youth Orchestra student to assist with the cost of attending a full time summer music camp.

The Suzanne Grooms Scholarship is a \$500 scholarship awarded to a graduating senior from the Youth Orchestra entering college continuing his/her music studies. The Helen Gerald Scholarship is a \$250 scholarship is also awarded to a graduating senior who plans to continue their music education.

Youth Orchestra performances are sponsored this season by Maxor Pharmacies, the Lawrence R. Hagy Fund and the Amarillo Symphony Guild.

Art helps victims of violent crimes

By LOANA M. GONZALES
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO - Sunshine, clouds, grass and a tree - pretty typical components of a child's picture.

But this is no typical drawing. The sun is frowning and there's a big tear drop on its usually bright face.

And the words, "It was never pretty," give a glimpse into the life of the young artist who drew this T-shirt masterpiece. The life of a child who was a victim of a crime.

This sort of artistic outlet is a healing exercise for children and adults who have survived violent crimes, making coloring and working with clay more than child's play.

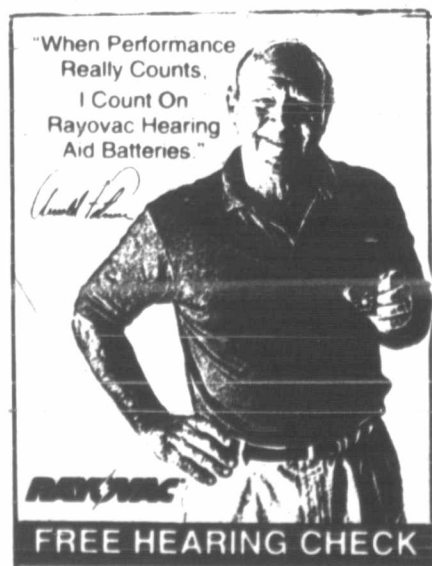
For victims of violent crimes, art therapy is helpful in two particular ways: it gives the victim an outlet for feelings that might be hard to express verbally and it helps counselors get a feel for where the victim is in the healing process.

Bethie Timmons, director of client services with the Advocacy Center for Crime Victims and Children, says art therapy is a tool her agency uses when working with victims of all ages.

"We use art therapy a great deal especially with the children we work with, because a lot of times they have difficulty using words to describe their feelings," she

said. "They find it's a lot easier to use clay and drawings."

In March, the Advocacy Center participated in the Clothesline Project, a nationwide event where survivors of violence decorate T-shirts that bear witness to their experiences.



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Sherry Horton and Gary Bolch

Horton-Bolch

Sherry Horton and Gary Bolch, both of Pampa, were wed April 10, 1997, in Central Baptist Church of Pampa with Rick Parnell, pastor, officiating.

The maid of honor was Junia Horton, daughter of the bride, of Pampa. The bridesmaids were Cynthia Vargas and Beverly Cooper, both of Pampa. The flower girls were Kaitlynn Ramirez of Pampa and Tamara Horton of Skellytown.

Standing in as best man was David Bolch and Matt Bolch, both sons of the groom, both of Pampa. The groomsman was Bill Bennett of Pampa. The ring bearer was Mack Horton of Skellytown.

The ushers were Pete Vargas and Dustin Chase, both of Pampa, and Mike Horton Jr. of Skellytown.

The candlelighters were Jessica Horton, Deanna Vargas and Kendra Ray, all of Pampa.

Registering guests was Carla Cogdell of Pampa.

Music was provided by Amy Pargell, wife of the pastor, of Pampa.

A reception was held following the service in the church. Serving the guests were Betty Kitchens, Patty Boyd and Katy Roe, all of Pampa.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Horton of Pampa.

The groom is the son of Travis and Norma Bolch of Pampa.

The couple own-operate Bolch Painting and Sandblasting.

They planned a honeymoon trip to Carlsbad, N.M., and intend to make their home in Pampa.

Wildflower hotline open through May

AUSTIN - Mom's coming to town, right? And she wants to see those famous Texas bluebonnets. Search no more, simply call the National Wildflower Research Center's Texas Wildflower Hotline sponsored by 590 KLBJ RADIO, at (512) 832-4059, ext. 4.

The Wildflower Hotline is a 24-hour service that details the locations of the most spectacular roadside displays of wildflowers throughout Texas. The Hotline

runs though May 31 and is updated every Friday by Wildflower Center botanists.

Wildflowers are blooming all over Central Texas, but the best place to see wildflowers is still the Wildflower Center. Named one of "America's Best Public Gardens" by *Garden Design* magazine, the Center is open from 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday. During the month of April, the Center also is open on Mondays.

Lifestyles policies

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing weddings, engagements, or anniversaries. We reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.

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

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

4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at

least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

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

6. Anniversary announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more, and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date.

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

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Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Bowermon

Bowermon anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Bowermon celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary April 5, 1997.

Tommy Bowermon and Evaughn Kyle were married April 5, 1947, at Pampa.

Mr. Bowermon was a pipefitter for 40 years, retiring in 1985. He has been a Pampa resident for 64 years and is a veteran of World War II.

Mrs. Bowermon was born at Pampa and worked for Cabot for ten years, retiring in 1985.

Children of the couple are Larry and Lynn Bowermon of Austin and Lee and James Irwin of Trophy Club, Texas. They have four grandchildren, Jeff Bowermon, Jill Bowermon, Amy Irwin and Bryan Irwin.

TPMHA sponsoring family workshop for professionals

AMARILLO - Daren Martin, Ph.D., from Rowlett, will be presenting a Family Systems Workshop for professionals on Friday, April 25, and for parents on Saturday, April 26, at the Central Church of Christ, 1401 Monroe, Amarillo. The Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority is sponsoring the workshops.

The Professional Workshop on Friday will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Dr. Martin will talk to therapist about the role families play in healing and hurting, and how the therapist can learn to think and intervene systemically.

Therapists will be provided a framework for working with couples and children. The cost of this one-day workshop is \$45 if registered by April 15, \$65 by April 24 and \$70 for on-site registration. A \$25 fee will be charged for all cancellations made following the April 15 deadline.

Seminar participants will receive a Continuing Education Unit (CEU) certificate from Amarillo College which they may submit to the appropriate licensure board for continuing education credit.

The fee for the Saturday workshop is \$5 and the hours are 8:30 a.m. to noon. Pre-registration is required. CEUs will be available for this workshop also.

Dr. Martin is president and founder of Christian Counseling Associates with 16 offices in the Dallas/Fort Worth/East Texas area. He has a bachelor of arts in psychology from Louisiana College; a master of arts in marriage and family counseling and a doctorate in psychology and counseling from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is licensed as a professional counselor and a marriage and family

therapist in the state of Texas.

Dr. Martin hosts a radio talk show five days a week. He is a three-time presenter at the Texas Association of Marriage and Family Therapy state conference. He is a clinical member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy and an adjunct professor at Dallas Theological Seminary and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He serves on the Board of New Beginnings Counseling Center for Battered Women in Garland. Originally from Louisiana, Dr. Martin spent most of his youth in Bangkok, Thailand. He has served on church staffs in Louisiana, Mineral Wells and Garland.

Mail checks to TPMHA Child & Adolescent Services, 7201 I-40 West, Suite 330, Amarillo Texas 79106. Call 806-354-2191 for additional information.

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Do you really need to buy the item now with credit?

Is it necessary for you to function at home, in your job or in social affairs?

Is it worth the extra credit cost to have it now?

Is it worth the risk of losing the money you have put into it if you don't meet the payments?

Will the purchase help achieve a family or a personal goal?

Is the interest cost reasonable?

Will you still be using the purchase when payments are ended?

Will the purchase meet with family approval?

Are you buying from a fair

Homemakers' News Donna Brauchi



and honest person or firm?

Can you buy it without committing income you may not have (such as expected overtime)?

Do you make payments on time?

Can you make credit payments without skimping on necessities and dipping into savings?

Do you have an emergency fund to take care of

unforeseen expenses?

Is your credit good enough so that you can borrow in case of illness or emergency?

Are your job and health prospects good?

Are you always honest with your spouse or yourself, if single, about your expenses?

Do you avoid borrowing to pay off other credit cards or debts?

Are you always current in

rent and utility payments?

Are your assets greater than your debts?

Now add up your "yes" answers with one point given for each "yes" answer. If your score is nine or lower, STOP and wait to make a decision. Any "no" answer could cause you trouble, but the more "no" answers, the more questionable it is that you would be safe using more credit.

If your score is between ten and 15, proceed with caution. If your score is over 16, you seem in control of your credit use, and would likely make a wise choice in this credit decision, too.

For more information on credit management, contact the Consumer Credit Counseling Service or the Gray County Office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

4-H Futures & Features

- Dates**
- 21 - Prime Swine 4-H Club Meeting, 7 p.m., Annex; Shooting Sports
 - 22 - Shooting Sports; Dog Project, 7 p.m., Bull Barn
 - 23 - Senior 4-H Consumer Practice, 5 p.m., Annex
 - 24 - 4-H Council, 6 p.m., Annex; WOW trip meeting, 7:20 p.m., Annex; 4-H Leaders Council meeting, 8 p.m., Annex; Dog, Project 7 p.m., Bull Barn
 - 26 - District 4-H Fashion Show, Borger

Meeting Bonanza

Four important meetings will be conducted Thursday, April 24, at the Gray County Annex.

— 4-H Council meeting: The 4-H Council meeting will start at 6 p.m. At this meeting, we will discuss plans for officer elections and the Geranium Fundraiser in particular. We need your input.

— PIZZA meeting: 4-H Council members and WOW meeting participants are encouraged to bring \$3 and have pizza, beverages and dessert!

— WOW meeting: All 4-H members currently in 7th grade or older who are interested in attending the "The Wonders of Washington Trip"

during the summer of 1998 should attend this meeting starting at 7:20 p.m. **BRING YOUR PARENTS!!!** Definite plans will be made for a trip to Washington, D.C., at this meeting!

— Adult Leader Council meeting: The quarterly meeting of the Gray County Adult Leader Council will be conducted at 8 p.m. Agenda items include a report from Awards Committee and Donor Recognition Committee; Geranium Fundraiser plans; Recordbook training plans; and Gold Star selection.

4-H Adult Leader Association
The Panhandle District 4-H Adult Leaders' Association will meet at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 26, at Borger High School, Room 106. The meeting is open to all 4-H leaders.

SpecTra '97
SpecTra '97 will be conducted July 27-Aug. 1, at the Texas 4-H Center for 4-H members ages 14-18. SpecTra '97 offers 4-H members a unique educational experience. There are ten project areas from which to choose. Each brings 5 hours of training per day (total of 20 hours). 4-Hers will participate in only one project area.

Project areas to choose from

include: Agriculture and natural resources; aquatics (canoeing, sailboats, and recreation exercise); creative leadership; cruising with information technology; entomology; field and stream; horticulture/floriculture; journalism; media production; public speaking.

Cost is \$180 per person. A registration form and \$40 deposit is due in the Texas 4-H Center on or before May 1. Applications will be accepted on a first drawn first accepted basis.

Prime Time '97
4-H members ages 9-13 can have a great time at the Texas 4-H Center this summer! Activities include swimming, canoeing, riflery, archery, new games and initiatives, crafts, cultural education, recreation and parties.

College-age counselors and program assistants will be conducting the educational sessions. Staff leaders and County Extension Agents will be there to supervise 4-Hers at all times.

The total cost for the three day event is \$98 which includes all meals, lodging, refreshments and limited accident-insurance coverage.

The dates are:

- July 20-23 (ages 9-11)
- July 23-26 (ages 12-13)

There are also openings for adults!

A registration form and \$30 deposit are due in at the Texas 4-H Center office on or before May 1. Let us know if you are interested!

4-H Photography Contest
Four Gray County 4-H members submitted photo entries to the State 4-H Photography contest. They included: Emily Elliott, Ryan Chambers, Drake Jackson and Cory Jackson. Project leaders Brad Elliott and Lendi Jackson assisted the members in preparation for the contest.

4-H Fashion Show
Seven Gray County 4-H members will compete in the District 4-H Fashion Show April 26 in Borger. They include: Brianna Roberts of Pampa, Junior Casual; Jennifer Myers of McLean, Junior Dressy; Julie Davenport of Lefors, Junior Buying; Andrea Shank of McLean, Intermediate Casual; Sarah Schwab of Pampa, Intermediate Dressy; Sarah Myers of McLean, Senior Dressy Construction; and Angie Davenport of Lefors, Senior Casual Buying.

Menus

April 21-26

Pampa Schools
MONDAY
Breakfast: Cherry muffins, squares, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Ribeye on a bun, barbecue sauce, baked beans, diced pears, choice of milk.

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Breakfast taco, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, carrots, mixed fruit, hot roll, choice of milk.

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Toast, jelly, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Sub sandwich, lettuce and tomatoes, potato chips, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

THURSDAY
Breakfast: French toast, sticks, syrup, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Tacos, tossed salad, mixed fruit, cornbread, choice of milk.

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Burgers, French fries, burger salad, pickle slices, cookies, choice of milk.

Meals on Wheels
MONDAY
Polish sausage, cheese grits, spinach, cake.

TUESDAY
Beef stroganoff, broccoli, carrots, pears.

WEDNESDAY
Turkey pot pie, pickled beets, corn, jello.

THURSDAY
Roast, okra & tomatoes, northern beans, pudding.

FRIDAY
Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, bread sticks, fruit cocktail.
Southside Senior Citizens
SATURDAY
Stew and cornbread, apple sauce.

Senior Citizens
MONDAY
Chicken fried steak or chicken and peppers, mashed potatoes, spinach, squash, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, apple pie dessert cake or bread pudding, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY
Baked fish or chicken and ham tetrazzani, rice pilaf, California mix, beets, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, dump cake or chocolate pie, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY
Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, carrots, turnips, butter beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, German chocolate upside down cake or lemon ice box pie, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY
Chicken and dumplings or meatloaf, squash casserole, brussel sprouts, cauliflower, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, yellow cake or buttermilk pie, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY
Fried cod fish or beef tips and noodles, potato wedges, English peas, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, cheese cake or tapioca, hot rolls, cornbread or garlic bread sticks.

Makeup artist offers sound advice

NEW YORK (AP)—Women of the world, celebrated makeup artist Bobbi Brown has a message for you: you're lovely just the way you are.

"Most women have a terrible image of the way they look," says Brown. "They complain about the negative things instead of talking about their positive things. True beauty is someone who has confidence."

And Brown's biggest mission? It's to make women forget about mimicking the looks of others and instead, focus on themselves.

"Actresses, models — all of them have beautiful faces but they're just women. They have the same flaws — dry skin, blemishes, dark circles, aging — just like anyone," she says. The nonchalant advocate of self-appreciation should know.

She works enviably up close to celebrities like Julia Roberts, Demi Moore, Brooke Shields and Kate Moss.

And by brushing, stroking and dabbing her makeup line, Bobbi Brown Essentials, onto the faces of Cindy Crawford, Claudia Schiffer and Faye Dunaway, the self-described "low-maintenance"

nance" Brown is almost as noticed as her clients.

She offers her basic techniques to help women look their best in *Bobbi Brown Beauty: The Ultimate Beauty Resource*, by Brown and Annemarie Iversen (HarperCollins Publishers). The tips include how to make lipstick last, how to do makeup fast and how to handle bad beauty days.

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Club news

Altrusa
Altrusa International, Inc., of Pampa met April 14 in the Crown and Shield Room of the Biarritz Club. President Dorla McAndrew called the meeting to order with the Altrusa Grace and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The accent was given by Karen Bridges who used ten words to describe the philosophy of an Altrusan.

Jeanne Mitchell, Brenda Tucker and Becky Holmes were elected as delegates to the International Convention to be held in July at Albuquerque, N.M. Kerrick Horton, Judy Rutledge and Mayda King were elected alternate delegates.

Louise Bailey asked for volunteers to assist with the Tralee Crisis Center's Resale Shop.

Pat Johnson reported the Awards Committee would be choosing a recipient for the Geraldine Rampey Award in the next few weeks and encouraged members to submit applications.

Members were reminded of the following:

—Borger Bi-City meeting, April 21

—Baker Star Reader Pizza Party, 2:30 p.m., Thursday, April 24.

The meeting was adjourned with the Altrusa Benediction. The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. April 24 in the Starlight Room of Coronado Inn.

Beta Delta Chapter of DKG

Beta Delta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma celebrated its 63rd birthday April 12, 1997, and conducted its regular meeting in First Assembly of God Church. Janetta Lamb of Groom and Retta Sue Durham and Lillian Mullinax, both of Pampa, served as hostesses.

The group made comparisons between early days of the society and present times.

Four Pampa members were recognized for serving over 50 years: Esther Ruth Gibson, 63; Mary Dean Dozier, 55; Essie Mae Walters, 53; and Mullinax, 52.

Thirteen members attended the state convention; five, the international.

As the meditation, Carol

Hannah, of Pampa, read several poems related to Earth Day.

A religious book was donated to Lovett Memorial Library in memory of Lurline Bowman, who died recently.

The next meeting will be a luncheon May 3 at the Pampa Country Club, at which time the student scholarship recipient will be announced. Serving on that committee are Kathy Flume, Cheryl Lewis and Karen Bonnell, all of Pampa.

Donations for the Shamrock nursing home will be brought to the May meeting.

New members Joyce Hutsell, and Marcia Davis, both of Groom, will be initiated at the September meeting.

Preceptor Theta Iota
Preceptor Theta Iota met recently

in the home of Pat Kindle with President Carol Carpenter presiding.

Members will celebrate Founder's Day at 6:30 p.m. April 29, at Chaney's Cafe.

Officers for the 1997-98 year were elected as follows: Jan Oblak, president; Kindle, vice president; Ann Franklin, treasurer; Janice Hubbard, recording secretary; Carolyn Smith, corresponding secretary; Nancy Brodgin, city council representative.

A come-as-you-are April Fool's social was held at the home of Faye Cross.

Kindle presented the program "I and They."

The next meeting will be April 28 in the home of Barb Benyshek. Installation of officers will be the program.

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Willing Organ Donor Also Needs Family's Consent

DEAR ABBY: April 20-26 is Organ Donor Week. Because there is a shortage of donors, more than 49,000 Americans are waiting for lifesaving organ transplants.

For those who have decided to be donors: First and foremost, inform your family! Even if you have signed an organ donor card (many states use the back of the driver's license), your family must consent to the donation before it can occur.

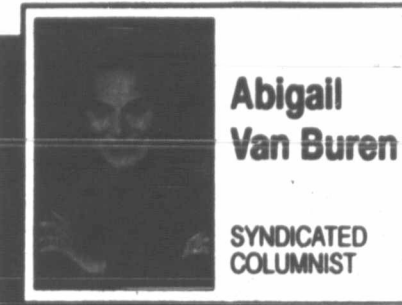
Abby, in the past you have printed a beautiful composition regarding organ donation. Printing it again could help in promoting donor awareness. Please do it for all of those who are waiting for the gift of life.

As a heart recipient, and on behalf of all other organ recipients, I want to express my gratitude to the families who, in the midst of their grief, generously donated the organs of their loved ones. Thank you and may God bless you.

JACK ADAMS, HOOVER, ALA.

DEAR MR. ADAMS: Thank you for a powerful letter, and for the reminder that National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week is a time of tribute to the thousands of compassionate and generous donor families who have consented to the gift of life, so that others might live.

Organs are matched with people on a national waiting list according to blood and tissue type and medical need, among other factors. The system of or-



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

gan allocation is fair and highly ethical. Contrary to what some believe, most religions consider organs the ultimate charitable gift.

It is vital that individuals who wish to become organ donors discuss their decision with their families, since family consent is required. The essay "To Remember Me," written by the late Robert Test, first appeared in my column in 1977. Copies suitable for framing may be obtained from The Living Bank, P.O. Box 6725, Houston, Texas 77005. The Living Bank also provides informational literature and organ donor cards. Information and donor cards can also be obtained from the National Kidney Foundation, 30 E. 33rd St., New York, N.Y. 10016, or contact your local organ procurement organization.

TO REMEMBER ME

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You will be in your element today in social situations. Your charismatic personality will attract people to you like moths to the flame.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Act in accordance with your beliefs today, even if they are a bit unusual. They can still produce the favorable results you desire.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Someone with whom you are presently involved is inclined to think on a larger scale than you. Think similarly, and you'll be successful!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) An endeavor that presently generates additional income for you has much more potential than you've utilized. Study it more closely.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do not be reluctant to request business favors today from persons with whom you pal around socially; be certain to reciprocate later.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Situations

The day will come when my body will lie upon a white sheet neatly tucked under four corners of a mattress, located in a hospital busily occupied with the living and dying. At a certain moment, a doctor will determine that my brain has ceased to function and that, for all intents and purposes, my life has stopped.

When that happens, do not attempt to instill artificial life into my body by the use of a machine. And don't call this my deathbed. Let it be called the Bed of Life, and let my body be taken from it to help others lead fuller lives.

Give my sight to the man who has never seen a sunrise, a baby's face or love in the eyes of a woman.

Give my heart to a person whose own heart has caused nothing but endless days of pain.

Give my blood to the teen-ager who was pulled from the wreckage of his car, so that he might live to see his grandchildren play.

Give my kidneys to one who depends on a machine to exist from week to week.

Take my bones, every muscle, every fiber and nerve in my body and find a way to make a crippled child walk.

Explore every corner of my brain. Take my cells, if necessary, and let them grow so that someday a speechless boy will shout at the crack of a bat, and a deaf girl will hear the sound of rain against her window.

will work to your benefit today if you don't alter your course. Keep out of matters that are running smoothly.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) This is an exceptionally favorable day to work on new endeavors. They can be especially rewarding if they contain novel elements.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Lady Luck may be inclined to favor you today where the stakes are rather impressive. Do everything you can personally do to help her.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Situations you create, develop or manage should work out rather well today. Do not be fearful of taking a chance on your capabilities.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Advantages can be derived today from a successful venture initiated by another. Find a place for you to fit in the operation.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You can be extremely effective in committee arrangements today if you let others think the ideas and suggestions you originate are theirs.

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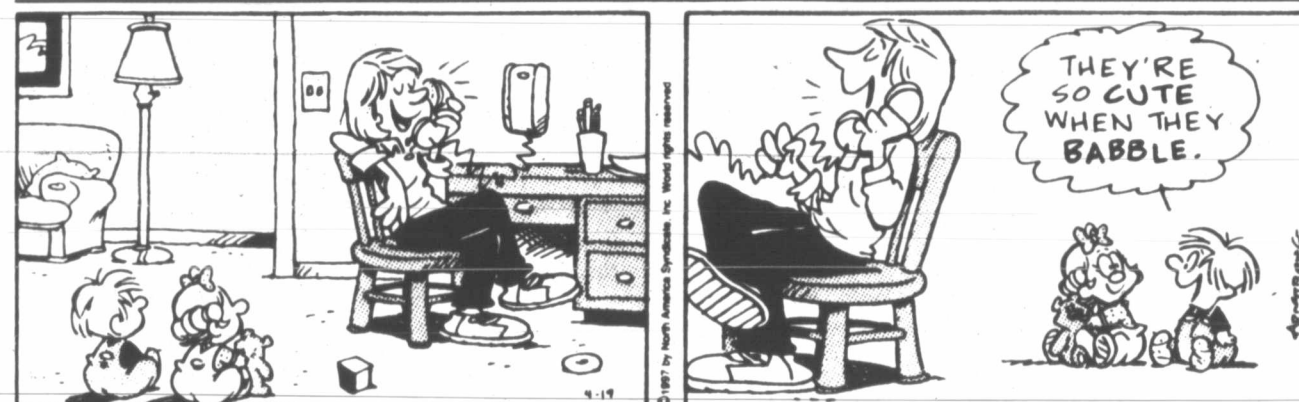
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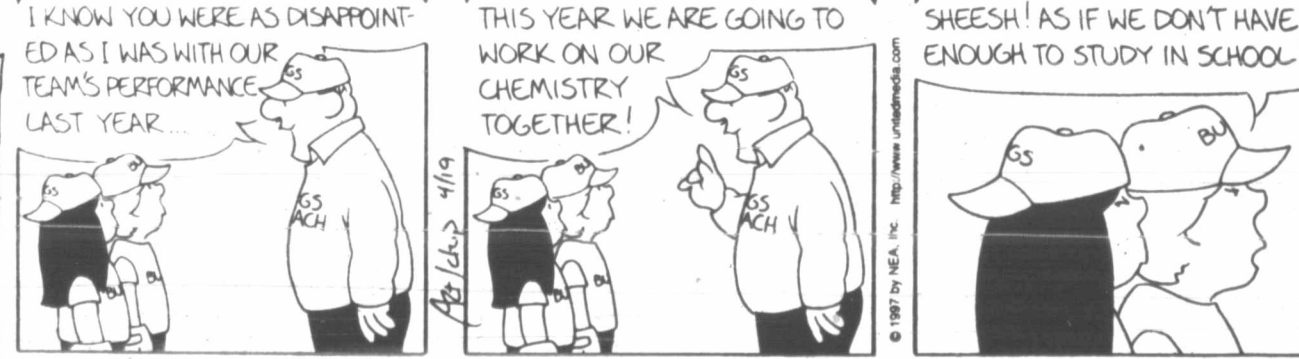
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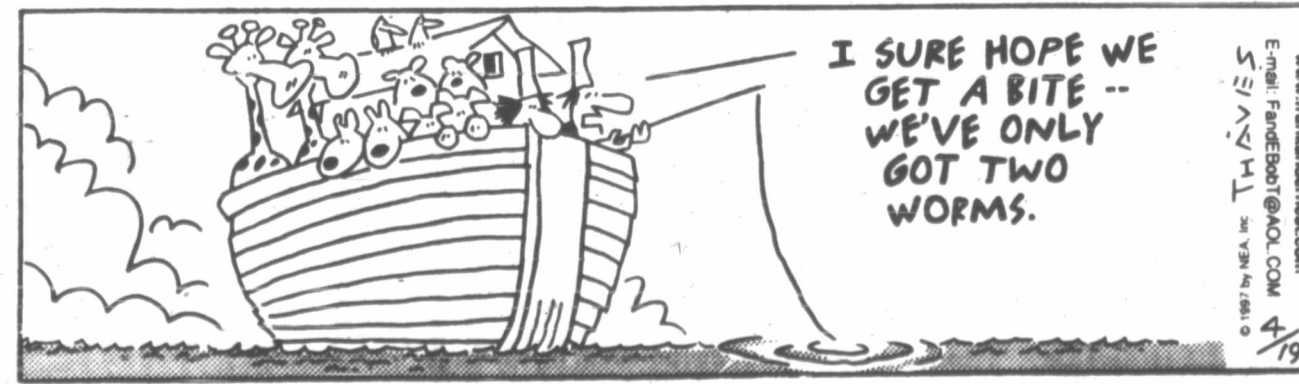
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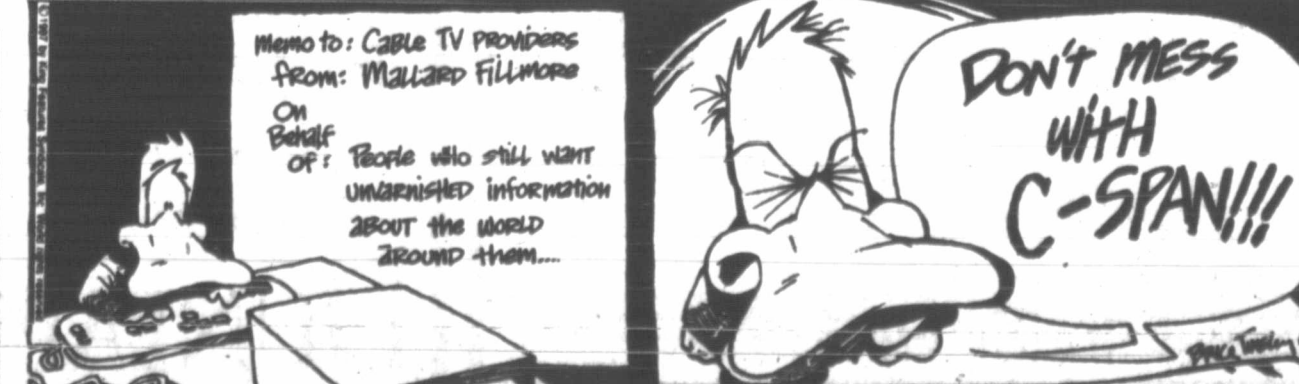
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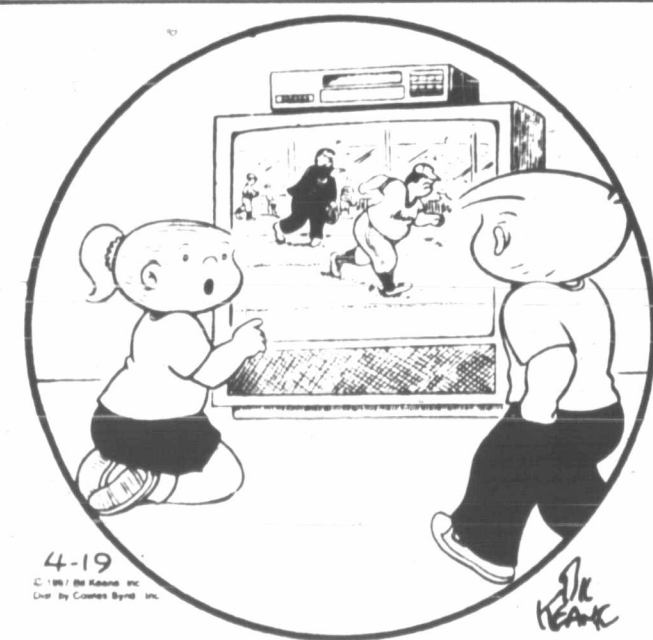


Your Birthday

Monday, April 21, 1997

A number of surprises could be in the offing for you in the year ahead. Fortunately, most of them should be welcome distractions that could help you advance your station in life.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) There are several opportunities surrounding you at this time where your career is concerned. Make certain that you are taking advantage of each and every one. Major changes are ahead for Taurus in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O.



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ENTERTAINMENT

Move to L.A. area leads to acting chances

After spending the past 10 years in Nashville furthering her entertainment skills and career, former Pampan Vicki Ogden-Tyler recently relocated to California.

Since her move to Santa Monica about eight weeks ago, she now finds herself expanding her career into acting fields.

Tyler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoi Ogden of Pampa, had been busy as a singer and musician with various artists during her years in Nashville, performing at the Grand Ole Opry and touring with Burt Bacharach and Dionne Warwick for concert appearances throughout the world.

She has been recording with various singers, helping to produce records and writing songs, along with being involved in the music publishing field.

Last summer she produced three songs at The Barn Studio for another Pampa artist trying to become a professional entertainer, Dusty Reed. The Barn is helmed by Owen Bradley, who among others has produced such singers over the years as Patsy Cline, Brenda Lee, Loretta Lynn and k d laing.

"Dusty is very good, she has a lot of potential," Tyler noted, adding that Reed is easy to work with and is a very quick study.

During her career, Tyler has been to the Los Angeles area a number of times since 1990 for recordings, traveling back and forth from Nashville.

While on her trips to L.A., she worked with another former Pampa resident, Lynn Hart, who has encouraged her in her career and helped her to move into another area — acting.

Tyler says her career was



Vicki Ogden-Tyler

going successfully in Nashville, but she decided to move to California.

"L.A. is much different than Nashville, in that they're much more fast-paced," she said.

But Los Angeles also "offers so much more" in several areas of entertainment.

"It turned out to be a worthwhile move," she said, adding that she took a risk and decided, "I'm going for it."

Through contacts she developed in California, Tyler now finds herself pursuing opportunities in acting.

"The music is still first," she said. "I just kind of stumbled into acting" through her involvement in other projects relating to her work in the singing fields.

Hart taught her how to go in and do a reading for acting opportunities.

Following up on a lead through work with a music law

Talent shows important

Vicki Ogden-Tyler still remembers winning during a talent show held by a local organization while she was in middle school in Pampa.

Such shows can be important in providing a venue for people to demonstrate their talents and to learn to perform before an audience, she said.

"There's a lot of talent in Pampa ... that a lot of people don't know about," she said, adding that she would like to see talent shows become part of the Pampa scene again.

A local talent show, of course, would spotlight local talent. A bigger show, such as the one held during the 1980s at the M.K. Brown Auditorium, also attracts other talent to the city, along with bringing money into the town.

Talent shows also can provide an unexpected break for someone wanting to get into the entertainment field.

"You never, ever know who

is going to be in the audience" who might be looking for new talent or recognize the talent and skills that a performer may have," Tyler said, adding that this can happen even in Pampa.

Even if that person is not a talent agent or a professional entertainer looking for some backup help, someone in the audience may know others in the field seeking new talent.

Reviving talent shows in Pampa will require some effort, she admitted.

"It's going to take community involvement," she said, including interested people, proper funding and hard work.

"It's worth it, though, it's really worth it," Tyler said, adding that she would be interested in helping to get a talent show going again in Pampa.

Anyone interested in bringing talent shows back to Pampa are invited to call her at 665-2849.

firm, Tyler found herself with a chance to do a reading for Dream Works, the studio formed by Stephen Spielberg, David Geffen and Jerry Katzenbach for television and movie projects, as well as music aspects.

"It turned out my first reading was for Spielberg himself," Tyler said.

She received a callback from Spielberg and is now awaiting word on whether a movie project will move forward.

The movie, which will not be a Spielberg film, is currently in

the stage of obtaining financing. If it gets the go-ahead, the movie will be filmed in the Lake Tahoe area.

Tyler notes that as with all Hollywood movie projects, she can't get too excited until "the contracts are signed and the ink dries."

In the meantime, she also has been reading for commercials with the likes of Hershey's, Paul Mitchell and Tide. And she continues with her musical career.

For now, though, she plans to spend a few months in Pampa to be with her parents.

Clarendon College to hold 'Tumbleweed Tales' festival

CLARENDON — "Tumbleweed Tales," the Clarendon College Fine Arts Division's second annual storytelling festival, will be an evening of tall tales and "windy" stories.

The fun will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 26, in the Bairfield Activity Center. Admission is \$2 per person, with all proceeds going to Fine Arts scholarships at Clarendon College.

Headlining the evening performance will be professional storyteller, Tom McDermott. A native Texan of Irish descent, McDermott blends rich musical instrumentation with original lyrics, humor and folklore to create a unique experience in storytelling.

A former United Methodist minister, this Pied Piper now tours nationally as a storyteller, performing in schools, hospitals and medical camps. McDermott is a teacher of storytelling at the University of Texas-Arlington and the Fort Worth Theatre School. This lively teller, who often accompanies himself on guitar, ukelele, drum or hurdy-

gurdy, evokes in performance strong images that are at once infectious and healing, according to festival organizers.

CC students will also perform during "Tumbleweed Tales." Students sharing stories includes Roy Dale Cooper, Ashtola; Brandie Minyard, Pampa; Mandy McCollum, Tulia; Ryan Ross, El Paso; Christina Schwerter, Clarendon; and Lana Wooley of Clarendon. CC librarian Jo Shaller and Ken Wilson, CC professor, will entertain the audience with their storytelling abilities as well.

"Tumbleweed Tales" promises to be a night of good, clean family entertainment, organizers said.

Storytelling is an ancient art form which has slowly been replaced by television, computers and modern technology. Area residents are invited to help preserve this ancient art form by attending the second annual Clarendon College Storytelling Festival.

Tickets may be purchased at the door, or by calling Charla Crump at (806) 874-3571.

ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ

Week of 4-21-97

WORLDSCOPE: 1-a digital; 2-James Earl Ray; 3-World War II; 4-immigration; 5-Colorado.
NEWSNAME: Jean Chretien
MATCHWORDS: 1-c; 2-b; 3-e; 4-a; 5-d
PEOPLE & SPORTS: 1-Laura Nyro; 2-b; 3-Diana Rigg; 4-Beanie Babies; 5-Atlanta Braves.

Keyboard artist to entertain at Knife and Fork

Keyboard artist and entertainer Renee Hamaty, long noted for her popular following on the West Coast, will be the featured artist for the Top O' Texas Knife and Fork Club at 7 p.m. Monday, April 21.

"The Keyboard Artistry of Renee Hamaty" will be presented at the Pampa Country Club, according to Julia Dawkins, president.

Miss Hamaty has been entertaining audiences since the age of five on radio, television and the concert stage. Through her formal education and her worldwide appearances as a piano soloist and entertainer, she has developed an enormous repertoire which includes classical and popular selections of every era.

Audiences delight in requesting their personal favorites and having Hamaty perform them with her arrangements and sparkling personality at the piano.

Her informality, audience rapport and craftsmanship combine to make this one of the most unique programs ever offered at the dinner club, Hawkins said.

Membership renewals for the 1997-1998 are also under way at \$25 for single and \$40 for couples, as well as the Benefactor Program: Sterling Membership, \$120; Patron Membership, \$80; and Sustaining Membership, \$60.

For more information, contact Helen Keeton-Danner, club secretary.



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AGRICULTURE

The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

WHEAT - (BULL)

Outlook: The weight of the evidence is beginning to mount in the bull camp. For weeks now we've been discussing the potential for acreage reductions and planting delays in the spring wheat belt (the Dakotas and Minnesota).

The USDA reported planting intentions would be down 11 percent from a year ago, but it looks like they could be down more. The recent blizzard, flooding, and overall saturated conditions are making it very tough for the farmers there. At press time, the situation appears to be getting worse, not better (as it should in mid-April).

Meanwhile, the most bearish potential factor, the good winter wheat crop, is starting to look more bullish as well. Recent freezing temps in Kansas and elsewhere might possibly have selectively hurt the young crop. In any case, it didn't help any. Even the previously lackluster exports appear to be perking up. We've moved into the bull camp.

Strategy: *Hedgers:* Winter wheat farmers have been advised to hedge up to 50 percent in the July KC at an average price of about 380. Do not expand hedges at this time. If the market can

close over \$4, I would consider "hedging the hedge" temporarily with the purchase of 400 calls.

Traders: We remain long September Minneapolis futures (new crop spring wheat) at \$3.50 or lower with a "legged on spread," short July Chicago at about 370. Cover the Chicago and hold the Minneapolis.

CORN - (BEAR)

Outlook: The next task for the corn farmer is to get his crop planted in a timely manner. There is a bit of uncertainty here, but if he does, the market could drop another 20 cents prior to the "weather scare" period.

The prospective acreage is projected to be a large 82 million acres. If the full crop gets seeded, and if growing conditions are normal with steady usage (I think it actually could decline), then the carryover supplies will go up big time. Eventually, prices could fall another forty cents or so, but it is way to early to talk about that yet.

Strategy: *Hedgers:* New crop hedgers are up to 40 percent sold in December futures at an approximate average of \$2.75 (or by using at the money December puts for less than 20 cents). Hold off on additional hedges until we can confirm a technical top and we know the crop is being seeded

in a timely manner.

Traders: Based on a previous recommendation, you are short July futures under \$303 1/2. Risk to a two-day close above \$3.06 for an eventual objective below \$2.70.

CATTLE - (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: The main bearish supply fundamental, the huge numbers of cattle placed in the feedlots late last year remains a market factor. However, when the June futures drop under 63 (which places it at a dollar discount to current cash prices), it discounts this negative to a major extent.

Soon the high demand barbecue season will become a reality (yes, Virginia, winter will end), and this is why I look for a more two-sided affair in the futures. Longer term, once we work through these big near-term numbers, the outlook brightens. Smaller calf numbers and death loss this past winter of younger animals should lead to higher prices later in the year and well into next.

Strategy: *Feeders:* We previously recommended 64 and 65 June puts for downside protection. They should have cost less than \$1.50. The objective is leave our upside as open as possible while maintaining a worst case floor under our downside.

Cow/calf operators: The feeder futures market is acting well. This is a bullish sign and such new hedges are recommended at this time.

Traders: We remain long October feeder cattle at 74 or less. Risk to a close under 7150. This will be a longer term trade. Leave the upside objective open at this time. All previous live cattle recommendations are canceled at this time.

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Mexico's cattlemen survive drought, but face drying up of bank credits

MONTREY, Mexico (AP) — After surviving a devastating four-year drought, northern Mexican cattle ranchers are now threatened by dried-up bank credits, said industry sources.

Last year, northern Mexico cattle ranchers had no grass in their parched pastures and either had to sell off large portions of their herds or watch them die.

This year thanks to bountiful rains, pastures will be full of grass, but not cattle.

Mexican ranchers need to buy an estimated 2.5 million cattle — carrying a price tag of up to \$2 billion — over the next three years to replenish stocks that were depleted as much as 40 percent due to a prolonged drought and Mexico's acute financial crisis, said Andres Piedra, director of economic studies for the Mexican Cattleman's Federation in Mexico City.

"Ironically, we have grass, we have pasture lands, but there aren't any animals," Piedra said. However, Mexican banks still reeling from large amounts of bad loans have proved unwilling to provide fresh credits, Piedra said.

Even a U.S. Department of Agriculture program that offers \$125 million of credit guarantees

for up to seven years for Mexican ranchers to buy cattle from U.S. producers has hit a dead end at Mexico's banks.

Of the \$125-million in available credit guarantees announced in October, only \$3 million of the credits have been loaned through the Mexican banks to cattle ranchers, said Chris Goldthwait, general sales manager for the USDA's Foreign Agriculture Services in Washington D.C.

"The sales pace is slower than what we would like to see," Goldthwait said. "What is not working in this case is the ranchers are having a difficult time getting the loan from the Mexican banks."

Goldthwait estimated that Mexican ranchers this year could easily import 200,000 head of feeder cattle and possibly several thousand if credits were available.

The devastating drought, which began to ease in the second half of 1996, coupled with the December 1994 peso devaluation that sent consumer interest rates spiraling beyond 100 percent, threw a hard one-two punch at the ranching industry.

Ranchers sold off thousands of cattle due to the dry conditions and the money went to service

soaring debts. Others went even further into debt by buying feed in a desperate attempt to keep cattle alive, said Mexican cattlemen.

The USDA's Foreign Agriculture Service agency puts Mexico's total beef cattle inventory at 26.9 million head as of January 1997 compared with 30.6 million head in January 1993 before the northern Mexico drought hit ranchers hardest.

Other estimates of livestock depletion, which count all cattle including dairy cows, are much higher.

Alberto Sanchez, a cattle rancher from the state of Chihuahua, saw his herd dwindle to 5,000 cattle from a high of 12,000 before the two-pronged crisis in 1994.

Good rains late last year and so far this year are putting his properties in condition now to rebuild his herd. But Sanchez said he can't find new Mexican bank credits after falling behind on current bank loans due to 1995 inflation of almost 52 percent that drove up interest charges.

In what he called the merry-go-round effect, Sanchez will have an even tougher time paying back the bank without a loan to buy cattle and generate more cash flow.

Customer demand for lean beef declines

DENVER — Grocery ads featuring extra-lean ground beef are less common than they were five years ago.

Data from the National Cattleman's Beef Association (NCBA) and Cattle-Fax Beef Feeding Analysis Program (BFAP) indicates that consumer demand for extra-lean ground beef (90 percent or leaner) is significantly lower than it was in the early 1990s.

Although consumer preference has shifted toward leaner ground beef, the focus has not stayed on the extra-lean product.

On average, featured ground beef is two percent leaner than it was 10 years ago. Ads for 70 percent to 79 percent lean declined in frequency from the mid 1980s to the early 1990s. In contrast, ads featuring 80 percent to 89 percent lean ground beef have steadily increased to nearly 300 percent of 1986 levels. The number of ads for extra-lean ground beef increased significantly from 1986 until 1991, but are now back around mid-1980s levels.

The featured ads generally reflects consumer buying pat-

terns, BFAP contends. The BFAP data analyzed illustrates the evolution of ground beef demand.

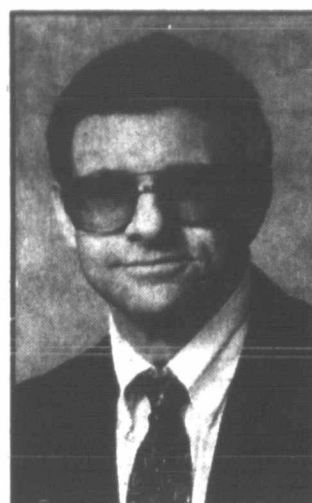
Ten years ago, nearly half of ground beef features were for 70 percent to 79 percent lean ground beef. During the late 1980s, retailers responded to consumer requests for a healthier product by featuring a considerable volume of extra-lean ground beef.

However, consumers apparently did not respond to extra-lean ground beef as well as retailers had anticipated, so they shifted many of their ground beef features to 80 percent to 89 percent lean. This category (which may

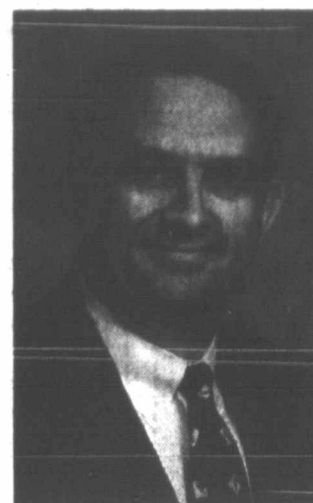
represent an optimal balance of taste and health consciousness) will probably continue to represent the highest percent of retailers' ground beef features.

Beefs ad share improved seasonally from December to January. However, both beef and pork's share of total meat ad space was below previous-year levels for the month.

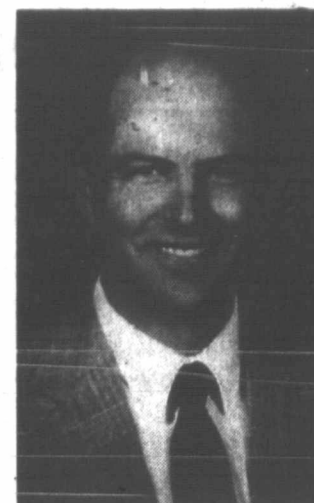
Featured retail beef prices averaged below previous-year levels, and were well below the previous five-year average for January. In contrast, featured pork and poultry prices averaged well above the five-year average.



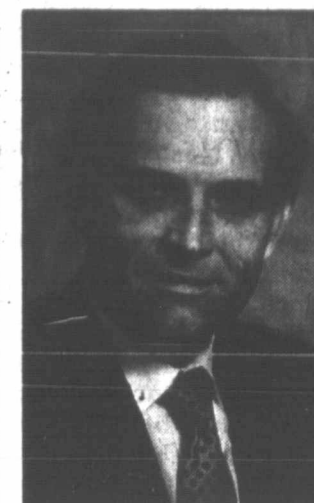
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Golden Spread Co-Op elects new officers

Billy C. Harbin of Floydada was elected chairman of the Board of Directors of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative Inc. following the recent Annual Meeting of the cooperative.

Harbin succeeds Robert L. Elliott Jr. of Dalhart. Elliott, who served as chairman from 1991 and as vice chairman from 1984 to 1991, did not seek reelection.

Harbin is the executive vice president and general manager of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative Inc., and was formerly employed at Lamb County Electric Cooperative as engineering services manager. Harbin previously held the positions of secretary and treasurer of Golden Spread and was a member of the Audit Committee.

Jack L. Perkins was reelected

vice chairman, a position he held since August 1971. Perkins is the CEO of Tri-County Electric Cooperative Inc. at Hooker, Okla.

Gary Hooten of Muleshoe was elected to the positions of secretary and treasurer. Hooten is a member of the Board of Directors of Bailey County Electric Cooperative Association at Muleshoe. He has ranching and farming interests in the Muleshoe area.

Stan McClendon, general manager of Greenbelt Electric Cooperative at Wellington, was elected to the Audit Committee.

Golden Spread is the wholesale electric supplier for 11 rural electric cooperative distribution systems. Golden Spread's member systems provide retail electric

service to more than 97,000 consumers located in the Texas Panhandle and on the South Plains and in the Panhandle of Oklahoma.

Golden Spread's member systems are Bailey County Electric Cooperative (Muleshoe), Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative (Hereford), Greenbelt Electric Cooperative (Wellington), Lamb County Electric Cooperative (Littlefield), Lighthouse Electric Cooperative (Floydada), Mid-west Electric Cooperative (Roby), North Plains Electric Cooperative (Perryton), Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative (Dalhart), South Plains Electric Cooperative (Lubbock), Swisher Electric Cooperative (Tulia) and Tri-County Electric Cooperative (Hooker, Okla.).

Washington farmers now growing, selling sagebrush

KENNEWICK, Wash. (AP) — Sagebrush and farming are two staples of Eastern Washington, and now the two are linked.

Some farmers are growing the plants — symbols of dry wasteland — to sell as ground cover for environmental scars left by industry.

"We've grown several thou-

sand seedlings and got 60 to 80 cents apiece for them," said Kathy Hutton, who farms near Tekoa. "There are growers all over doing acres and acres of native plants."

Part of the economic lure is the low cost of native plants: no water, no fertilizer, no pesticides.

Robin Herrman, production

manager for L&H Seeds Inc. of Connell, urged farmers not to get carried away with the idea of growing such "weeds."

"A 20-acre crop could represent the world's total. Don't grow it unless you have it sold," Herrman said. "It's a niche market. It's never going to compete with potatoes or wheat."



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6:00-9:50 PM	M/W	ENGL	1301	02	Eng Comp/Rhetoric I	3	Wilson
8:00-11:50 AM	T/TH	ENGL	1302	01	Eng Comp/Rhetoric II	3	Thompson
6:00-10:00 PM	T/TH	ENGL	1302	02	Eng Comp/Rhetoric II	3	Scoggin
6:00-9:50 PM	M/W	ENGL	2332	01	World Literature I	3	Scoggin
8:00-11:50 AM	M/W	ENGL	2333	01	World Literature II	3	Scoggin
6:00-9:50 PM	T/TH	GOVT	2301	01	Amer Constitution	3	Jeffrey
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With prices falling, Georgia peanut farmers lured into other crop areas

ALBANY, Ga. (AP) — With the price of peanuts declining, Georgia growers are being lured away to cotton, soybeans and other crops whose prices are stronger.

As a result, a state whose economy has been dependent on peanuts for years expects to grow its smallest crop in 15 years.

In its April farm report, the Georgia Agricultural Statistics Service said it expects the state's peanut acreage to drop 3 percent, to 520,000 acres from 535,000 acres last year.

"The industry is just undergoing some adjustments," said Don Shurley, an agricultural economist

with the University of Georgia Extension Service. "Peanut consumption has declined sharply since 1991. During the same period, we've had an influx of foreign peanut butter. We have lost part of our markets because of international trade agreements."

If farmers follow planting projections, the peanut acreage would be the smallest since 1982, when they devoted only 475,000 acres to the crop.

A major reason for the decline is that peanut contract prices were low in March, when farmers began deciding how much they would plant later this month. At the same time, cotton prices remained strong and higher prices made soybeans more attractive.

Georgia farmers plan to devote 1.4 million acres to cotton, 50,000 more than last year, and 430,000 acres to soybeans, 30,000 more than last year.

Contract prices on peanuts grown for export, known as "additional," have ranged from about \$300 to \$325 per ton, Shurley said. Prices in the \$350-to-\$375 range would have given farmers more incentive, he said.

"The market on additional peanuts is not anything to get excited about," said Johnny Nobles of Vienna, who grows peanuts and cotton. He cut his peanut acreage by 10 percent to 15 percent this year. "We just feel like we have a better chance to make

money with cotton, than with additional peanuts," he said.

Under the new federal farm law, the government can set production quotas to meet demand and growers will pay the costs of the government peanut program.

"Supply and demand is in balance," Shurley said. "In the last three or four months, peanut demand has been improving. There is research to develop new products and some new products have hit the market. Imports, particularly of peanut butter paste, are not growing as rapidly as they were."

USDA projects more acreage for soybeans

ST. LOUIS — The U.S. Department of Agriculture has projected 68.8 million acres of soybeans will be planted in 1997, an increase of 7.2 percent from the 64.2 million acres planted in 1996.

As a result, agriculture analysts anticipate a record crop of more than 2.6 billion bushels this year.

"U.S. soybean producers are rapidly responding to the growing worldwide demand for their commodity and to the continuing opportunity for profitable soybean production," says United Soybean Board (USB) Chairman David Winkles of Sumter, S.C.

From where are the new acres coming? Producers in the Corn Belt and south did not plant as many winter wheat acres. Spring wheat, durum wheat and barley intentions are down nearly 2.8 million acres. Also, 3 million conservation reserve program (CRP) acres are returning to production in 1997.

The federal "Freedom to Farm" legislation passed in 1995 is also encouraging producers to plant more soybeans.

"The impact of the 'Freedom to Farm' legislation means the farmer is determining his crop mix based, in part, on the relative profitability of competing crops on his farm," says USB Domestic Marketing

'U.S. soybean producers are rapidly responding to the growing worldwide demand for their commodity and to the continuing opportunity for profitable soybean production.'

chair and immediate Past Chairman Jerry Slocum of Coldwater, Miss. "The farmer's decision to increase soybean acreage speaks to the profitability of soybeans versus competing crops."

Strong demand has been driven, to some extent, by checkoff investments in the areas of domestic and international marketing and new use development that are generating positive results.

With the leadership of the American Soybean Association, trade barriers are being removed, resulting in increased worldwide demand for U.S. soybeans. China, for example, is expected to import 1.5 million metric tons of soybeans for 1997-1998, with the U.S. producers supplying 800,000 metric tons of that amount. Last year, China shifted from being a net soybean exporter to a net importer, importing the equivalent in U.S. soybeans of the 1996 production of the state of Kansas. Chinese soybean meal and soybean oil

imports for China are projected to be 2.2 million and 1.3 million metric tons, respectively, for 1997.

"The success in China is just one example of checkoff investments paying off for producers," Winkles says. "There are also success stories in developing new production efficiencies, new uses and new market opportunities."

Production research has enabled producers to increase yields and reduce costs. The checkoff has funded research to help breeders become more efficient in developing high-yield, disease-resistant varieties for producers.

New domestic markets and new soybean uses also have built more demand for soybeans. The soy-based wood adhesive is an example of a new use that has developed into a domestic market. Commercialization is expected this year.

A result of the increased demand has been higher soybean prices, but higher prices are not the only driving force

behind increased production.

"The target is not higher prices for U.S. soybeans, but rather higher profits for U.S. soybean producers. Higher prices do not always mean higher profits," Slocum says. "Research through the soybean checkoff has been an important key to increasing productivity and yield and lowering the cost of production, resulting in greater profits."

USB's Long-Range Strategic Plan contains goals to increase worldwide utilization of U.S. soybeans to 3 billion bushels by 2005. Another goal of the USB is to provide U.S. soybean producers with the tools to efficiently and profitably produce the crop necessary to meet that utilization requirement.

"This USDA planting intentions report validates the success of past and current checkoff-funded projects. It also underscores the need for continued marketing activities to sustain the current worldwide demand and increase future demand for U.S. soybeans, and continued research projects to further lower the cost of production," says Winkles.

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Average retail price for beef is staying low

The average retail price of beef is staying low, according to the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

Reporting on its monthly analysis of retail beef prices, NCBA said the USDA national average price of all fresh retail cuts of beef was \$2.55 per pound in February, compared with \$2.56 in January.

The USDA All Choice retail beef price average was \$2.79 per pound in February, compared with \$2.82 in January and \$2.79 a year ago. And the average price of beef cuts featured in newspaper ads in February was \$2.50 per pound, compared with \$2.46 in January and \$2.49 a year ago.

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Notice of Proposed "No Further Action"
(The notice previously published on March 30th, 1997, erroneously referred to RFI Unit # 19 and at this time is being republished with the correct RFI Unit numbers in it.)

Hoechst Celanese Chemical Group, Ltd., Pampa Plant, located 5 miles southwest of Pampa off Highway 60, has hereby given notice to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) of the proposal of "No Further Action" for the operating Solid Waste Management Units at the above location. The proposed "No Further Action" is based upon the results of Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Investigation at the Land Application Unit in Section 155, Tract K and Tract Q, RFI Unit Nos. 16, 9 and 15, respectively.

The purpose of this notice is to give members of the public the opportunity to submit written comments on the proposed "No Further Action." The Executive Director may, in response to a request or at his own discretion, hold a public meeting/hearing whenever such a meeting/hearing might clarify one or more issues concerning the proposed "No

1 Public Notice

Further Action. Any comments or requests for a public meeting/hearing must be submitted within 60 days of the date of publication of this notice to TNRCC, Paul S. Lewis, MC127, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Copies of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Investigation Document (s) and the "No Further Action" proposal are available for public inspection at the Austin office of the TNRCC located at Technical Park Center, Building D, Room 109, 12118 North IH-35, Austin, the local TNRCC Regional Office located at 3918 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79109, and at the EPA Region VI Office, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202. The Executive Director will give public notice of any meeting/hearing at least 30 days before it occurs.

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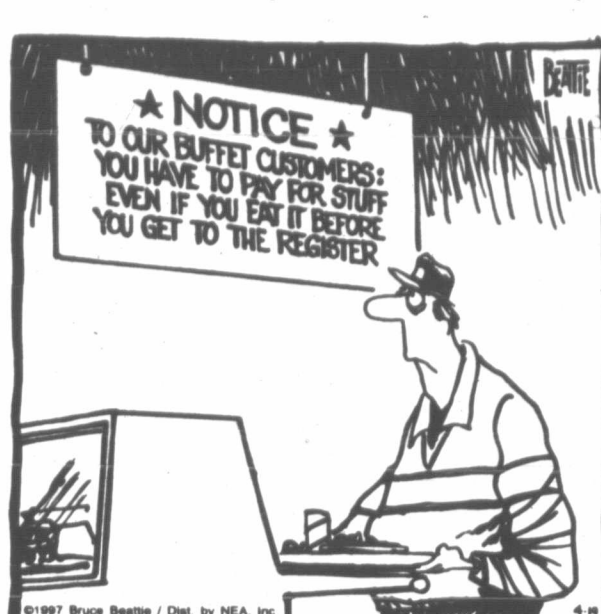
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- 17 Speck
- 18 Prior
- 20 Used a clamping tool
- 21 Feel poorly
- 22 Bambi's mother
- 23 Ronald Reagan's daughter
- 26 Expedition
- 30 Farm
- 31 Furrows
- 32 Lincoln's nickname
- 33 Unclaimed-mail dept.
- 34 Firearms
- 35 Get taller
- 36 Dawn
- 38 Uses a kitchen tool
- 39 Museum fill
- 40 Type of

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- 2 W. Coast coil.
- 3 Wanton look
- 4 Bishop
- 5 Diamond, e.g.
- 6 Gravel ridges
- 7 Four-poster or cot
- 8 Smellier, in a way
- 9 Flying saucers (abbr.)
- 10 Tardy
- 11 Dancer
- 12 Roman three
- 13 Part of RSVP
- 14 Small spots
- 15 Cushions
- 16 Legal-aid org.
- 17 Video-game
- 18 Cake layer
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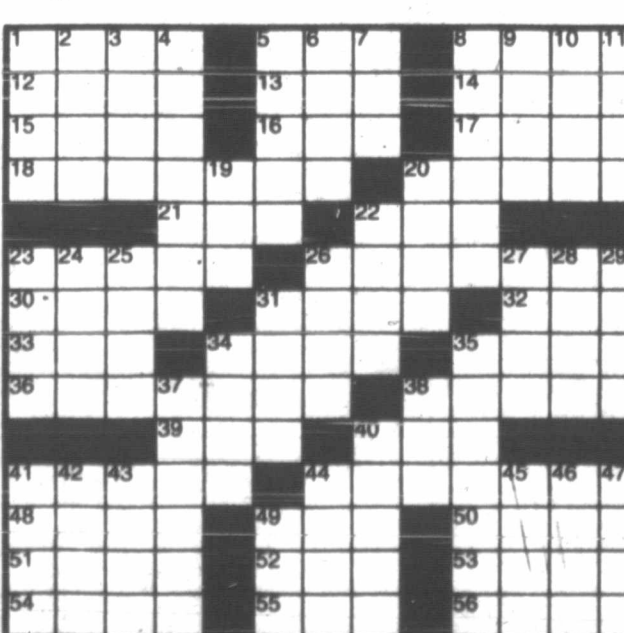
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'Ebonics' underscores relationship between language, reality

By DR. RUSSELL C. LONG
President, WTAMU

The Oakland, Calif., school board's recent decision to recognize "ebonics" as a language separate and distinct from English has generated some interesting discussions.

While the board's decision may have been an admirable attempt to recognize and address certain needs of students, it also reveals a certain naivete about the relationship between language and reality.

While most of us would deny accepting the proposition that there is an element of magic in our language, our behavior suggests otherwise. For example, most of us accept without question the existence of "good" and "bad" words. In fact, the reality described by every "bad" word may be discussed with equanimity if "good" rather than "bad" words are used. The badness is present in the word, not in the reality being discussed.

Similarly, most of us at some level believe there is magic in names. How else can we account for the large numbers of newborns given "magic" names by hopeful parents? Some are named for prominent people, some for relatives, some for fictional characters, but the essential intent is the name: perhaps some of the admired quality of the original holder of the name will be transferred to this new life.

Guest column

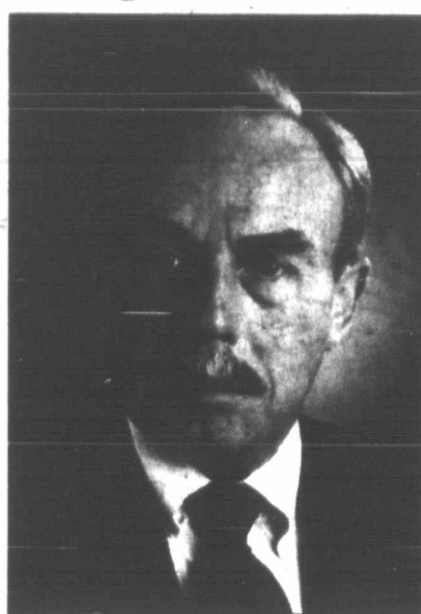
We also believe names lend substance and dignity to reality. Henry Reed, in his poem "Naming of Parts," explores this belief in a wonderfully ironic way as he juxtaposes the civilian and military views of the world. Much of the work of the early naturalists also consisted of assigning names and an organizational system to the world around us; every beginning biology student has dealt with the importance of names. We tend not to recognize the existence of those things for which we have no names. An experienced horseman and a novice will see very different things as they look at the same horse; the horseman can name what he sees and thus sees things left unseen by the novice.

Names not only create, to a certain extent, reality; they alter it. We are familiar with the upward mobility of job titles; janitors have become custodians; personnel offices have become human resource centers; firing workers has become downsizing or right-sizing or outsourcing. The realities remain the same, but they are dignified by substituting one name for another. While there may generally be no harm in this belief, if the substituted name blinds us to the unfortunate aspects of reality, real damage may occur.

If, for example, we restructure our tax code by changing the names of the taxes we pay, we will be disappointed if we expect this to result in paying lower taxes. If we eliminate a problem by changing its name to something more pleasant — if "poor" becomes "economically disadvantaged" — we have not eliminated poverty, only its name.

All things bring us back to the Oakland decision about ebonics. Whether acknowledged or not, it seems clear that several motives prompted this decision. It was an attempt to lend dignity by imposing an impressive name upon an unfortunate reality — the reality that many children in the district are educationally handicapped by their language skills. It was an attempt to alter reality by naming it. A pattern of speech does not become a language simply because it has a name like a language. It was an attempt to find magic in a name — children who have great difficulty learning because of their lack of language skills will suddenly be able to learn if their impediment is given the right name.

While we may be able to sympathize with the board's desire to repair a problem situation, the outcry across the nation suggests the majority feel the cure was worse than the disease. But



Dr. Russell C. Long

before we dismiss this case too glibly as just another example of California extremism, we would do well to examine our own situation.

Higher education in Texas is at a critical juncture. We are all familiar with all the gloomy recent predictions about the future of our state; most of us are equally familiar with the generally accepted truism that education is our only route to avoiding this future. Yet at the same time, we are also engaged in a statewide version of the naming, or renaming, of parts.

For example, we have recognized that Texas has one of the lowest per capita populations of university graduates of the 10

most populous states; to address this, we have a number of efforts afoot to make the awarding of university credit easier.

I was told recently of a high school student in our area who will have accumulated more than 30 hours of college credit by the time she graduates from high school — almost one-quarter of a degree simply by paying a small sum in order to "dual enroll" and receive college credit for her high school course work. This is probably an apocryphal story, and I certainly hope so; simply assigning the name university graduate for a sum of money does not alter reality. A person whose job has been outsourced is just as unemployed as the person who has been fired.

At this crucial point in our state's development, it is vital we make our decisions based upon reality rather than trying to alter reality by altering labels. We need to remember the label university graduate is ultimately not the key to employment and prosperity,

either individually or collectively. It is the reality of knowledge acquired, skills gained and thinking ability learned that will make the difference in our future. If the Legislature passed a bill awarding a baccalaureate degree to every man, woman and child in Texas, this would not create either a better educated or a more highly skilled work force.

We want to avoid the fate of A.E. Housman's Terence, who, after seeking to alter the world through the liberal application of strong drink, discovered upon waking:

"Heigho, the tale was all a lie;
The World, it was the old world yet,

I was I, my things were wet,
And nothing now remained to do,

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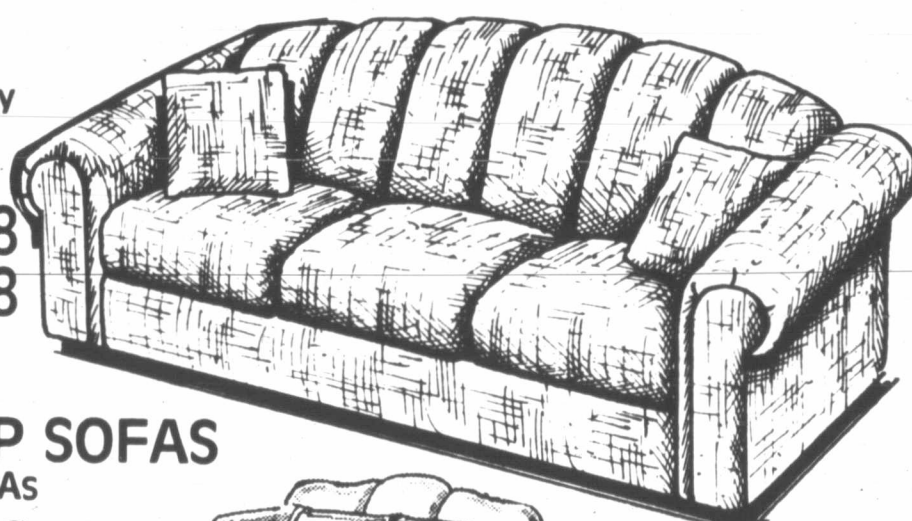
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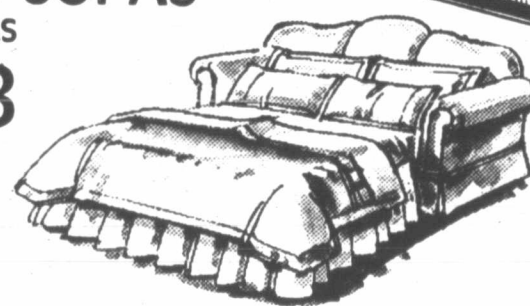
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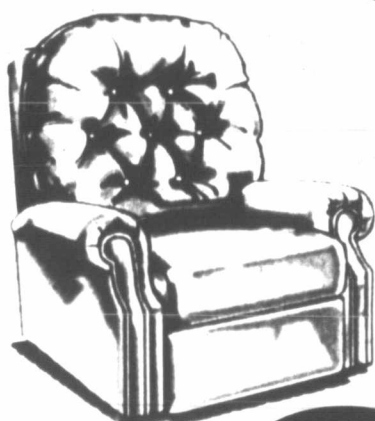
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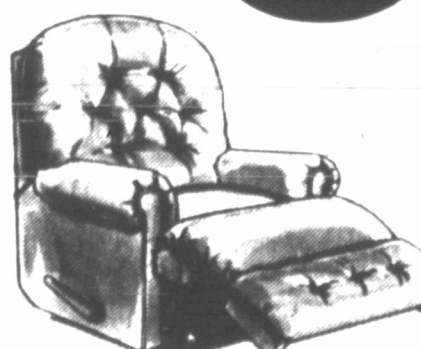
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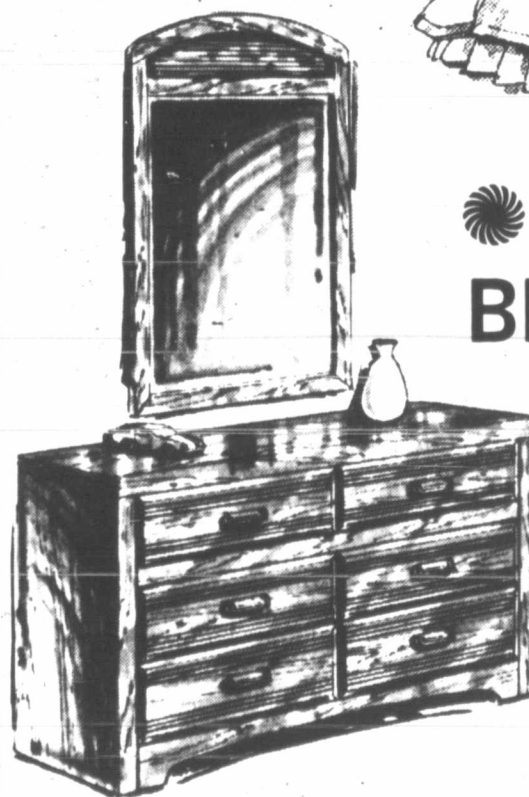
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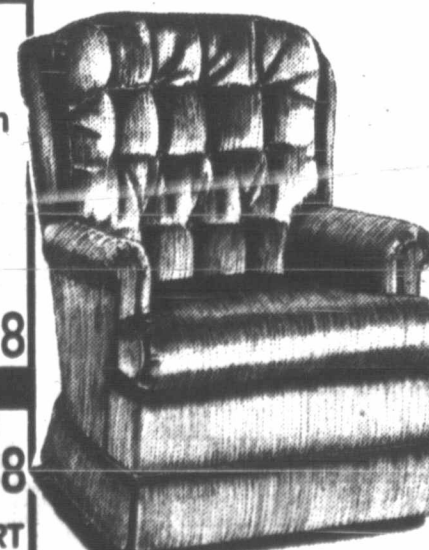
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