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Sign, sign, everywhere a sign

County clerk receiving calls concerning possible campaign sign violations

By STAFF REPORTS

Wanda Carter is getting complaints.

Gray County Clerk Wanda Carter has been fielding complaints by Pampa citizens that campaign signs around town do not meet rules adopted by the Texas Ethics Commission.

Most don't have the necessary disclaimers, said Carter of the signs that have brought a series of complaints.

Carter said she has warned various campaigns of the shortcomings of some of the signs. By Friday, a number of signs had typed or handwritten disclaimers taped to them. Some, however, remained without.

Under the Texas Ethics Commission regulations, candidates may not represent to the public that he or she holds a public office that is not held at the time of the campaign. This translates into wording on a campaign poster that indicates a person is running for a position not already held.

For instance, a poster can read "Elect Candidate A" or "Vote for Candidate A for a certain office," but, unless the candidate is an incumbent, the poster cannot say "Reelect Candidate A," nor can the sign infer that the candidate is already an office holder if he or she is not, like for example, "Candidate A — certain office."

Also, a candidate, other than an office holder, may not knowingly use a representation of the state seal in political advertising.

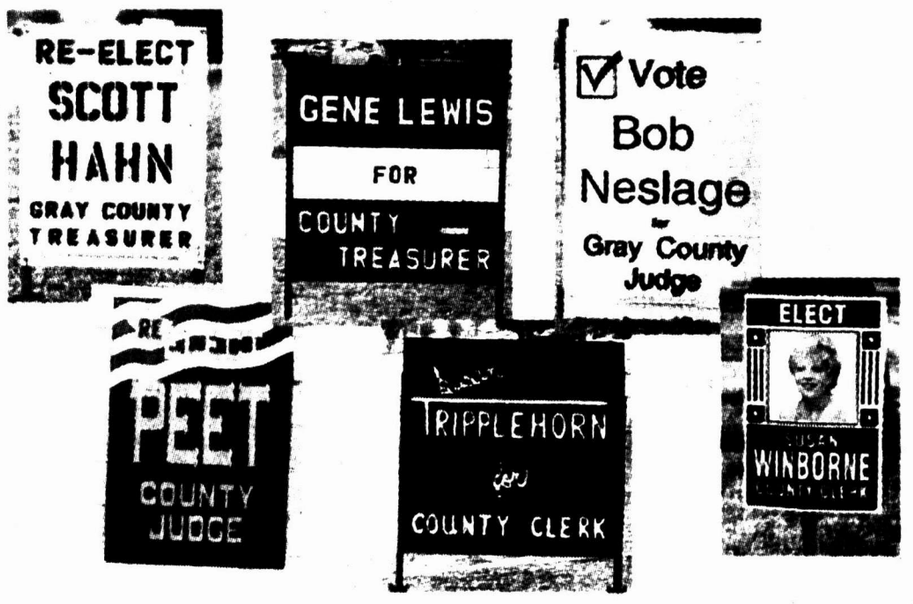
Many of the complaints in Pampa concern the lack of a disclaimer listing the notice as a paid political advertisement, who paid for the sign and how to reach the person.

"It has to say it is political advertising," Karen Lundquist, spokesman for the Texas Ethics Commission, said. "It has to have the name of the individual who contracted to have it printed or the person that individual represents. It also has to have the address of the individual contracting for it or the person that it represents."

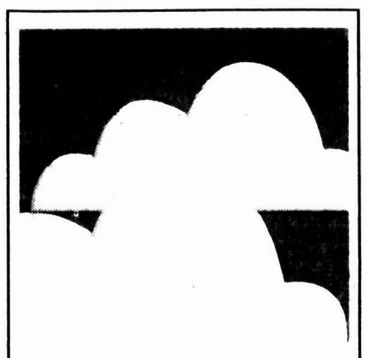
According to the ethics commission rules, a political advertising sign designed to be seen from the road must include the disclaimer, "Notice: It is a violation of State Law (Article 2372cc, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, and Article 6674v-7, Revised Statutes) to place this sign in the right-of-way of a highway."

At the state level, the Texas Department of Transportation has jurisdiction over placement of signs along highways right-of-ways, Lundquist said. She said that

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Accusations flourished last week as Pampa voters questioned whether campaign signs met the guidelines laid down by the Texas Ethics Commission. Under commission rules, signs designed to be seen from the road must carry disclaimers saying it is illegal to place them on highway right-of-ways and discloser statements saying who paid for the sign and an address of the candidate or the candidate's representative. There are also rules concerning the wording of campaign signs that extend well beyond the races depicted in this alphabetically listed sampling of posters along Somerville.



High today 40.
For weather details see page 2.

PAMPA — A fifth grade orientation will be held Tuesday, March 10 at 7 p.m. in the Pampa Middle School auditorium.

PAMPA — A Pampa man pleaded guilty last week to aggravated robbery in 223rd District Court in return for a 10 year deferred sentence.

Felix Scott Jr., 24, pleaded guilty to robbing Allsup's convenience store at 140 Starkweather on June 24, 1997.

Scott received a 10 year deferred sentence Wednesday from 223rd District Judge Lee Waters.

PAMPA — Panhandle Community Services is taking applications Monday, March 9 for the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program.

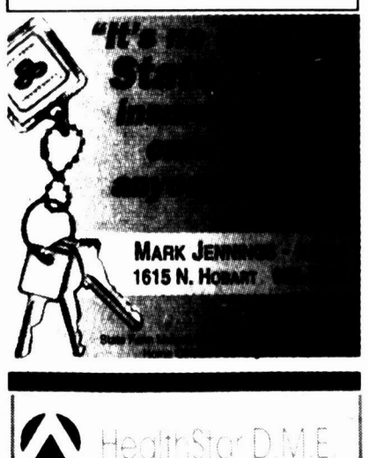
Applications will be taken at 411 N. Cuyler, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon and 2 to 5 p.m. For more information contact Misty Perez at 665-0081.

GRAY COUNTY VOTERS:

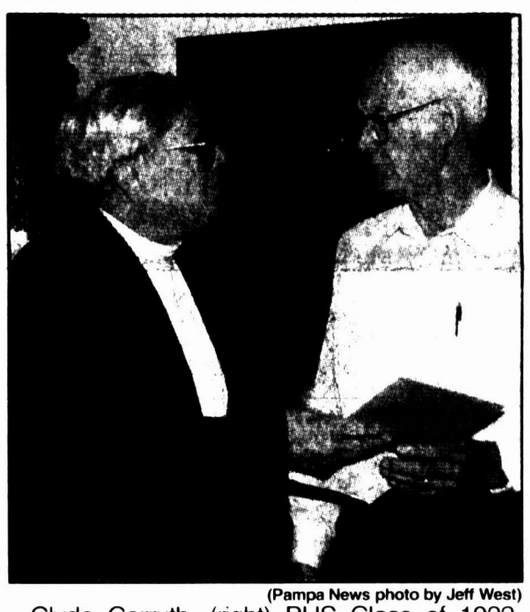
Watch tomorrow's paper for voting places and sample ballots for the Tuesday election.

- **Randall Britton, 39,** welder for Zachry Contractors and member of Calvary Baptist Church.
- **Phoebe Frey Michols, 72,** American Contract Bridge League member.
- **Dawson Jackson, 86,** veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps.
- **Elnora Elizabeth Merritt Lummus, 85,** home economics teacher at Kelton High and Wheeler high schools.

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(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)

Clyde Carruth, (right) PHS Class of 1922, receives a special-delivery letter from Louis Allen announcing Carruth's selection as an inductee for the1998 PHS Hall of Fame.

U.S. Bus update:

Manager discusses company's finances, its future in the Pampa community

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

There's two things Ray Hupp, manager of U.S. Bus and Lewis Meers, president of the board of directors of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation, agree on about the bus company.

The Pampa start-up of U.S. Bus was undercapitalized, and their current difficulties are due to severe cash shortages that keep the company from buying material to make enough buses.

"Its been a difficult start-up due to the cash flow situation," Hupp said. "If we can ever get the cash flow problem solved, the market is there, and it should be a viable company."

Several letters, phone calls, and visits have indicated some Pampa citizens are upset about the some of the problems U.S. Bus has had and what has transpired because of them.

A few former employees have mentioned the layoffs that have occurred and the fact that some employees have been brought in from the Sufrin, New York headquarters of the bus company. Hupp said only four people have come from there, including Bruce Cushman, who is the company owner's son.

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EmTRAC coming

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY
Staff Writer

The EmTRAC is rolling into town this week.

The Emergency Training and Response Action Center, which makes its home in a semi truck, will be located at the M.K. Brown parking lot this week for tours on Wednesday and Thursday, March 11 and 12.

"People in the community are not always aware of what's available and what there is to assist them in times of need," said Red Cross Director Lynda Duncan of the EmTRAC.

The EmTRAC was born as a result of the 1995 Oklahoma City

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Sixty jobs plus dairy cows equals new Pampa business

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

The Panhandle Economic Development Corporation voted unanimously to approve a resolution that will provide Carrell Dairy of Godly, Texas with $1,000,000 cash assistance, which will be secured by a lien against property.

In addition, the PEDC will give assistance by

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(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)

Lamar Elementary's first-ever Odyssey of the Mind team includes Adrain Puentes, Julia Solis, Daniel Clark, Taylor Reeves, Josh Ennis, Philip Rodriquez and Daniel Waldrop — coached by Tamara Ennis with help from Kay Harvey, P.E.P. teacher.

Lewis announces candidacy, goals



Gene W. Lewis, a lifetime resident of Pampa, is seeking election to the Gray County Treasurer's office in the March 10 Republican primary.

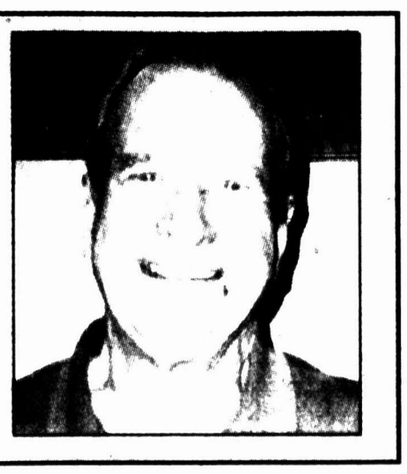
A Pampa businessman, Lewis has owned Action Realty for the past fifteen years. He is also in life insurance sales and has been affiliated for the past twenty years with National Farm Life Insurance Company.

To refute his opponents comments, Lewis is not seeking to abolish the County Treasurer's office, he said.

He stands on what he said is the established Republican platform of Family,

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Sunday Snapshot



Name: Jack Reeve
Occupation/Activities: Retired after 42 years with IRI.

Birth date and place: Feb. 28, 1923 in Casper, Wyoming.
Family: Katherine, wife of 51 years, Sons, Rusty and Randy, daughter Natalie.
If I had a different job, I'd be a: I prefer retirement.
My personal hero: My daughter, Natalie.
The best advice I ever got was: get a good education.
People who knew me in high school thought: I'd never make the choir.
The best word or words to describe me: a perfectionist.
People will remember me as being: friendly and outgoing.
The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: Admiral Rickover, Ronald Reagan, Indiana Jones and Billy Graham.
My hobbies are: carpentry and woodworking.
My favorite sports team is: Denver Broncos.
My favorite author is: Tom Clancy.
The last book I read was: "Patriot Games."
My favorite possession is: God's grace.
The biggest honor I've ever received is: Thomas Cabot Inventors' Award.
My favorite performer is: Bill Cosby.
I wish I knew how to: sing.
My trademark cliche or expression is: "I'll be there in just a minute."
My worst habit is: procrastination.
I would never: tell a lie.
The last good movie I saw was: "Air Force One."
I stay home to watch: nothing.
Nobody knows: I flew under the Golden Gate Bridge.
I drive a: Jeep Grand Cherokee Larado.
My favorite junk food is: peanuts.
My favorite beverage: vodka tonic with Rose's lime juice.
My favorite restaurant is: Pascal Manale's in New Orleans.
My favorite pet: Iruda, our Schnauzer.
My favorite meal is: Prime Rib, baked potato w/works, green salad, homemade rolls and cherry pie ala mode.
I wish I could sing like: any who can sing.
I'm happiest when I'm: busy.
I regret: wasting time.
I'm tired of: editorial news reporting.
I have a phobia about: men wearing baseball caps inside restaurants.
The electrical device I couldn't live without is: light bulb.
The biggest waste of time is: looking for things I've misplaced.
If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: be a philanthropist.
If I had three wishes they would be: good health for my family, a good Italian restaurant in Pampa and that Sadam Hussin would fall into a bottomless pit.
If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: clean up junk.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

Services today

LUMMUS, Elnora Elizabeth Merritt — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Shamrock City Cemetery, Shamrock. Memorial services, 3 p.m., First Baptist Church, Shamrock.

Services tomorrow

BRITTON, Randall — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Obituaries

RANDALL BRITTON

Randall Britton, 39, of Pampa, died Friday, March 6, 1998. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Lyndon Glaesman, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Britton was born Sept. 6, 1958, at Pampa. He grew up in Pampa and attended Pampa schools. He was a welder for Zachary Contractors. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Brandi Troutner of Pampa; two sons, Clay Britton and Brad Britton, both of the home; his parents, Rex and Pat Britton of Pampa; three sisters, Pamela Cloud, Sandra Rogers and Shelly Britton, all of Pampa; and his grandmother, Irva Crouse of Pampa.

PHOEBE FREY MICHOLS

HANOVER, N.H. — Phoebe Frey Michols, 72, mother of a Pampa resident, died Feb. 26, 1998, at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center. A memorial service was held Feb. 28 in the Church of Christ at Dartmouth College with the Rev. J. Yorke Peeler officiating.

Mrs. Michols was born July 7, 1925, in New York, to Walter and Josephine Frey. She graduated from Smith College in 1947, receiving a bachelor of arts degree. She had been a Hanover resident for the past four years and had formerly resided at Watertown, Conn., Las Vegas, Nev., and Arlington, Texas.

She was a DHMC volunteer and was a member of American Contract Bridge League, achieving the rank of Bronze Life Master.

Survivors include two daughters, Christina B. Longley of Wellington, Nev., and Susan B. Cree of Pampa; three sons, Dr. Edward S. Bentley of Goleta, Calif., William B.A. Bentley Jr. of Arlington, and Peter G. Bentley of Bellevue, Wash.; a brother, Dr. Walter Frey of Fairlee; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, c/o Development Office, 1 Medical Center Dr., Lebanon, N.H., 03756.

DAWSON JACKSON

TULIA – Dawson Jackson, 86, father of a McLean resident, died Thursday, March 5, 1998. Services were Saturday in Wallace Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Charles Davenport, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Jackson was born and raised at Tulia. He married Neva Arterburn in 1938 at Tulia. He was employed as a mechanic for Swisher County for two years.

The couple had been Amarillo residents since 1990.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps, joining in 1942 at Fort Sill, Okla., and serving as an airplane and auto mechanic at Reese Air Force Base. He returned to Tulia after being discharged in 1945. He was a member of First Baptist Church and Tulia Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Neva; a son, W. Dawson Jackson of McLean; a grandchild; and three great-grandchildren.

ELNORA ELIZABETH MERRITT LUMMUS

SULPHUR SPRINGS – Elnora Elizabeth Merritt Lummus, 85, died Friday, March 6, 1998. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Shamrock City Cemetery at Shamrock. Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. in First Baptist Church of Shamrock with the Rev. Joe Jernigan officiating. Burial will be under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home Inc.

Mrs. Lummus was born at Childress. She married James Nathan Lummus in 1939 at Shamrock; he died in 1965. She had been a Sulphur Springs resident since 1985. She was a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin. She taught home economics at Kelton High School and at Wheeler High School prior to retiring. She was also a retired dietitian for Shamrock Hospital. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by an infant son.

Survivors include a daughter, Elizabeth A. Borchers of San Antonio; three sons, Ronald "Ron" Lummus of Sulphur Springs, Robert Lummus of Hawthorne, Calif., and Rody Lummus of Shamrock; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Fires

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

Friday, March 6

1:37 p.m. — Two units and four personnel first responded to a medical call at 1028 S. Nelson.

Police report

The Pampa Police reported the following calls and arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, March 6

Charles Mathis Ashley, 50, 707 Frederick, was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

Johnny Mac Bridges, 44, 109 N. Dwight, was arrested on charges of drinking while intoxicated.

Brian Wayne Anderson, 18, was arrested on charges of drinking while intoxicated and evading arrest.

A report of injury to an animal was made in the 600 block of Reid.

A report of theft of a $750 coronet was reported from Travis Elementary School.

A report of theft of $152 cash was reported at 232 Tignor.

Burglary of habitation reported at 1331 Garland resulting in theft of a $200 CD player and $850 cash.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, March 6

Salvador Rodriquez, 21, 417 N. Russell, was arrested on charges of violation of protective order.

Floyd Gene Morris, 29, Lefors, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Harlan Gene Armstrong, 42, 2600 N. Hobart #A1, was arrested on charges of endangering a child and terroristic threat.

Jeffry Frank Allen, 33, Wichita Falls, was arrested on charges of criminal non-support, disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Ambulance

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

Friday, March 6

9:02 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of W. Duncan on a medical call and one patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

11:04 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home to transport one patient to another local nursing home.

11:57 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of N. Russell on a medical call and one patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

1:40 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of S. Nelson on a medical call and one patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

3:02 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of Bradley on a medical call and one patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

5:28 p.m. —A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport one patient to a local nursing home.

Saturday, March 7

1:40 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of N. Sumner on a medical call and no patients were transported.

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.

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.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS

The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys potluck will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Clyde Carruth Pavillion. For more information, contact Keven Romines at 665-8547.

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS

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

PAMPA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at Clarendon College. For a partner, or more information, please call Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

PARKINSON DISEASE SUPPORT

The support group will meet the fourth Monday in March — Mon., March 23 — at 5 :30 p.m. in the hospital.

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EMTRAC

bombing, Duncan said. In the wake of the bombing, Phillips Petroleum Corporation approached the Oklahoma Red Cross leaders with the EmTRAC idea, "to create a legacy honoring all those whose lives had been ripped apart by the blast."

The EmTRAC is a communication center, disaster service center, mobile command center and community disaster education classroom all rolled into one.

In the event of a major communications breakdown during a disaster, EmTRAC's radio capabilities and generator make the unit an ideal emergency communications center.

It can be used as a mobile service center in areas not requiring, or unable to support, a full service center due to location, lack

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SIGNS

the city limits, although they admit that many of the campaign signs are undoubtedly on city property.

Complaints can be filed with the Texas Ethics Commission in Austin or with a local prosecutor.

Complaints to the Texas Ethics Commission are investigated by the staff and forwarded to the eight-member governing body who votes on whether a violation occurred.

"It needs a vote of six to find a violation," Lundquist said. "If they do find a violation, generally, they can levy a fine up to $5,000."

As a practical matter, she said, the commission has never fined more than a $100 for such advertising activities.

A lot of times, it is simply an incomplete disclosure statement, she said.

"In a case like that, the commission may find that a violation occurred but not impose a fine for a first violation," Lundquist said. "They'll just try to educate the person as to what the requirements of the law are."

State officials said they get a number of sworn complaints concerning campaign sign violations.

"In any one year, we might get about 90 formal complaints over a variety of different subjects," Lundquist said. "I would say maybe a quarter of them involve some type of complaint about political advertising."

"If they are going to run for office that regulates the enforcement of laws, they need to abide by them," Carter said.

The Texas Ethics Commission has a web site that deals with political advertising as well as other election questions. It is www.ethics.state.tx.us.

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BUS

The others, according to Hupp, were brought in to train local employees when the operation gets cranked up to full production.

While a payroll shipment did run into problems a few weeks ago, it was due to a large payment to the company that wasn't made on time, Hupp said. The company had to get cash to pay employees but, Hupp says, everyone has been paid.

The cash flow problem has put the company on a cash-only business — meaning some companies won't extend them credit — but Hupp denied the company has bad checks outstanding.

U.S. Bus has hired Hughes-Roth Capitol Markets to help resolve some of the cash-flow problems, according to Hupp.

Hughes-Roth put together a package where — in exchange for the PEDC forgiving the loans made to U.S. Bus and giving the bus company the title to the building they now occupy — U.S. Bus would pay off the local bank loans the PEDC has guaranteed.

The PEDC has given Hughes-Roth 90 days to find someone who will loan U.S. Bus enough money to pay-off Pampa bank loans plus give the company some working capital — using the building and the equipment as collateral.

If Hughes-Roth succeeds, all financial obligations the city has to U.S. Bus, and visa-versa, will end.

Both Meers and Hupp hope the deal can be made for the sake of the residents of Pampa.

"The board and I personally feel a sense of obligation to see that the bus company survives," Meers said. "Many people would be affected — employees, vendors, taxpayers and banks. The best thing for the community is for this company to make it."

Hupp announced another reason the company's survival would benefit the city.

He said if the immediate cash flow problem can be solved, then the company, with plans already underway, will move the rest of the New York operation to Pampa — so the entire company will be based here. That, along with enough capital to buy materials, should mean even more jobs for the city, Hupp said.

"Its been a difficult cash flow situation," Hupp said. "I'm really hopeful about the PEDC thing, the market is there."

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DAIRY

providing permits, contingencies and memberships not to exceed $35,000.

In exchange, the Dairy agrees to provide 60 jobs within four years.

Lew Mollenkamp said the assistance amount exceeded a $15,000-per-job created PEDC guideline by about $1,000.

But, he said, the extra money was warranted because Carrell Dairy, "is plowing new ground, so to speak, taking a substantial risk in being the first dairy in the area."

Lewis Meers, president of the board of directors of the PEDC, said when the third phase of the expansion is started in four years or so, there could be 150 jobs added, which would lower the cost per job considerably.

By the end of phase three, Carrell Dairy's investment in the deal will be eight to 10 million dollars.

While no deals have been finalized as to where the dairy will be located, one of the sites being considered is the former Moody Farms Feedlot, east of Pampa.

Less rainfall and more absorbent soil — for the rain that does fall — are some of the reasons Kirk Carrell gave for establishing a dairy in this area.

He then cited the availability of feed as another reason for choosing Pampa.

He did say, however, he will grow some feed, possibly corn, on some of the land he purchases.

He said he hopes to begin construction in two to three months.

Consider Sunday. Consider a Snapshot.
Then consider becoming the Sunday Snapshot.
Watch the *Pampa News* for a questionnaire or call 669-2525 for more info.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Today, windy and cloudy with light rain or snow in the morning becoming partly cloudy with a high today of 40. Tonight, mostly clear and cold with a low in the 20s.

REGIONAL FORECAST

WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Sunday, windy. Snow ending in the morning, becoming partly cloudy. High 35 to 40. Northwest wind 20-30 mph with higher gusts, Diminishing to 10-20 mph in the afternoon. Sunday night, mostly clear and cold. Low 20 to 25. Low Rolling Plains — Sunday, mostly sunny and breezy. Highs 55-60. Sunday night, fair. Lows in the upper 20s. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Sunday, mostly sunny and breezy. Highs around 60. Sunday night, fair. Lows around 30. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Sunday, mostly sunny and breezy. Highs 60-65. Sunday night, Fair. Lows around 30. Far West Texas — Sunday night, fair. Lows in the lower 30s. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs from the mid 60s to the mid 70s. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the 30s and 40s.

NORTH TEXAS — Sunday, variable cloudiness and windy. High 48 west to 58 southeast. Extended forecast, Sunday night, partly cloudy south, decreasing clouds north. Low 27 to 33. Monday and Tuesday, partly cloudy and cool. Highs in the 50s. Low in the 30s. Wednesday, increasing cloudiness. Low in the 30s. High near 60.

SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Sunday, partly cloudy northeast to mostly sunny elsewhere. Highs in the 60s. Sunday night, clear. Lows in the upper 20s to near 30 Hill Country, 30s south central. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs upper 50s to low 60s north in the 60s south. Sunday night, fair skies. Lows in the 30s inland to 40s coast. Extended forecast, Monday, mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 50s north to low 60s south. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs in the 60s to near 70. Sunday night, fair skies. Lows in the 40s coast, mid 30s to near 40 inland.

BORDER STATES

NEW MEXICO — Sunday, partly cloudy. Isolated morning snow showers extreme northeast. Breezy north and east. Highs mid 30s to near 50 mountains and north with 50s to 60s south. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows single digits and teens mountains with mostly 20s south..

OKLAHOMA — Sunday, cloudy and very windy. A chance of snow north and central Oklahoma, a chance of rain and snow western north Texas and south central Oklahoma, and a chance of rain southeast Oklahoma. Highs in the mid 30s to upper 40s. Sunday night, mostly cloudy and cold. A slight chance of snow northern Oklahoma. Lows in the upper teens to upper 20s.

City briefs

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

EMERGENCY JAIL Release. 24 hrs. Jack Ward, 669-9911. Adv.

ROLANDA'S SILK Flowers & Gifts has moved to 301 W. Foster, sterling jewelry, jar candles & more gifts. Adv.

BEAUTIFUL EMERALD green prom dress, full-length, like new. 665-6456 & leave message or call after 6 p.m. Adv.

BEAUTY 2000 has opening for 1 nail tech & 1 hair stylist. Call 665-6549. Adv.

DUE TO Health small established business for sale. Call 669-9364. Adv.

FOR RENT 737 Perry, 665-6725. Adv.

MUST SELL: Formal dining suite, pecan, 8 chairs, glass front hutch, $1875. Casio Keyboard, $75. 665-3858. Adv.

FAMILY THRIFT sweaters/coats 50% off, VJ's, downtown Pampa. Adv.

CONCEALED HANDGUN License Class. Limited class size. Barry Bowman 669-3871, after 5 p.m. 665-9358. Adv.

BT'S EARLY Bird Special - All Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning 20% off, for the month of March. Free Estimates 665-0276. Adv.

BABY BIRDS arriving daily, 115 West, 669-PETS. Adv.

RHEAM'S DIAMOND Shop now have Fossil Sunglasses and Watches. Adv.

SMELL OF Spring - Aromatique has arrived. Joy's Unlimited, 2218 N. Hobart, 665-2515. Adv.

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

FACIAL SPECIAL, Feb. & Mar. $22.50, Darlene at Abby's Salon 665-5488, 669-9871. Adv.

BROGAN'S BOOZERY 1001 E. Frederic. Bud 18 pack $8.99, Case Naturalight $8.49, 1.75 Lord Calvert $16.99. Adv.

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LEWIS

Faith and Freedom.

He is an ultra-conservative Christian man, he said, who seeks to bring integrity and morality to the County Treasurer's office.

Regardless of what is happening in Washington, Lewis believes that Gray County citizens have the inherent right to expect and demand high moral character of their elected officials.

Lewis, a product of Pampa schools, attended West Texas State University on the GI Bill.

He was active Navy and retired from the Active Navy Reserve in 1993 after twenty seven years of duty.

He is a member of First Baptist Church. He is a past president of Top O' Texas Kiwanis Club.

He has been the local secretary of the United Commercial Travelers for thirty years and is on the executive board of the UCT Texas Grand Council.

Married to Jannie Lewis, also a lifelong Pampa citizen for forty years, Lewis has four children: Jay, a policeman in Hereford; Jill, owner of Top O' Texas Storage, American Door Company and Silver Creek Collection in Pampa; Meghan, 11 and Melissa, 9.

As owner of Action Realty, Lewis has actively promoted and welcomed business and families to Pampa.

He said he has enthusiastically "sold Pampa" to newcomers because of his love for the town he has lived in all of his life.

Lewis promises to work "full-time" for Gray County citizens. He will bring experience and knowledge to the office and he is qualified for the job, he said.

As County Treasurer, Lewis pledges to reduce, he said, the treasurer's budget and will slash the excessive travel expense.

Lewis also will not accept the proposed salary increase, but will return those monies to Gray County taxpayers, he added.

"It is time for a much needed change in the treasurer's office," Lewis stated. "I give my oath to Gray County Citizens that I will faithfully perform the duties of Gray County Treasurer."

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of unavailable undamaged facilities or number of families affected. The unit can house three family service caseworkers, a caseworker supervisor and service up to 35 families a day.

As a mobile command Center, the EmTRAC's capabilities help provide interaction between Red Cross, local emergency agencies and other emergency responders assisting with the disaster operation.

When not needed for a disaster, EmTRAC can be used as a mobile classroom, used in communities, with interactive teaching media to provide disaster education and training to individuals and families, American Red Cross volunteers and staff and other emergency responders.

"This is a good opportunity for citizens to see what the Red Cross can do for them," Duncan said.

Shop Pampa



(Community Camera photos)

Pampa Middle School students competed yesterday in the Odyssey of the mind Regional Tournament in Lubbock. They are pictured performing for the Lion's Club. (above, left) Kellen Ketchersid, Jay Gerber, Max Vinson, Max Simon and Rose Buzzard.

(Above, right) Oddyssey of the Mind students performing skit.

(left, bottom row) Julian George, (standing)Kevin Turner, Jay Gerber, Max Simon, Michael Eskridge, Leslie McWilliams, Eric Scroggins (2nd row) Max Vinson, Ross Buzzard, Briana Russell, Jeanie Palmateer, Carolyn Morse, Tiffani Neef (top row) Kellen Ketchersid, Vanessa Orr, Julie Thompson aned Amanda Dyson.

To God Be The Glory

Extending a most cordial thanks to the Mayor, City Manager, Local Organization Leaders, It's Membership, St. Mark CME Church, It's Pastor, Co-Pastor, Membership, Bishop & Pampa Community for the recognition of Love & Dedication of my lifetime achievement rendered on my 92nd birthday, March 1st, 1998.

My daughter Versie & I, Wyvon Mark Griffin, says God Loves You and So Do I.

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone for all the visits, food, cards, flowers and calls. The Fire Department for leading procession to the cemetery. Retired Firemen and Current Firemen, and to all the City Employee's that helped.

The Family of Finis C. Gee

Susan



TRIPPLEHORN for County Clerk

Dear Voter,

This election hinges on management.....

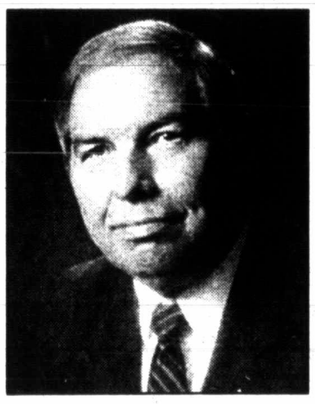
The Clerk must be versatile enough to implement the changes the legislature makes every two years, she must be able to hire, fire and supervise the employees, she must be able to set a budget - which in 1998 exceeds $211,000.00 - and then live within that budget, she must be able to manage the revenue generated by fees - which exceeds $85,000.00 annually, and most importantly, she must be a people person first.

I'm Susan Tripplehorn and I have these skills!

My professional career has been spent as a bookkeeper, accountant, a business owner and as the Project Coordinator for the PEDC. During my tenure as project coordinator, I served as Interim Director, an appointment the board did not hesitate to make, knowing full well I was capable of managing the office and supervising the employees.

Remember...
Susan Tripplehorn is **Right for Gray County!**
I will appreciate your vote on Tuesday. Thank you.

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Susan Tripplehorn, Rt 2 Box 76, Pampa, TX 79065



DR. JOE L. LOWRY

FOR

GRAY COUNTY

REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIRMAN



I STRONGLY BELIEVE IT IS THE JOB OF THE CHAIRMAN TO GUIDE, ASSIST AND COUNSEL ALL CANDIDATES ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE ELECTION CODE. BY ADHERING TO THIS PHILOSOPHY, ADMINISTRATIONS PRIOR TO MY OPPONENT, HAVE TAKEN THE GRAY COUNTY PARTY FROM A 42% APPROVAL RATING TO A HIGH OF 67%.

MY OPPONENT HAS SAID "THAT'S NOT MY JOB"

AS A PHYSICIAN, I FEEL THE TERMINATION OF A PREGNANCY IS A PRIVATE ISSUE BETWEEN THE VICTIM AND GOD.

MY OPPONENT SUPPORTS A NEW TEXAS REPUBLICAN PARTY PLATFORM IN WHICH RAPE, INCEST AND THE LIFE OF THE WOMAN HAS BEEN STRICKEN.

I BELIEVE IT IS THE RIGHT OF ANY INDIVIDUAL TO RUN FOR OFFICE

MY OPPONENT'S FRIENDS, AT THE STATE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION IN 1996, PROPOSED A RULE THAT WOULD HAVE GIVEN THE STATE AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES THE AUTHORITY TO KEEP A CANDIDATE OFF THE BALLOT, ESPECIALLY IF THEY HAD THE "WRONG VIEW".

AT THE PRECINCT AND COUNTY CONVENTIONS, I BELIEVE THE VOTERS SHOULD MAKE THE PLATFORM.

MY OPPONENT HAS STATED HIS AGENDA FOR THE PLATFORM ON MANY OCCASIONS.

FURTHER, THE REPUBLICAN PARTY HAS TRIED FOR YEARS TO GET MORE PEOPLE INVOLVED.

MY OPPONENT, AT A RECENT OPEN FORUM SAID IT WAS "A TRAVESTY" THAT SO MANY OF HIS CANDIDATES WERE BEING CHALLENGED BY OTHER REPUBLICANS.

THESE ARE MY BELIEFS. PLEASE LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD BY VOTING.

REMEMBER I'M POSITIVE ABOUT PAMPA, GRAY COUNTY AND THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

VOTE FOR DR. JOE L. LOWRY AND HIS PRECINCT CHAIRS ON MARCH 10th
ATTEND THE PRECINCT CONVENTIONS ON MARCH 10TH AT 7:15 P.M.
AT YOUR POLLING PLACE

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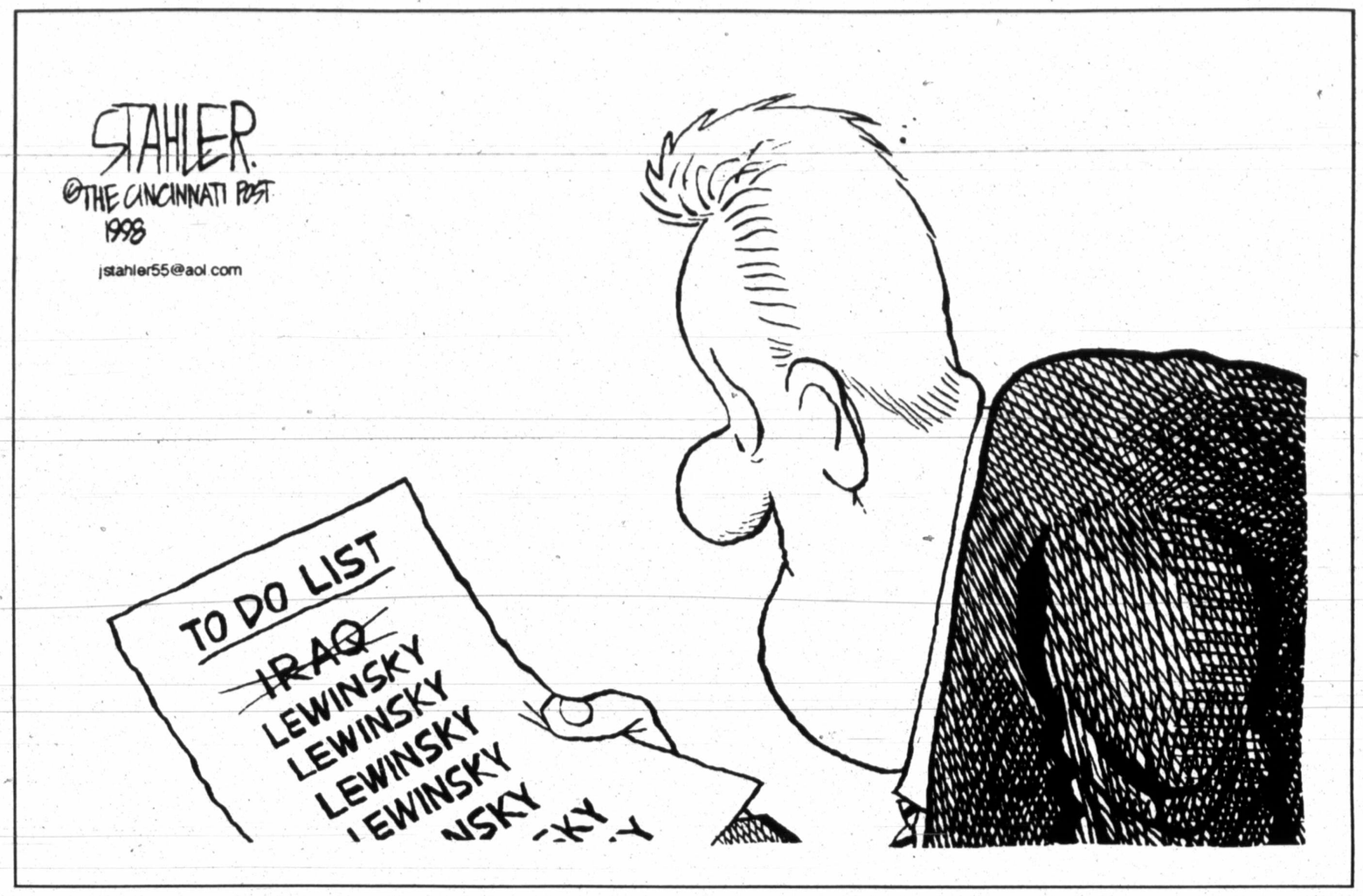
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Inside the Beltway
with
Rep. Mac Thornberry

True tax relief puts money in your pockets

Five years ago this August, Congress passed and the President signed into law the biggest tax increase in American history.

A lot has changed since that time. Most significantly, the budget is nearly balanced, and there are now more people calling for tax cuts than tax increases.

But in at least one respect, we've got a long way to go. There are still a lot of people in Washington who think they know better than you do when it comes to spending your tax dollars.

The president's budget this year is a good example. In addition to calling for 89 new federal programs at a cost of $150 billion dollars over the next five years, the president is also calling for 27 new targeted tax credits in a wide range of areas.

Now, I'm all for giving people more of their tax dollars back. After all, it is our money. But the way the president wants to do it just doesn't make sense. Instead of letting you keep more of your money and decide how to spend it, the president will let you keep more of your money only if you do what he wants you to do. It's nothing more than another way for Washington to try to manipulate your behavior.

If we're going to let people keep more of what they earn, then let's be honest about it. Instead of a targeted tax credit, people should have a real tax cut – across the board, without regard for what a person may or may not do with the money.

I introduced legislation two weeks ago that would do just that. Called The Better Bracket Act, my plan would cut the federal income tax rate on middle income Americans from 28 to 15 percent. People making between $30,000 and $50,000 dollars a year pay the highest marginal tax rates in the country. My plan would provide them some relief by cutting their taxes by roughly $800 a year.

The Better Bracket Act would let millions of Americans keep more money in their pocket. Best of all, it would let them decide how to spend it – not Washington.

Thought for today

"A man's real possession is his memory. In nothing else is he rich, in nothing else is he poor."

Alexander Smith

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Property theft is always wrong



Joseph Perkins

Perkins is a columnist for *San Diego Union-Tribune.*

Duncan McFetridge lives in a two-room ramshackle cabin on a tiny sixteenth-of-an-acre lot in San Diego County's backcountry. Although the sometime woodcarver is one of the county's smallest property owners he actually carries three mortgages on his teensy spread – he presumes to dictate how 600,000 acres of privately owned land may be used.

McFetridge is proposing a ballot measure, euphemistically titled the "Rural Heritage and Watershed Initiative," that would establish an "urban-rural boundary" for the nation's fourth-largest county. It would dramatically increase the minimum lot size for unincorporated areas of the county from the present four or eight acres to 40 or 80 acres.

The model for this initiative is a 25-year-old Oregon law that required the state's municipalities to establish urban-rural boundaries, zoning land outside the urban boundaries for forestry and agriculture (which happen to be two leading Oregon industries).

If San Diego County's normally conservative voters are duped into approving a local urban-rural boundary – a de facto land grab by way of government-enforced regulation – it will not be long thereafter that environmental activists propose similarly restrictive urban-rural boundaries in other counties and municipalities throughout the country.

And these environmental activists are almost certain to employ the same kind of rhetoric that McFetridge is using to scare up support for his ballot measure.

Indeed, the woodcarver casts his initiative as a holy crusade against developers, who, to his way of thinking, are on a moral par with tobacco industry executives, purveyors of child pornography and pro athletes who kill their ex-wives. If left unchecked, he direly warns, they'll pave paradise and put up a parking lot.

But the 600,000 acres that would be affected in San Diego County are owned not by nefarious developers, but by individual landowners. And the downzoning of their land – for which they paid hundreds of thousands, or even millions, of dollars – runs afoul of the Fifth Amendment guarantee that private property shall not be "taken for public use, without just compensation."

Of course, McFetridge and his supporters on the environmental left argue that downzoning a private property owner's land does not amount to a "taking" since the government does not physically seize the land, but rather leaves it in the property owner's hands.

But the U.S. Supreme Court has already spoken to that matter. In a landmark ruling six years ago, the justices declared that property owners are constitutionally entitled to compensation when government regulations – like a restrictive urban-rural boundary deprives them of all economically viable use of their land.

The precedent-setting case concerned a South Carolina man, David Lucas, who purchased two beachfront lots only to have state regulators ban coastal development. The justices ruled, by a 6-3 margin, that South Carolina has committed a "regulatory taking," which in the high court's reckoning, was the legal equivalent of physically seizing or occupying land.

And the justices declared, in no uncertain terms, for McFetridge, his fellow environmental activists and government regulators to understand, "When the owner of a real property has been called upon to sacrifice all economically beneficial uses in the name of the common good, he must be paid for his loss."

That is what this nation's founders intended. And that is the way it should be today when the commonweal collides with constitutionally protected private property rights. If the public interest is served by stanching development in rural areas of any county in America, then we the people, the taxpayers, ought to buy out the private landowners in that area.

But that's not the way Duncan McFetridge and other anti-property environmentalists throughout the country would have it. They would use the power of government to prevent landowners from making practically any use of their property, and they would stiff landowners for the compensation to which they are entitled.

In other words, McFetridge and likeminded environmentalists advocate government-enforced theft. But no matter what the justification – including saving precious rural land from the clutches of evil developers – that is wrong.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, March 8, the 67th day of 1998. There are 298 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 8, 1917, Russia's "February Revolution" (according to the Old Style calendar that Russians used) began with rioting and strikes in St. Petersburg.

On this date:

In 1702, England's Queen Anne ascended the throne upon the death of King William III.

In 1782, the Gnadenhutten massacre took place as some 90 Indians were slain by militiamen in Ohio in retaliation for raids carried out by other Indians.

In 1854, U.S. Commodore Matthew C. Perry made his second landing in Japan. Within a month, he concluded a treaty with the Japanese.

In 1874, the 13th president of the United States, Millard Fillmore, died in Buffalo, N.Y.

In 1917, the U.S. Senate voted to limit filibusters by adopting the cloture rule.

In 1930, the 27th president of the United States, William Howard Taft, died in Washington.

In 1942, Japanese forces captured Rangoon, Burma, during World War II.

In 1965, the United States landed about 3,500 Marines in South Vietnam.

In 1986, four French television crew members were abducted in west Beirut; a caller claimed the Islamic Jihad was responsible. (All four were eventually released.)

Ten years ago: Vice President George Bush was the big winner in the Super Tuesday Republican presidential primaries.

Time to redefine sexual harassment



Joseph Spear

Spear is a nationally syndicated columnist.

Imagine a conversation between Bill Clinton and Clarence Thomas at this Monica-and-Paula moment in our nation's history.

Clarence: "You are being lynched, Mr. President."

Bill: "I really feel your pain now, Justice Thomas."

When you think about it, their two experiences put a parenthesis around the Absurd '90s. In 1991, Clarence Thomas was publicly humiliated and almost destroyed by former coworker Anita Hill's charges that he had sexually harassed her.

I didn't understand it at the time.

In 1998, Bill Clinton could be drummed out of office because he swore he didn't dally with White House intern Monica Lewinsky, which allegation came to light only because he was forced to give a deposition in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case, the basis for which is the uncorroborated charge that Bill Clinton, when he was governor of Arkansas, exposed himself to Paula and asked for sex, which request she refused, to which rejection he replied well OK no harm no foul, which episode led to her being discriminated against in the work place, a primary example of which is that she didn't get flowers on Secretary's Day.

I don't understand it now.

Let's reverse the tape to see how we got into this pickle.

Clarence Thomas was the quintessential American success story: born poor, taunted for the darkness of his skin, worked his way through college and law school to become a high-level public official, chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, federal appellate judge, Supreme Court nominee.

And that's when his real trials began.

Anita Hill sat down before the Senate Judiciary Committee that was considering Thomas' nomination and proceeded to level accusations of sexual harassment. She said that 10 years earlier, he had treated her crudely. Listen now to the litany of heinous crimes that he was alleged to have committed:

Over the course of several years, he asked her out perhaps twice. He made a few references to dirty movies he had seen. He joked that an object on a can of Coke looked like a pubic hair.

He never asked for sexual favors. He never touched her.

And consider how the abused person reacted:

She followed him from the education department to the EEOC. She kept in touch with him for seven years after the alleged harassment, phoned him often and invited him to lecture at the University of Oklahoma law school, where she taught.

No, insensitive brute that I am, I didn't understand all the hoo-ha then, and I don't understand it now.

Until Clarence and Bill came along, I was under the impression that a person was sexually harassed when a supervisor demanded sexual favors in return for employment favors, or when colleagues, usually male, so mistreated a co-worker, usually female, that it created acute emotional distress. That's layman's language, but it captures the essence of the thing.

Guess again, Joe. The threshold, it seems, is much lower than that. Any "unwanted advance" can be interpreted as sexual harassment. Anything that tends to create an "offensive working environment" can be sexual harassment. And now, thanks to a ruling in the Paula Jones case, evidence that the accuser wasn't accorded the same attention that other putative lovers of the accused received can also be interpreted as sexual harassment.

Which means that any accuser has the right to rummage through an accused's sexual past in an effort to prove not that the accuser was substantially mistreated, but that lovers got a better deal than non-lovers the examination of which leads to lurid exposures that make America the butt of the world's jokes.

I offer a prayer for the approaching millennium:

Dear God, vanquish our damnable urge to roast decent people on flimsy and unsubstantiated charges; bless us with a sexual harassment doctrine that is judicious; and purge our souls of this obsession with the sex lives of public figures.

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Letters to the editor

Parents should join local PTO

To the editor:

I am writing in response to your article on Friday, Feb. 27, regarding a Lefors school board meeting that took place the previous evening. The first point I would like to make is to encourage your readers not to base their opinions nor make decisions based wholly on what they read in your paper. Often, as in the case of the article in question, the facts are wrong. Also, your reporters tend to use inflammatory words any time there is a hint of controversy. For example, your reporter, Jeff West, stated in this article that the board "appeased" the crowd with their decision. Our school board consists of some of the finest people in this community, and they do not make decisions simply to "appease" anyone. Their decisions, many of which are extremely difficult to make, are based on what they feel is best for the students.

The second purpose for this letter is to encourage the parents and grandparents of Lefors students to become more involved with their children's education. An excellent way to do this would be to become involved with our Parent-Teacher Organization. Right now we only have a handful of active members, and we are limited as to what we can do with such a small group. However, if we had a larger number of active members, we could take on more activities to help our students. Several people working together can accomplish much more than they can as individuals. Let's not get involved only when there is a problem, but instead work together to help prevent the problems.

In conclusion, remember that just because something is printed in the newspaper doesn't necessarily mean it is true. Check out the facts before forming an opinion. Secondly, we will see you at the next PTO meeting, or call me to find out how you can help.

Lendi Jackson
Lefors

Seaboard not good for town

To the editor:

Did you read the article in the paper about Seaboard being a good thing for the people of Guymon, Okla., well if you did you might agree too? I would like to inform you that the article was very misleading.

The people of Guymon regret Seaboard coming to their city. They have not benefited in any way at all. They can't open their windows for the horrendous smell of dead hogs and their waste. The crime rate has more than doubled.

The people of Guymon have seen an increase in taxes. The number of people on welfare has increased as well as people on food stamps. Seaboard doesn't hire people already living in the city.

Saying the people of Guymon have benefited is a complete lie. They only people who have benefited are some grocery stores, some gas stations but mainly the liquor stores. So the question is: Is Seaboard a good thing for Pampa? I don't think so, and I hope the city officials don't either. Please use commonsense, and do not allow Seaboard to ruin our city like they did Guymon.

Misty Jordan
Pampa

Vote and show your interest

To the editor:

There are some things the people of Pampa need to think about. What do our officials in city government intend to do to improve the economy of Pampa?

We need new businesses and along with it affordable rent for the people that are here and will be here in the future.

Our commissioners, Chamber of Commerce and the Pampa Economic Development Corporation need to work together. When we moved here Montgomery Ward, Sears, J.C. Penny and K-Mart stores were all here. Now Anthony's and Blockbuster have moved. Why are these stores gone? If they were here people would not have to go out of town to shop.

Everyone needs to stand behind our town. Vote and show interest.

Ila Mae Ketchum
Pampa

I no longer trust PEDC ...

To the editor:

Perhaps you can shed some light on the mystery of the disappearing busses and jobs.

Why are the bus chassis leaving town without being finished? And why are there so many people being laid off work by U.S. Bus Manufacturing?

It was my understanding that the Pampa Economic Development Corporation would conduct business to benefit the people of Pampa. So far, I haven't seen any benefits to Pampa or to the people from the bus manufacturer.

PEDC said that this company would provide "X" number of jobs for Pampa people. Well, it is a little known fact that U.S. Bus has brought in a group of New Yorkers (nine people), laid off our Pampa workers AND are paying the New York group more money than they are paying our family, friends and neighbors.

It is also a fact that some employees were paid cash in lieu of their weekly paycheck on Feb. 20, 1998. Also, as of the date of this letter, some employees have NOT been paid for the last two weeks work. It is said to be because of a "direct deposit" problem. I'm wondering if the reason these workers haven't been paid is because of a cash flow problem.

Speaking of cash, U.S. Bus Manufacturing is on a "cash only" basis with many suppliers – even businesses here in town – because of bad checks.

I feel sorry for the people that PEDC and U.S. Bus Manufacturing have deceived. I, myself, believed in the company and its owners. I was lied to and promise after promise was broken.

From now on, I will be leery of anything PEDC says is a good thing. After all, I pay some of the taxes that help fund PEDC's activities. I just wish I knew where the money went – I don't believe that it stayed in Pampa.

I wish the best for those employees of U.S. Bus Manufacturing that are yet to get burned.

Audra Summers
Pampa

Plan to attend GOP meeting

To the editor:

After the polls close on election night, March 10, there will be a Republican precinct meeting at each polling place. I urge all Republicans to attend and get involved at the grass roots level.

I've tried to be a Republican ever since the 60s. It's been hard, sometimes, with all the mud-slinging and hate-mongering in both parties going after it all the time, so I've never involved myself much outside of voting on election day. However, with the emergence of the "right-wing extremists" in the Republican Party, I am going to my first precinct convention this year. In the last general election, with the "contract with America," came the Republican slogan – "the freedom party." They were referring to less taxation and less and less government intrusion in all our lives. That's fine, as far as it goes, but it doesn't go far enough. With the "right-wing extremists" we have a group who wants to get in power and pass laws that restrict personal freedom, such as withdrawing legalized abortion, laws restricting homosexuals, legislating morality, etc.

A few years ago one legislator even presented a bill before the house to forbid municipal governments from controlling their own health care insurance when it involved coverage for homosexuals. Leveler heads prevailed and it didn't happen, but that's just and example of what can happen if we elect or let people representing us pass narrow-minded laws to enforce their own moral beliefs. When we create an unenforceable law, we create a black market to fill the need. Prohibition on anything which a great number of people want creates an illegal element to fill that need. I hate tobacco with a passion, but it should never be outlawed for the reasons listed above.

At our Republican precinct convention, there are people who, if given the chance, would pass resolutions for laws to restrict personal freedom for us all. It is imperative that these people don't have control of our county, state or U.S. conventions or our government. All of us that care about personal freedom should be at our precinct conventions. Delegates are elected there for our county convention to be held March 28. Those delegates, in turn, elect representative delegates for the state party convention. At each level, a platform of issues and beliefs are written up to send with delegates to the next higher convention. These beliefs on government policy emerge at our national convention in August.

If "right-winged extremists" were to prevail nationwide, I shudder to think how many personal freedoms we could all lose, and all in the name of "morality." Our constitution gives us separation of state and church and we don't want to lose that.

Calvin Lacy
Pampa

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The conversation between Nicodemus and Jesus (Jn. 3:1-21) involved the new birth or, being "born again." Nicodemus had difficulty in understanding this because he was thinking of a birth in the physical sense. What Jesus was actually speaking of was a new beginning, in the spiritual sense. The new birth does not result in any physical change in the individual but a change in his life will be easily seen (cf. Jn. 3:6-8.) Even though we cannot see the wind, we are certainly aware of its presence. The person who has been "born again" will look the same physically, but he will definitely be different (cf. I Pet. 4:1-5.)

The problems today, regarding the new birth or, being "born again" result from men trying to make the new birth something miraculous, instantaneous or some supernatural experience. To understand being "born again" we have but to look at the examples of conversion recorded in the book of Acts and see that when those people believed in Jesus Christ as the Son of God, repented of their sins, confessed their faith in Christ and were baptized for the remission of their sins, they were "born again" (Acts 2:38; 8:26-39; 16:14-15; 30-34; 18:8; 22:16.) In all these cases there were no miraculous workings upon the person being converted, no long drawn out prayers at the mourner's bench, no laying on of the hands to impart salvation, no "experience better felt than told", etc. People simply heard the gospel, believed the gospel and obeyed the gospel. If people today would just take what the Bible teaches concerning people being converted and thus saved, they would be able to understand being "born again."

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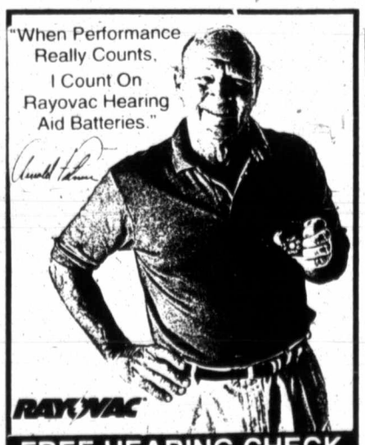
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'Ellen' isn't funny anymore

LOS ANGELES (AP) – "Seinfeld," which is about nothing, is wrapping up its nine-year run covered with glory as TV's most popular sitcom. "Ellen," a show that is very much about something, is dying a slow and painful death.

"Seinfeld" isn't popular because it's about nothing, and "Ellen" isn't facing cancellation because it has a point to make. The difference between the two is more fundamental, at least in TV terms: One is funny, the other isn't anymore.

"I'm gay, the character's gay and that's the problem everyone has with the show. It's just too controversial, nobody wants to deal with it," star Ellen DeGeneres said last week on "Entertainment Tonight," the TV program.

She's right when it comes to the network. ABC undoubtedly would love to bid goodbye to the headaches "Ellen" has brought it – but it couldn't, and wouldn't, if the ratings for the show (9:30 p.m. EST Wednesday) were high enough.

DeGeneres has done little recently to help herself in that quarter.

There is room on sitcoms for messages, sermons, even politics, when they are the seasoning in the stew. But when comedy becomes afterthought, too much is being demanded of viewers.

Plots can revolve around teen-age drug use ("Home Improvement") and drinking ("Boy Meets World" this Friday), around cancer ("Murphy Brown") and weight bias ("The Drew Carey Show") because they are the exception, not the rule.

The shows also know to follow the trail blazed by such 1970s TV pioneers as Norman Lear with "All in the Family" and Larry Gelbart with "M-A-S-H": Even racism, death and war can be dressed up as sitcom fodder with humor as the sugar coating.

"My take has always been we can tackle any subject as long as we're not preachy, as long as we remember we're trying to entertain with it," says Bruce Helford, executive producer of "Drew Carey" and an alumnus of "Roseanne," which explored such issues as domestic abuse.

The Warner Bros. network's kid-oriented comedy "Smart Guy" focuses Wednesday on the difficult subject of sexual predators who find young victims on the Internet.

"Twenty-one out of 22 episodes, we're doing something amusing and funny and not this kind of thing, so we can draw them (the audience) in to pay attention to this one," said executive producer Bob Young.

Such series are playing by TV rules. But not "Ellen," a show trying bravely to illuminate an aspect of life which at least some Americans prefer to pretend doesn't exist.

DeGeneres and "Ellen" rose to that challenge with last season's sharp and funny coming-out episode, and she drew a sizable audience. Now she and the show seem overwhelmed by the task.

A recent fantasy episode pictured Ellen and her pals in a gay and lesbian world in which heterosexuals are the minority. It had all the wit of an Army training film on hygiene.

A few good lines were scattered throughout, but the premise mostly fell flat as we watched Ellen's gang mock straights for their dancing and their dreadful taste in decorating and Norman Rockwell art. Satire demands a lighter hand.

DeGeneres, who has railed against ABC for slapping warning advisories on her show, scored a point with a TV-watching scene in which an episode of "Mad About You" is labeled for adult subject matter.

"It's so silly. Just because Helen Hunt kisses that guy," Ellen mutters.

Absolutely dead on, and absolutely unfunny because we know how angry DeGeneres is. As a viewer, one starts to feel like a character in a bad '80s film, whining "What about MY needs?"

DeGeneres was right to continue exploring her character's new life, its challenges and joys. And she rightly moved Ellen into a lesbian relationship, just as she had dated men before acknowledging her homosexuality.

The episodes began to take on the feeling of a primer rather than a comedy, revealing the exploration of a woman's new life. Here's Ellen learning how to be open, here's Ellen helping her friends adjust, here's how narrow-minded the world is.

Perhaps driven by the belief that this season would be "Ellen's" last, DeGeneres hastily crammed in a master's thesis on lesbian sensibility and life.

The result: Viewer affection and influence DeGeneres had gained previously were squandered, and ratings began to fall. She charmed us straight; she could have charmed us as a lesbian.

(DeGeneres gets a little help from a friend this week when real-life girlfriend and A-list actress Anne Heche appears on the show. The episode was unavailable for preview).

DeGeneres has said she fully expects ABC to cancel her series after this season. Network officials insist the matter isn't decided, but it's clear they would welcome the show's d nisefalling ratings give them an easy out.

he network could argue that it's not getting rid of the first TV program to feature a gay or lesbian lead character; it's merely cutting loose a weak show.

If ABC would give DeGeneres one more try, with the breathing room and support she needs to do "Ellen" right, and if the actress could give the show the comic edge it must have, it could be turned around.

Maybe we expect too much of DeGeneres and too much of the network. If they could deliver, viewers might be willing to ask more of themselves.

Michael Crawford, of 'Phantom of the Opera' fame, moves to TV

NEW YORK (AP) – Michael Crawford, best known for his title role in "The Phantom of the Opera," has moved from musical theater to live concerts and TV.

"Michael Crawford in Concert," his first special for television, opens the singer's second world tour and airs as part of PBS' pledge drive for March. Check local listings for date and time.

In the concert taped last month, Crawford performs as a storyteller as well as a singer. And, he says, his stories are true, and sometimes funny. "I don't pretend to be anyone but myself," he concedes during an interview. "I want to go out there, and hopefully I can make people laugh and maybe move them as well."

During Crawford's TV special, many of his jokes come at his own expense. For a year, he says, he thought that composer Andrew Lloyd Webber wanted him to sing the young romantic lead in "Phantom," not that of the old scar face.

"I thought I was going to get this part," he recounts. "How absurd – thinking of myself as the heroic lead. I obviously was not right for it at all." And Crawford adds, "We don't recognize the truth at the time, and we feel unhappy. We talk about them later and laugh."

Not all of his stories are humorous. During the concert, he sings two Irish favorites, "Galway Bay" and "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen," and talks about his Irish grandmother. And the more he talks about Edith Kathleen O'Keefe, he chokes. "Yes, I did, thinking about her. I always do. She was my dearest friend," he says afterwards, conceding the tears.

"I've never sung about her in this way... . There's not a day goes by that I don't think about her. I lost my mother at an early age and we became closer. We were looking after each other, Nan and me, against the world. The more special people are and the more we love them, the harder it is to deal with losing them, even when they're old. I think a lot of people can relate to that."

This year, as he tours, Crawford intends to expand his concert with four or five Irish songs, add more stories about his grandmother, and sing with more of her accent. He calls his new strategy of storytelling "the bravest I've ever been."

While on his only other concert tour, "Michael Crawford Performs Andrew Lloyd Webber," he told only one story. But now, at 56, Crawford offers personal history to help people relate to his show. His recap is brief: Married, two daughters, then divorced.

"There is music about the beginnings of romance and breaking up of a relationship. It applies to us all," Crawford says. "I did liken it to some of my own relationship." He also, he says, remains friends with his ex-wife and even includes her father in dedications on "On Eagle's Wings," his newest CD.

Chart toppers

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4. "No, No, No," Destiny's Child (Columbia)(Gold)
5. "Truly Madly Deeply," Savage Garden (Columbia)(Gold)
6. "Swing My Way," K.P. & Envy! (Eastwest)(Gold)
7. "Together Again," Janet (Virgin)(Gold)
8. "What You Want," Mase featuring Total (Bad Boy-Arista)(Gold)
9. "Gone Till November," Wyclef Jean (Ruffhouse)(Gold)
10. "How Do I Live," LeAnn Rimes (Curb)(Platinum)

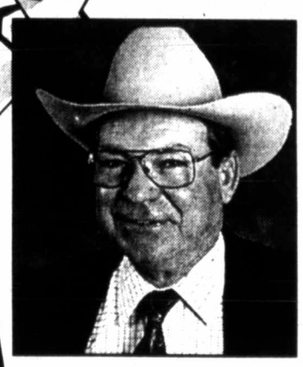
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2. "Let's Talk About Love," Celine Dion (550 Music)(Platinum)
3. "Charge It 2 Da Game," Silkk the Shocker (No Limit)
4. "Savage Garden," Savage Garden (Columbia)(Platinum)
5. "'The Wedding Singer' Soundtrack," (Maverick-Warner)
6. "Backstreet," Backstreet Boys (Jive)(Platinum)
7. "My Way," Usher (LaFace)(Platinum)
8. "Love Always," K-Ci & JoJo (MCA)(Platinum)
9. "Yourself Or Someone Like You," Matchbox 20 (Lava-Atlantic)
10. "Yield," Pearl Jam (Epic)

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3. "Little Red Rodeo," Collin Raye (Epic)
4. "She's Gonna Make It," Garth Brooks (Capitol)
6. "Perfect Love," Trisha Yearwood (MCA)
7. "Just to See You Smile," Tim McGraw (Curb)
8. "What If I Said," Anita Cochran (Duet with Steve Wariner) (Warner Bros.)
9. "You've Got to Talk to Me," Lee Ann Womack (Decca)
10. "If I Never Stop Lovin' You," David Kersh (Curb)

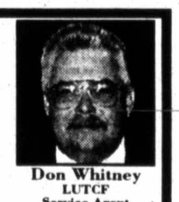
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5. "As Long As You Love Me," Backstreet Boys (Jive)
6. "My Father's Eyes," Eric Clapton (Reprise)
7. "Oh How the Years Go By," Vanessa Williams (Mercury)
8. "At the Beginning," Donna Lewis and Richard Marx (Atlantic)
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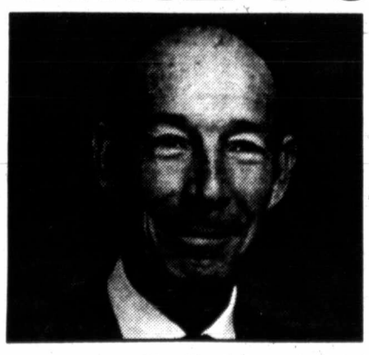
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LETTERS

Let God be the only judge ...

To the editor:

Recently I attended the Republican candidates forum. Several candidates kept hammering on the "Pro-Life" issue, even when it was unrelated to the job/office they sought.

I wish to commend Becky Kendall and Dr. Laycock for their level-headed remarks on this thorny issue. I think it is important for the "Pro-Life" proponents to get off their soapboxes and understand on thing: "Pro-Choice" does NOT MEAN pro-abortion. As a woman, I'm not sure I would be willing to have an abortion, nor to urge anyone else to. However, it is not my place to force an unwanted child – especially one conceived from rape or incest – on anyone. If I am not willing to adopt that unwanted child or support it, then how can I possibly force someone else to carry that child to term?

With respect to one of the young men who is "Pro-Life," I agree with his statement to me that "if adoption were as cheap as abortion, there are lots of people out there willing to adopt these children." But when it costs $300 for an abortion and $5,000 for an adoption, which route is more likely to be chosen?

My point is don't accuse your pro-choice friends of being pro-abortion. Yes, I believe in the sanctity of life, but take off your rose-colored glasses. This is not an ideal, religious, middle-class world, filled with responsible, loving human beings. We cannot, and have never been able, to legislate morality. A woman who really wants an abortion and is terribly desperate will find a way.

None of us really want to go back to the days of dark alley "coat-hanger" abortions. As Dr. Laycock said, "I've never performed and abortion, but (before they were legal) I've had to clean up after a lot of bad attempts and it's not pleasant. Abortion is an issue between the individual and God." I agree with him. The ultimate decision is not ours, but hers. God, not other individuals, is her judge. To those who think differently, I will try to respect your opinion, but please show others the same courtesy and don't try to run everybody else's life. There's enough challenge in trying to successfully live one's own life. True freedom is the freedom to make our own mistakes without government interference.

Rochelle Lacy
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Values from a proud past shaping policy for the future

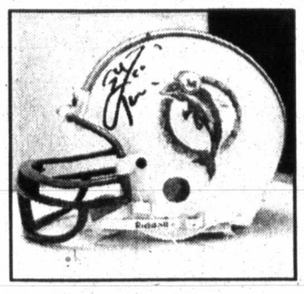
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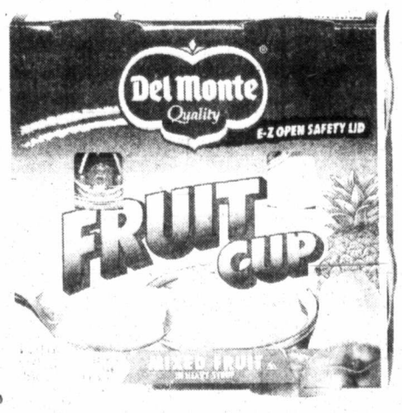


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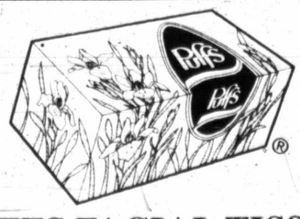
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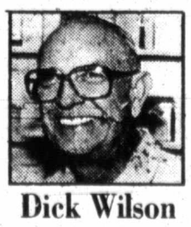
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SWIMMING

GRAND FORKS, N.D. — Former Pampa High School swimmer Dakota Tefertiller helped lead the University of South Dakota to a second-place finish at the North Central Conference Meet last weekend.

Tefertiller, a freshman at the University of South Dakota, placed seventh in the 200 breaststroke (2:15.56), ninth in the 100 breaststroke (1:01.12) and 12th in the 200 intermediate (2:02.48). He also competed in the 100 backstroke and had a time of 1:00.06.

While in high school, Tefertiller was a regional qualifier in four events his senior year and holds the school record in the 100 breaststroke.

BASEBALL-SOFTBALL

PAMPA — The Pampa Optimist Club will have a baseball-softball organizational meeting at 7 Monday night, March 16 at the club, located at 601 E. Craven.

Persons interested in becoming a coach or manager in the baseball or softball programs are required to be at the meeting or send a representative.

Sign-ups are scheduled the first week of April and managers-coaches need to be in place by March 20.

"If you know of anyone that is interested in managing or coaching, please encourage them to be present. Cooperation in this matter is appreciated because time is short," said Bill Simon of the Pampa Optimist Club Board.

SOFTBALL

PAMPA — Dumas shut out Pampa, 6-0, Thursday in the second game of a double-header in girls' softball action.

Dumas had won the first game, 12-3.

Palo Duro girls reach 5A finals

AUSTIN (AP) — Lakishia Harper scored 13 points as Amarillo Palo Duro shot 54 percent from the field and played suffocating defense in a 61-36 victory over Corpus Christi Carroll Friday in the Class 5A semifinals of the girls' state tournament.

Palo Duro, which improved to 32-4 in its first final four trip to Austin, will play in Saturday's title game against the Alief Elsik-Copperas Cove semifinal winner.

Carroll, led by Amber South, the game's leading scorer with 16 points, finished the season 33-6 after making its first state tournament appearance.

Carroll, frustrated by Palo Duro's full-court press the entire game, opened the game 1-of-9 from the field and missed seven straight shots in the first quarter. Carroll finished 30 percent from the field, including 2-of-10 from 3-point range.

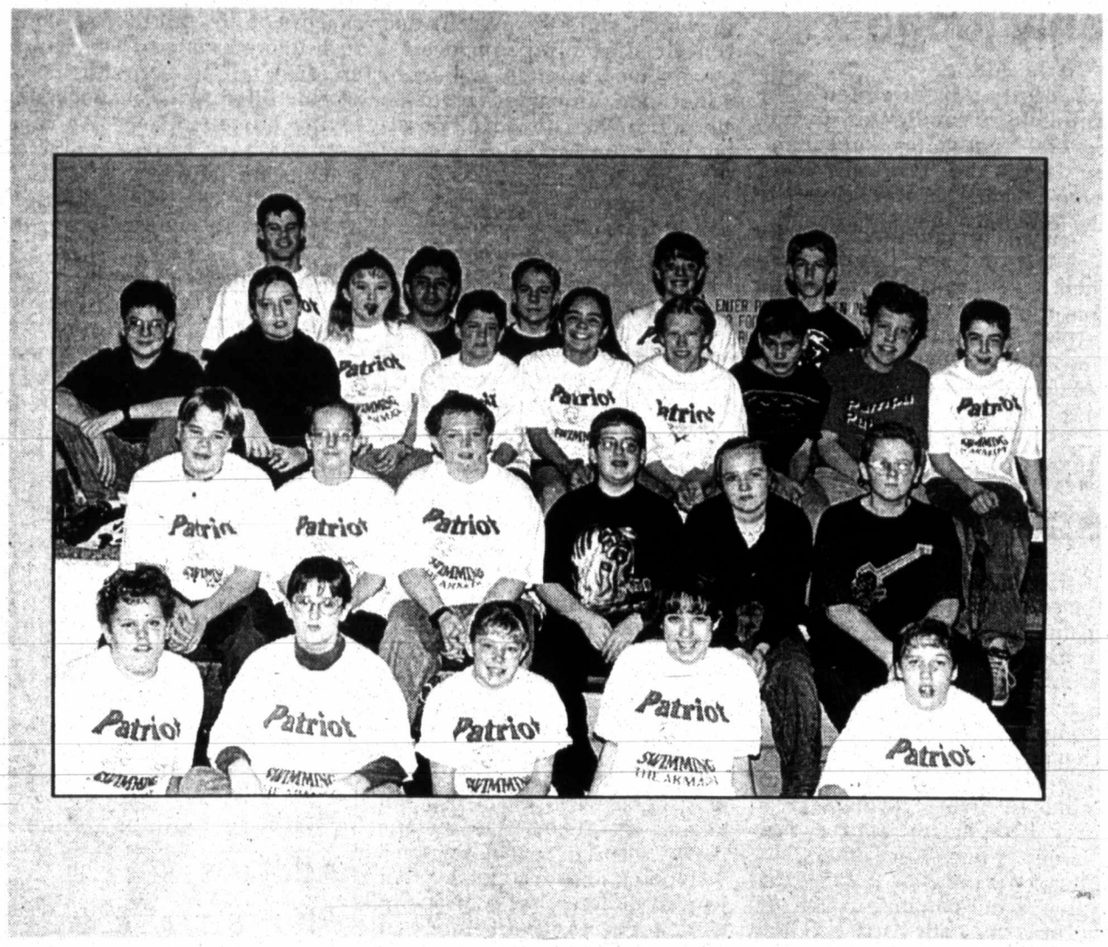
Palo Duro, on the other hand, sizzled from the outset.

Harper scored nine points, including seven straight, as Palo Duro took a 19-4 lead after the first quarter.

At one point, the Lady Dons hit nine straight shots without a miss as the lead increased to 25-6 with 5:51 left in the second quarter.

Monica Trimble, Geronica Tucker and Casey Jackson each had 10 points for Palo Duro, which shot 56 percent in the second half.

Harper, a junior who is already drawing attention from college recruiters, seemed able to score at will by penetrating the defense with crossover dribbles.



(Pampa News photo)

Members of the Patriots' swimming squad are (front row, l-r) Dusty Klink, Kandi Garrison, Brandi Shakel, Megan Shannon and Tamra Henthorn; (second row, l-r) Brian Huddleston, Kristina Hartman, Cameron Cargill, John Killhoffer, Erica Helms and Mike Eskridge; (third row, l-r) J.J. Juan, Rhianna Anglin, Misty Moman, Matt Dyer, Desiree Vigil, Willie Griffin, Ben Whitten, Mike Leland and Doug Warren; (back row, l-r) Coach David Pink, Gerardo Delatorre, Ryan Anderson, Kelley Stowers and John Fleming. The Patriots are scheduled to host Lubbock schools in a swim meet in April.

Harvesters sweep past Canadian in tennis dual

PAMPA — The Pampa High tennis team swept 17 matches Thursday against Canadian at the PHS courts.

Andrea Abbe and Kimberlea McKandles both won their singles matches in straight sets. Amanda Browning and Katy McComas combined to lose only one game in winning two doubles matches.

Emily Curtis and Mandy Wells improved their record as a duo to 19-1 on the year with a doubles win. Jennifer Muns and Celeste Stowers added a doubles victory in concluding the girls' matches.

Michael Cornelison and Matt Rains won both their doubles matches, including a 3-set triumph over Derek Anderson and Red Lovelace, who were Class 2A regional qualifiers as a duo last year. Bryce Hudson, Dustin Laycock and Jason Vickery each participated in two victories.

Pampa boys winning their lone match included Russ DuBose, Brandon Coffee, Ryan Mills, Kerry Turner and Jeremy Nicholas.

The Pampa team competed against Caprock and Randall over the weekend at Amarillo.

PHS boys in Andrews Invitational

ANDREWS — Pampa shot a 318 Friday for eighth place in the opening round of the Andrews Boys' Invitational at the Andrews Country Club.

Andrews A shot a 297 to take the lead.

Nathan Banner, a junior, shot a 77 for the Harvesters while Matt Heasley and Barry Brauchi each had 80, Grady Locknane 81 and Jordan Fruge 87.

San Angelo Lake View holds down second place with a 299 while Borger is third at 305. The Harvesters are four strokes ahead of ninth-place Amarillo High.

Pampa swimmers compete in Amarillo

Four Pampa swimmers recently attended the West Texas "C" Championship Swim Meet in Amarillo.

Swimmers from Lubbock, Amarillo, Dumas, Canyon and Pampa participated in the meet.

Each improved their personal best times in every event they entered.

Eighth-grader Clay David was the high point winner with 32 points in the Male 13 and over age group. He won high point by placing first in four events, including the 200 IM, 100 backstroke, 100 free and the 100 breaststroke. He was also third in the 100 butterfly. He finished with personal best times in every event.

Sixth-grader Megan Davis was third place high point in the Female 11-12 age group by placing second in both the 50 breaststroke and the 50 backstroke. She was also third in the 50 freestyle and fourth in the 100 free. Other Middle School swimmers participating in this meet were Bryan Huddleston and Tamra Henthorn.

Randie Owen and Garrett Owen in the younger age division also competed in the meet.

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Pampa Middle School has over 30 swimmers from the seventh and eighth grades who work out every morning at the Pampa Youth Center. They are taught each of the four strokes and have a chance to improve their skills not only in intrasquad meets, but also in age group meets around the panhandle.

Swimming is an excellent sport in a Middle School setting because there is no junior varsity. Each swimmer who is on the team gets a chance to show off their skills at every meet they attend.

The Middle School team is coached by David Pink, a former collegiate swimmer at the University of Wyoming. Tyler Pink, David's wife, also works with other swimmers who are not yet in the Middle School program and also younger swimmers who would like to learn more about the sport. They work out in the afternoons at the Youth Center from 5:15 to 6:15 every weekday except Wednesday.

Anyone who may be interested in this sport can come to the Youth Center or see Coach Pink to receive more information.

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Tennessee is team to beat in women's NCAA Tournament

By CHUCK SCHOFFNER
AP Sports Writer

The suspense and tension will crackle on college campuses across the country today in those heavy hours before the NCAA releases its bracket for the women's basketball tournament.

Always has been that way, always will. Who'll get in, who'll get left out? Who's going where? Who's getting what seed?

Once the brackets are filled, will any suspense remain? With No. 1-ranked Tennessee so good and so dominant, will this tournament be merely a prelude to the unbeaten Lady Vols' inevitable coronation?

"They're definitely the team to beat," Florida coach Carol Ross said. "But I also think the beauty of the NCAAs is that everybody goes in with no wins and no losses. Everybody looks at it as a whole new season."

That includes Tennessee, which usually is at its best at this time of year regardless of what happened in the regular season. Last year, the Lady Vols entered NCAA play with 10 losses and still won their second straight national championship and fifth overall.

Now look at what coach Pat Summitt brings to this year's tournament: A 33-0 record. An average victory margin of 31 points. Victories over 14 teams ranked in the Top 25 at the time. The best player in the country in Chamique Holdsclaw and outstanding players around her in Tamika Catchings, Semeka Randall and Teresa Geter, all freshmen.

And it's not just that the Lady Vols have won that's so impressive, it's how they've won. They beat Vanderbilt by 61 points in the Southeastern Conference tournament. They won at DePaul by 79 points. They beat Florida, the SEC runner-up, by 39.

They've done it with the basics like defense, passing and rebounding but also with flair: spin moves, no-look passes, wraparound dribbles and scoop shots.

Tennessee already is being called the best women's team ever, although Summitt isn't ready to join that chorus yet.

"Our journey is not yet complete," she said. "All we are concentrating on right now is getting ready to play in the NCAA tournament. We do not want to slip up by losing our focus. We are not emphasizing for them to be the best ever. Our goal remains to capture six games in a row."

Summitt also knows her team has shown it is vulnerable a couple of times, and therein lies the hope for the other 63. Alabama played with patience and poise in both its games with Tennessee and kept the margin below 10, including a 67-63 loss in the SEC tournament finals.

The Crimson Tide could do that because they have two strong ballhandlers and outside shooters in Brittany Ezell and Leah Goss and an outstanding one-on-one player in Dominique Canty. Not every team has that combination.

"You have to eliminate their easy baskets," Auburn coach Joe Ciampi said. "That's easy to say, but it's so difficult to do because through their full-court pressure, they create so many transition baskets.

"The difference between this year's Tennessee team and last year is their transition game. It has given them a devastating attack. If they get easy baskets, you're in for a long night. Alabama eliminated those easy baskets."

No. 3 Connecticut might have had the personnel to stick with Tennessee before Nykesha Sales was sidelined by a ruptured Achilles' tendon. Second-ranked Old Dominion, last year's national runner-up, has a great ballhandler (Ticha Penicheiro) and strong inside player (Nyree Roberts), but Tennessee beat the Lady Monarchs 85-61 in early February.

Scoreboard

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Class 5A Semifinals

CC CARROLL-PALO DURO, Box
CC CARROLL(33-6)

Brooks 0-3 0-0 0, Yoakum 2-8 0-0 4, Mitchell 3-12 2-3 8, Dunson 2-7 2-2 6, South 6-13 2-2 16, Young 0-0 0-0 0, Shelton 1-3 0-0 2, Ramirez 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 14-46 6-7 36.
PALO DURO(32-4)

Trimble 5-8 0-0 10, Tucker 5-11 0-0 10, Jackson 5-8 0-0 10, Phillips 1-3 0-0 2, Harper 6-9 1-1 13, White 3-5 0-0 7, Gardner 0-0 0-0 0, Tudman 2-5 0-0 4, Owens 1-1 0-0 3, Howard 1-2 0-0 2, Foster 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 29-54 1-1 61.

CC Carroll	**4**	**11**	**8**	**13**	**— 36**
Palo Duro	**19**	**12**	**14**	**16**	**— 61**

3-point goals—CC Carroll 2-10 (Brooks 0-1, Mitchell 0-1, Dunson 0-3, South 2-5), Palo Duro 2-5 (White 1-1, Tudman 0-2, Owens 1-1, Foster 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—CC Carroll 27 (Mitchell 9), Palo Duro 31 (Jackson 7). Assists—CC Carroll 4 (Mitchell 3), Palo Duro 13 (Jackson). Fouls—CC Carroll 9, Palo Duro 9. A—3,982.

Class 2A Semifinals

Hamilton-Crawford, Box
Hamilton (29-6)

Ka.Marwitz 7-9 5-6 19, Roberson 3-4 2-4 8, Zschiesche 2-5 2-2 7, Summers 2-5 5-10 11, Poe 1-1 1-2 3, Christian 0-0 0-0 0, Witte 1-5 0-0 3, Kinsey 0-0 0-0 0, Lawson 0-0 0-0 0, Kr.Marwitz 0-0 0-0 0, Maurney 3-3 0-0 6. Totals 19-32 15-24 57.
Crawford (30-4)

K.Westerfeld 2-8 4-4 9, Bolfing 4-10 3-4 11, Kelm 0-3 0-0 0, Ja.Jones 1-4 3-7 5, Lammert 1-5 0-0 2, Gohlke 0-1 0-0 0, Jo.Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Tidwell 4-15 1-1 10, C.Heller 0-0 0-0 0, L.Heller 0-0 0-0 0, Hoffman 0-1 0-0 0, Murphy 0-0 0-0 0, S.Westerfeld 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 12-47 11-16 37.

Hamilton	**17**	**12**	**15**	**13**	**— 57**
Crawford	**4**	**11**	**13**	**9**	**— 37**

3-point goals—Hamilton 4-6 (Zschiesche 1-1, Summers 2-2, Witte 1-3), Crawford 2-14 (K.Westerfeld 1-3, Lammert 0-4, Tidwell 1-7). Fouled out—Roberson. Rebounds—Hamilton 25 (Roberson 7), Crawford 30 (Bolfing 7). Assists—Hamilton 12 (Summers 4), Crawford 7 (Ja.Jones, Lammert 2). Fouls—Hamilton 14, Crawford 21. A—4,625.

PRO BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association At A Glance
All Times EST
By The Associated Press
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	42	19	.689	—
New York	34	25	.576	7
New Jersey	33	28	.541	9
Orlando	31	29	.517	10 1/2
Washington	31	30	.508	11
Boston	29	31	.483	12 1/2
Philadelphia	21	37	.362	19 1/2
Central Division				
Chicago	**44**	**16**	**.733**	**—**
Indiana	42	18	.700	2
Charlotte	37	23	.617	7
Atlanta	35	24	.593	8 1/2
Cleveland	32	28	.533	12
Milwaukee	29	29	.500	14
Detroit	27	33	.450	17
Toronto	13	46	.220	30 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	42	16	.724	—
San Antonio	40	20	.667	3
Minnesota	32	28	.533	11
Houston	29	30	.492	13 1/2
Vancouver	14	45	.237	28 1/2
Dallas	13	47	.217	30
Denver	5	56	.082	38 1/2
Pacific Division				
Seattle	**45**	**15**	**.750**	**—**
L.A. Lakers	41	18	.695	3 1/2
Phoenix	39	20	.661	5 1/2
Portland	34	24	.586	10
Sacramento	26	36	.419	20
Golden State	13	47	.217	32
L.A. Clippers	12	47	.203	32 1/2

Thursday's Games
Washington 103, New York 90
Miami 117, Houston 93
Dallas 119, L.A. Clippers 109
Milwaukee 104, Denver 87
Phoenix 102, Detroit 93
Friday's Games
Boston 108, Washington 98
Utah 122, New Jersey 115
Philadelphia 80, New York 71
Charlotte 104, Seattle 98
Atlanta 115, Denver 94
Orlando 91, Cleveland 89, OT
Minnesota 113, Toronto 91
Sacramento 98, Vancouver 96
Indiana 101, Golden State 87
L.A. Lakers 91, San Antonio 84
Saturday's Games
Miami at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.
Houston at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Cleveland at Atlanta, Noon
Boston at Indiana, 12:30 p.m.
Charlotte at New Jersey, 12:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 3 p.m.
Seattle at Minnesota, 3 p.m.
Detroit at L.A. Lakers, 3 p.m.
San Antonio at Portland, 3 p.m.
Toronto at Vancouver, 3 p.m.
Chicago at New York, 5:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Denver, 9 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Friday's Sports Transactions
By The Associated Press
BASEBALL
American League
NEW YORK YANKEES—Agreed to terms with RHP Orlando Hernandez on a four-year contract.
TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Assigned P Bobby Seay, P Matt White, P Daniel Garibay, P Scott Lewis, P Maximo Nunez, P Dave Eiland, OF Jim Buccheri, INF Paul Hoover and C Dan Donato to their minor-league camp and OF Matias Carrillo and INF Alex Cabrera to Mexico City of the Mexican League.
TEXAS RANGERS—Released RHP Tanyon Sturtze.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms with OF Jose Cruz Jr. and INF Tomas Perez. Renewed the contracts of RHP Chris Carpenter and RHP Robert Person. Assigned RHP, Billy Koch, LHP Mark Sievert, RHP Shannon Withem, C Luis Rodriguez, INF Jossephang Bernhardt, INF Santiago Henry and INF Jeff Patzke to their minor-league camp.
National League
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Signed RHP Toby Borland to a minor-league contract.
Western Professional Baseball League
Frontier League
KALAMAZOO KODIAKS—Signed P Jon Stevens, P Josh Oliver and OF Gene Harper.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NEW JERSEY NETS—Placed C Rony Seikaly on the injured list.
PHOENIX SUNS—Named David DiFilippo assistant director of media relations, and David Griffin basketball operations assistant.
Eastern Basketball Alliance
HARRISBURG HORIZON—Named Al Clocker head coach.
WILKES BARRE DIAMONDS—Signed F Darren Rowe and F Gimel Martinez.
YORK CITY CYCLONES—Signed C Kelvin McLeod.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Agreed to terms with RB Mario Bates on a two-year contract.
ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed FS Eugene Robinson to a two-year contract.
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Agreed to terms with FB William Floyd.
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Released DE Clyde Simmons. Signed QB Jamie Martin.
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Agreed to terms with WR Andre Hastings.
ST. LOUIS RAMS—Signed P Rick Tuten.
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Signed G Aaron Taylor to a four-year contract, and TE Frank Hartley to a two-year contract.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed OL Brian Habib.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
COLORADO AVALANCHE—Returned C Josef Marha to Hershey of the AHL.
EDMONTON OILERS—Assigned G Mike Minard to Brantford of the UHL.
LOS ANGELES KINGS—Recalled LW Jason Morgan from Springfield of the AHL.
NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Recalled C Sergei Brylin from Albany of the AHL.
MONTREAL CANADIENS—Recalled D Brad Brown from Fredericton of the AHL.
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Recalled G Peter Skudra from Kansas City of the IHL.
COLLEGE
INDIANA—Named Jeff Hammerschmidt special teams and outside linebackers coach.
MIAMI, OHIO—Announced the resignation of Ken Zampese, quarterbacks coach.

TRACK

Pampa Middle School Track Schedule
March 6: Boys at Canyon; Girls at Borger.
March 13: Boys at Hereford; Girls at Pampa.
March 20: Open
March 27: Boys at Dumas; Girls at Canyon.
April 3: Boys at Valleyview; Girls at Hereford.
April 9: Boys at Pampa; Girls at Valleyview.
April 17: District meet: Boys and Girls at Borger.
Note: Field events start at 4 p.m. and running events at 4:30 p.m. If times change, coaches will announce the change to students.

Ozona rolls past Cooper in Class 2A semifinals

AUSTIN (AP) — Amber Tarr dominated all over the court, scoring 22 points as Ozona set itself up to go for three state titles in four years with a 65-44 victory over Cooper Friday in the Class 2A state semifinals.

Tarr, a 6-foot Texas Tech signee who handles the ball like a point guard, also had seven rebounds and four assists for Ozona (38-1), which will play in Saturday's state title game against the Hamilton-Crawford semifinal winner.

Ozona won the state title in 1995 and 1996, when Tarr was a freshman and sophomore along with star point guard Bobbie Bryson. Shortly after winning the 1996 title, Bryson was diagnosed with leukemia and the team struggled last year without her.

Bryson's cancer is now in remission, but she is not playing basketball. Players have said they would like to win the title in her honor.

Cooper, led by Morgan Hohenberger with 17 points and Tamara Williams with 10, finished the season 29-7 after making its 10th state tournament appearance. The Bulldogettes were hurt by 19 percent shooting in the first half and 28 percent shooting for the game.

Ozona led 13-11 after the first quarter and then outscored Cooper 19-8 in the second quarter as Leslie Avila scored seven points and Angela Branch and Tarr each scored four, giving Ozona a 32-19 lead at halftime.

Thanks to Tarr, Cooper never threatened the rest of the way. She scored 11 straight points at the end of the third quarter and beginning of the fourth, including a 3-pointer, giving Ozona a 52-27 lead with 6:59 left to play.

Hohenberger, who also had five rebounds and four assists for Cooper, was impressive early, scoring nine first-quarter points, including a 3-pointer.

Buffs bounce Pittsburg State

CANYON — Terrance Jolley scored a career-high 30 points and Donnell Harrison added 23 to lead ninth-ranked West Texas A&M University to a 90-79 victory over Pittsburg State Friday night in the NCAA Division II South Central semifinals.

The Buffs, seeded first in the regional, improved to 25-4 on the year, while fifth-seeded PSU dropped to 24-6. WTAMU advanced to the finals and played third-seeded Central Oklahoma Saturday night. The winner earns a berth in the Elite Eight Tournament to be held in Louisville, Ky., beginning March 18.

WT shot a season-best 68.9 percent from the field as Jolley and Harrison combined to make 20 of 23 field goal attempts. The Buffs shot a torrid 78 percent from the floor in the first half, but led the visiting Gorillas by just 48-44 at the half.

PSU, which trailed early 24-12, rallied to the the score at 54-all with 16:41 remaining and held tight with a 69-65 disadvantage with 9:33 to go. However, WT notched a 14-4 scoring run to go up 83-69 with 2:09 left to play and never allowed the Gorillas within eight thereafter.

Rene Salomao chipped in 13 points and a team-high eight rebounds for the Buffs, while Michael Hamelin set the offense and defense in motion with 10 points, six assists and five steals.

The Gorillas were led by Oscar Gonzalez's 27 points, 14 of which came on 15 free throw attempts. Corey Shelby canned 26 points in the losing effort.

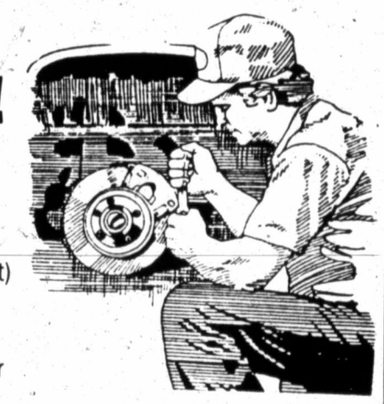
WT had a 28-22 rebounding edge.

Texas-Arlington wins semifinal tilt

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) — Scott Cross and Donald Harris coolly sank four free throws in the final 2.5 seconds as Texas-Arlington rallied from 16 points down then held off Northwestern Louisiana for a 77-72 victory in the semifinal round of the Southland Conference tournament Friday night.

Texas-Arlington (13-15) is seeded sixth in the tournament.

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People working at the two prison units raised about $1,400 for Special Olympics by selling tickets for a gift certificate. The gift certificate went to Mike Watson of Lefors. The employees won prizes for selling the most tickets. Pictured from left are Mozetta Johnson who won 3rd place, Judy Riley 2nd place, Asst. Warden Kenneth Reagans, Janice Moore 1st place, Warden Fernando De LaRosa.

Suburbs youth accused of theft ring

ALPHARETTA, Ga. (AP) — At least 100 high school students from some of Atlanta's wealthiest suburbs may have stolen $100,000 worth of merchandise from a Wal-Mart by getting huge discounts from friends who worked as cashiers, police say.

The items included video games worth $150 and automobile accessories.

Some of the students may have tried to return the merchandise to other stores for cash, police said.

Fulton County police said Friday that the case is still under investigation. No charges have been filed.

The thefts began eight to 12 months ago and mushroomed as the students discovered they could get away with it, Detective Bill Putman said.

"It's a rarity that it's this large," he said. "Usually they quit before they reach this amount."

Putman said many of the students bragged about the scam.

Five former cashiers and dozens of students from two high schools in Alpharetta and Duluth may have been involved, said Police Capt. Donald Cook. Both schools are near the store, which is in a booming area of Atlanta's northern suburbs where houses sell for up to $1 million.

Some students admitted they knew about the scam but didn't say anything.

"I didn't know who would take me seriously," said Chattahoochee High senior Patty Janeczko.

Wal-Mart officials had no comment.



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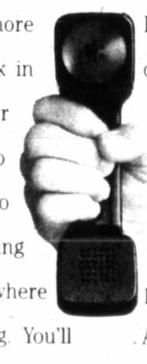
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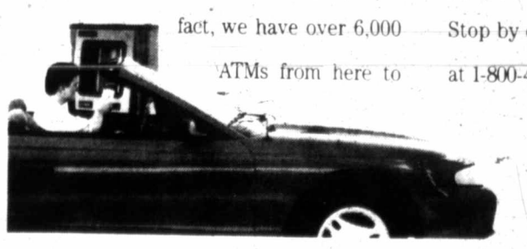
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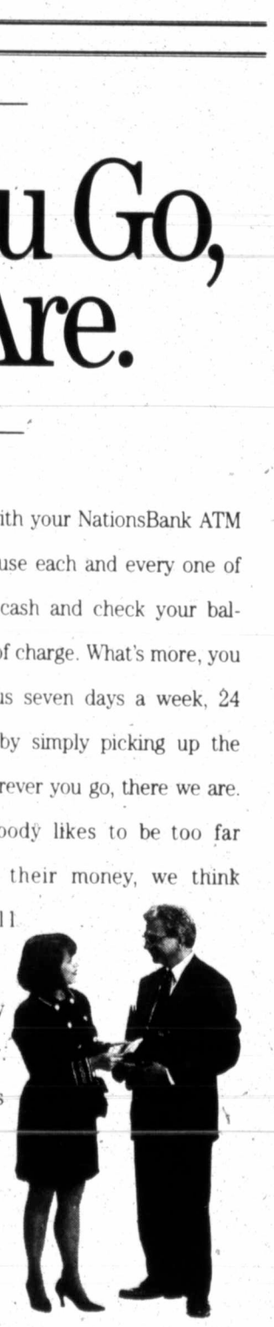
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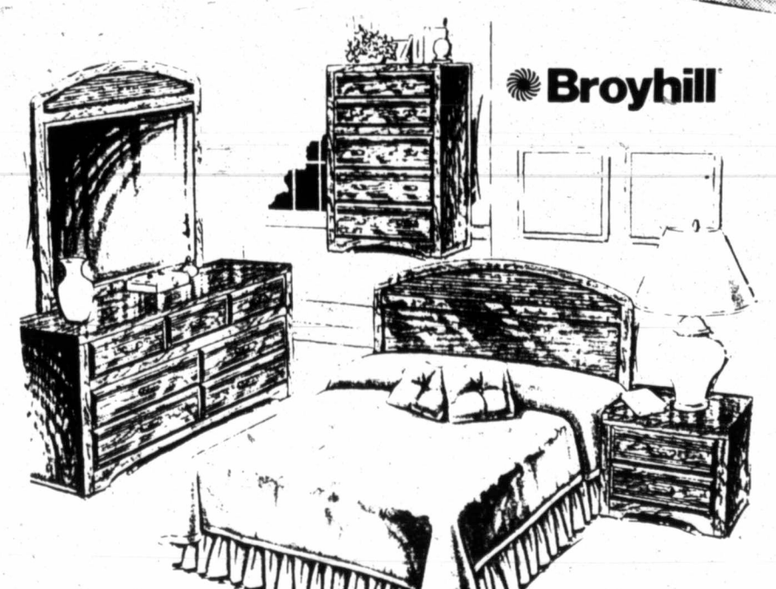


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Pampa artisans network to expand local creativity



Pernie Davis, top, examines a sculpture in relief that Grant Johnson created and displayed at the Creative Artisans Network meeting recently. The clay original she is looking at was used to make a plastic mold that Kelly Varner examines at right. Plaster is then poured into the mold to produce a model that can be displayed.







Grant Johnson, far left, removes the plaster impression he has cast from a plastic mold while Kelly Varner watches. Top left, Johnson displays the finished casting. Below is the plastic mold taken from the original clay sculpture. The sculpture is one of a series Johnson did on emotions.

Creativity tends to be a solitary pursuit, but even the most prolific artist needs encouragement.

The Creative Artisans Network was founded three years ago to help with that encouragement.

CAN provides an environment in which artists working in various media -- written, visual and even three-dimensional -- can come together to draw strength from one another.

"We believe there's a connecting thread for all creative thinking," said Kelly Varner, who heads up the non-profit group along with sculptor and painter Grant Johnson.

Born in Colorado, Varner has lived in Pampa for 17 years. She is an author who just finished her fifth novel, scheduled to be published later this year.

Grant Johnson, originally from Shamrock, has his studio in Pampa.

It was Johnson that provided the program for the group's monthly meeting recently at Hi-Land Christian Church in Pampa.

While his program dealt with sculpting - both clay and stone - the group also has programs for experienced and aspiring writers, for painters, for photographers, for dancers and just about any other artistic endeavor.

The Creative Artisans Network meets the last Monday of each month.

"Anything that has artists or creative aspect," Varner said.

Each fall, they host an annual writing seminar. Each spring, they hold an art exhibit, usually in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Auditorium and Civic Center. This year's Combined Creative Artisans Network Spring Art Exhibit is scheduled for March 30 along with the group's March meeting.

Their April meeting is scheduled to return to Hi-Land Christian Church. It will be from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. April 27.

The group not only provides a nurturing environment for fine and performing arts, it also has some resources to promote creativity and communal services.

Recognized as a service organization and defined by name as a network, Varner said, they strive to connect members with others of like minds through their membership.

The group has about 25 members, but Varner said that they gain members with each show they host.

"The thing about this group," she says, "we're not found another one that exists that covers such a wide range of subjects."

They seek to educate and inspire, she said, a goal that in this day and age is perhaps unique in itself.



Mr. and Mrs. Boeckel

Boeckel anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Boeckel recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Children of the couple hosted a dinner at Lamplighter Restaurant and a surprise gathering at Hardee's.

Bob and Bea Boeckel were married Feb. 25, 1948, at Hardin, Mont. The couple moved to Pampa following their retirement in 1986.

Children of the couple are JoAnne and Tom Wheeler of Canadian. They have two granddaughters.



Mr. and Mrs. Elton E. Coe

Coe anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Elton E. Coe celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Feb. 6, 1998, at their home in Pampa. Children of the couple hosted the reception.

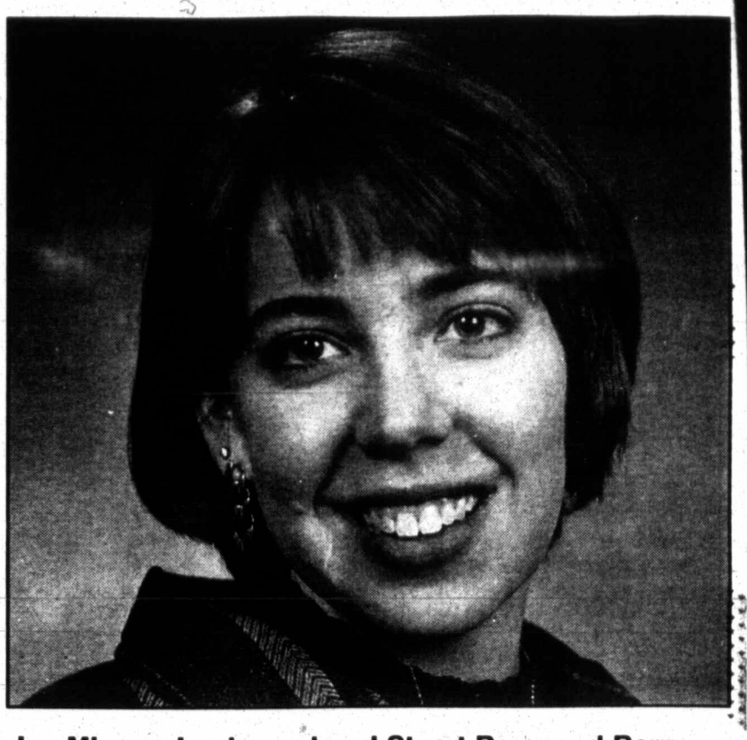
Elton E. Coe and May Bell McCafferty were married Feb. 6, 1948, in First Methodist Church of Pampa. The couple have been Pampa residents for the past 39 years and are members of St. Paul Methodist Church.

The Coes have owned-operated Coe's Machine Shop since 1975.

Mr. Coe was employed at Motor Inn Auto Supply for 28 years.

Mrs. Coe was employed at Southwestern Bell Telephone for 11 years.

Children of the couple are Kevin Coe of Pampa and Heather Coe of Arlington.



Joy Mignon Lockwood and Stuart Raymond Berry

Lockwood-Berry

Joy Mignon Lockwood, of Memphis, Tenn., formerly of Pampa, and Stuart Raymond Berry of Memphis, formerly of Amarillo, plan to wed Aug. 22, 1998, at First Presbyterian Church in Amarillo.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Douglas Lockwood of Boston, Mass., formerly of Pampa. She is a graduate of Southern Methodist University, receiving a bachelor of science degree in biological sciences in May 1995. She is currently attending Southern College of Optometry pursuing a doctorate of optometry degree with plans to graduate in May 1999.

The prospective groom is the son of Mary K. Berry and the late Walter S. Berry of Canyon. He is a graduate of the University of Texas, receiving a bachelor of arts degree in psychology in December 1990. He is currently attending Southern College of Optometry pursuing a doctorate of optometry degree with plans to graduate in May 1998.

Lifestyles Policies

Note: The Lifestyles editor is only obligated to include information provided by the necessary forms. Other info (such as names of grandparents or additional members of the wedding party) will be printed solely at the discretion of the editor.

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 (12 noon before a holiday such as Thanksgiving or Christmas), prior to Sunday insertion.
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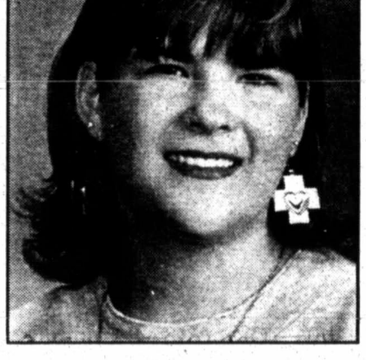
Newsmakers

LAWRENCE, Kan. – The University of Kansas recently announced its honor roll for the 1997 fall semester.

Honor roll criteria vary among the academic units of the university. Some schools honor the top 10 percent of students enrolled, some establish a minimum grade point average while others raise the minimum for each year students are in school. Students also must complete a minimum number of credit hours to be considered for the honor roll.

Students named to the honor rolls include **Christa Cher Jefferis** of Pampa.

ABILENE – McMurry University recently announced its Dean's List for the 1997 fall semester.



Anne Janett Geiser

To be eligible for the honor a student must maintain a 3.5 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the Dean's List include **Anne Janett Geiser,** a freshman multidisciplinary studies major from Pampa.

LUBBOCK – Texas Tech University recently announced its President's List for the 1997 fall semester.

To be eligible for the President's List, a student must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the list include **Joy Nicole Hall**, daughter of Kay and Doyle Bowers of Pampa.

DENTON – The University of North Texas has announced its Dean's Honor Roll of Scholars for the 1997 fall semester.

To be eligible for the honor roll, a student must maintain a 3.5 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the Dean's Honor Roll include **Stephen Michael Radcliff,** son of Linda Landsverk. Radcliff is a senior at UNT.

CANYON – West Texas A&M University recently announced its Dean's Honor Roll for the fall 1997 semester.

To be eligible for the honor, a student must maintain a 3.25 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the Dean's Honor Roll include **Roy K. Avent**.

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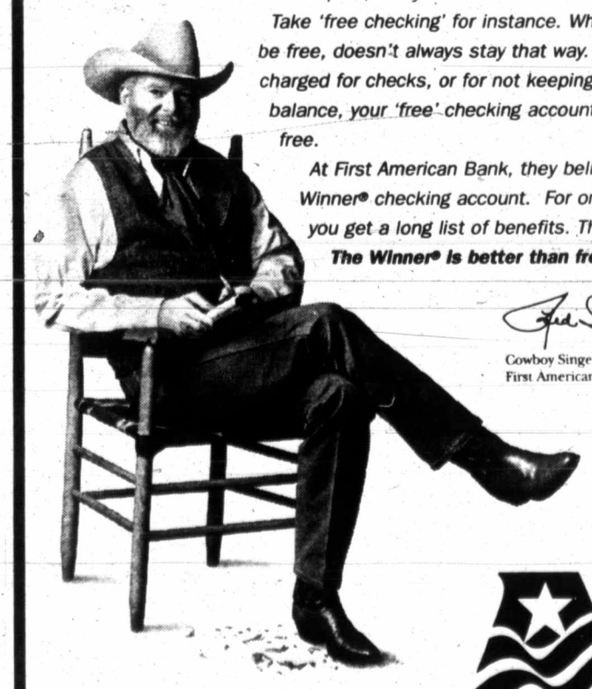
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Ava LaDawn Brooks and Jerry Earnest Baten

Brooks-Baten

Ava LaDawn Brooks and Jerry Earnest Baten, both of Amarillo, were wed Feb. 14 at Celanese Pamcel Hall in Pampa with Toby Buchanan of Fort Worth officiating.

The matron of honor was April Shira of Perryton. The bridesmaids were Cindy Neumann of Amarillo and Christin Chisum of Pampa. The flower girl was Channing Buchanan of Fort Worth.

The best man was Brent Baten of Pampa. The groomsmen were Logan Williams of Amarillo and Chris Chisum of Pampa. The ring bearers were Blake Chisum and Destry Baten, both of Pampa.

The ushers were Scott Williams of Pampa and Justin Brooks of Perryton. The candlelighters were Chris Chisum and Christen Chisum, both of Pampa.

Registering guests was Kassidy Black of Amarillo.

Music was provided by Lee Barlow of Amarillo.

A reception was held following the service at Pamcell Hall with Joni Everson and Misty Baten, both of Pampa, Jenny Moore of Panhandle and Angela Williams of Amarillo serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bartz of Perryton. She graduated from Perryton High School in 1997 and is currently enrolled in Amarillo College, pursuing a degree in business. She is presently employed as a housing clerk for Panhandle Community Services in Amarillo.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Baten of Pampa. He is a 1990 Pampa High School graduate and is a 1997 graduate of West Texas A&M University, receiving a degree in business administration. He is presently employed as a senior teller at Amarillo National Bank.

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

Seventeen honored at Carnegie Hall

PITTSBURGH (AP) – A man who disarmed a knife-wielding mugger on Capitol Hill in Washington was honored with 17 others who risked their lives while trying to save others.

Four honorees died as heroes, including three who perished in a tank filled with sewer gas where a worker at a Navy yard collapsed in Yorktown, Va.

The Pittsburgh-based Carnegie Hero Fund Commission on Thursday announced the winners of their annual hero awards, which come with $1,500 and a gold medal for the recipients or their families.

Since industrialist Andrew Carnegie started the fund in 1904, the commission has honored 8,169 people.



Leslie Knox and Dustin Donley

Knox-Donley

Leslie Knox and Dustin Donley, both of Dallas, plan to wed April 4 in Prestonwood Baptist Church in Dallas.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Norman Knox of Houston and the late Jane Knox. She is a graduate of Pampa High School and Oklahoma State University and is currently employed at Northern Telecom.

The prospective groom is the son of Curt and Nancy Donley of Woodward, Okla. He is a graduate of Woodward High School and Oklahoma State University and is currently employed at Northern Telecom.

Diaper maker introduces new swim pants

NEW YORK (AP) – Swimming toddlers have long been hampered by heavy diapers. But now they will have a little more freedom in the pool, thanks to disposable swim pants.

Kimberly-Clark Corp., maker of the leading disposable diaper, is introducing Huggies Little Swimmer nationally this month.

The company says Little Swimmers don't swell up because they contain no superabsorbent material like disposable diapers, yet are designed to protect against leaks and spills.

Linda Lieberman, a mother of two and a securities analyst who follows Kimberly-Clark for the investment firm Bear Stearns, said the idea sounds appealing.

"We all put kids in the pool in the summer, and the poor kids can't get out because their diapers get so heavy," she said.



Keri Gail Northcott and Lynn Mark Scherler

Northcott-Scherler

Keri Gail Northcott of Lubbock and Lynn Mark Scherler of Amarillo plan to wed June 20 in First Baptist Church of Canadian.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Richard and Barbara Northcott of Canadian. She is a 1996 graduate of Texas Tech University, receiving a degree in human development and family studies. While at the university, she was a member of Impact Tech and served as a RaiderAider through the Dean of Students office. She is currently a field service representative for the American Cancer Society in Lubbock.

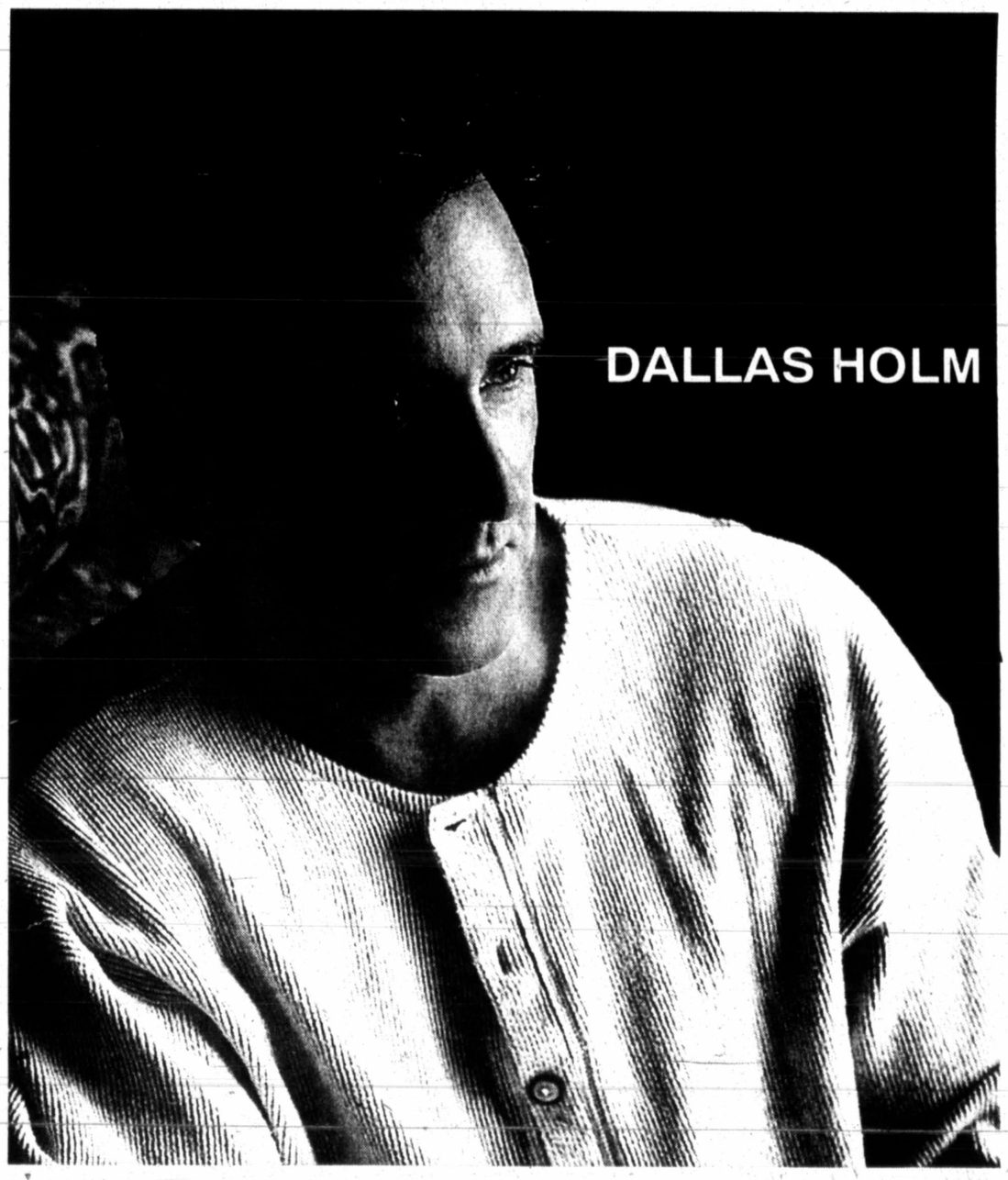
The prospective groom is the son of Burl and Catherine Scherler of Sheridan Lake, Colo. He is a 1997 graduate of Texas Tech University, receiving a degree in agricultural and applied economics. While at Tech, he was a letterman for the football team. He was also a member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He is currently an analyst for Harring National Bank of Amarillo.

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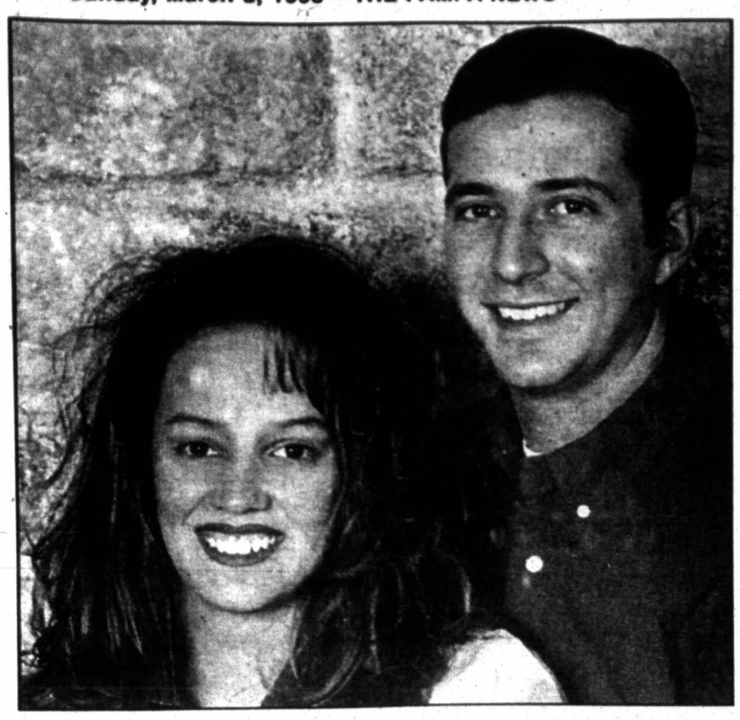
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Virginia Lea Hopper and Matthew Nelson Elliff

Hopper-Elliff

Virginia Lea Hopper of Pampa and Matthew Nelson Elliff of Plainview plan to wed March 28 in First Assembly of God Church of Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Becky Hopper of Pampa and is the granddaughter of Don and Lois Thompson. She is a 1994 Pampa High School graduate and is a graduate of Frank Phillips College, receiving a licensed vocational nursing degree, and of Amarillo College, receiving an associate degree in science. She is currently a registered nurse employed by Columbia Medical Hospital at the Golden Phoenix.

The prospective groom is the son of Regenia and Jim Bergman and Richard and Elaine Elliff. He is a 1991 Pampa High School graduate and is currently employed at Jasper Wood Fire Extinguishers in Plainview.

Menus

March 9-13

Pampa Schools

MONDAY

Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast.

Lunch: Spaghetti, meat sauce, green beans, pineapple, bread sticks.

TUESDAY

Breakfast: Waffle sticks, syrup.

Lunch: Fried chicken, whipped potatoes, English peas, mixed fruit, hot rolls.

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, ham slice.

Lunch: Hot dogs with chili and cheese, French fries, vegetarian beans, apricot cobbler.

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Pancake and sausage on a stick.

Lunch: Baked potatoes, grated cheese, diced ham, broccoli, fresh fruit, hot rolls.

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Cereal, toast.

Lunch: Taco Bell burrito, tossed salad, corn, applesauce.

Lefors Schools

MONDAY

Breakfast: Muffins, cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Beef and cheese nachos or taco salad, salad beans, cornbread, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY

Breakfast: Waffles, toast, cereal, juice, milk.

Lunch: Country steak or hamburger patties, whipped potatoes, blackeyed peas, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Pancake on a stick, toast, cereal, juice, milk.

Lunch: Frito pie, cheese, salad, crackers, fruit milk.

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Ham, eggs, toast, cereal, juice, milk.

Lunch: Steak fingers, potatoes, rolls, green beans, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, toast, cereal, juice, milk.

Lunch: Hamburgers, barbecue, cheese, salad, pickles, tator tots, fruit, milk.

Senior Citizens

MONDAY

Chicken fried steak or chicken pot pie, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, German chocolate cake or egg custard cups, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY

Pork chops and stuffing or chicken fried chicken breasts, mashed potatoes, green beans, fried squash, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, lemon cheesecake or cherry chip cake, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, carrots, turnip greens, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, Boston creme pie or cherry cobbler, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY

Barbecue beef or chicken leg quarters, potato salad, chuckwagon corn, baked beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, carrot cake or banana pudding, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY

Baked cod fish or chili and tamales, potato wedges, hominy, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, coconut creme cake or chocolate pudding cups, garlic breadsticks, hot rolls or cornbread.

Meals on Wheels

MONDAY

Steak fingers with gravy, broccoli and rice, carrots, pineapple.

TUESDAY

Oven-fried chicken, blackeyed peas, whole potato with cheese sauce, plum cobbler.

WEDNESDAY

Chopped sirloin with mushroom gravy, rice pilaf, green beans, jello/fruit.

THURSDAY

Chicken patties, peas and carrots, squash casserole, pudding.

FRIDAY

Salmon loaf, macaroni and cheese, Harvard beets, peaches.

Club News

Club news is published strictly on a first come first serve basis due to limited space. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. though this deadline does not guarantee publication. Thank you.

Pampa Art Club

Pampa Art Club met Feb. 17 at the home of Pat Kindle with President Madeline Gawthrop presiding.

Gawthrop approved the 1998-99 slate of officers submitted by Nominating Committee Chairman Sophie Vance. The list is as follows: Kathy Gist, president; Evelyn Epps, vice president; Pat Kindle, secretary; Gawthrop, reporter; Alice Raymond, scrapbook-historian.

Gawthrop and Pat Youngblood presented a workshop on uses of polymer clay such as beads or jewelry.

Kindle served as hostess.

4-H Futures & Features

Dates

8 – Horse Project meeting, 2 p.m., Annex; Lefors 5-H 4-H Club meeting, 2 p.m., Lefors School Cafeteria

9 – Junior/Intermediate Consumer Project, 7 p.m., Annex; Shooting Sports, 7 p.m.; Grandview 4-H Club meeting, 7 p.m., Grandview School

10 – Shooting Sports, 7 p.m.; Prime Swine Club meeting, 7:30 p.m., Annex

12 – Fashion Design Project meeting, 4 p.m., Annex

14 – Junior Clothing Project meeting, 9:30 a.m., Annex

Fashion Design Project

The fashion design project members will meet at 4 p.m. Thursday, March 12 at the Annex. The design portfolios will be due March 20.

Livestock Judging, Meats Team

Any 4-Hers interested in judging this spring will need to call Danny at the Extension Office. Judging practice will begin soon. The District Livestock Judging Contest is scheduled for April 25.

Books: A rich diet of food for thought

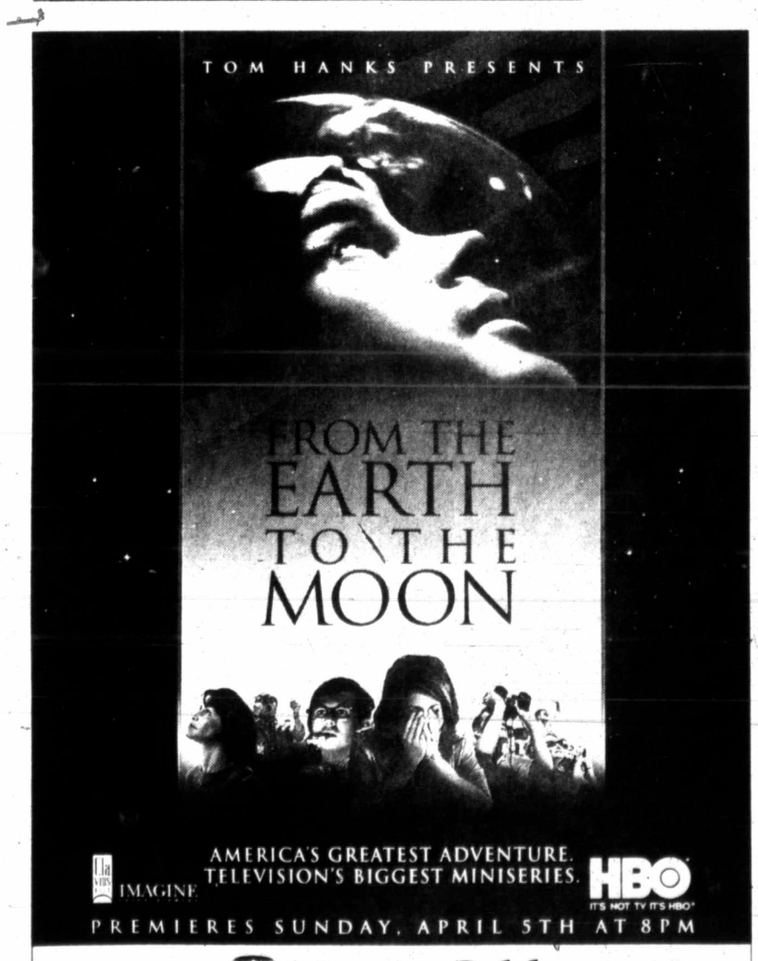


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Man Of The Cloth Conceals The Barest Of Credentials



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: I'd like to warn your readers about something that happened to me. Perhaps it will save them the embarrassment I caused myself.

My friend "Emily" met a priest while walking her dog in a neighborhood park. "Father Conway" came across as friendly and courteous. He and Emily became friends. From what Emily told me, he loves his ministry and is very knowledgeable about church doctrine, the sacraments and different parishes in our area. He is not a full-time priest because he has a full-time job. He doesn't live at a rectory; he has his own apartment. I accepted that, believing the church of his choice didn't have an opening available and that he wanted to work full-time and fill in for vacationing priests.

When I married last year, he performed the ceremony. My fiance, now my husband, wanted a simple wedding. I wasn't attending church on a regular basis. Father Conway offered to perform the ceremony at the catering hall. We paid $150. We had premarital counseling at his apartment.

Everything went off without a hitch, until one day I met a "Father Reynolds" on a flight back from Florida. His parish is near my home. I began telling him about Father Conway, and he said he had never heard of him. About two weeks after, I received a call from Father Reynolds. He told me there's no record of any Father Conway in the diocese or with any of the neighboring dioceses.

When Emily and I asked Father Conway about his background, he became evasive. We asked him where he went to college and seminary school and when he graduated. The seminary and the university had no such graduate in their records. Father Reynolds knew several professors at the seminary that Father Conway claimed to have graduated from. His professors had never heard of him, either. Father Conway was nothing but a fraud.

When I thought about it, I realized that Father Conway never mentioned other priests, never invited Emily or me to any of the Masses he said he performed, never discussed his school days at the seminary or his early years as a young priest. However, he did talk incessantly about how much he had spent on his priestly garments, statues, gold candlestick holders and other religious articles.

Next time I meet a man of the cloth who doesn't live at the rectory, I'll check his background and speak to the priest he fills in for. I'll call the headquarters that the priest/minister answers to. Had I done that, I would not have been taken in by an impostor.

WISER NOW IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR WISER NOW: What a mess! I took your problem to an indisputably legitimate man of the cloth, Cardinal Roger Mahony, archbishop of Los Angeles. His response:

DEAR ABBY: My first wife, "Roberta," passed away in 1976. I married "Margaret" in 1983. Roberta is buried in a city that is some distance from where Margaret and I live. Margaret and I plan to visit that city next month.

Would it be appropriate for me to visit the cemetery alone and place flowers on Roberta's grave while we are there? Or should I ask Margaret to visit the grave site with me?

UNCERTAIN IN GEORGIA

DEAR UNCERTAIN: If you prefer to visit the grave alone, I am sure Margaret will understand. Otherwise, let her know she is welcome, but not obligated to accompany you.

Horoscope

Your Birthday

Monday, March 9, 1998

In the year ahead, you might be more independent than you have been in the past. This is admirable, but don't sever associations that have proven advantageous in the past.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you need work or service performed for you today, check out in advance any unfamiliar company or expert you're thinking of hiring. Major changes are ahead for Pisces in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may not be as lucky as you think today in endeavors with strong elements of chance. Even if you win, it could have peculiar ramifications.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If the world doesn't treat you as compassionately as you think it should today, leave your funk on the doorstep and don't take it out on the family.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your productivity will suffer today if your logistics are poorly planned. Conceive ways to save time and steps, then find a way utilize these ideas.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It won't be wise to count on finances that aren't in your possession at present. Unforeseen delays in receiving funds could throw everything out of kilter.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Impulsiveness could contribute to your undoing today. Study potential involvements carefully and don't jump in if you don't know the depth of the water.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Guard against the urge to sweep responsibilities under the rug, hoping all will take care of itself. Wishful thinking won't get the jobs done.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Unnecessary dissension within your group can be avoided today if you don't buck the will of the majority. Subdue individualism and go with the flow.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In an important competitive involvement today, you might trip over your own erratic behavior instead of being bested by an opponent.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) This is not a good day to implement new, complicated procedures. Stick with tactics you know are successful instead of endorsing the unknown.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be on guard today if involved with someone who is a taker rather than a giver. This person might start thinking of your resources as his or her own.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your present course of action has hopeful probabilities, yet an adviser might influence you to make some unwise changes that could prove self-defeating.

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"Betcha everybody at the party can't wait to see me."

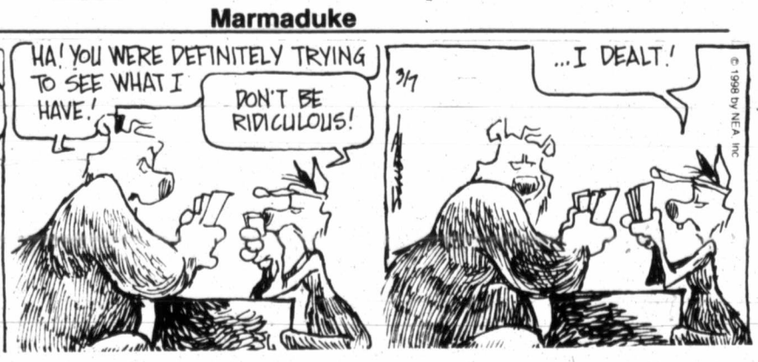


"You might want to find another place to hide."

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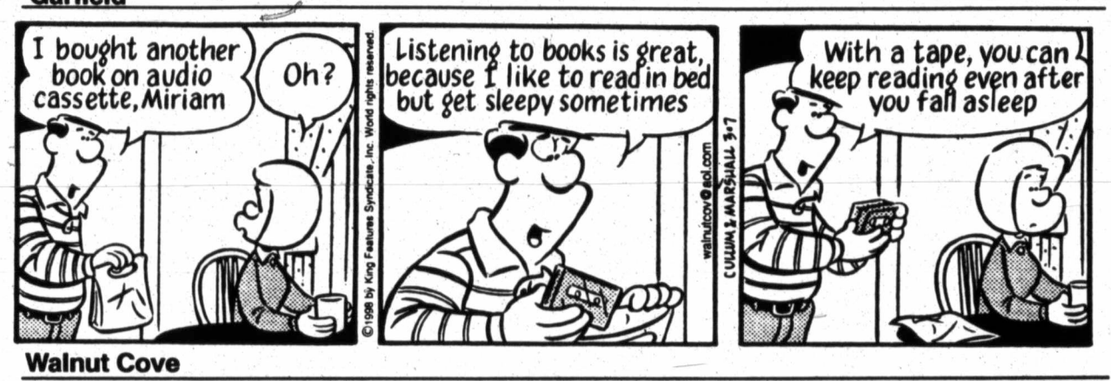
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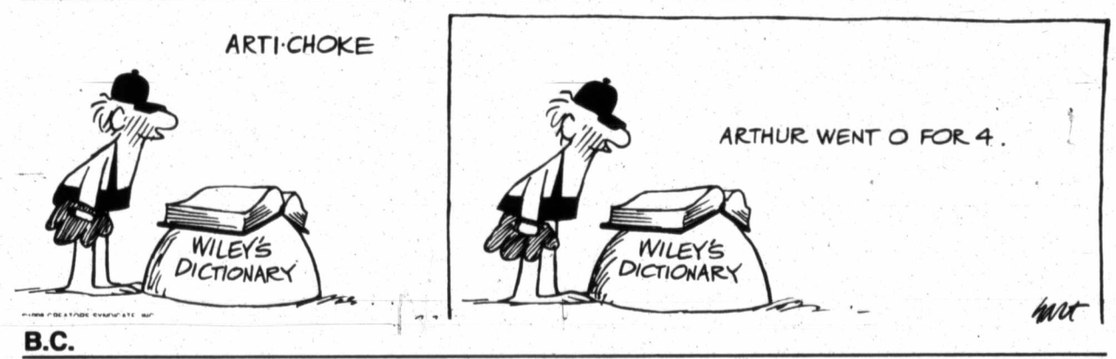
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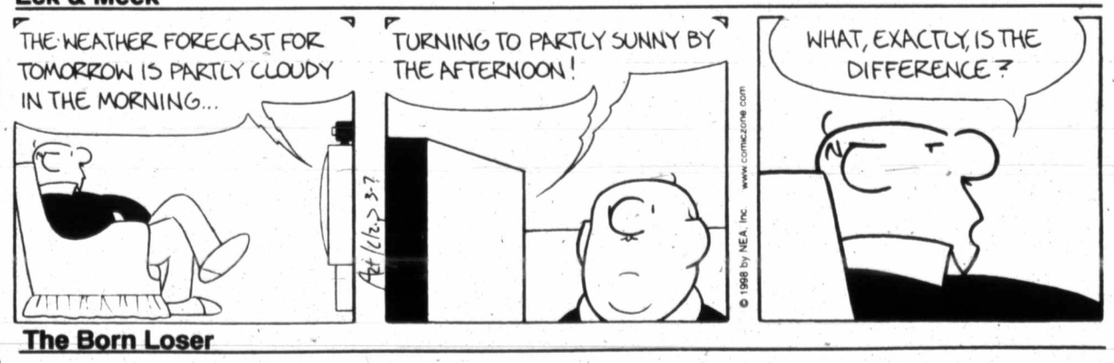
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AGRICULTURE

Early winter causing mayhem for flowers, gardeners

PHILADELPHIA (AP) – In the perfect garden, crocuses and daffodils bloom first. Then tulips, azaleas and rhododendrons come out, just in time for geraniums and marigolds to follow in mid-May.

But with temperatures already in the 50s across the country, gardeners are worried about El Nino wreaking havoc with flowers' biological clocks.

"Everything's going to be over too early. There'll be nothing left in late April," said Katie Porter, a member of the garden club in Morristown, N.J. "And if we get a heavy frost, it'll be terrible."

Green thumbs from Texas to New Jersey have the same lament: If it stays warm, there will be a gray gap without blooms in late April. If it's cold and snowing in March, all the flowers – from bulbs to fruit trees – will die.

"Some people plan their gardens to flower all spring," said Philadelphia gardener Stephen Maciejewski, whose orchids won seven ribbons this week at the Philadelphia Flower Show. "This year, there might be a gap between early spring and late spring – or worse."

Forecasters are toeing the line – refusing to declare winter over but optimistic that spring could be here.

"It's still up in the air as to what's going to happen," said Mark Tobin, a meteorologist with Accu-Weather forecasting service in State College, Pa.

Either a cold snap or mild weather could be disastrous for fruit crops. If the warm weather is interrupted by a cold snap in late March – after the trees have blossomed – the flowers would die and all or part of the crop would be wiped out. If the spring-like weather continues, trees that flower too early produce small fruit.

"If it warms up early, then we'll probably be in trouble," said Peter Hirst, assistant professor of horticulture at Purdue University. "At the moment we're kind of at that stage where it could go either way."

The only certainty, it seems, is that flowers are confused. In West Virginia, pansies have thrived all winter and daffodils began blooming in February, several weeks early. Pussy willows are out in Michigan and even maple trees in the Northeast are budding.

California's Death Valley is having one of the most spectacular blooms of the century – filling with yellow, gold, white and wine-colored flowers, with many approaching peak bloom.

"It's been said you only see flowers like that three times in a century," said wildflower photographer and author Milt Stark of Lancaster, Calif.

Joshua trees – which bloom white and turn greenish as they flower – are on schedule in the south Antelope Valley in Los Angeles County, but the blooms could be bigger and more plentiful because of the winter moisture.

Some Texans are getting early glimpses of the native bluebonnets that carpet the central parts of the state every spring. But the early buds may mean visitors will be looking at daisies next month at the annual Official State of Texas Bluebonnet Festival in Chappell Hill.

"We're going to have a beautiful bloom, just a little bit early," said Robert Breunig, executive director of the National Wildflower Center in Austin.

Tourists in the nation's capital could face a similar absence at the National Cherry Blossom Festival scheduled for March 29 to April 12. While lots of the pink and white blooms will be out the first few days, they are expected to peak and finish before the end.

Egg transfers breed life after death; barnyard benefits from science

By ART HOVEY
Lincoln Journal Star

BEAVER CROSSING, Neb. (AP) – Life in the barnyard is not quite what it used to be. Nor is death.

Consider Jason Cast's prized 5-year-old Jersey cow who went down with a sudden onset of internal bleeding in late January.

Several days later, Seward veterinarian Ron Wallman realized the cow could not be saved. With the OK from Cast, Wallman killed the cow, removed her thumb-sized ovaries in a 20-minute procedure and packed them in a saline solution.

Cast took the container, hopped behind the wheel and headed for Trans Ova Genetics at Sioux City, Iowa. At Trans Ova headquarters, 40 miles north of Sioux City, a laboratory technician harvested unfertilized eggs from each ovary. The eggs spent a day in a maturation phase in an incubator, a second day in another incubator interacting with sperm cells and seven more days attached to a growth medium of liver tissue from a laboratory rat.

Now the trip across a laboratory bridge returns to something more familiar in the realm of animal husbandry. The one egg caught at the right point in its life cycle, not too young and not too old, has become a viable, fertilized egg. It is implanted in a Trans Ova beef cow.

If a 40-day pregnancy test is positive, Cast can buy what Trans Ova embryologist Charletta Ohlrichs describes as "the whole pregnancy." The cow and calf come with a 200-day guarantee that will cover most of the time up to birth.

Cast would get the beef cow and the dairy calf it is carrying for about $1,300, about twice the cost of a standard beef cow.

This is not entirely new territory to Cast. His dairy herd is sprinkled with the results of embryo transfers, in which fertilized eggs are taken out of a cow's uterus and transferred to other cows.

Those genes offer the best opportunities to boost individual milk production, meet higher protein and butterfat goals and produce an animal that approaches the ideals of body conformation.

"It's sort of like gambling," he said. "You take your shots."

In taking his first shot with in vitro fertilization, Cast hopes to preserve the bloodlines of a cow he bought in Alabama.

"This is a pretty rare process as far as Nebraska goes," he said.

It has been used more with beef cattle, because Nebraska is more of a beef state than a dairy state. But the objective of embryo transfer and in vitro techniques is the same.

"You're working with the best genes," Cast said.

Those genes offer the best opportunities to boost individual milk production, meet higher protein and butterfat goals and produce an animal that approaches the ideals of body conformation.

Wallman said the latest bovine reproduction technique combines what long has been possible in the realm of harvesting organs with what is only recently possible in rekindling the spark of life inside them.

"Obviously, the technique works better the faster the ovaries are removed, but they stay intact inside the animal for a good couple of hours," Wallman said.

Trans Ova is trying to imitate what goes on inside a cow's reproductive system with its incubators. One broad objective is to speed up the generational intervals, said embryologist Ohlrichs.

It is possible to use the same cow as the source of eggs for embryo transfers and for in vitro procedures. In between the 45-day cycles that include artificial insemination and internal unions between eggs and sperm cells, unfertilized eggs can be harvested for lab-dish unions.

In each case, the genes that a dairy or beef producer regards as the best genes in his herd can be transferred to a surrogate uterus.

As animal husbandry moves further away from conventional mating,

there is some concern in researcher circles about more shrinkage in the gene pool. Artificial insemination was a step in that direction because the harvesting and freezing of semen make champion bulls the sires of thousands of calves.

By harvesting hundreds of fertilized and unfertilized eggs, animal scientists can make one cow the other gene source for hundreds of calves.

James Kinder of the Animal Science Department at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln acknowledged the concerns about the latest acceleration in breeding progress.

"As you look at the diversity of genetics in livestock populations in recent years, and probably even further back than that, they've narrowed," he said.

Along with the ability to transfer of superior genes from one generation to the next comes the risk of transferring hidden and undesirable traits that become part of the makeup of a larger and larger pool of animals.

"Does that genetic line not have the ability to resist a certain disease?" Kinder asked.

Experts are examining what might be necessary to protect against those problems, he said.

Making money off insect's appetite for bugs

WESTON, Ohio (AP) – A naturalist has found a way to make money off one insect's appetite for other bugs.

Don Schooner sells praying mantis cocoons to brokers, who then sell them to gardeners who want to fend off aphids, flies, beetles and other damaging pests without using chemicals.

"I've been in nature since I was a little kid," Schooner said as he searched a farm field for the mantis egg cases. "You learn to observe things. You learn to see things that most people just walk on by."

On a lucky day in an area full of goldenrod, a weed where mantises like to spin their cocoons, Schooner can make $30 an hour picking up 100 to 150 cocoons an hour.

Each cocoon holds about 200 eggs, but not all will hatch.

Praying mantises resemble grasshoppers but are larger. They got their name because they often hold their forelegs up as if praying.

But the young mantises eat each other as well as helpful garden insects such as ladybugs, said Steve Hazzard, president of Organic Control Inc., a Los Angeles-based company that buys cocoons from Schooner.

"They certainly are not the most effective pest control, but they're just so much fun," Hazzard said.

Of the 20 insects that he sells, praying mantises are the fourth most requested behind ladybugs, worms and green lacewings.

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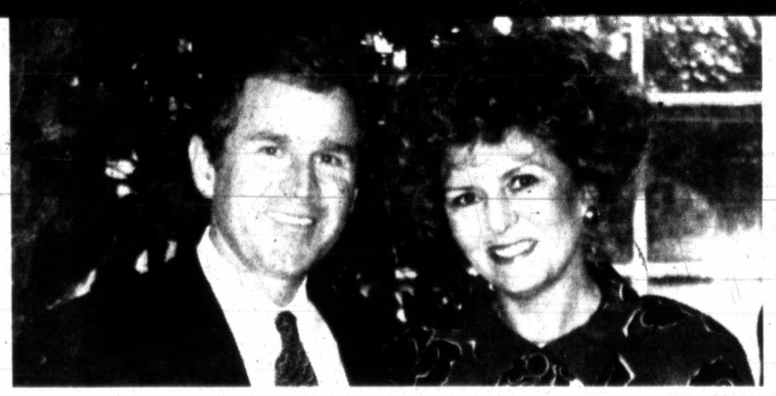
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Pampa Community Concert Association announces programs for 1998-99 season

The Pampa Community Concert Association invites everyone to come, see, and hear the Nashville Bluegrass Band, a piano concert by Jan Jirack of Germany, the Fred Garbo Inflatable Theater, and the New York Theater Ballet — as part of the PCCA's program schedule for the 1998-99 season.

Dates for the various events will be mailed out to ticket holders in the fall, a few weeks before the first concert.

With the exception of the Bluegrass Band, Pampa is sponsoring all of the programs this year.

Pampa and Borger are jointly sponsoring the Bluegrass Band. And that program will be in Borger. All others will be at the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Attendence for any of these concerts is by membership in the Pampa Concert Association, by reciprocal agreement or by membership in Borger, Hereford and Plainview, and Liberal Associations.

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

The Nashville Bluegrass Band appeals to a wide variety of musical tastes. It delights longtime bluegrass purists and attracts new fans to the music.

The band won the Entertainer of the Year Award of the International Bluegrass Music Association—and did it back to back. They won the Vocal Group of the Year Award five straight times. The band appeared many times on bluegrass and folk festivals and The Grand Ole Opry. They toured Europe, Israel, Brazil, Japan, and was the first bluegrass band to perform in the Republic of China.

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Members are: Alan O'Bryant, banjo; Pat Enright, guitar; Roland White, mandolin; Stuart Duncan, fiddle; and Gene Libba, bass.

Jan Gottlieb Jiracek, 24 year old German, was a finalist in the tenth Van Cliburn International Piano Competition and won second prize in both the 1996 Busoni Competition and the 1996 Canals Trials.

Since he won first prize in the Steinway Competition at age 10, Jiracek has performed extensively in Europe, including recitals in Herkulessaal, Munich; the Salle Cortot, Paris; Tanhalle, Zurich; plus appearances with the Berlin, Munster and St. Petersburg philharmonic orchestras. After his North American debut at the Cliburn Competition he joined the Community Concert touring roster.

For the Fred Garbo Inflatable Theater Company, inflatable props are packed with imaginative imagery and artistic foolishness which fill the world of Fred Gargo and Brazilian ballerina Daielma Santos.

The concert begins when a ten-foot cylinder slithers on stage and implodes, and before long, the audience is playing catch with inflatable props. Ms. Santos, the ballerina, dances a can-can, but her skirt grows longer and longer and becomes a ball gown, then a balloon engulfs her and spirits her away.

The show has played in many parts of the world: the Late Show with David Letterman, the Kennedy Center, Washington, D.C. and on Variete television, Chili.

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New York Theater Ballet has been praised for its reconstruction and revivals of "Les Sylphides" and other classic ballets. The revivals are restored to their original intent. Also the company serves as a center for the creation and performance of new choreography suitable to its role as a national chamber company.







(Special photos)

(left) Jan Gottlieb Jirack, concert pianist and (below) The Nashville Bluegrass Band

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(left) The New York Theatre Ballet and (below) Fred Garbo and Inflatable Theater Co. with Fred Garbo and Daielma Santos.





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THE City of Pampa's Recreation Department is seeking candidates for it's Summer Lifeguard positions. Positions will be available at both M.K. Brown Swimming Pool & Marcus Sanders Swimming Pool. Interested applicants, sixteen years & older, may contact Linda Duncan at the American Red Cross Office at 108 N. Russell, or by calling 669-7121.

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21 Help Wanted

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70 Musical

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33 — down (softened)
34 Something worthless
35 Overturn
36 — with (supported)
37 Clerical cap
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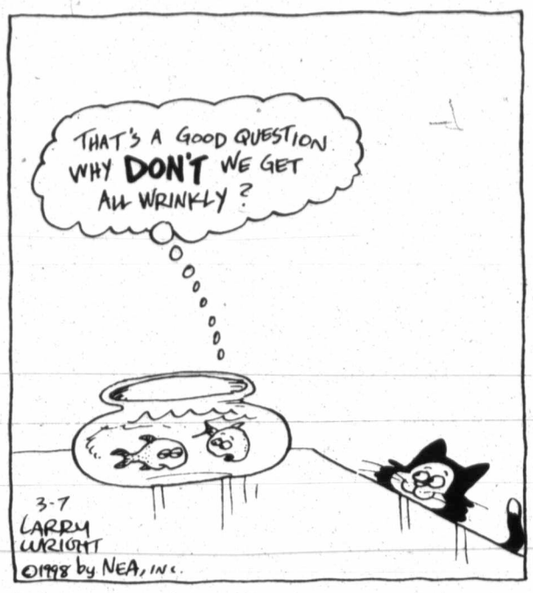
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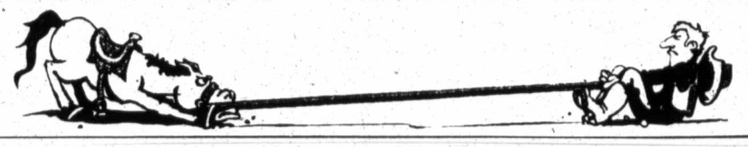
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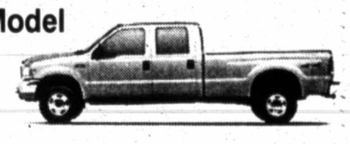
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Teen-ager's murder case leads to lawsuit over health insurance

SAN ANTONIO (AP) – The afternoon Janet Ward was shot to death in her kitchen, police found her 16-year-old daughter Maggie Ward curled up in a car, her hands covering her ears.

"It was an accident. I did not mean to shoot her," Maggie told the police chief of Poth, the tiny town where the family lived and where the girl's father, Tom Ward, was the high school principal.

Maggie Ward was sent to prison for murder.

Now, two years after the killing, Miss Ward's family contends their health insurance company and its care providers should shoulder some of the blame because they allegedly refused Miss Ward appropriate psychiatric care.

"We were denied services we didn't even know we were being denied ... to save money," said Tom Ward, a plaintiff in a civil lawsuit filed in December in Bexar County.

The defendants – Humana Insurance Co., its mental health contractor Texas Biodyne Inc. and related companies and doctors – deny the allegations.

"Everybody was trying to help her, do what was best for her," said Ken Patterson, an attorney representing psychologist Frank Emmett and neurologist Joel Ruttman, two doctors who treated Maggie Ward and are being sued.

"Obviously, this was a very tragic and unfortunate, unexpected, uncontrollable and intentional act on this young lady's part," Patterson said. "You never understand why such a bizarre act like that occurs. Obviously there is an effort on their part to try to shift responsibility to somebody else."

Charlie Deacon, an attorney representing Humana, said the insurance company was not aware of any claims the family filed through Humana's appeals process.

"It really is something that we are going to look into and get to the bottom of it," Deacon said.

Miss Ward, now 18 and serving a 20-year prison sentence, and her two older brothers, Jeffrey and Brian Ward, also are plaintiffs in the lawsuit, which alleges breach of contract, violation of the Texas Insurance Code, violation of the state's Deceptive Trade Practices Act and professional negligence.

The family's attorneys say Miss Ward suffers from a bipolar disorder that psychiatrists later diagnosed and for which she was prescribed lithium.

In a troubling year before the Feb. 26, 1996, shooting, Miss Ward had stolen items at school, hyperventilated in the streets, cut herself and carried on a volatile relationship with another teen-age girl in Poth, a town about 35 miles south of San Antonio.

The lawsuit alleges her family repeatedly requested inpatient psychiatric treatment for her. But the lawsuit claims Humana and its "gatekeeper" medical care providers, acting out of financial self-interest, said she didn't need hospitalization and wrongly told the family such treatment was not covered by their managed care plan.

According to the lawsuit, Humana has been known to contract with health care providers using "capitation" payments, or fixed fees for services providing incentives for keeping costs down.

The latest refusal to hospitalize the teen-ager, the lawsuit alleges, came five days before she used a .38-caliber revolver to shoot her mother in the back of the head.

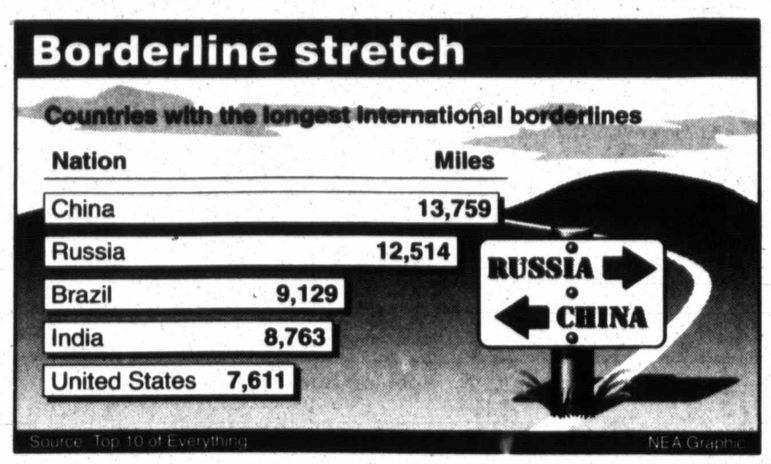
Janet Ward, 47, a teacher and church activist, had recently become a licensed Assembly of God minister and delivered her first sermon in that role the day before her death.

The lawsuit seeks $20 million in damages.

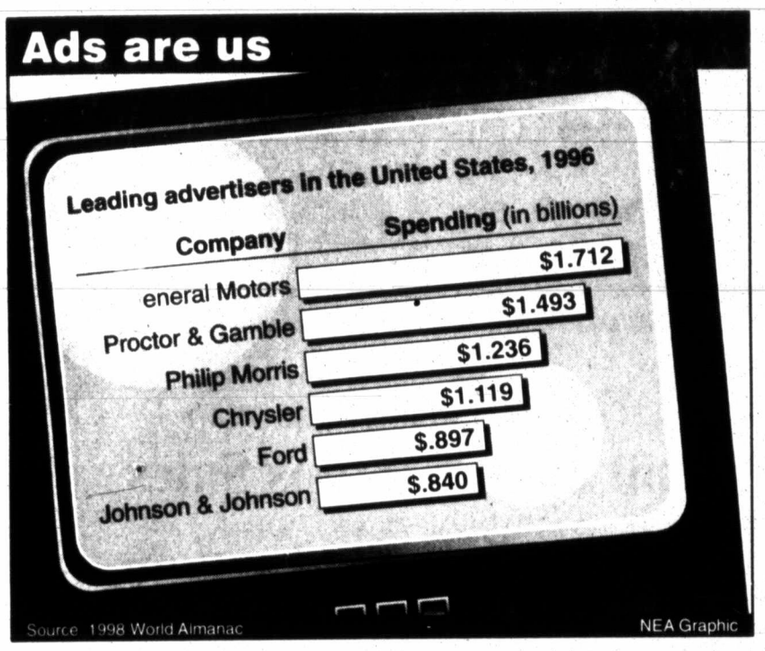
"It seems so tragic and so awful what has happened. I know it sounds like a lot of money, but corporations don't listen unless it's a lot of money," said plaintiffs' attorney David Adkisson.

The plaintiffs attorneys also want to certify the case as a class-action lawsuit on behalf of state and certain other public employees or who were denied coverage for serious mental illness by Humana and Texas Biodyne Inc.

The Ward tragedy is an example "of what happens when a company like Biodyne attempts to put mental health care on a budget," said Peter Stanton, Miss Ward's attorney in the civil suit.



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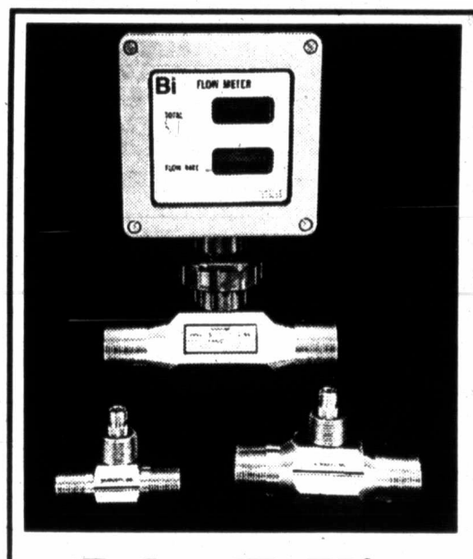
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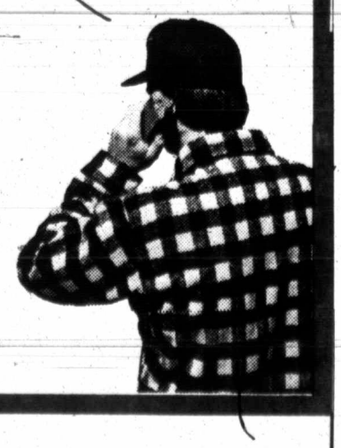
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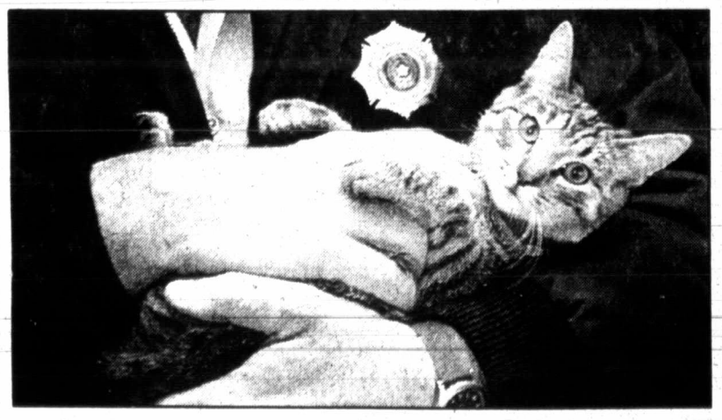


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