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Sheriff's office facing legal, ethical problems

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
News Editor

A Pampa News investigation of the Gray County Sheriff's Department has revealed extensive problems on several levels - legal, ethical and moral.

A simmering cauldron of professional jealousy, political ambition and self-gratification bubbled over into the public two weeks ago when Sheriff Jim Free suspended four employees with pay in connection with two separate allegations of wrongdoing.

Sgt. Dave Keiser, 43, was suspended in regard to an alleged incident of official misconduct by a peace officer. Alleged sexual misconduct with a female prisoner is the basis of the complaint. Little more than a week after Keiser's suspension on April 27, he was reinstated following an internal investigation by the sheriff's department that reportedly cleared Keiser of the allegations.

However, District Attorney Harold Comer said he notified Free Tuesday that the District Attorney's office was continuing its outside investigation of the incident. Free said Friday he had received a letter from the district attorney stating that he believed Keiser's reinstatement was premature.

Free defended his actions Friday, saying that since no formal charges have been made against Keiser, he could see no reason not to let Keiser return to service. Keiser has publicly denied that the allegation of official misconduct is true.

Three other persons who were suspended on April 27 remain on suspension in connection with the allegation that they were involved in



(Staff photo by Beth Miller)

Gray County Sheriff Jim Free said Friday that recent problems with his department "have taken their toll" on him and his family.

the tampering of a governmental record.

Chief Deputy Ken Kieth, Deputy Secretary Sue Matthew and Chief Jailer Othal Hicks were all suspended from their duties with pay.

The three were suspended in the wake of an investigation of a reportedly forged high school diploma sent to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education (TCLOSE) in Austin - the state's licensing agency for peace officers and jailers.

Free said that Hicks had written

on the questionnaire needed for a 40-hour school for jailers that he was in the process of getting a GED. Free said he had questioned Hicks shortly after he was hired as a jailer for Gray County whether he planned to get his GED, when he was informed that Hicks' high school diploma "has suddenly shown up."

"I thought it seemed kind of odd," Free said at the time of the suspensions. "But I waited for the TCLOSE card to come in before I started doing any investigations on it."

Hicks was deputized as a jailer on May 24, 1989, according to records in the Gray County Clerk's office. TCLOSE records show that Hicks' license was issued on Feb. 1, 1990, nine months later.

A check with TCLOSE showed that a 1963 high school diploma had been submitted for Hicks, the sheriff said, adding that the names and signatures on the diploma did not match with the school officials who were in office at that time.

Free said at the time of the suspensions that his investigation

showed that Matthew and Kieth were implicated in falsifying the diploma and that the diploma in question belonged to Kieth.

Kieth has maintained since his suspension that Free's actions were politically motivated. He said that shortly before the suspensions Free asked him if he intended to run for sheriff.

"I told him it was too soon to say," Kieth recalled.

Keith also claims that his desk had been broken into several times and his diploma, which was kept attached to his resume, is now missing.

Friday, Free said Hicks, who was recently hospitalized with heart problems, has taken a GED examination and plans to appeal to TCLOSE to have his license reinstated. Hicks voluntarily surrendered his license at the time he was suspended.

"I'll be talking to Jack Irwin (TCLOSE investigator)," Free said, adding that he did not know if Hicks could appeal since "once the license is pulled, Jack says it is permanent."

The sheriff said he had turned in the paperwork on his investigation of the falsified high school diploma to TCLOSE Tuesday. He then called Irwin Wednesday morning and told him the paperwork had been mailed, Free said.

"He had already talked to his prosecuting attorney and they were just waiting on the final papers to get there and see what actions will be taken," Free said, adding that he did not know when he would be informed of the results of the investigation.

"I'd like to know something today. I'd like to get this mess over with. It's like a thorn in my side," Free said.

But these personnel problems that have reached the public's notice are just the tip of the iceberg.

Three persons now acting as deputies for the Gray County Sheriff's Office were not properly appointed, according to Chapter 415.051 of the Texas Government Code.

Chapter 415.051 concerns the appointment and license requirements of peace officers and jailers. It states in part: "...a person may not appoint an officer or county jailer unless the officer or county jailer is licensed by (The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education).

The exceptions to this provision are for a jailer who may be appointed on a temporary basis but must complete the program within one year from the time the person was originally appointed, and when the commission issues a provisional license for an officer if the agency can substantiate that it has a manpower shortage.

Gray County Clerk records show that Deputy James R. Walker was appointed on Feb. 16, 1989. He was not issued a license by TCLOSE until Aug. 4, 1989. Deputy Michael A. Lane's appointment records are dated Jan. 2, 1989. He did not receive a peace officer's license until April 3, 1990. And the county clerk's records indicate Deputy Carol Cobb was appointed by Free on July 28, 1989, and her license was not issued by TCLOSE until April 18, 1990.

Sheriff Free said Friday that he was aware of Chapter 415, but added that Kieth "took care of all the paperwork as far as TCLOSE."

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District attorney continues investigation into allegations against sheriff's officer

By BETH MILLER
Staff Writer

An external investigation into allegations of "official misconduct by a peace officer" of the Gray County Sheriff's Office is continuing, Gray County Sheriff Jim Free said Friday.

Sgt. Dave Keiser, 43, was suspended with pay on April 27 after allegations surfaced that he had acted inappropriately in the Gray County Jail with a female inmate.

Keiser has denied the allegations from the beginning.

An internal investigation of the matter conducted by Sgt. Terry Cox of the Gray County Sheriff's Office was completed on April 30. The internal investigation cleared Keiser of any wrongdoing and recommended he be reinstated.

On May 5, a week and a day after Keiser was suspended, Sheriff Free reinstated Keiser to his position.

The external investigation was turned over to District Attorney Harold Comer. Comer issued a letter to Free on Tuesday stating his preliminary findings of the investigation and making a few recommendations.

"He (Comer) is still investigating," Free said.

Free said Comer's letter also mentioned the fact that he believed Free had put Keiser back to work prematurely.

"As far as putting him back to work, there was no formal complaint signed of any kind," Free said, saying he felt he had no reason to keep Keiser on suspension.

The district attorney also recommended Keiser make a written statement.

Although Keiser was interviewed for the internal investigation, Free said he was not sure whether Cox got a written statement from Keiser.

"Terry (Cox) was the one investigating it," Free said.

Free said the district attorney indicated by letter he is continuing further investigations into the case.



(Staff photos by Dee Dee Laramore)

Pictured are the Nona S. Payne Scholarship winners, John Dawson Jr. and Jennifer Shufelberger, center, along with Brian Vining, far left, representing the Nona S. Payne Foundation, and Band Director Charles Johnson, far right. The winners of the \$1,000 scholarships were announced at the Pampa High School band banquet Friday.

PHS band students honored at annual recognition banquet

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
News Editor

Brandie Eads was named the recipient of the coveted John Phillips Sousa Award at the annual Pampa High School band banquet Friday. John Dawson Jr. and Jennifer Shufelberger each received a \$1,000 scholarship from the Nona S. Payne Foundation to further their musical studies.

Plaques were awarded to La Donna Sumter and Javiel Jimenez as Outstanding Girl and Boy Marcher, respectively. This is the second year Jimenez has been the winner of this honor. Director Charles Johnson said.

Thurston Selby and Shufelberger were named as Outstanding Boy and Girl Musicians and were also presented with plaques in recognition of the honor.

Damien Hill accepted a certificate of recognition as outstanding soloist at the recent Six Flags competition at Six Flags Over Texas, Arlington.

In a long-standing tradition, the 1990 seniors were presented with desk plaques and a handmade band doll. But a new tradition was added. The seniors took single red roses and presented them to their parents.

Johnson pointed out that the 1990 Senior Class had led their classmates in an "incredible way." And he added, "They are one of the best senior classes to go through Pampa High School." And he closed with the statement that "I feel very strongly that each and every one of them will be an important part of a lot of people's lives."

Special recognition was given to

Alma Jetton who helps make the band dolls each year.

"The band has done more for me than I have for them, because it helps me pass the time," Mrs. Jetton said modestly. "I'm 85," she added.

Mary Lou and Jerry Lane, 1989-90 Pampa Band Booster president, were presented with a plaque recognizing their service for the year.

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Graduating PHS senior and band member Brandie Eads, winner of the John Phillips Sousa Award, stands with Charles Johnson, band director.



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Members of the Pampa Elementary Chorus enact "The Telephone Hour" from *Bye, Bye Birdie*.

Students to present 'Bye, Bye Birdie'

Dateline: New York City. Conrad Birdie, the popular rock and roll singer has been drafted! The whole nation is rocked as the news hits the headlines.

The hilarious events that follow will be performed by members of Pampa Elementary Chorus on Thursday, May 17, and Friday, May 18, at Horace Mann Elementary School, 400 N. Faulkner. Curtain rises at 7:30 p.m. both nights.

Pampa Elementary Chorus, directed by Wanetta Hill, is a combination of more than 80 of the city's fourth and fifth grade vocal-

ists who meet weekly to practice contemporary songs and expand their musical horizons.

This year, Hill and her choristers have taken on the ambitious project of producing the hit musical comedy *Bye, Bye Birdie* for their parents and the general public.

Bye, Bye Birdie centers on a publicity stunt created to keep the public's interest in Birdie (portrayed by Pampa High School student Greg Wilson) alive while the pop singer serves in the military.

Birdie's manager Albert Peterson, played by Kyle Easley, realizes

that without the singer, his struggling music corporation will fail. Ready to cash it all in, Peterson is saved when his faithful secretary Rose (Courtney Burton) comes up with a publicity stunt to save the day.

Rose draws a name at random from the Conrad Birdie Fan Club file for Conrad to bestow one last kiss before being inducted into the U.S. Army. The lucky girl is Kim MacAfee (Sondra Wright) of Sweet Apple, Ohio.

MacAfee cannot be reached at
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This newspaper is dedicated to furnishing information to our readers so that they can better promote and preserve their own freedom and encourage others to see its blessings. Only when man understands freedom and is free to control himself and all he possesses can he develop to his utmost capabilities.

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Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment.

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Our Opinion

We still seek service that is 'for the people'

In his address at Gettysburg during the war to save the union, President Lincoln remarked, "It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us... that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

More than 130 years later, we are still engaged in that struggle. Today it is not a divisive civil war we face; instead, we remain concerned that government shall continue to be "of the people, by the people, for the people." Too often our elected and appointed officials feel that government is for them only, not for the people which they supposedly serve.

We see this at the federal level when senators and congressmen pass laws for the people and then exempt themselves from being subject to the same laws, or when they pass tax loopholes to benefit their wealthy friends and contributors. It surfaces when cabinet and agency officials twist rules or use favoritism to gain contracts for or distribute taxpayers' funds to political cronies, such as was revealed in the recent HUD scandals. It becomes scandalous when public officials charged with enforcing the laws ignore them for their own benefit or, even worse, feel that they are above the law, hiding their actions behind clouds of secrecy, as President Nixon and his Watergate companions attempted to do.

But such betrayal of the trust of the people is not limited to the officials within the federal environs of Washington, D.C., where they are often far removed from the watchful eyes of their constituents back in their home states. Unfortunately, such wrongful abrogation of the trust and responsibility to the people is manifested on even state, county and city levels. And there it is even more inexcusable, since public officials go about everyday and look their constituents in the eyes while giving speeches in and out of meetings about serving the public and doing the will of the people.

That trust and responsibility is violated when zoning regulations are changed and amended to benefit a few while the many are still bound to restrictive standards; when equipment and personnel paid for with taxpayers' funds are used to pave a private road to some official's home while other public roads remain unpaved because the residents cannot come up with the funds; or when some are arrested and charged for driving while intoxicated while others are merely let off with a shallow warning because of their wealth or power, or that of their parents.

We see abuse of power when law enforcement becomes selective, or when it is used merely to harass. There's abuse when an official uses his power to remove an employee for knowing too much or for being unwilling to avert his eyes. There's abuse when appointments are made because of friendship or because of political or other favors owed to a contributor.

Corruption reigns when public funds are embezzled to enrich an official's own pockets, or when vehicles and equipment purchased with taxpayers' funds are used for an official's private benefit, or when decisions are made based on who can pay the highest bribe.

In short, what we are still battling after all these years is the matter of ethics, the moral duty and obligation a government official assumes when he or she is elected or appointed to a government post to represent and serve the people. In an ideal situation, those not willing to assume that trust and responsibility should not even seek or accept a public office. In reality, too many do so. But when they are found to have violated ethical principles for their own benefit, or for the benefit of family and friends and cronies, then they should have the decency to resign their positions, or they may face being humiliated when the voice of the people rises in a shout to turn them out of office.

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Crusades can lead to casualties

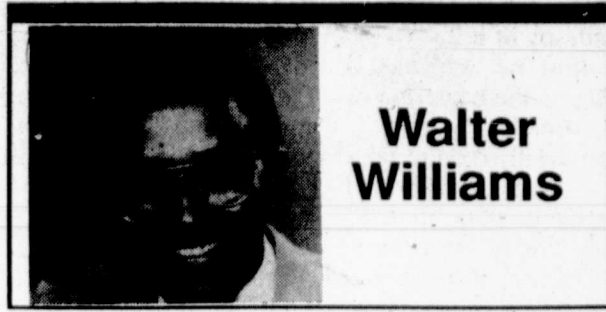
Common sense and decency are always the first casualties of moral crusades. Frustrated by the drug menace, decent Americans stand ready to sacrifice any personal liberty politicians pledge to be effective in the anti-drug crusade.

Hints and proposals coming from the Bush administration include: shooting down unarmed private planes suspected of transporting drugs; posting naval blockades; surveillance of bank accounts; performing warrantless searches and seizures; and placing National Guard patrols of our neighborhoods.

Drug Czar William Bennett has weighed in with the idea of suspending habeas corpus and even suggested that beheading drug dealers might be "morally plausible."

Many proposals border on totalitarianism; others must have their origins in the madhouse, such as the proposal that our government annually purchase the entire Colombian coca crop and sink it at sea. Coming in a close second, in terms of lunacy, is the Bush administration proposal to subsidize Colombian non-coca crops — the thought being the peasants might instead export sugar to the United States.

The effect of either proposal would be to drive up the price of cocaine thus making coca production even more lucrative. On top of that, President Bush's plan to provide U.S. markets for Colombian sugar would be opposed by the U.S. sugar lobby which seeks to keep foreign sugar out in order to charge us higher prices.



Walter Williams

In fact, much of the success of the foreign drug business is attributable to our sugar industry's success in getting Congress to impose sugar tariffs and quotas.

Here are my predictions for the drug war. We are going to get increasingly entangled in the domestic affairs of other nations. There's going to be increasing corruption of public officials and legitimate businesses, more innocent bystanders shot in gang wars, continued undermining of respect for law, billions of dollars in poverty losses, more government intrusions into the lives of law-abiding citizens, and billions upon billions in federal spending on the drug war.

The only clear gamers will be drug leeches — experts, enforcers, researchers and bureaucrats who use the misfortune of addicts as a means to higher income.

This scenario is easily visualized by watching reruns of *The Untouchables*, featuring Robert Stack as G-man Eliot Ness. Every episode of this Prohi-

bition-era serial featured Ness smashing kegs of whiskey and jailing a mob boss. But sure enough, the next week there'd be more whiskey kegs to smash and more jailed mobsters.

The government never won the war against alcohol. They simply drove up its price, lowered its quality, corrupted officials and legitimate businesses, and got innocent bystanders shot in gang cross-fire. Our new Eliot Ness, Bennett, faces the same scenario; maybe he'll star in his own series.

I care dearly about what the drug menace is doing to society. But the real question is: How are we going to deal with it in a way that does the least damage to society? It's a poor bargain to kiss our liberties good-bye in the war on drugs, or to create conditions where druggies, hell-bent on destroying their lives, must destroy innocent lives. It's also a poor bargain to provide conditions for the corruption of public officials.

Much of our drug problem is the result of several decades of official assaults and the undermining of authority and traditional values of the family, church and schools. We must put an end to that attack. Moreover, we must consider other solutions, including some form of drug decriminalization.

Above all, whenever politicians speak of their war on drugs, we should remember the outcome of their past wars like the wars on poverty, illiteracy and urban blight. Years and billions of dollars later, the problems are worse than they were before the declaration of war.



Accept our apologies, Barbara

What gets me about the women at Wellesley who said they were outraged by the choice of Barbara Bush as their commencement speaker is, Who do these little tarts think they are?

Barbara Bush is the first lady. Like Dolley Madison, a great American. Like Eleanor Roosevelt. Like Jackie, who was admired by the world.

Like Betty Ford, who proved to be one hellava tough lady. Like Rosalind Carter, the original Steel Magnolia. Even like Nancy Reagan, who ran the country during her husband's naps.

OK, so it was with the help of an astrologer, but let's not get bogged down with details here.

Barbara Bush sleeps with the president of the United States, and it is extremely difficult not to be influenced by one's bed mate.

After the day's discussions, meetings and briefings, it comes down to George and Barbara: when they're alone under the sheets, we must know the president occasionally asks of his wife, "What in the devil am I going to do about the situation in Lithuania?"

And even if he doesn't ask, don't you think Barbara, just after the lights go off, says to her husband, the president, "I've been thinking, George, and here's what you ought to do about, etc."

Barbara Bush, in other words, is probably the most influential woman in the country right now.



Lewis Grizzard

So where do a bunch of 20ish college students get the high-handedness to say they are outraged because Mrs. President has been asked to speak to them?

So Barbara Bush has been a housewife and a mother and has gained recognition behind the achievements of her husband.

Didn't these women have mothers? How many of them stayed home to raise their children while the old man was out working his tail off to get the money to send them to a spiffy school?

Would they be outraged to hear their own mothers get up in front of their classmates and tell of the struggles they went through and the sacrifices they made to give their child a good home and an opportunity to educate herself rather than winding up a cocktail waitress?

To slap Barbara Bush in the face, as the Wellesley group most certainly did, was to slap a lot of other good and fine women and say to them, "You sold out by getting married and having kids and supporting your husband. You're not worthy of our respect."

I wonder where these children will be 20 years from now. A lot of them will be successful professionally, I'm sure. Perhaps there are future CEO's in the crowd. Maybe even the first woman president.

But how many of them will also leave their top floor office suites and go home to a cat?

How many of them will be 40 and rich and powerful, but won't have married, won't have had children because they thought it was a cop-out?

So they are high and mighty now, considering themselves above hearing the wife of the president of the United States offer them a little advice, even if some of it might have been motherly.

That's a shame. Not everything was bad about the roles women of Mrs. Bush's era played.

There needed to be changes and there have been, but Barbara Bush has seen things and heard things and experienced things that could have benefited the women of Wellesley, and they have acted like juveniles.

I hope they all get big thighs.

Parents do play a role in dropout rate

By VINCENT CARROLL

The higher one goes in society, the less free one is to speak common place truths. Just ask Lauro Cavazos, the U.S. education secretary, who recently remarked that Hispanic parents bear some of the blame for the dropout rate among their children.

Most Americans would undoubtedly agree. Parents, whatever their race or ethnic group, obviously bear some responsibility for how much their children value education.

One would think this an unremarkable observation. And yet no sooner had Cavazos spoken than various Hispanic leaders began to object, insisting that the dropout problem is the fault, instead, of inferior schools, discrimination, poverty, language barriers and insensitive teachers who don't understand Hispanic culture.

"It is really going to be hard to

support the secretary as much as we'd like to," said Antonio Rigual, president of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities.

Poverty does, of course, afflict many Hispanic families, and they often have little choice but to send their kids to mediocre or inferior schools. Further, there's no doubt that bigots preside over a few of this nation's classrooms, and that many other teachers know next to nothing about Hispanic culture. Yet what ethnic group attempting to make its way in America has not faced such conditions?

Do most teachers know anything about Indochinese or Korean culture? Then why do the children of these nationalities achieve at such astonishing rates?

When the Irish came to America in the 19th century, they were subjected to an Anglo-Protestant teach-

ing corps openly contemptuous of their Catholicism. When waves of Eastern Europeans arrived around the turn of the century, they found the school staffed with descendants of earlier Irish and German immigrants. And by the time blacks trekked to the North several decades later, the schools had been taken over by still another ethnic mix of teachers, almost equally alien to the newcomers.

Yet consider the differing fates of these groups. Although they all suffered indignities, you'd never know it from the academic record of some. Jews embraced New World education with a matchless fervor. In little more than a generation, they rose from the cramped squalor of New York's East Side to dominate the professions of law, medicine, teaching and dentistry there.

Chinese and Japanese immigrants on the West Coast didn't quite equal

that dazzling pace, but their rise was no less impressive considering the suffocating racism they overcame. German immigrants fared well in school, too, as did a few other groups.

And then there were the Irish and southern Italians, among others, who tended to lag, suffering high dropout rates and other signs of academic failure. Partly as a result, they rose from poverty more slowly than many other European immigrants.

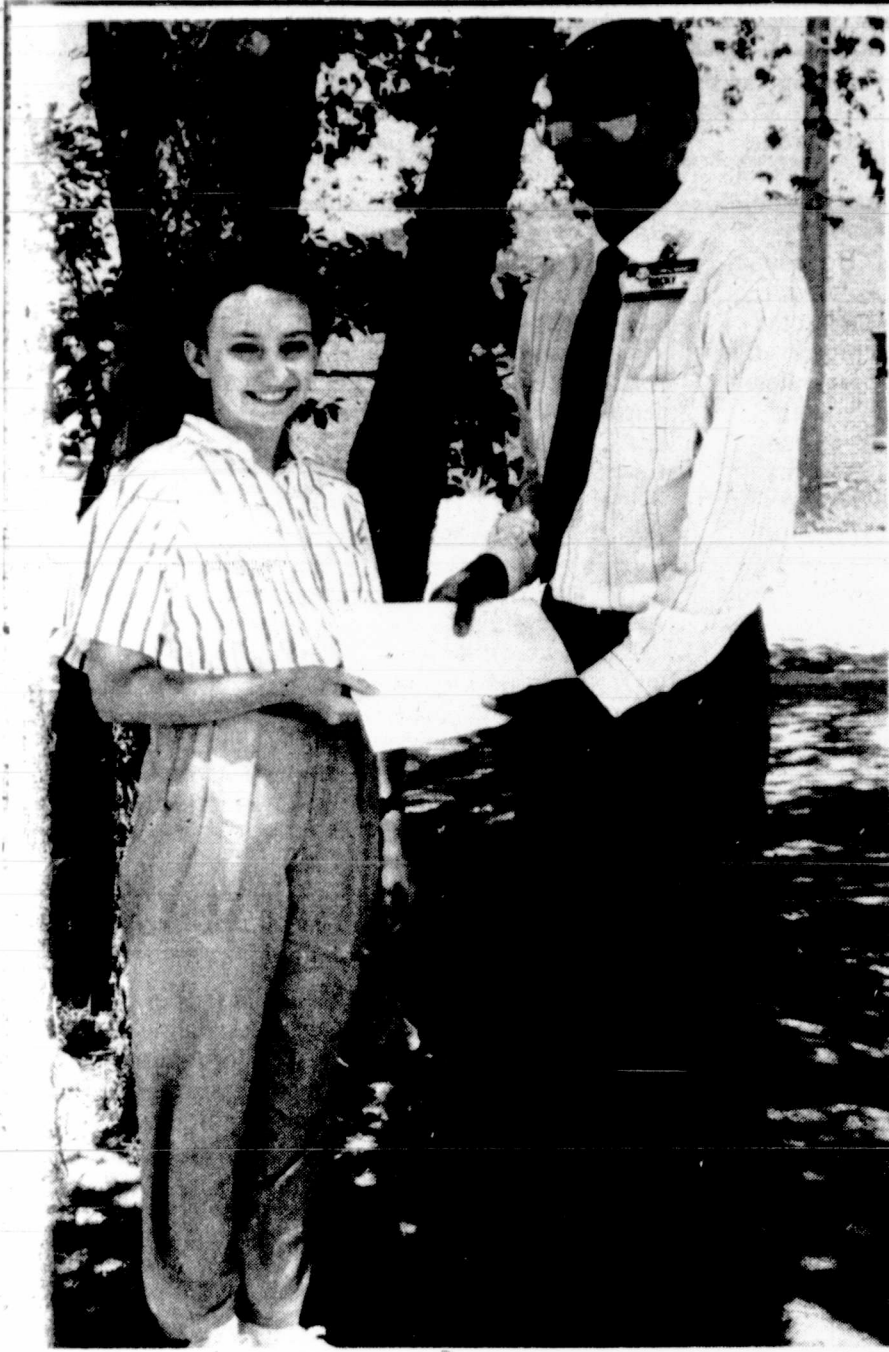
Every ethnic group likes to believe that it prizes education, and each in its own way does; but the inescapable fact is that some do not prize it as much as others. So, while it is true that public schools must do a better job teaching minorities, greater commitment is also required of parents.

More power to Cavazos for having said so.

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Berry's World

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(Staff photo by Beth Miller)

Brandie Eads, left, is congratulated by Rocky Brown, store manager at the Pampa Wal-Mart, for receiving a \$1,000 scholarship from Wal-Mart.

Brandie Eads gains Wal-Mart scholarship

Brandie Eads of Pampa was selected as this year's recipient of the \$1,000 Pampa Wal-Mart Foundation Community Scholarship, according to Pampa Wal-Mart Manager Rocky Brown.

The scholarship is awarded each spring by Wal-Mart to an area college- or university-bound high school senior and is payable over a one-year period.

Eads, salutatorian of the 1990 Pampa High School graduating class, plans to attend Tulane University and major in history. She is the daughter of Bill and Patricia Eads.

In making the announcement, Brown said, "It is with great pleasure that we announce Brandie as the winner of this year's scholarship. It was a difficult decision for our team of well-qualified, local judges who had to select from many outstanding students."

Brown said the scholarship criteria is based primarily on academic performance, involvement in the school and community, and financial need.

In addition, the scholarship alternate selected is John Call of Lefors. Call is the valedictorian of the Lefors High School graduating class.

The Pampa Wal-Mart Foundation Community Scholarship is one of more than 1,300 scholarships totaling \$1.3 million being given throughout the Bentonville, Ark.-based retail chain's 27-state, 1,325-store trade territory.

Baltic states join in independence drive

By ANDREW KATELL
Associated Press Writer

TALLINN, U.S.S.R. (AP) - The presidents of the three Baltic republics met Saturday in the Estonian capital to forge a united front against Moscow in their drive to re-establish independence.

President Arnold Ruutel of Estonia invited leaders of the two neighboring Baltic states - Vytautas Landsbergis of Lithuania and Anatoly Gorbunov of Latvia - to a pink-and-white 18th century palace for talks expected to revive a 50-year-old cooperation agreement.

"We must give a hand to one another, these little nations of Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia, because in history during a difficult period we always helped one another," Ruutel told reporters before the meeting. "That's the way it is today."

In brief opening remarks to reporters, delivered in their native languages, the three presidents spoke of their "common fate." They smiled for a horde of photographers before the closed meeting at the Toompea Palace, overlooking Tallinn's Old Town.

Ruutel said he and his counterparts would sign four documents: one on political cooperation, a letter to Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev, a letter to President Bush, and a joint statement.

Gorbachev is scheduled to meet Bush in Washington at the end of May. The Baltic republics' drive for independence is expected to be a topic at that summit, as well as a meeting between U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker III and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze in Moscow next week.

The agreement will revive the Council of Baltic States - the presidents and senior ministers of the three republics. The council will make non-binding recommendations on the governments, Estonian officials said.

Baltic state representatives set up the council in September 1934 in Geneva under an agreement of "unity and cooperation." A 1971 Soviet history book called the alliance "a hotbed of anti-Soviet agitation."

The Baltic republics were part of the Russian Empire, but gained their independence amid the turmoil of World War I and the Bolshevik Revolution. They were absorbed into the Soviet Union by Josef Stalin in 1940.

Lithuania declared outright on March 11 that it was re-establishing independence, and Latvia and Estonia followed with declarations that they would resume independence after unspecified transition periods.

Gorbachev has opposed those moves, and demanded that the republics observe Soviet law. A new law requires a referendum and a waiting period of up to five years before secession.

The Kremlin has slapped a tough economic embargo on Lithuania, and signs of trouble continue to mount for the three republics.

Landsbergis was quoted Saturday by Vilnius Radio as saying up to 300,000 people soon will be unemployed if Moscow continues its economic blockade against Lithuania, a republic of 3.8 million.

Also Saturday, the Information Bureau of the Lithuanian Supreme Council legislature reported that a column of more than 100 Soviet military vehicles rumbled through Vilnius, the capital, in the early morning hours.

CBMs, other weapons in line for cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) - The defense services are proposing to cut 12 aircraft carriers and three new cruise missile submarines and to plan for mobile land-based continental missiles, according to published reports.

The proposals were contained in a classified memorandum submitted to Defense Secretary Dick Cheney in response to his instructions to identify further cuts in the 1990s that will be submitted to a major review this summer, according to stories in Saturday's editions of *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*. The "program memoranda" cover the 1992 through 1997 fiscal years, and often incorporate known missions, such as Cheney's plan for 75 B-2 stealth bombers instead of the original 132.

Another is the Army's determination that by 1997, it should have 10,000 troops, down from the current 178,100.

Even though the Navy's memo calls for 12 deployed carriers, the service still wants 14, according to the Post.

Navy Secretary Lawrence Garrett III was quoted as writing Cheney that the forces "best suited to perform reliably our enduring missions ... in the coming decade is centered on 14 aircraft carrier battle groups."

The Navy calls for 488 warships,

the first time it has settled on a number, according to both newspapers. There are 549 today.

Among other reported plans was one to commission only 18 submarines to carry the Trident missile instead of 21.

The Air Force calls for phasing out multiple-warhead missiles, a decision fitting the arms control strategy advocated by many on Capitol Hill.

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Recipe for a Happy Mother's Day

2 cups hugs
1 cup sticky kisses
1 mouthful of thanks
5 cups of help
A sprinkle of smiles

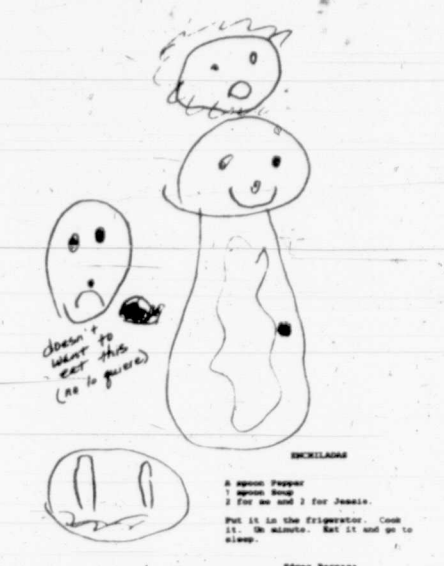
Mix all of these ingredients together. Add a cup of all of your favorite things. Line your day with your happiest memories. Slow cook it all day stirring in some love of your own. This should feed an entire family for the day. To keep, store it in your memory box, and it will last a lifetime. It's even better as time goes on.

Cookies

1 cup Peanut Butter
A Happy Birthday Cake
2 cups harina
A present
10 spoons Milk
Hace la vuelta (mix it)
Put in on a pizza.
Pon en la estufa (put in the oven), 10 minutos. Eat it.
Ya me voy acosta y ya me duermo.

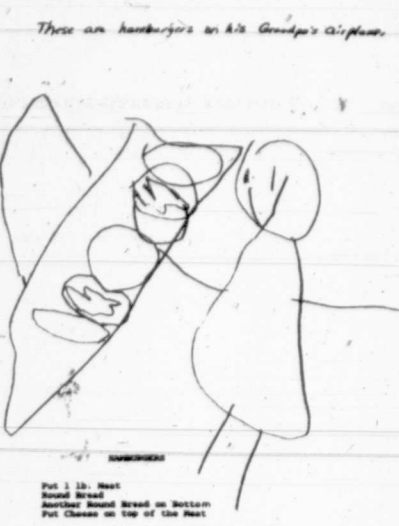
Y luego me levanto y como otra. (Now I lie down and go to sleep. Then later I get up and eat another one!)

Mireya Resendiz



Hamburgers

Put 1 lb. meat
Round Bread
Another Round Bread on Bottom
Put cheese on top of the Meat
Cook the meat about 5 minutes or 6.
13 degrees. That's hot! Put salad



Put them, all of them on a table
Then you cook 'em 5 minutes.

Betty Soria

Chocolate Cake

10 oz. Peanut Butter
4 cups Sugar
5 oz. Baking powder
2 oz. Cinnamon
11 lb. Chocolate
You cook it. Bake it after you cook it. And put the recipe in. Then put 1 ounces of sugar. Make the oven HOT RED. Put tuna fish on the of the cake.

Willie Hathaway

Enchiladas

1 full cup Baking powder
3 Baking soda

A cup salt
A cup chocolate
Put it together. Go around (mix it). Put it in the fire leave it 10 minutes. Take it out HOT. Put it in the table. Leave it there and eat it!

Henry Hernandez

Enchiladas

A spoon Pepper
1 spoon spoon soup
2 for me and 2 for Jessie.
Put in the frigerator. Cook it. Un minuto. Eat it and go to sleep.

Edgar Barraza

Pizza

Shamburger
Cheese
1 spoon Peanut Butter
1 Four lbs. Chocolate
2 cups Peanut Butter
3 cups Corn Meal
That's all. In you hands, mix it all up like this. Pat it like this. Put it in the cosado (oven). And the



on it.

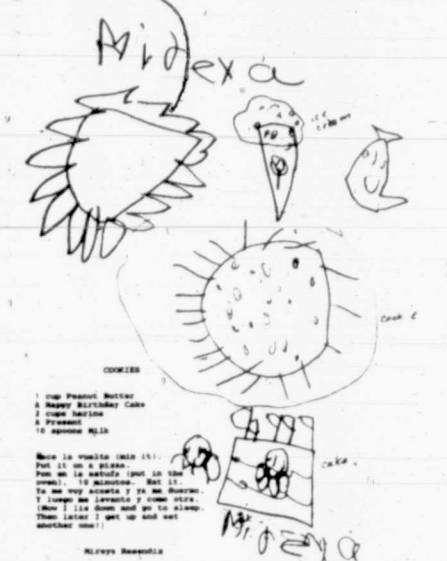
Hot Dogs

2 spoons Corn Meal
3 cups of Peanut Butter
4 teaspoons Vanilla
5 cups Chocolate
Put 4 hot dogs in the fire. Put it all on the hot dogs. Cook it 3 hours.

Damian Villarreal

Chocolate With Peanut Butter

5 Tacos
2 Coffees
Some Bologna
3 Fish
2 lb. Peanut Butter
3 Chocolates



UT officials announce location change for spring commencement

AUSTIN (AP) — University of Texas officials have decided to move spring commencement from the UT Special Events Center to the football stadium to make room for a record number of students and guests wanting to hear President Bush.

UT officials announced the change Friday, just a week before the May 19 graduation, after many students complained that the previous arrangement was forcing them to choose between family members. Students had been limited to two guests apiece.

UT President William Cunningham said that when students found out Bush was giving this year's commencement address, the number of graduates who usually attend spring commencement doubled.

available seats in the Erwin Center, more than 37,000 seats in the west side of Memorial Stadium will be open on a first-come, first-served basis.

"We just could not meet the demand for tickets," Cunningham said. So Wednesday UT officials contacted the White House and asked to change locations. A presidential advance team arrived in Austin on Thursday, toured the stadium with UT officials, and approved the move. The president has given commencement addresses in stadiums before, most recently on Friday at Texas A&I University in Kingsville.

The Erwin Center still will be used if it rains.

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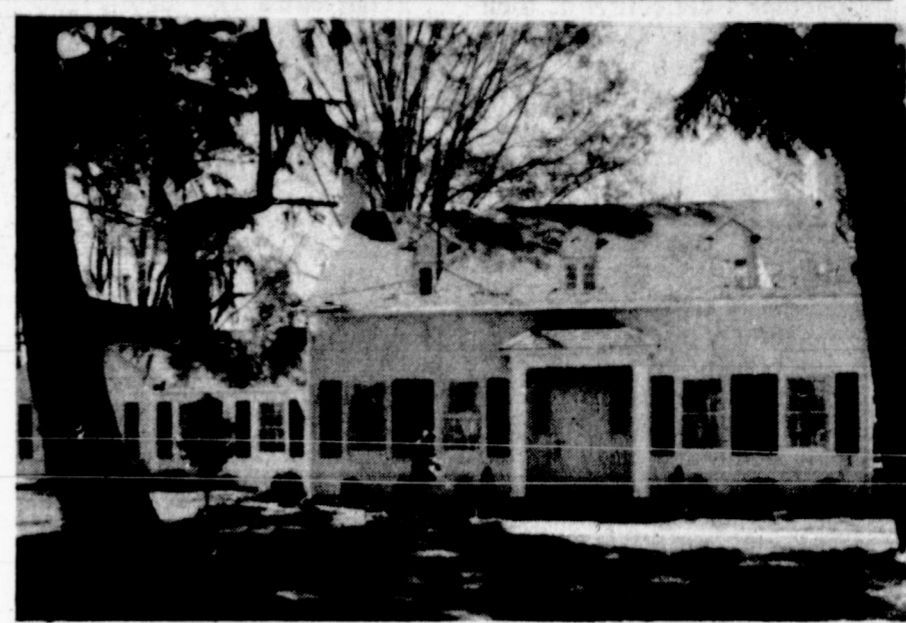
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Drilling intentions

Intentions to Drill
GRAY (PANHANDLE) Texaco Inc., #24 J.B. Bowers NCT-1 (160 ac) Sec. 89,B-2,H&GN, PD 3300'.
HARTLEY (WILDCAT 7 REHM Granite Wash) Rosewood Resources Inc., #1-36 RRI-Walker Ranch (5520 ac) Sec. 36,I,O,T&NO, PD 6600'.
LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & S.W. LIPSCOMB Cleveland) Malouf Abraham Inc., #1-368 Scott Sisters (640 ac) Sec. 368,43,H&TC, PD 10300'.
MOORE (PANHANDLE & PANHANDLE Red Cave) Gordon Taylor, #4 Lanell (480 ac) Sec. 187,3-T,T&NO, PD 3600'.
SHERMAN (WILDCAT) Phillips Petroleum Co., #1 Phyllis (480 ac) Sec. 160,1-T,T&NO, PD 6900'.
WHEELER (PANHANDLE & EAST PANHANDLE) Questa Energy Corp., #1-20 Willis (160 ac) Sec. 20,A-8, H&GN, PD 2800'.
Application to Deepen
GRAY (PANHANDLE) Questa Energy Corp., #4 Sin-Pope (80 ac) Sec. 173,3,I&GN, PD 3450'.
Oil Well Completions
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #22 Davis & Hansen, Sec. 1,M-16,AB&M, elev. 3325 kb, spud 2-1-90, drlg. compl 2-6-90, tested 4-26-90, pumped 22 bbl. of 40 grav. oil + 220 bbls. water, GOR 2091, perforated 3125-3240, TD 3375', PBTD 3347'.
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #22 Otis Phillips 'A', Sec. 2,1,BBB&C, elev. 3331 kb, spud 2-15-90, drlg. compl 2-19-90, tested 4-11-90, pumped 48 bbl. of 40 grav. oil + 195 bbls. water, GOR 2958, perforated 3132-3252, TD 3378', PBTD 3350'.
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #23 Otis Phillips 'A', Sec. 2,1,BBB&C, elev. 338 kb, spud 2-7-90, drlg. compl 2-13-90, tested 4-11-90, pumped 37 bbl. of 40 grav. + 211 bbls. water, GOR 3000, perforated 3138-3268, TD 3375', PBTD 3352'.
LIPSCOMB (BRADFORD) Unit Petroleum Co., #5 Sisters, Sec. 594,43,H&TC, elev. 2497 gr, spud 3-3-90, drlg. compl 3-

11-90, tested 4-26-90, pumped 48 bbl. of 42.1 grav. oil + 168 bbls. water, GOR 313, perforated 6534-6564, TD 6720', PBTD 6678'.
MOORE (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #7 Otis Phillips 'B', Sec. 2,1,BBB&C, elev. 3347 kb, spud 2-8-90, drlg. compl 2-13-90, tested 4-17-90, pumped 26 bbl. of 40 grav. oil + 104 bbls. water, GOR 11077, perforated 3152-3270, TD 3450', PBTD 3422'.
MOORE (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #9 Otis Phillips 'B', Sec. 2,1,BBB&C, elev. 3357 kb, spud 1-24-90, drlg. compl 1-29-90, tested 4-26-90, pumped 27 bbl. of 40 grav. oil + 138 bbls. water, GOR 6889, perforated 3157-3278, TD 3414', PBTD 3386'.
Gas Well Completions
HANSFORD (SHAPLEY Morrow) Strat Land Exploration Co., #4 Harvey, Sec. 281,2,GH&H, elev. 3229 gr, spud 6-2-89, drlg. compl 6-14-89, tested 4-20-90, potential 15000 MCF, rock pressure 1373, pay 6875-6881, TD 7050', PBTD 6986'.
HANSFORD (EAST TWIN) Tonkawa) P.L.O., #1-44 Santa Fe, Sec. 44,45,H&TC, elev. 2974 kb, spud 2-27-90, drlg. compl 3-9-90, tested 4-13-90, potential 820 MCF, rock pressure 1210, pay 5284-5289, TD 5646', PBTD 5644'.
HEMPHILL (S.W. CANADIAN Upper Morrow) Meridian Oil Inc., #9 Campbell, Sec. 57,1,I&GN, elev. 2695 kb, spud 10-30-89, drlg. compl 12-3-89, tested 4-1-90, potential 334577 MCF (CAOF) (Max Flow Rate 4986 MCF/D) rock pressure 3225, pay 11869-11906, TD 12004', PBTD 11945'.
LIPSCOMB (TRENFIELD Cleveland) Mewbourne Oil Co., #1 Doyle, Sec. 707,43,H7TC, elev. 2399 kb, spud 2-10-90, drlg. compl 2-24-90, tested 4-5-90, potential 1850 MCF, rock pressure 2864, pay 7745-7772, TD 7950', PBTD 7844'.
ROBERTS (CREE FLOWERS Lower Albany Dolomite) Wallace Oil & Gas Inc., #1-U Kim Flowers Sec. 94,C,G&M, elev. 2889 gr, spud 12-10-89, drlg. compl 12-17-89, tested 4-10-90, potential 930 MCF, rock pressure 688, pay 3821-3861, TD 4301', PBTD 4298' — Dual Compl.
SHERMAN (COLDWATER RANCH Douglas) Phillips Petroleum Co., #8 Coldwater 'B', Sec. 38,3-B,GH&H, elev. 3425 kb, spud 3-15-90, drlg. compl 3-23-90, tested 4-9-90, potential 3700 MCF, rock pressure 1120, pay 4622-4638, TD 4725', PBTD 4673'.
SHERMAN (CRAIG RANCH Morrow) Phillips Petroleum Co., #2 Craig 'A', Sec. 81,1-C,GH&H, elev. 3402 gl, spud 2-27-90, drlg. compl 3-12-90, tested 3-23-90, potential 36500 MCF, rock pressure 1732, pay 6665-6690, TD 6905', PBTD 6853'.
Plugged Wells
BRISCOE (WILDCAT) Coalin-ga Corp., #1 Thomas A. Brummet, Sec. 52,3,T&P, spud 3-7-90, plugged 4-4-90, TD 7948' (dry)—
GRAY (PANHANDLE) OXY USA Inc., #6G Shields 'A', Sec. 151,3,I&GN, spud 9-35, plugged 4-5-90, TD 3220' (gas)—
GRAY (PANHANDLE) Production Consultants Inc., #601 South-west Pampa Dolomite Unit, Sec. 128,3,I&GN, spud unknown, plugged 4-9-90, TD 3308' (oil)—
GRAY (EAST PANHANDLE) John Hazelwood, #1 Lallie C. Webb, Sec. 59,25,H&GN, spud 2-27-56, plugged 4-27-90, TD 2176' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Carl M. Smith
HANSFORD (HANSFORD Upper Morrow) Jet Well Service Inc., #1-C Whitaker, Sec. 260,2,GH&H, spud 8-16-77, plugged 3-9-90, TD 7265' (gas) — Form 1 filed in Cottom Petro.
HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WAL-Low Granite Wash) Meridian Oil Co., #1 Meek, Sec. 69,M-1,H&GN, spud 4-13-80, plugged 12-6-89, TD 14767' (oil) — Form 1 filed in El Paso Nat. Gas.
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Amagray Inc., #605W Harvey Unit, Sec. 71,Z,HE&WT, spud 4-14-40, plugged 4-27-90, TD 3018' (disposal) — Form 1 filed in Cree & Hoover & Dye
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Tripplehorn Oil Co., #3W R.C. Ware, Sec. 123,4,I&GN, spud 9-13-34, plugged 4-5-90, TD 3100' (disposal) —



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Parsley retirement party set

Parsley's Sheet Metal & Roofing Co. Inc. will have a retirement party honoring Larry Parsley on Tuesday.

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Retail sales slump .6 percent in April

WASHINGTON (AP) — Retail sales slumped 0.6 percent in April, posting the second consecutive monthly decline and the biggest setback in six months, the government reported today.

The Commerce Department said sales fell by \$907 million last month to a seasonally adjusted \$148.64 billion.

The April decrease was a disappointment to economists, who had been looking for a small rebound following a 0.2 percent decline in March and no change in February.

Since consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of total economic activity, continued weakness in the area of retail sales was likely to intensify concerns about the country's future economic prospects, especially in light of last week's report that unemployment climbed in April to 5.4 percent.

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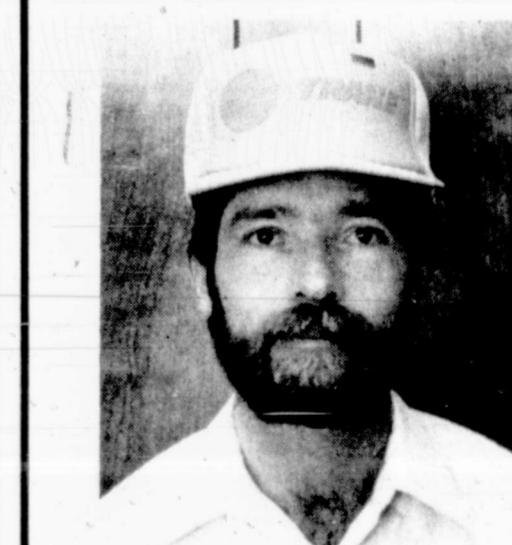
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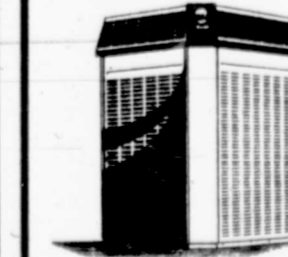
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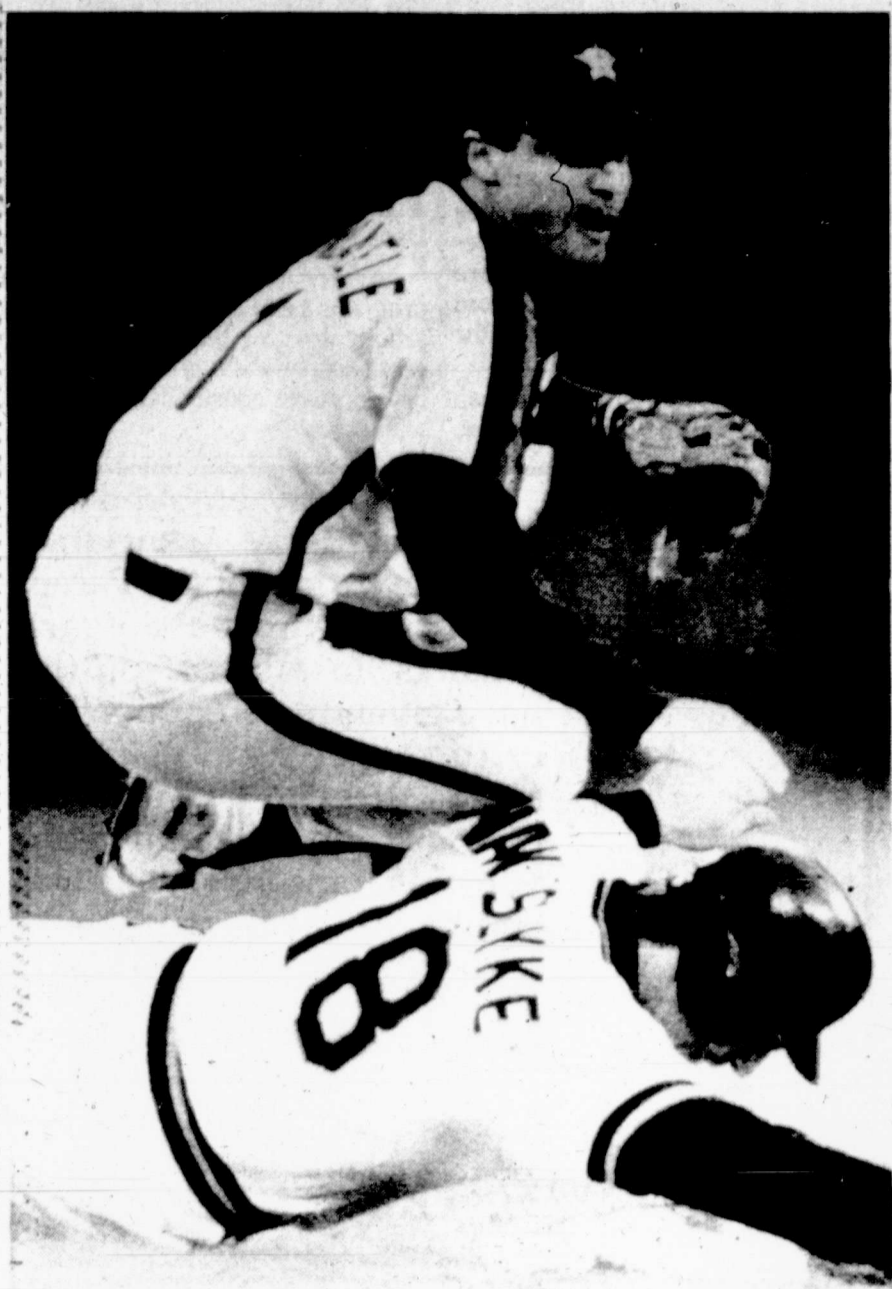
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(AP Laserphoto)

Houston's Casey Candaele flies over a sliding Andy Van Slyke of Pittsburgh on the front of a double play.

Ripken's homers boost O's

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Cal Ripken's second home run of the game led off the ninth inning Saturday as the Baltimore Orioles beat Oakland 3-2.

Ripken, who made it 2-2 with a solo shot in the sixth inning, connected off Gene Nelson (1-2) in the ninth.

Mark Williamson (2-1) got the victory and Gregg Olson earned his seventh save.

Jose Canseco's two-run homer gave Oakland a 2-1 lead in the fifth. Carney Lansford singled and Canseco hit his home run off starter Dave Johnson.

Johnson left after 6 1-3 innings. He gave up eight hits, two walks and struck out a career-high five.

Indians.....5
Rangers.....4

ARLINGTON (AP) — Felix Fermin singled home the tiebreaking run in the seventh inning and the Cleveland Indians beat the Texas Rangers Saturday in a game suspended the previous night because of rain.

Cleveland and Texas were to play their regularly scheduled game about a half-hour after the Indians' victory. Texas lost for the fifth time in six games.

Friday night's game was stopped after the Indians scored twice in the top of the sixth for a tie at 4. When it resumed Saturday, Sandy Alomar singled with out out, stole second and scored on Fermin's single.

Steve Olin (1-2) pitched 2 1-3

AL roundup

scoreless innings for the victory and Doug Jones went 1 2-3 innings for his 11th save. Jeff Russell (1-2) was the loser.

Nolan Ryan failed for the third time to get his 294th career victory. Ryan took a 4-2 lead into the sixth and retired the first two batters as rain began falling.

But Mitch Webster hit his second triple of the game, ending a streak of 15 consecutive batters retired by Ryan, who left with a muscle spasm in his lower back.

White Sox.....6
Royals.....3

CHICAGO (AP) — Melido Perez held Kansas City to three singles over 8 2-3 innings, losing a shutout on three unearned runs, as the Chicago White Sox beat the Royals Saturday night.

Perez (3-2) blanked the Royals until the ninth when they scored all their runs. An error by third baseman Robin Ventura, Perez's only two walks, Gerald Perry's RBI grounder and a two-base error by right fielder Sammy Sosa on Bo Jackson's drive.

Carlos Martinez tripled home two runs during a five-run third and Ivan Calderon had four singles, the fifth four-hit game of his career. Kevin Seitzer had two of Kansas City's three singles.

Scott Radinsky got the final out for his second save.

Cincinnati's Browning loses no-hitter in seventh inning

CINCINNATI (AP) — Tom Browning lost his no-hitter in the seventh inning, then lost the game when Doug Dascenzo's three-run double sparked the Chicago Cubs over the Cincinnati Reds 4-2 Saturday night.

Mike Bielecki (2-3) pitched a five-hitter, but had his shutout spoiled with two outs in the ninth on Paul O'Neill's two-run homer. Bielecki struck out three, walked one and got the hit that finished Browning.

Browning (3-3) did not allow a hit until, Shawon Dunston led off the seventh with a single. Andre Dawson doubled and Curtis Wilkerson was intentionally walked.

Dascenzo doubled for a 3-0 lead. Bielecki finished Browning with a single, scoring Dascenzo.

Pirates.....3
Astros.....1

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Neal Heaton became the first Pittsburgh pitcher in 61 years to win his first

NL roundup

six starts and the streaking Pirates defeated the Houston Astros Saturday night for their seventh victory in eight games.

Heaton (6-0), who didn't win his sixth game last year until Sept. 25, allowed one unearned run and four hits over seven innings. The last Pirate to win his first six starts was Burleigh Grimes, who won his first 10 in 1929.

Scott Ruskin pitched the eighth and Ted Power got the last three outs for his third save.

Heaton, 6-7 in 1989, has won 11 straight decisions since last July 28 after losing 17 of his previous 21 with the Pirates and Montreal Expos. Heaton has a 1.57 ERA in 24 appearances, 12 of them starts, during his streak.

The Pirates, now 13-3 in their last 16 games, scored twice in the fourth after Mark Portugal (1-4) walked leadoff hitter Andy Van

Slyke. Bobby Bonilla struck out, but Barry Bonds followed with a run-scoring double to center. Bonds is batting .500 and has 14 of his 20 RBIs with runners in scoring position after hitting .226 last year.

After Sid Bream was intentionally walked, Mike LaValliere hit a run-scoring single to center. Portugal avoided further trouble when Bream was picked off third on a botched suicide squeeze and Jose Lind grounded out.

The Astros made it 2-1 in the seventh. Glenn Davis doubled and moved to third on the play when right fielder Bonilla misplayed the ball, then scored on Glenn Wilson's one-out sacrifice fly. Earlier, Wilson grounded into the Astros' third double play in four innings with the bases loaded and one out in the fourth.

The Pirates got the run back in their half of the seventh on R.J. Reynolds' pinch-hit RBI double. That hit chased Portugal, who allowed three runs and four hits in 6 1-3 innings.

Giants.....6
Phillies.....2

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Matt Williams and Will Clark hit three-run homers, as the San Francisco Giants defeated the Philadelphia Phillies on Saturday night.

Scott Garrelts (1-3) allowed two runs and five hits in five innings. He struck out one and walked two. Atlee Hammaker pitched 2 2-3 scoreless innings before Jeff Brantley finished for his third save.

Brett Butler and Rick Parker drew walks from Bruce Ruffin (2-3) in the third inning. Clark's grounder was bobbled by shortstop Dickie Thon, but forced Parker at second. Williams' home run gave San Francisco a 3-1 lead.

The Phillies made it 3-2 in the third. Len Dykstra singled and Tom Herr walked. Dykstra took third on Von Hayes' fly out and scored on Ricky Jordan's single.

Clark homered in the ninth against Don Carman.

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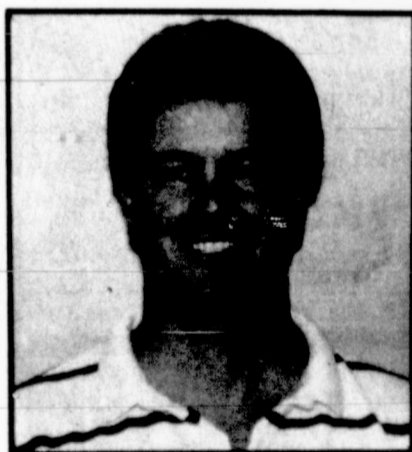
Bobby Barnes



Lequeta Loraine Berry



Dorothy Lanell Williams



Gary Michael Jack



Judy Gwen Kennedy

Fifteen area residents have concluded their studies at Clarendon College, Pampa Center and participated in graduation ceremonies on May 4.

Bobby M. Barnes graduated with an Associate in Arts degree. He plans to finish his education at West Texas State University. He is currently in the maintenance department with Lefors Independent School District. Barnes and his wife, Sheila, have two children, Caleb and Katie.

Lequeta Loraine Berry graduated with an Associate in Applied Science degree. She plans to continue her education in business. She is currently employed with Southwestern Public Service Co. Berry and her husband, Jim, have one daughter, Sheila.

Dorothy Lanell Williams graduated with an Associate in Science degree. She plans to attend West Texas State University and major in chemistry. She is currently employed with the Pampa Independent School District as a bus driver. Dorothy has two daughters, Pamela and Felicia.

Gary Michael Jack graduated with an Associate in Arts degree. He is employed with Texaco Inc. Jack and his wife, Johnna, have two children, Ty and Shawna.

Judy Gwen Kennedy graduated with an Associate in Applied Science degree. She is the daughter of W.C. and Jeanette Kennedy.

Tommy Lynn Logue graduated with an Associate in Arts degree. He plans to continue his education at West Texas State University. He is currently employed with Texaco Inc. Logue and his wife, Jo, have four children, Lance, Stephani, Cade and Hollie.

Wiley Michael Mahanay graduated with an Associate in Arts degree. He plans to continue his education at West Texas State University for a degree in psychology. He is currently a maintenance worker and park safety officer for the National Park Service at Lake Meredith.

Christine S. Romero graduated with an Associate in Arts degree. She is currently

employed with the Outreach Health Service. Romero has two sons, Lonnie and Timothy. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sexton of Santa Rosa, N.M.

Jerry B. Shoopman graduated with an Associate in Science degree. He plans to continue his education at West Texas State University. He is currently employed as a bricklayer with Cabot Research & Development. Shoopman and his wife, Lisa, have two daughters, Virginia and Victoria.

Susan Carol Sinyard graduated with an Associate in Arts degree. Sinyard and her husband, James, have five children, Michele Raymo, Gina Kane, Aaron Hayden, Howard Hayden and Daniel Hayden.

Jodie Lynn Slater graduated with an Associate in Arts degree. She plans to further her education at West Texas State University and Texas A&M to become a physical therapist. Slater is currently a bookkeeper for Kmart.

Sandra Jean Spaulding graduated with an Associate in Arts degree. She plans to continue her education at the University of Texas at Arlington in the fall. Spaulding is currently employed as a secretary. She has one daughter, Karesa.

Glenda Wylie Sparks Tollison graduated with an Associate in Science degree. She is currently employed at Furr's Coffee Shop, bakery sales and packaging. Tollison has two children, Brian and Stephanie. She is the daughter of John and Allie Sparks of McAlester, Okla.

Michael J. Heiring (not pictured) was the top graduate from the Pampa Center. He graduated with honors and received an Associate in Arts degree. He plans to further his education at West Texas State University. Heiring is a contract designer for Celanese.

James Paul Wilson (not pictured) graduated with honors and received an Associate in Science degree. He has been accepted into the Texas Tech Allied Health School of Physical Therapy. Wilson and his wife, Shelly, have two children, Sarah and Matthew.



Glenda Tollison



Sandra Jean Spaulding



Jodie Lynn Slater



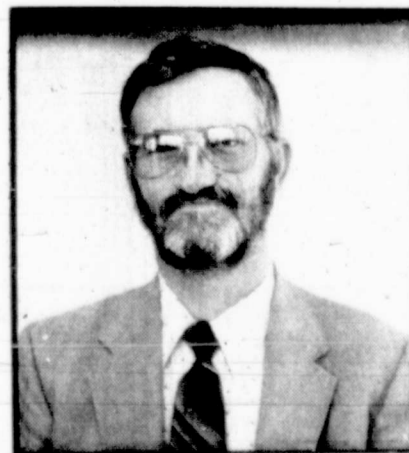
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CONGRATULATIONS, 1990 GRADUATES



Tommy Lynn Logue



Wiley Michael Mahanay



Christine S. Romero



Jerry B. Shoopman



James Allen Massick & Sharla Prebble Vaughn

Vaughn - Massick

Gerald and Dorothy Vaughn announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Sharla Prebble Vaughn, to James Allen Massick, son of Rick and Kathy Massick.

The couple have planned their wedding for July 28 in the First Baptist Church.

The bride-elect is a 1988 graduate of Pampa High School. She attended Texas Tech University and Clarendon College, Pampa Center. She is currently working for Service Fracturing Company.

The prospective groom is a 1989 graduate of Pampa High School. He is employed by Mr. Gattis in Canyon while attending West Texas State University.



Cheryl Lynn Eldredge & Mark Brian Wolfe

Eldredge - Wolfe

Alinet L. Eldredge of Pampa and Bart Eldredge of Satanta, Kan. announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Cheryl Lynn, to Marcus (Mark) Brian Wolfe, son of Lloyd and Betty Wolfe of Pampa.

The couple plan to exchange wedding vows on June 20 in Satanta, Kan. The future bride will graduate from high school in Satanta on May 20. She is a member of the National Honor Society.

The prospective groom works as a derrick man for Eldredge Well Service in Satanta.



Crystal Lynn Searl & Alan McCollum

Searl - McCollum

Danny and Terry Searl, formerly of Miami, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Crystal Lynn, to Alan McCollum. McCollum is the son of Charles McCollum of Pampa and Linda Coiner of Burton, Kan.

The couple plan to be married on June 8 in the Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ.

The future bride attended schools in Miami since kindergarten through the tenth grade. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1989 and has attended Clarendon College, Pampa Center. She is a member of the Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ and has performed with the community theatre group - ACT I.

The prospective groom is a member of the Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1986 and is currently employed as a pipefitter in Dumas.

Gold Coats celebrate 25th anniversary

Happy Mother's Day to all moms! Do get comfy mid fluffy pillows piled high and enjoy being pampered with breakfast and an extra cup of coffee in bed while we browse around town for news of family, friends and neighbors.

Congratulations to Tracey and Mike Warner who, only days ago learned they passed their bar exams! Young sis, Patti Warner, a student at the University of Texas, will be their summer secretary. Go ahead John and Judy - let your family pride show! Tracey and Mike are a keen, personable, handsome pair - an excellent addition to the community.

A warm "Welcome Home!!!" to native Pampan Bartley McLean,

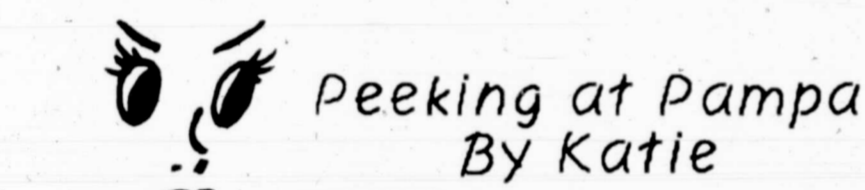


Floyd Watson, Gold Coat president, addresses the anniversary crowd last Saturday.

owner of the new downtown business M&F Computers and Electronics. For the past 20 years Bartley worked in pipeline construction work in South America, Far and Middle East. Bartley and his wife, Lisa, are parents of two daughters, Jamie and Jael, and a son, Marcus. Congratulations on investing in Pampa's future today!

Peggy David recently became executive director of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Pampa. Peggy holds a master's degree in human relations and management. In Midland she served as one of eight staff members of the United Way; in Pampa and Abilene as a member of the BBBS board. Her husband Roger has been a big brother in the past.

Charles Buzzard, former direc-



tor, entered private business as a partner in Property Valuation Analysts.

Congratulations to Gary Gattis for opening a new downtown business, Gattis Appliance in the Gattis Building. It's good to see a downtown business named "Gattis".

Congratulations to Robert Knowles for expanding his automobile business to include the former Marcum Motor Company. A tacked on P.S.: Robert and Bethany spent a week or more vacationing in Hawaii. Aloha!

Congratulations to seven local area girls who graduated with an associate degree in nursing from Amarillo College. The happy grads are Debbie Bridges, Jan Duncan, Paula Hill, Nina Kempt, Teresa Carterman, Debbie Smith and Gloria Green.

The same warm congratulations to Barbara Hollingsworth who graduated from AC with an associate degree as a physical therapy technician.

Lynn Harwood was a retirement party honoree recently after having taught one year in Portales, three years in Panhandle, five years at Travis Elementary and the last 18 at Lamar. Lynn received a friendship quilt full of signatures of teachers and employees, a real treasure and work of art. Lynn's entire family came for the special occasion. Steve, Susie, Shaun and Stephanie flew in from Baton Rouge, La. Renee and Mike Pittman, Kelly Beth and James came from Amarillo. Marsha and Jim Richardson and Sarah completed the family picture.

A family dinner followed the party.

Dr. Harry Vanderpool, father of Phil, came from Albuquerque to speak at the Gold Coats 25th anniversary last Saturday night. Harry was minister of First United Methodist Church when the Gold Coats organized. Pampan are always delighted to see and hear Harry speak.

Louise Bailey's head is spinning with plans for her daughter, Vickie's, upcoming wedding. Louise spent a long weekend with Vickie in Dallas.

How good it is to see Cinda and Owen Lafferty of White Deer out and about, having dinner and visiting friends. Cinda is recovering from recent surgery.

Given a choice, Joyce Puckett would much prefer to talk about her new grandson than the trip she and Dan took to Boston. Brody Reece Russell, son of Bobbye and Richard Russell and brother of 3 1/2 year-old Briana, weighed in at 9 lbs. 12 oz.! Other proud grandparents are Aubrey and Mary Lou Russell. The Russells live in Panhandle.

To Joyce the trip to Boston was for pleasure and to celebrate a birthday, for Dan, a business trip. There was a tour of historic places, the U.S.S. Constitution Old Ironsides, Old North Church, Little Italy and a birthday dinner of lobster.

Congratulations to Carolyn and Rex Rucker on the birth of their baby girl, Claire Nicole, born May 5 and weighing in at 5 lbs. and 15 1/2 oz.!

Margaret Dial joined a group from down state that included a sis-

ter-in-law, Marjorie Gaylor Schwind of the Dallad area. On a trip to Yugoslavia to visit Mejugorje (Med-jew-goria), said to be a place where miracles happen, Margaret took a seven-foot tumble down the mountainside and has all kinds of bruises, sore spots and scratches for proof. Marjorie spent a few days in Pampa renewing acquaintances of past decades. Her father, the late O.K. Gaylor, was Pampa postmaster in the fifties.

Congratulations to Steve Ross, minister of music at First United Methodist Church, on receiving a master's degree in sacred music last weekend from the Oral Roberts University in Tulsa. Of course, his wife Rhonda was there, proud as she could be during the graduation service.

Several local Rotarians attended a Rotary District Conference in Ruidoso, N.M. last week. In the group were Jimmy and Virginia Wilkerson, Duane and Anita Harp, Charles and Fay La Barr, Betty and Don Cain, Fred and Virginia Brook, Don Nelson, Margaret and Jimmy Thompson.

Some local artists recently competed in the "Best of the Southwest" show in Amarillo. Darlene Holmes won first place in the photography division and Brenda Dyson took third in drawing. Other exhibitors were Lois Minnick, Evelyn Epps, Bennie Williams of Lefors and Grant Johnson.

Oops! Last week - failed to mention one of the walking teams in the March of Dimes Walkathon. IRI had a team, too.

See you next week, Katie.

Homemakers Council plans 'roundup' May 17

The Gray County Extension Homemakers Council invites homemakers in Pampa and surrounding area to a "Homemaker Roundup" on Thursday, May 17, at 9:30 a.m. in the Gray County Annex.

The activity is in celebration of National Homemaker's Month and is an effort to get Extension Homemaker members more acquainted with each other and give those individuals not yet Extension Homemaker members more acquainted with each other and give those individuals not yet Extension Homemaker members a chance to see what Extension Homemaker clubs have to offer.

"Homemaker Roundup" will begin with a brunch and get acquainted time. Following the

brunch will be a special program "Levis and Lace" presented by Alby Peters, Potter County Extension Agent. Mrs. Peters will share ideas on entertaining, gifts and other items that utilize denim fabric. The "Roundup" is scheduled to conclude by 11:30 a.m.

The "Homemaker Roundup" is provided free of charge by the Gray County Extension Homemaker Council. Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap, or national origin.

For more information, call your Gray County Extension Office at 669-8033.

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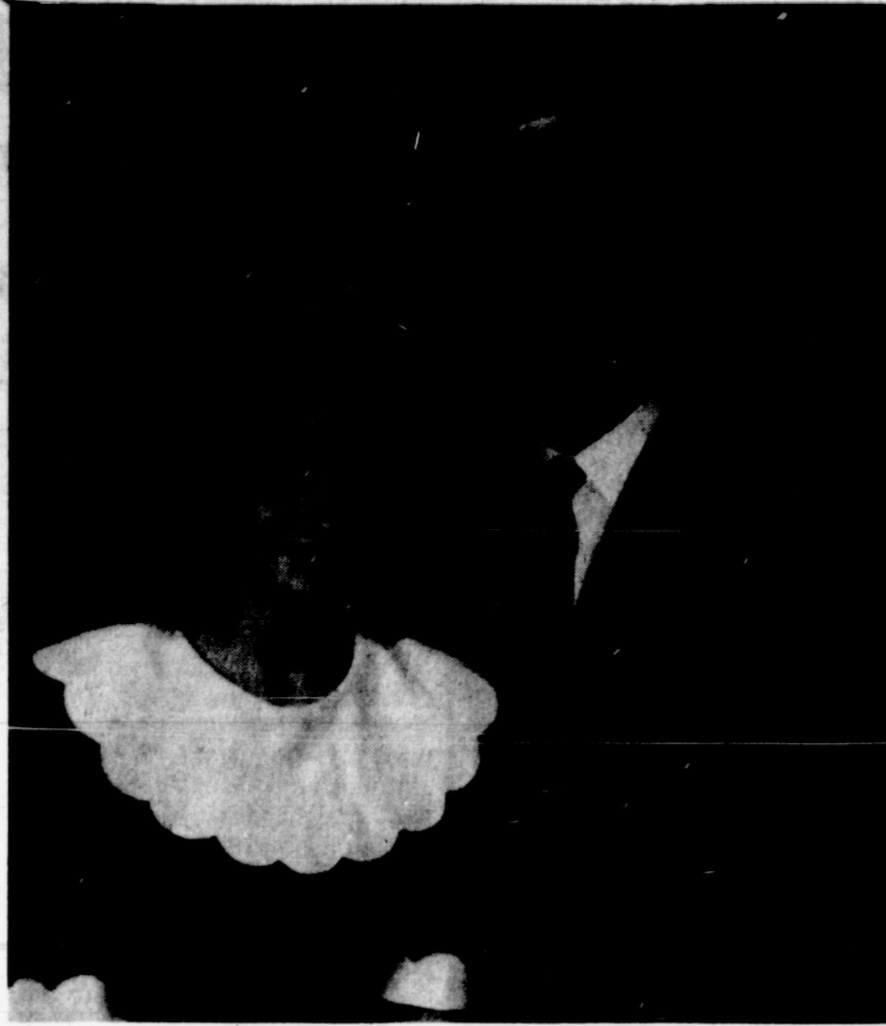
Fletcher - Kempf

P.O. and Shirley Rogers of Carrollton, Tex. announce the engagement of their daughter, Brenda Fletcher, to Quintin Kempf of Plano. Kempf is the son of R.J. and Honey Kempf of Groom.

The couple plan to be wed on June 30 in the Central Baptist Church of Carrollton.

The bride-elect is a 1987 graduate of R.L. Turner High School and is a junior at the University of North Texas, majoring in elementary education. Fletcher is the granddaughter of Esta Stainer Ford of Boisser City, La.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Loyce Bond of Pampa and Wilbur and Betty Kempf of Lefors. He is a 1985 graduate of Groom High School and a 1987 graduate of American Technical Institute of Dallas. He is currently employed in the service department of Plano Independent School District as an HVAC technician.



Jessica Justine Patton & Kent Allen Lloyd

Patton - Lloyd

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Parks announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jessica Justine Patton, to Kent Allen Lloyd. Lloyd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Lloyd of Plainview.

The couple plan to be wed on August 10 at the First Baptist Church of Plainview.

The bride-elect is a 1989 graduate of Pampa High School. She is currently attending Wayland Baptist University and is employed by Marse & Son in Plainview.

The prospective groom is a 1988 graduate of Plainview High School and he has attended the University of Texas at Arlington. He is currently employed by Larson Industries in Plainview.



Mr. & Mrs. Pete Nelson
Mary Ramirez

Ramirez - Nelson

Mary Ramirez became the bride of Pete Nelson on March 31, 1990. The afternoon ceremony was performed by Gary Sides in St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo Ramirez. Parents of the groom are Don Nelson of Pampa and Rose Hall of Kerrville.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was Tamara Rae Killgo of Roswell, N.M. Bridesmaids were Tammy Bridges and Jennifer Cochran, both of Pampa. Best man was Deven Golden of Pampa. Groomsmen were Alan McCollum and David Darker, both of Pampa. Jennifer Kotara of Corpus Christi was the flower girl. Dustin Roth of Pampa was the ring bearer. Seating guests were Richard Ramirez and Kelly Wyatt, both of Pampa. Becky Snider registered guests. Musicians and vocalists were Tom McGuire and Lawana Brown. Serving at the reception following the ceremony were Michelle Alloy and Elia Alloy.

The bride is a senior at Pampa High School and is employed at Brown's Shoe Fit Co. The groom is also a senior and is employed at C & C Hi Tech. After a honeymoon in Los Angeles, the couple will make their home in Pampa.

4-H Council officer election deadline May 15

Dates

April 14 - 4-H Fashion club meeting, 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church; 4-Clover 4-H meeting - 7 p.m., Gerald Tate Ag Barn, McLean

April 15 - Deadline to sign up for 4-H Council officer election

April 16 - 4-H Photography Project meeting - 4 p.m., Annex; 4-H Council Officer Elections

The Gray County 4-H Council met last week and set up the guidelines for the 1990-91 4-H Council officer elections. These guidelines include: calling the Extension Office by 5 p.m., Tuesday, May 15 and adding your name to the ballot. You will also be required to give a speech of at least one and one-half minutes and not to exceed three minutes in length. All candidates will also be required to attend a dinner meeting on May 24 of the Gray County 4-H Council.



4-H Corner

Joe Vann

The officers of Council are: Chairman, 1st Vice-Chairman, 2nd Vice-Chairman, and Secretary. The Chairman and 1st Vice-Chairman must have turned 14 years of age as of Jan. 1, 1990. The remaining two officers can be any age. Remember: You can only hold the same office for two terms. The Chairman and 1st Vice-Chairman will be serving on the District 4-H Council.

Remember, if you intend to run for a 1990-91 4-H Council office,

you must notify the Gray County Extension Office by 5 p.m., Tuesday, May 15.

Scholarship Interviews
Two senior Gray County 4-H members, Heather Kludt and Becky Reed, have come one step closer to receiving a Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship. Becky and Heather have both been notified to be at College Station June 4-5 for an interview. This is just a big step closer to a goal that both of these

young ladies have set. Congratulations and good luck!

Livestock Workshops

The following workshops will be offered in the summer on the campus of Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Tex.:

Swine Management Seminar: June 11-12; Fee is \$20. The workshop will be conducted by Howard Parrish from Edon, Ohio. Howard is a nationally known swine breeder and judge. He judged the Houston Barrow Show in March 1990. The course will cover breeding, selecting, feeding, fitting and showing swine.

Steer Management: June 18-19; Fee is \$20. The workshop will be conducted by James Patterson and John George. They are agricultural science teachers at Baytown Sterling High School. They are very knowledgeable in the steer business. They have had breed champions at most major shows including San Antonio, Houston and the Belt Buckle Bonanza. The course will include selection, feeding, fitting, showing, cosmetic dehorning and more.

Lamb Management: June 20, 21 & 22; Fee is \$20. This workshop will be conducted by Mr. Prater Gibbs, owner of Fast Forward Enterprises. He was an agriculture teacher for several years and has won about every lamb show in the state. His son had the grand champion lamb in Houston this year.

Panhandle Professional Writers sponsor contest

The Panhandle Professional Writers group of Amarillo has announced deadlines for its annual writing contests.

Categories are writing for children, articles, short stories, poetry and book-length manuscripts. Entries must be received by the contest chairman on or before June 15, 1990.

Awards will be announced at the annual Frontiers in Writing Conference Aug. 11 at Amarillo College.

Two entries may be made in each category. Categories, word counts and entry fees are as follows:

Writing for Children: Maximum 1,500 words, three age groups. Entry fee \$5.

Articles: Maximum 2,800 words, any subject. Entry fee \$5.

Poetry: Maximum 50 lines per poem, any form or subject. Entry fee \$5.

Short stories: Maximum 3,500 words, may be short-short. Entry fee \$5.

Book-length manuscripts: Submit summary and no more than 20 pages of fiction or non-fiction. Entry fee \$10.

Entries must be original work of

the contestants and not accepted for publication prior to contest deadline. Submit letter quality manuscript or copies of same, typed, double-spaced and on one side of 8 1/2 x 11 paper.

Author's name must not appear on manuscript or poem. A cover sheet, listing the contest category, title of the manuscript or poem and the name of the author should accompany each entry.

Contests are open to all writers. Mail entry and fee to arrive on or before June 15 to: PPW Contest Chairman, P.O. Box 19303, Amarillo, Tex. 79114. For more information send a SASE to the Conference Chairman at the above address or contact Mackie Allgood at 764-3458.

Club News

Heritage Art Club

Heritage Art Club met on May 7 at the Flame Room. Outgoing president Lois Bryant installed new officers: Mary Cook, president; Theresa Maness, first vice president; Fay Nichols, second vice president; Dorothy Howard, secretary; and Johnnie Price, treasurer. After a short business meeting, the day was spent painting cookbook covers.

El Progreso Club

El Progreso Club met May 8 in the home of Ruth Riehart for luncheon and installation of officers. Julia Dawkins, vice president, chaired the meeting.

Dawkins announced that copies of Time-Life book *The Texans* will

be presented to Amy Hayes, Wes Stark and Cole Tefertiller, high ranking students of Texas history at Pampa Middle School.

It was announced that a luncheon observing May birthdays will be at the Country Club on May 15 at 12:30 p.m.

Josephine Lawson gave a brief history of El Progreso Club and installed new officers: Dawkins, president; Dot Allen, vice president; Eloise Lane, secretary/reporter; Leona Allen, treasurer; Riehart, parliamentarian.

Allen, program chairman, outlined programs planned for the coming year. The theme will be "Worldly Wisdom for Women."

Dawkins announced the follow-

ing committees: program - Allen, Leona Allen, Riehart, Lane; social - Pat Youngblood, Maedell Lanehart, Maxine Hawkins, Lois Strong, Bette Bates; courtesy - Florence Radcliff, Virginia Presnell; membership and telephone - Strong, Mabel Ford, Dawkins; budget - Youngblood, Leona Allen; bylaws - Lanehart, Hawkins; special projects - Dawkins; birthdays - Ford.

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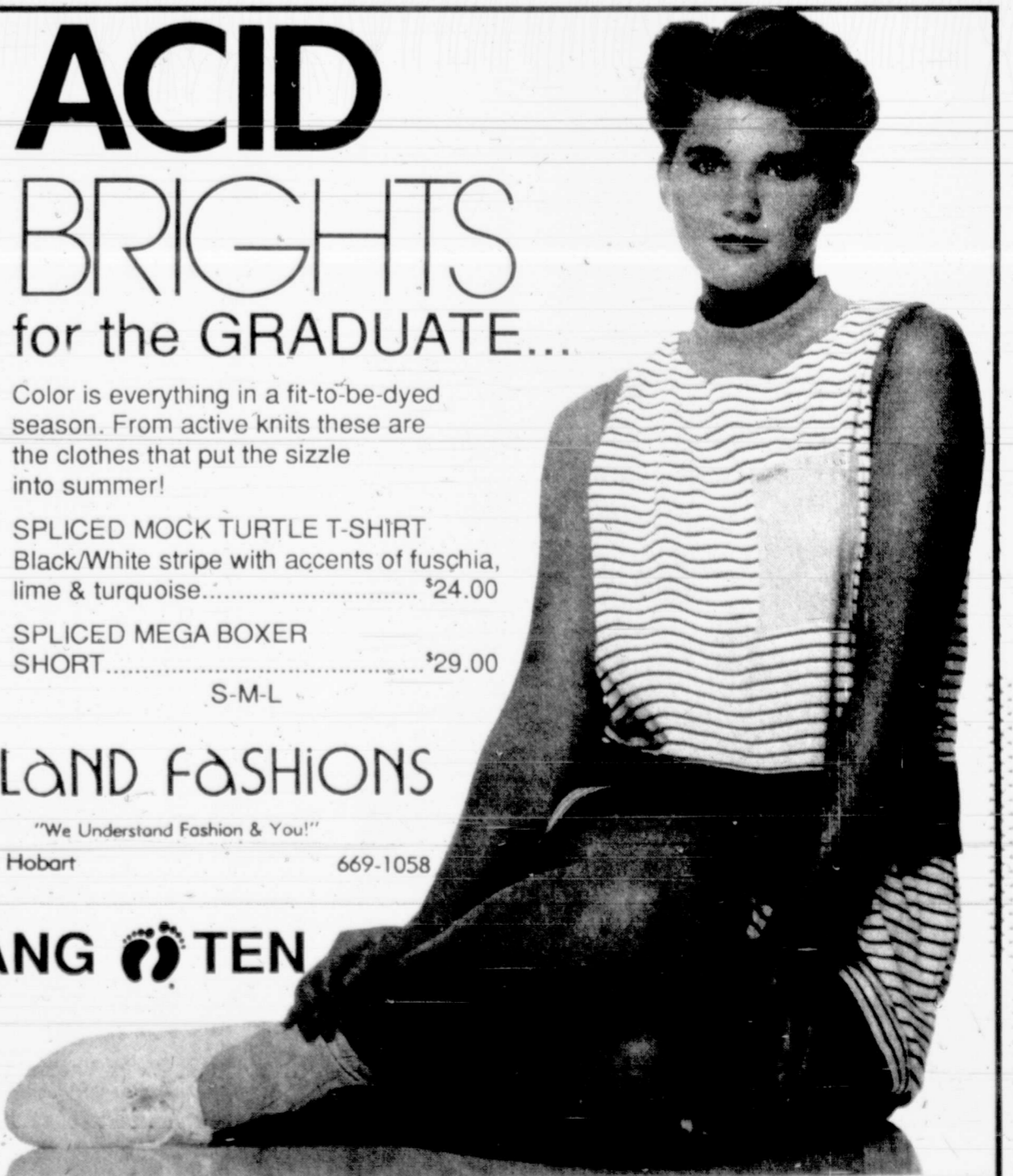
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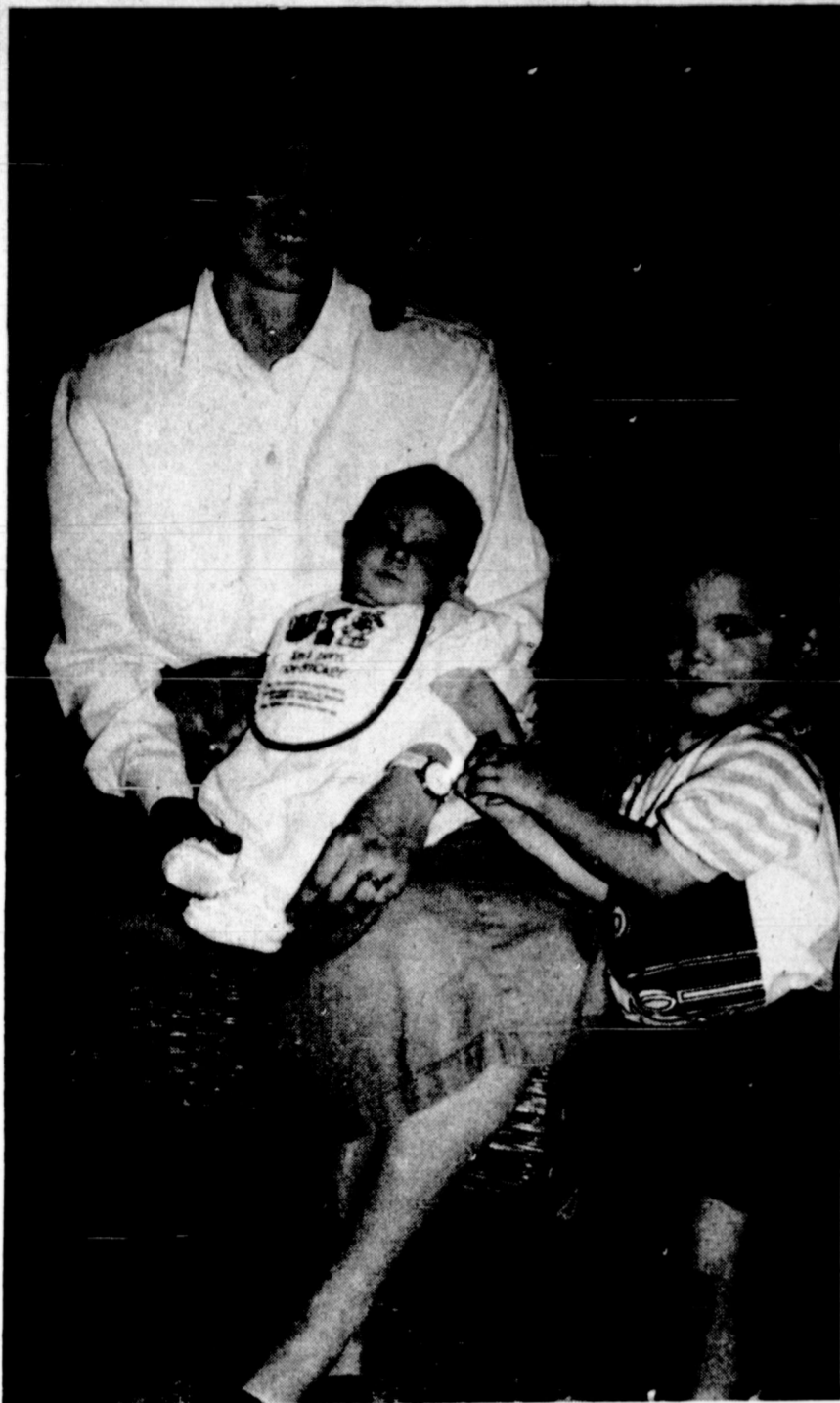
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Modeling one of the baby bibs declaring "I'm a born non-smoker" is Anna Elizabeth Julian, 7 weeks-old held by her mom, Marcia Julian, with her 2 year-old brother, Nikolas. The baby bibs will be given to Coronado Hospital through the efforts of the Pampa Circle of Friends. A bib brunch is scheduled for May 19 in the home of Jean Murtishaw, board member and education chairman of the Circle of Friends. Contributions made in Pampa will buy the bibs and information packets about the dangers of smoking will be distributed to new mothers. Circle of Friends in association with Harrington Cancer Center, provides cancer patients and their families with financial assistance in times of crisis and support programs in cancer treatment, education and research.

Help send Monique to camp



Monique

Monique, a seven-year-old Lamar Elementary School student, wants to attend The Salvation Army's weeklong summer camp for the first time.

"I like to color and I like to do crafts," Monique said.

Monique has two brothers and two sisters and comes from a single-parent home.

The summer camp - Camp Hoblitzelle - cost \$100 per child and there are 52 who want to go from Pampa this year, said Lt. Donald Wildish with The Salvation Army at Pampa.

Last year 45 children from Pampa were able to go to the summer camp. This year there are 15-18

children of the 52 who have not attended the camp near Midlothian.

The boys will go to the summer camp July 28-Aug. 4. The younger girls (first-fifth grades) go from July 23-28 and the older girls (sixth grade through high school) will attend June 25-July 2.

The camp provides a swimming pool, canoes, paddle boats, Bible classes and archery. It also has tennis courts, basketball, softball, hiking trails and music classes.

At night, the youth gather around campfires for singing. They also raise the flag each morning before breakfast and also have a ceremony for the flag lowering.

The staff is composed of high school and college students from across the state who have been strictly screened. Lt. Wildish and his wife, Lt. Helene Wildish will both be on the staff as camp directors and teach classes.

To go to the camp, the children must be affiliated with The Salvation Army youth activities.

Lt. Wildish said that in order to provide all 52 Pampa children the opportunity to go to the camp this summer, additional donated funds are needed.

Anyone who wants to donate money for the cause can send money, designating it for the summer camp children, to The Salvation Army, 701 S. Cuyler, Pampa, Texas, 79065.

Car safety seats are required by law for children

It is ironic that while a car safety seat can be 80% effective in reducing death or injury to a child age 0 to 4, survey results last spring in Pampa revealed that only about 18% of children in that age group were properly restrained. Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death and serious injury for children. A child is 40 to 50 times more likely to die from an automobile accident than from a communicable disease.

After the first weeks of an infant's life, car accidents are the leading cause of death and serious injury for children. The risk of death in a car accident is greatest for children under six months of age with babies two-three months old being at higher risk. The most common causes of these deaths and serious injuries in car accidents are to be thrown into the dash or windshield, to be thrown from the car, or to be crushed by adults not wearing safety belts.

As of February 1985, all 50 states have passed laws requiring young children to be protected by car safety seats and/or safety belts when riding in automobiles. The car safety seat law in Texas requires that children under the age of two must be secured in an approved safety seat according to the manufacturer's specifications while riding in a motor vehicle. The law also requires that children two years of age or older and under four years of age must be secured in a child safety seat system according to the manufacturer's instructions or by a safety belt while riding in a motor vehicle.



Homemakers' News

Donna Brauchi

While selecting a car safety seat, consider the following:

(1) Purchase a seat manufactured after January 1, 1981. These seats must meet tougher motor vehicle safety standards which includes passing a simulated crash test (date of manufacture is on the seat label).

(2) Size of the child - Infant seats are for children up to 20 pounds or one year of age and are designed to face the rear and recline. Convertible seats will work for children from birth to about 40 pounds. They are made to face the rear in a reclining position for infants and then convert to an

upright position facing forward for toddlers.

(3) Portability and ease of use. (4) Expense-Convertible seats require only one purchase whereas infant seats need to be replaced when a child can sit up well by himself.

(5) Consider how the child safety seat will fit your car. Will it fit in the rear seat of the car? Some convertible models are very long in the infant position. This can be a problem for the larger seats in the smaller cars. If the car has scooped-out bucket seats, will the child safety seat base fit them securely? Do the vehicle safety belts extend far enough to properly secure the safety seat? If not, safety belt extenders can be purchased from your automobile dealer. Consider the type of safety belt system in the car and the possible need for a locking clip.

(6) How often will the safety

seat be moved from one vehicle to another? Some are more complicated to move than others.

(7) If the seat requires the use of a top anchor strap, you must drill a hole and install an anchor plate to which the seat may be attached. A top anchor strap must always be used when a seat comes equipped with it.

(8) You want your child to be able to see out of the window. Will the seat being considered allow out-of-car vision?

(9) Is the upholstery easy to clean?

(10) Check the harness system and shield. Are they convenient to operate? Do they snap in and out of place easily? Is there enough room to work the harness when your child is in bulky winter clothing?

You can protect your child and yourself by making sure everyone rides buckled up. Even if you are a safe driver, you never know when another driver or bad roads will cause you to have an accident.

Next week we will look at other options for obtaining a child safety seat besides buying one new. For more information on child safety seat use and selection or to schedule a program on child safety seat use, contact your Gray County Extension Office.

Now is the time to apply insecticides for Pine Tip Moth

If you have pine trees and have been bothered in the past with the tips of your new growth dying, now is the time to act.

The tip die-back may be caused by the pine tip moth larvae which feeds in the tip of new growth. The best control is to use Orthene® as a spray or to use Di-Syston® as a soil applied systemic.

When applying an insecticide, you are hoping to prevent spread of the larvae to unaffected tips. Once a tip has been fed on by the larvae of the Pine Tip Moth, it will not green back up this year.

However, next year it should put out new growth, probably from two or three growing points. This may serve to thicken up the tree's foliage. For prevention, sprays should be applied immediately and around July 10.

Energy Conscious Lawns
Energy-conscious homeowners can take steps to reduce the energy demands of lawn care without lowering lawn standards.

While lawns offer many aesthetic and recreational benefits, these may be offset by energy requirements of lawn care.

Mowing, watering, fertilizing, controlling pests and disposing of leaf clippings are all energy-consuming requirements of lawn care. During spring and summer months, watering the lawn and collecting and disposing of grass clippings place a heavy burden on cities for these services. Grass clippings account for more than 30 percent of total trash collections in some cities during spring and early summer.

Several lawn maintenance practices are suggested to help homeowners reduce these energy demands. Reducing fertilizer applications to maintenance levels—2 to 3 pounds of actual nitrogen per 1,000 feet of lawn per year—will go a long way toward reducing

energy demands. (That's 10 pounds of fertilizer containing 20 percent nitrogen.) Applying only maintenance levels of nitrogen to lawns can reduce mowing requirements, water use, insect and disease problems, and grass clippings.

Excessive fertilization is the single most important factor contributing to high energy demands for lawn care.

Other lawn care practices to reduce energy demands include returning or composting grass clippings. Using a mulching mower can be beneficial if grass clippings are not composted.

Also, adopting proper watering practices to reduce water use can save energy. Water lawns only when they need watering—not on a set schedule.

Reducing pesticide use to only essential applications to prevent loss of turf is another energy-saving practice.

New homeowners are advised to select and plant adapted, low-maintenance turf grasses to reduce energy demands. Buffalo grass is adapted to our area since it is a native grass. This grass has low maintenance requirements, yet provides a satisfactory turf cover for lawns. Bermuda is the next lowest maintenance grass for our area.

In some situations, ground covers such as Asiatic jasmine, English ivy or Liriope can reduce maintenance requirements effectively without sacrificing the benefits of a

plant cover. In heavily shaded areas and on steep slopes, use these ground covers in place of grasses.

It is possible to enjoy the luxury of an attractive lawn and landscape without excessive energy requirements. In fact, the new energy balance for a lawn can be in favor of energy conservation.

Summer Tolerant Plants

Texas are fortunate in having a number of flowering annuals available now that will withstand our hot and dry summers. Many garden centers and nurseries have plants available of marigolds, zinnias, periwinkles, cleome, portulaca, gloriosa daisies and globe amaranth. Quick effect may be obtained by setting out these plants immediately although all of them may also be

started from seed at this time. All the plants mentioned will tolerate full sun if provided reasonably fertile, well-drained soil and sufficient moisture.

For shaded areas, choose from impatiens, begonias, caladiums, or coleus. All three are available in a variety of foliage or flower colors to suit most any scheme. Begonias, impatiens, and coleus may be easily rooted from 3 to 4 inch cuttings placed in moist sand or a mixture of half sand and half sphagnum peat moss.

Moonflowers and morning glory vines may be planted from seed now and provide shade and flowers later in summer when grown on trellises or arbors. Castor beans will provide huge masses of tropical foliage in green, bronze, or purple with minimum effort. It should be remembered that castor beans and the plant are poisonous if eaten.

Summer is a time for enjoying the landscape. By carefully selecting and placing colorful, easy to grow annual flowers, we can make our outdoor areas more attractive and still have plenty of time to relax and enjoy the season.

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Students exercise together for 'Fitness Day'



(Staff photo by Kayla Pursley)

Elementary students all over town were outside exercising from 2 to 2:15 p.m. in conjunction with National Fitness Day Wednesday. Pictured here are a few of the 401 students and the principal from Travis doing jumping jacks. Also on hand were representatives of IRI exercising with the children.

CCPC secretarial school graduates



(Staff photo by Kayla Pursley)

Graduates of the Secretarial Science Business School, Clarendon College, Pampa Center are front row from left: Kim Ballard, Kelly Williams, Kerl Cross, Tammy Hanes, Leslie Darsey, and Cathy Jameson. Back row: Alma Regalado, Tammy Castagnetta, Eunice Gonzales, Gena Power, Fran Moore and instructor, Jan Haynes. Also graduating but not pictured is Carla Ledbetter.

Menus

May 14-18

Pampa Meals on Wheels
Monday
 Polish sausage; cheese grits; turnip greens; pumpkin bars.
Tuesday
 Meatloaf; winter mix; carrots; apple treat.
Wednesday
 Chicken & rice casserole; Brussels sprouts; Jello.
Thursday
 Cabbage rolls; blackeyed peas; baked squash; pudding.
Friday
 Spaghetti with meat sauce; green beans; garlic rounds; apple sauce.

Monday
 Breakfast: Cereal; toast; juice; milk.
 Lunch: Mexican casserole; salad; corn; cheese; fruit; milk.
Tuesday
 Breakfast: Pancakes; syrup; juice; milk.
 Lunch: Cook's choice.
Wednesday
 Breakfast: French toast; juice; milk.
 Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce; salad; peaches; cottage cheese; garlic toast; cheese; milk.

Pampa Senior Citizens
Monday
 Chicken fried steak or meatloaf; mashed potatoes; spinach; pinto beans; harvard beets; slaw-toss or Jello salad; chocolate ice box pie or banana pudding; cornbread or hot rolls.
Tuesday
 Smothered steak or ham with fruit sauce; candied yams; green beans; cauliflower; slaw-toss or Jello salad; lemon cream cake or tapioca; cornbread or hot rolls.
Wednesday
 Roast beef brisket with brown gravy; mashed potatoes; turnip greens; carrots; slaw-toss or Jello salad; butterscotch pudding or cherry ice box pie; cornbread or hot rolls.
Thursday
 Fried chicken or swiss steak; mashed potatoes; broccoli casserole; corn on the cob; slaw tossed or Jello salad; Boston cream pie or bread pudding with lemon sauce; cornbread or hot rolls.
Friday
 Fried cod fish with tartar sauce or Italian spaghetti with meat balls; french fries; English peas; yellow squash; slaw-toss or Jello salad; pineapple pie or banana blueberry pie; garlic bread or hot rolls.

Thursday
 Breakfast: Sausage; biscuits; gravy; juice; milk.
 Lunch: Fish; spinach; salad; apricot halves; milk.
Friday
 Breakfast: Cereal; toast; juice; milk.
 Lunch: Hamburger or barbecue beef; frito chips; beans; fruit; milk.

Pampa Schools
Monday
 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs; hot biscuits; fruit or juice; milk.
 Lunch: Chicken nuggets; potatoes and gravy; blackeyed peas; fruit; roll; milk.
Tuesday
 Breakfast: Peanut butter cups; buttered toast; fruit or juice; milk.
 Lunch: Crispito; pinto beans; buttered rice; cornbread; fruit; choice of milk.
Wednesday
 Breakfast: Cook's choice.
 Lunch: Cook's choice.
Thursday
 Breakfast: Cereal; toast; fruit or juice; milk.
 Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce; seasoned green beans; fruit; rolls; choice of milk.
Friday
 Breakfast: Hot oatmeal; biscuits; fruit or juice; milk.
 Lunch: Hot dog; french fries; lettuce tomato salad; fruit; choice of milk.

Monday
 Breakfast: Sausage; biscuits; gravy; juice; milk.
 Lunch: Fish; spinach; salad; apricot halves; milk.
Friday
 Breakfast: Cereal; toast; juice; milk.
 Lunch: Hamburger or barbecue beef; frito chips; beans; fruit; milk.

Lefors School

Every mother is honored in prayer of fond memory

DEAR READERS: The following Mother's Day column has been requested for an annual rerun. I think it's worth repeating and hope you agree.

DEAR ABBY: I am a longtime reader but have never written before. I am enclosing a part of your column that I have kept in my Bible for years. As you can see, it is yellowed and shredded, and half of it is missing. I don't know how many hundreds of times I have read it. It gave me such a feeling of peace and comfort. It was titled "A Prayer for Mama."
 Will you please print it again? I would love to have another copy.
 DOROTHY L.

DEAR DOROTHY: With pleasure:

DEAR ABBY: My beloved mother passed away recently, so I called the minister and asked him for the wording of a prayer I could say for my mother. He said, "I'm too busy — and a lot of good prayer will do her now!" You see, Mama went to church long ago, but my father never liked to go, so Mama finally quit going. Abby, I can't believe that heaven is open only to church members.

I've called all the bookstores in town, and they say there aren't any prayers for the dead in any of the prayer books they have. I've heard there are places where you send a few dollars and they pray for the dead, but I don't know their addresses.

Abby, I'd be so grateful if you would print a short prayer I could say for my mother before I go to sleep. Any faith is acceptable. I can't let you send it to my home because my father looks over the mail first and I'm sure I'd never get it. Please don't turn down my odd request. It means the world to me. Thank you, and God bless you, Abby.
 A PRAYER FOR MAMA

DEAR READERS: I found this prayer in my Union Prayer Book. It is the one Jews recite on Yom Kippur (the Day of Atonement) to honor the memory of a deceased mother:



Dear Abby
 Abigail Van Buren

IN MEMORY OF MOTHER

"I remember thee in this solemn hour, my dear mother. I remember the days when thou didst dwell on Earth, and thy tender love watched over me like a guardian angel. Thou hast gone from me, but the bond which unites our souls can never be severed; thine image lives within my heart. May the merciful Father reward thee for the faithfulness and kindness thou has ever shown me; may he lift up the light of his countenance upon thee, and grant thee eternal peace! Amen."

DEAR ABBY: I can't believe it's Mother's Day again. With every passing year, the holidays seem to come closer together.

Abby, I wish you'd find space in your column to remind young married women to remember their mothers-in-law — even if it's only a card. There were so many years when I should have remembered my mother-in-law on Mother's Day, but I never did.

This year I sent her flowers — to the cemetery, bitterly regretting that I had never sent flowers while she was able to enjoy them. I should have been more attentive to her and written her more about her grandchildren, whom she loved so much. And most of all, I should have let her know how much I had grown to love her.

I hope others will not commit the same sins of omission as I, Abby, please print this. Next year might be too late for some.
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Still & Max

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Ventriloquist to headline Knight Lites comedy night

Ventriloquist Jimmy Still and his acid-tongue sidekick "Max" will be headlining another comedy night at Pampa's Knight Lites, 618 W. Foster, on Monday.

Also appearing for the show beginning at 8:30 p.m. is comedian Garie Lewis.

Still & Max have been appearing regularly for the past three years in Las Vegas, Tahoe and Atlantic City. Appearances on both network and pay television and at clubs in Amarillo, Albuquerque and Los Angeles have garnered rave reviews for the duo, with *The Hollywood Reporter* recognizing them as "one of comedy's elite."

Television appearances have included NBC's *Funny People*, the syndicated *George Schlatter's Comedy Club* and specials like *Live From Magic Island*.

The duo has also entertained at such comedy clubs as Cocoonuts in Anaheim, Lompok and Solvang, Calif.; B.B. O'Briens in Santa Barbara and Palm Springs, Calif.; Palace in Hollywood; Comedy Cellar in Albuquerque and Jolly's in Amarillo, as well as regular engagements at Catch a Rising Star in Las Vegas.

Still has every intention of entertaining the audience his way, but his "assistant" Max prefers

to turn the entire act into a trauma for his human counterpart, resulting in fast-moving, freewheeling comedy action for 45 to 60 minutes. As Max battles for control, he argues, humiliates, threatens and outwits Still to the delight of the crowd.

A master ventriloquist, Still breathes life into his partner Max with a realism unlike any other, critics say. The effect is as awesome as it is funny.

Growing tired of Max, Still places the Demon Dummy alone on a chair (not a voluntary retirement) and closes the show by replacing Max with random members of the audience, making them into his dummies.

Starting his comedy routines in his hometown of Rock Rapids, Iowa, Lewis has gone on to appear at clubs throughout the Midwest, as well as at colleges, universities, hotels, banquets and television. In addition to his comedy, he is also an accomplished actor, having performed in such productions as *Much Ado About Nothing* and *Last Bus to Palookaville*.

His club appearances have included such as Jokers in Oklahoma City, Okla.; Theodores and Duffys in Topeka, Kan.; The Comedy Zone in Kankakee, Ill.; Sports Bar and Deli in Springfield, Mo.; and numerous appearances throughout Iowa and Nebraska.

He has performed at the University of Nebraska, Westmar College in Le Mars, Iowa, and St. Ambrose College in Davenport, Iowa, with other shows at the Tribal Schools Convention in Minneapolis, Minn.; the Nebraska Arts Council in Omaha; and a banquet for the 2/133rd Mechanized Infantry Iowa Army National Guard Battalion.

Television shows have included the Easter Seals telethon in Omaha, the MDA telethon in Sioux City, Iowa, *The Agnes Moorehead Comedy Hour* in Omaha as writer, actor and director, and *Cox Rocks Live from Howard Street Tavern* in Omaha. He was the opening act for *The Romantics* at the Ranch Bowl in Omaha.

Lewis says he likes to talk about things that a lot of people hear and "the hair on the back of their necks will stick up and they'll say, 'You can't talk about that. You can't make fun of that.'" He believes everybody has to believe in something, "but they got to be willing to laugh at it," adding that he feels people should be willing to have a sense of humor at what they believe in or they become fanatics.

Advanced reservations are required for Monday night's show. Reservations can be made by calling 665-6482.

Soap operas, Pee-Wee leading in nominations for daytime TV Emmys

NEW YORK (AP) — ABC soap opera star Susan Lucci, always an Emmy nominee but never a winner, was nominated last week for her 11th Emmy in as many years as a total of 205 daytime Emmy nominations were announced here.

CBS' veteran *Guiding Light* and *The Young and the Restless* led the pack with 14 nominations each, followed by 13 for ABC's *All My Children* in which Lucci stars and 12 for CBS' *Pee-Wee's Playhouse*.

The nominations for the 17th annual Daytime Emmy Awards even included two for a rival awards show, NBC's *The 6th Annual Soap Opera Awards*.

CBS shows easily lead the nominations, getting 74, followed by 39 for ABC, 30 for NBC, 29 for PBS, and 29 for syndicated programs. There only were two cable nominees.

One was for a Home Box Office special, *Buy Me That*, which warned parents and kids of deceptive advertising, and another for the lighting of an MTV special, *Club MTV*.

Winners in the major categories will be announced here on June 28 in a two-hour ABC broadcast hosted by Oprah Winfrey. The show will be aired live at 2 p.m. CDT.

There also will be a non-televised Emmy ceremony in Los Angeles on June 23, primarily for

winners in such creative arts categories as hair design, makeup, editing, and graphics and title design.

The nominations in 51 categories were jointly announced by the Los Angeles-based Academy of Television Arts and Sciences and the New York-based National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

In the talk show field, *The Joan Rivers Show* and *The Oprah Winfrey Show* each got four nominations, followed by three for Phil Donahue's *Donahue* and two for Sally Jessy Raphael. All are syndicated series.

Geraldo Rivera's syndicated *Geraldo* wasn't cited, though, and the only network morning show nominated for Emmy honors was ABC's top-rated *Good Morning America*, which got two nominations.

CBS' *The Price Is Right* led the game show race with six nominations, followed by the syndicated *Jeopardy*, which got four.

Although *Pee-Wee's Playhouse* was the most-nominated children's series, PBS' long-running *Sesame Street* got nine nominations. CBS' *Jim Henson's Muppet Babies* and PBS' *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood* and *Square One TV* each got four.

Carly Simon enjoying her sense of achievement

By MARY CAMPBELL
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Carly Simon has been working hard these days, doing everything from singing standards dressed in glamorous gowns to writing songs to recording two albums, scoring a film and writing children's books.

She has a sense of achievement. And she's looking forward to summer like a kid let out of school.

Her newest album, *My Romance*, has 11 standards, plus a new song co-written by Simon, "What Has She Got?"

Arista Records intends to release it with a record of her own songs that will come out next fall.

Some of those, written around her birthday, will be about the passing of time. It will include "Fisherman's Song," which sounds like a folk song and has Judy Collins and Lucy Simon singing backup, and "Have You Seen Me Lately?" — a tune Simon wrote for Meryl Streep to sing in Mike Nichols' upcoming film *Postcards From the Edge*.

Simon did a Home Box Office special in April, with Harry Connick Jr. as her guest. He played piano on some songs, and performed some duets.



Carly Simon

"We only went through them once and it sounds as if we've been singing together our whole lives," Simon said.

"It was magical. He's one of the most talented people I've ever met. He sings like (Frank) Sinatra and plays piano like (Thelonius) Monk."

She spent one week before the HBO special was shown in scoring *Postcards From the Edge*.

"I think I wrote a great song for Meryl to sing opening the picture.

She sings two other songs, "You Don't Know Me," the old Ray Charles song, and one Shel Silverstein wrote."

The same week she and Double-day editor Jacqueline Onassis finished work on her children's book for next Christmas, *The Boy of the Bells*.

Her first children's book was *Amy the Dancing Bear*, out for Christmas 1989. "I'm going to put out one a year probably for the rest of my life."

Her husband, Jim Hart, who can be seen in the audience at the special, is finishing a novel.

Sipping a big mug of tea during an interview, Simon talked about Jackie O.

"She had great suggestions; she helped me enormously," she said. "The thing I love about her is that she didn't want to 'tighten it up' or take any of my personality out of it. The other thing I feel is that her work thrills her. She doesn't do it dryly or coldly. She is perfect for an artistic type of person. If I feel like I'm just taking up somebody's time, I just feel awful."

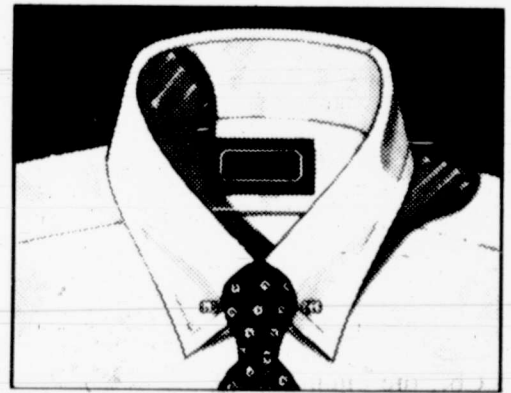
"She didn't do this editing on *Amy*. That landed on her desk almost perfect. I must have told that 1,000 times to Sarah and Ben. This I

started from scratch on a day in the sun when I felt like thinking up a new story. It wasn't honed the way *Amy* was."

When her children Sarah, 15, and Ben, 13, were young, Simon made up stories for them.

"I loved doing it. I very rarely read to them because they seemed to go to sleep better if all the lights were out," she said.

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Teammates shave heads in solidarity with their cancer-stricken friend

By SCOTT CAIN
Rosenberg Herald Coaster

ROSENBERG, Texas (AP) — When a group of athletes at Lamar Consolidated High School got together and shaved their heads last week, it was more than a senior stunt — it was a gesture of compassion toward a friend.

Nine seniors and a sophomore sheared their once-full locks in support of classmate and teammate Lance O'Pry. O'Pry, a senior and District 23-4A center for the Mustang football team, was diagnosed four weeks ago with testicular cancer. He entered the hospital and his buddies visited en masse.

But his friends wanted to do more. "He said one of the things that bothered him was he would lose his hair," said Johnny Harris, a safety and tight end for Lamar. "We just wanted to make him feel comfortable. We all pretty much stick together in all we do." The message touched O'Pry.

"It really moved me," O'Pry said. "It's one of the deepest ways they could have shown their friendship. I didn't know they were going to do it until last week. I was in the hospital, and Jeff (Peacock) said they had been planning on doing it for a few weeks. It was definitely a shock to me."

Peacock originated the idea, told a few guys, and the word spread.

O'Pry, who is now out of the hospital but must return periodically for chemotherapy, joined the would-be barbers Monday at Donnie Reed's house. They went to work armed with clippers and a mirror and three hours later each was sporting a "designer original," Peacock said.

Tim Schnabel left with a horseshoe-shaped cut; Kori Eskeline had a zigzag design; Peacock got a reverse Mohawk (shaved on the sides and down the middle with parallel streaks of hair on the upper sides).

Harris tried to emulate Charlie Sheen in the movie *Major League* with three connecting triangles buzzed

into the back of his head; Seth Chambliss had his sides shaved completely and left the top intact; and Reed, Jason Hardin, sophomore Kris Hardin, Doug Foster and O'Pry went with your everyday Mohawk.

Mac Jones, uneasy with the idea of an amateur job, did not accompany the rest, and instead had his hair cut professionally. It was trimmed like Chambliss'.

"We started off today with crazy hairstyles," Foster said. "We wanted to do something crazy before we shaved them off."

And while their intent was appreciated, the designer originals fall outside the school dress code, according to principal Kay Dawes. So the dynamic "do's" were shaved clean Tuesday morning with some help and supervision from football coach Don Landes and trainer Jim Davidson.

"They had a very honorable cause, and it would have been OK," Dawes said. "But if we allowed them to keep them, we would have had numerous kiddos out of compliance with the dress code the next day."

"I giggled most of yesterday. When they came in

yesterday morning, it was a hoot. Those kids were sticking together and giving Lance a lot of support at a critical time in his life. I think it was a super gesture."

Landes said, "They're certainly a unique group. I don't know if we have had a similar situation to occur since I've been here. I don't think we've ever had this many this close. I really do appreciate their closeness."

There was no grumbling from the athletes, when told they had to rid themselves of the designer originals.

"I knew the administration probably wouldn't go for it, but it was fun last night," O'Pry said. "This weekend they were planning on shaving it all anyway."

O'Pry, who is planning on entering Baylor University in the fall, attended school last week after receiving the first of four chemotherapy treatments the week before at M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston. Doctors told O'Pry his tumor was one of the most common forms of cancer among men his age and that it is "almost 100 percent treatable," he said.

Phillips to protest OSHA citations in its plant explosion

BARTLESVILLE, Okla. (AP) — Saying it objects to the implication it knowingly endangered workers' lives, Phillips 66 announced plans to fight a proposed \$5.7 million federal fine for last fall's fatal explosion at a Texas chemical plant.

"Based on our investigation, we are convinced that this accident took place because of a single, isolated departure from a clearly established procedure," C.J. Silas, Phillips chairman and chief executive officer, said in a statement. "It did not result from a failure in safety management at the complex, as stated in OSHA's report."

Phillips was cited by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration for 575 willful and serious safety violations at its Houston Chemical Complex, where an Oct. 23 blast killed 23 workers and injured 130 others.

"Beyond the number of alleged violations, what concerns us most is OSHA's allegation that the company willfully endangered the safety and well being of the people working in the complex," Silas said. "This simply was not and never will be the case."

OSHA, in announcing the second-largest proposed penalty against a company for a single inspection ever, also proposed a \$730,000 fine against a contractor, Fish Engineering, for 182 alleged willful and serious violations.

Last October's explosion occurred at the Houston Chemical Complex in Pasadena, a Houston suburb. The complex was operated by Phillips 66 Co., the chemical production and marketing arm of Phillips Petroleum Corp. of Bartlesville.

A series of explosions destroyed the portion of the complex that produced polyethylene, which is used in making plastics.

"Phillips 66 also plans to challenge the legality of the method OSHA used in arriving at the number of alleged violations," Silas said.

"Basically, OSHA inflated its allegations by taking one so-called willful citation and multiplying it by 566, which was the number of employees working or normally present during the day shift."

Phillips officials have said the explosion occurred after a seal on a polyethylene reactor ruptured, leaking highly flammable ethylene and isobutane gas from a pipeline. It was unclear what ignited the gas.

Workers have reported that only a few seconds elapsed between the time they spotted the flammable cloud of gas, heard the warning sirens and were rocked by the explosions.

Phillips officials met with OSHA administrators March 29 for a conference on the agency's findings.

The violations included alleged failures to prevent the uncontrolled release of flammable vapors and provide adequate fire protection. Employees were not familiar with the plant alarm system or respiratory protection, OSHA said.

"It might be possible to implement other design, operating and maintenance changes," Silas said. "However, the fact remains that no matter how redundant the safety devices or how elaborate the safety procedures, they can all be defeated if they are not employed properly."

The largest fine ever sought by OSHA was proposed last November, when the government said it was seeking a \$7.3 million fine from USX Corp. for 2,000 alleged safety violations at two steel plants, one near Pittsburgh, Pa., and the other on the Pennsylvania side of the Delaware River near Trenton, N.J. USX has contested its fine.

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Sculptors showcased in year-long park exhibit in Lubbock

By ELIZABETH KAUFMAN
Lubbock Avalanche-Journal

LUBBOCK (AP) — Mary Hatz' mother always said she had the kind of strong, steady hands that could do great things, so Ms. Hatz went to college to become a doctor.

Somewhere along the pre-medicine line, Hatz confronted the fact that she couldn't handle losing a human life. She decided to use her capable hands for creating images instead and left college as an artist.

Her work is among that showcased in Lubbock's "Sculpture in the Park" project. The project, devised by the city's Fine Arts Center and spurred by local artist and Hardwick Elementary School teacher Steve Teeters, has brought five pieces to outdoor arenas throughout the city for a one-year stay.

The artists were selected by Lubbock artists Future Akins and Sara Waters and Cultural Affairs Executive Director Russell Hughes from approximately 20 applicants. All but one winning entry was from Texas. The pieces, some built previously and some on-site, have been placed in parks, outside The Museum of Texas Tech University and at Memorial Civic Center.

"We wanted to spread (the sculptures) across the city so we could reach as many people as possible. It's a way to provide public art without investing a huge amount of money," Fine Arts Director Connie Gibbons explained.

"I really enjoy the energy," Ms. Waters said. "I'm really proud of what's happening. I can see it growing and becoming more prestigious. People are becoming involved in what art can be, in the building of it and enjoying of it."

Denton-based John Thomas Campbell, whose "Stone Cone" display is at the Civic Center, said the artist's work also benefits from the wide open, informal settings.

"These things (his cones) have been in Flip's Restaurant in Dallas, a leading art bar. I wasn't out of the place and people were sitting on them. I want people to intermingle with them. That's what's important,

when you have a piece that can work and not sit on a pedestal, pieces you can live with. You'll have people sitting on the small ones, running around them," Campbell explained of the cones, which sit one atop another.

Campbell grew up thinking he'd be a professional football player or coach. The Ohio native played a season of Miami (Ohio) University football under coach Bo Schembechler when he got sidetracked by poor grades and a stint in the Vietnam War.

It was in the service that he started working in arts and crafts, "anything not to wear a uniform." Campbell found a streak of artistry runs in his family. The most creative person he has ever known was his sign-painting uncle. The most influential artwork he has ever seen was Michelangelo's.

A trip to northern Italy in 1973 introduced Campbell to the famous artist's sculpting techniques and "turned" his art around, he says. Before that, Campbell says, he did what he called "very contemporary art, highly polished ribbons of marble."

He said Michelangelo showed him "all the textures. He actually showed me how he went from a saw cut of quarry — that's the thought I brought back to the U.S. — not trying to hide any of the process. It was very important to me to show the process to the viewer.

"I get scrap pieces (of granite and limestone) that interest me and add little touches of man to them. When you do that, you can't be wrong, because you're bringing out the natural beauty of the stone."

Ms. Akins called Campbell's piece "informal, not pretty metal or bronze. It shows a naive spontaneity." Via his pneumatic chisel, Campbell's figures grow out of his stone while etchings cling to, and climb from inside the surface in asterisks, arcs and spirals.

"The more you study art history, the more you know where to go. That's where my art ties into the art of antiquity. It's almost doing contemporary ruins," Campbell said.

"Stone Cone" is comprised of cones found outside a construction site. Then I arranged them and start-

ed the symbols, he said. "We all use the asterisk. My star, circle and line are symbols I've used for 15 years. I'm not taking symbols, they're symbols from my heart," Campbell said.

Hatz's art also starts with her heart, she said, and in her art corrals her American Choctaw, Creek and Cherokee blood "come through" along with her early life on small farms.

"I had first-hand experience building corrals," the Richland College art teacher and department co-chair said. "I always remember some of the best stories were told while sitting on a corral post. Corals to me are the Western symbol of the conversation pit. I think, how could it be more natural?"

For the red, black and white "Tripod Corral" she has erected in Tech Terrace, "We selected a place nestled between two trees. It was close (together) so people could come sit and visit." She uses a small chain saw to do her work and binds her huge wooden poles — in this case 12 1/2 feet tall — in copper wiring.

A Tech Terrace area woman has donated the flowers Hatz wanted to plant in the open, triangular center of her tripod figure. After her corral is moved, Hatz said, "flowers then will be left in that configuration. I really believe in having something left behind. It goes along with the principal of the American Indian. We are really here as travelers of this earth — what we leave is very important."

What Louisiana Tech University art professors Novem Mason and Jackson Pittman Lewis will "leave behind" are many pieces they teamed up to create.

Such is the case of the piece at the Texas Tech University museum, a gleaming assemblage of wood and metal called "Dry Dock," which Mason said is a term taken from boat building.

To Lewis, the long, slender slabs of metal stretched from one end of each wooden pillar to the next "is kind of like the ribs of a building" in its appearance.

Mason, a New Jersey native whose background is deeply steeped in architecture, said large scale pieces "have a lot to do with my architectural experience and education."

Lewis, a North Carolina native, said, "What allows us to work together is our personalities." Mason agreed. "We can argue, disagree, compromise. I like the dialogue, the instant interaction rather than waiting for after the fact."

"There's something nice in straying away from isolation," of working alone, Lewis added. "It's difficult for most artists because of our egos. Our collaborative work is different than our separate work, because we meet on a common ground."

Don Sweetland's "ground" for his work was at one time filled with seaweed and water. His rose, purple, yellow, orange, pink and green ver-

tically arranged pipes comprising his "pastel forest" have stood in the ocean. The Texas Christian University art professor's pipes have also been "planted" in front of California mountain ranges.

Sweetland, a California native, started working with PVC — polyvinyl chloride pipe — as an undergraduate student in Chico, Calif. The piping, often used for irrigation, was plentiful in the largely agricultural area, so soon Sweetland was bargain-shopping for excess pieces.

Sweetland chooses pastel colors because "not only do I like the way the colors work, in stormy days the colors light up like neon." The "forest" concept came about because "I was raised to appreciate nature and spend time in the California mountains. I started seeing these poles as trees, and by putting them in clusters I was able to create groves," he said.

Sweetland's composition at Mae Simmons Park is called "Harmony Haven" and has 46 pipes, or poles and a bench also made of PVC piping. From the Oak Street side, Sweetland said it appears to be "vertical lines of color" completely

enclosed. But there are two openings to the area so people can sit on the bench and be surrounded by the colorful figures Ms. Akins said "look like spring."

Throckmorton sculptor Joe Barrington also sticks close to nature for his subject matter. His "Broken Bow Skull," on display at Higginbotham Park, is sixth in a series of tremendous welded steel animal skulls.

"The steel I used is textured from rust, and looks pitted, bone-like. My imagery is mostly South-west, although I don't consider it Western. I don't like that label." Barrington's subject matter came from a skull collection dating back to high school. His skills were honed at the same time, working in his father's Throckmorton welding shop.

"I'm really concerned with the technical aspects of sculpture, taking something real geometric and rigid and making it round, curved. When I place it (his sculpture) in a park like in Lubbock, I expect kids to play on it. And I would rather consider it entertaining than educational," Barrington said.

State Bar official says fake lawyers become problem

HOUSTON (AP) — An official of the State Bar of Texas says more than 90 cases of fake lawyers practicing law without licenses are being investigated in Harris County.

Scott Arnold, litigation chairman of the Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee, said the committee is investigating more cases in Harris County than in the entire rest of the state.

"The law says that if thou art not a lawyer, thou shalt not practice personal injury law," Arnold said. "Yet, these people have been springing up all over the place like mushrooms."

State law requires that anyone preparing or filing a lawsuit, giving legal advice or representing another party in a legal matter must be a member of the State Bar. Limited law practice is allowed for attorneys from other states, paralegals and law students.

But the ongoing bar investigation has shown a growing industry of non-lawyers trafficking in legal advice and representation.

"I would say it is analogous to someone operating on you who's not a surgeon," said state District Judge Don Wittig, who will hear several cases brought by the bar against unlicensed practitioners.

Arnold said most of the cases involves a non-lawyer who attempts to negotiate a settlement for a client with an insurance company.

"What we are seeing more and more is former insurance adjusters crossing the fence to represent clients against insurance companies," Arnold said. "This is dangerous. These people have some expertise, but generally it's just enough to get them in trouble."

Unlicensed practitioners attract clients with rates that are substantially lower than what attorneys charge, Arnold said. Generally, attorneys in a personal injury case charge 33 percent of the gross recovery, or up to 40 percent if a lawsuit is filed. A fake lawyer will often charge just 20 percent.

Another alarming element to the unlicensed lawyer racket is a lack of regulation, Arnold said. The bar has filed about a dozen civil lawsuits in Harris County in the last 18 months. But due to the growing number of cases and the no-charge legal work, Arnold said it is difficult to provide an effective deterrent.

"Lawyers are regulated. If we do something unethical, we will lose our law license. These people are not trained and have no ethical regulations at all," he said. "As an attorney, I can't go chase down an ambulance, but these people will show up anywhere."

It is sometimes difficult to take the cases to court because the phony lawyers have disorganized or limited filing and records.

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Education center activities



The Region XVI Education Service Center in Amarillo provides a chance for public education administrators, school board members and others to participate in various education and information activities. At left, Lefors Superintendent Ed Gilliland looks over the Lefors ISD contract with Region XVI staff members at a recent meeting of superintendents. At center, Lefors school trustee Larry Daniels (right) gets an Eskimo kiss during a tour of the center from wifch Jo Ellen Moses, a library specialist at the ESC, as Borger Superintendent Larry Coffman (left) and Lefors' Jimmy Butler (far right) watch the proceedings. At right, Pampa Assistant Superintendent Jane Steele listens to a contract presentation by Dr. Kenneth Laycock during a recent meeting of area administrators.

Texas doctors provide eye care for Mexico residents

By KEN CHAMBERS
The Brazosport Facts

MONTERREY, Mexico (AP) — Velia Perez, a miner, and Leopoldo Martinez, a house painter, had little in common before they began their arduous pilgrimage to the Jose Eleuterio Gonzalez Hospital.

Now they sit in a crowded waiting room of the Centro de Imagen diagnostica clinic, relatives at their sides, hoping to regain the same, precious possession.

Doctors say Perez knows that the diabetes attacking his kidneys and clouding his vision could soon kill him. But he undergoes regular laser treatment and retains a simple wish. "I want to see," the slight, weathered man of 62 says through an interpreter. "I want to look." His son helped him travel 250 miles from San Luis Potosi to the clinic.

Pragmatism strengthens Martinez' hold on the world of light. "I want to be able to work. That is what I desire most," he says. He sees only shadows and colors since a blood vessel burst in his eye 15 months ago.

He says he has reluctantly accepted money from his children to offset his lost income. His wife helped him travel 400 miles from Guadalajara to attend his first appointment at the clinic.

Though the lengths they must go to for basic eye care may seem extreme by American standards, both men say they feel fortunate; eye disease and poor vision go untreated in many parts of Mexico. Many people in rural areas of the country spend their years in a shadowy world because they have no access to basic treatment or simple surgical procedures.

Lake Jackson optometrist Tom Pruett is one of several area Rotarians who have worked to pull back the dark curtain that hangs in front of many of the impoverished people in northern Mexico. They join with Rotarians from other parts of the United States and Mexico to set up temporary "camps" to treat as many people as possible in a short period of time. Rotary's 3-H (Health, Humanity and Hunger) program has funded their expeditions, which began in 1981.

Pruett has treated hundreds of Mexicans who can't afford treatment and often have no easy access to a clinic. For those who have spent their years without a clear picture of the world around them, eye treatment is a miracle.

"One lady ... in her 80s came in with cataracts and surgery was done," Pruett said. "When she came back on Sunday morning to have her bandages removed, it was such an occasion, she wore her lace wedding dress. That was her way of solemnly communicating how deeply she was moved by the treatment."

The experience is so rewarding for the volunteers they often find other ways to contribute to the program, Brazosport Rotary Club President Water Branson says.

"One thing we find in Texas is that in order to support the camps to send supplies and money these people have to have a hands-on experience, even if it is just escorting someone to surgery. Then, when ... a patient that was blind has their cataracts removed and the next morning they can see and they have a smile on their face, the volunteers go back and they open up their pocketbook."

However rewarding one miracle might be, the enormity of the task sometimes seems daunting, Pruett said.

"We're talking about a monstrous area and to try and cover it with little camps is almost impossible. Our territory down there has 7 million people. The most we have ever treated in one camp is 548 peo-

ple. Divide 548 into 7 million, and you can see that it is not a lifetime project, it is a double lifetime project. What we need to do is equip them to treat themselves."

To that end, Pruett and other Rotarians from both Mexico and the United States recently toured the Centro de Imagen diagnostica, which was established with the help of the Rotary Foundation. They hope to someday create three similar clinics in the rural state of Chihuahua. The centrally located clinics will be designed as surgery centers to treat not only those who live nearby, but also patients brought in from remote rural areas, Pruett said.

Mexican Rotarians will be asked to perform basic eye examinations and to transport patients in need of further treatment to the clinics. Mexican doctors will be invited to help organize the clinics and provide treatment. Rotarians also will continue organizing eye camps in outlying areas, Pruett said.

The building to house the clinic must either be donated by residents or the government or built by hand, Pruett said. The Rotary Foundation, which funds the 3-H program, will be asked to provide money for the clinics, although enough equipment for one full clinic currently is stored in Mexico for use in the camps. Each clinic will need a full-time administrator to keep it in operation year-round, he said.

Cooperation will be one key to success of the clinics, Pruett said. "We will have to coordinate everything with the people in the towns.

One reason is political. We will not run into as much opposition from Mexican doctors in doing it this way. It will eliminate some of the ideas they have about 'Gee, these hotshot American doctors come down and make us look bad.' They don't make enough money to be altruistic like we can.

"We will actually be supporting the Mexican doctors doing it with equipment and supplies. Instead of us trying to do as many as we can at one time, it will be available in perpetuity," Pruett said.

Marco Torres, a Rotarian and professor of ophthalmology at the hospital, believes that the best solutions offer long-term help and training for the people. "We have to adopt any solutions that you can see to Mexican culture and sensitivities," he said.

The Rotary Foundation gave the founders of the Centro de Imagen diagnostica an option to instead begin a traveling camp, Torres said. While he admits that camps are valuable tools for fighting blindness in the many parts of the world, Torres believes they offer fewer opportunities to train doctors to make Mexico self-sufficient.

"Camps teach our people that we have to depend on other nations and other cultures to solve our problems."

The clinic in sprawling Monterrey, an industrial city of 4 million people, was started in a wing of the university hospital with a \$400,000 grant from the Rotary Foundation. Torres estimates that grants from other organizations allowed the clinic

to purchase \$1 million in equipment. Salaries and basic operating expenses are paid by the Mexican government, he said. Patients pay according to their income. About 30,000 are treated every year.

Torres said the clinic is exceptionally well-equipped and he believes the Rotary Foundation's money was well-spent. "Someone asked us 'Why do you buy the finest brand of lasers for a Mexican clinic?' We told them Mexicans are first-class people, as are Nigerians or Americans, so we need first-class equipment."

Aside from the advantages it affords the patients, the sophisticated equipment is excellent for instructing students, Torres said.

SCS sets aside flood disaster funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Soil Conservation Service has pledged about \$2.6 million in assistance to 17 Texas counties for flooding repairs, officials said.

The money will be used to rebuild levees, water channels and other watershed structures that were damaged by heavy rain in Texas, Sen. Phil Gramm said.

The money will have to come

from the supplemental appropriations bill now in a House-Senate conference committee, said SCS spokesman Chris Larson.

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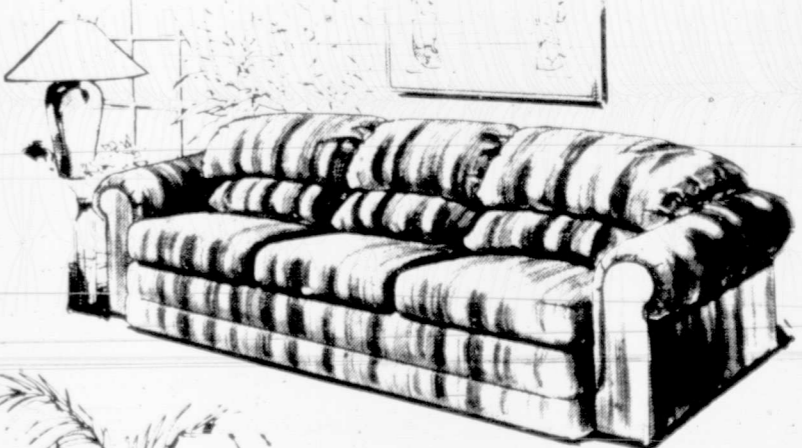
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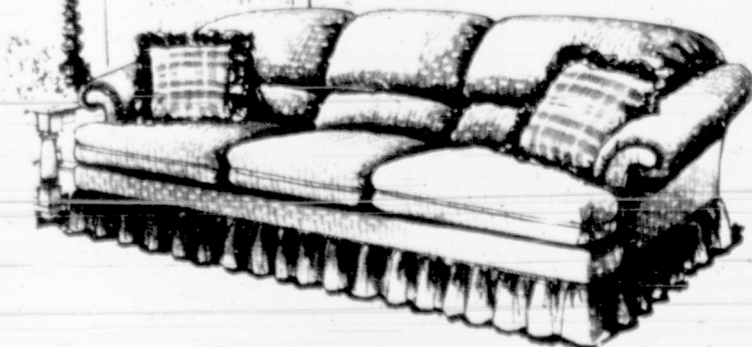
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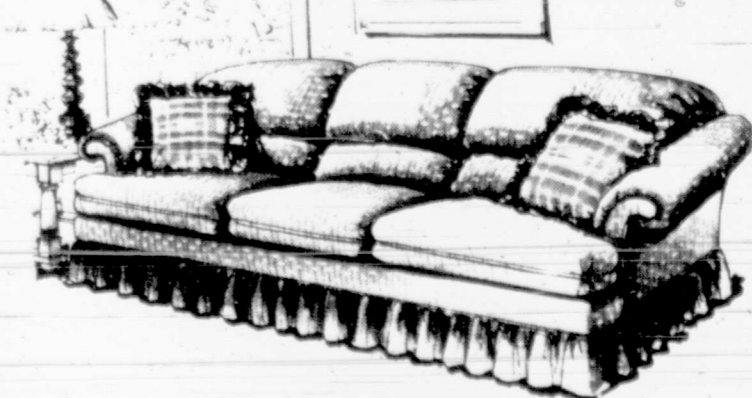
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- 5 — poker
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- 12 Wild buffalo
- 13 Legion
- 14 Undivided
- 15 Without
- 16 Fastened with thread
- 17 Earth's star
- 18 Fashionable resort
- 19 Church district
- 20 Units of matter
- 22 Poetic contraction
- 24 Cloth belt
- 26 Frequents
- 29 Intervene (2 wds.)
- 33 Type of carpet
- 34 Bohemian
- 36 Canal system

in northern Michigan

- 37 Billowy expanse
- 38 Pleader
- 39 Numbers
- 40 Aided
- 42 Forward dash
- 44 Inter- among others
- 46 Assist
- 47 Sound loudly
- 50 Take evening meal
- 52 — Clear
- 55 Day
- 56 Belonging to US
- 56 Slip of paper
- 58 Stocking mishap
- 59 Sign at full house (abbr.)
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- 62 Chop
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- 64 Australian birds

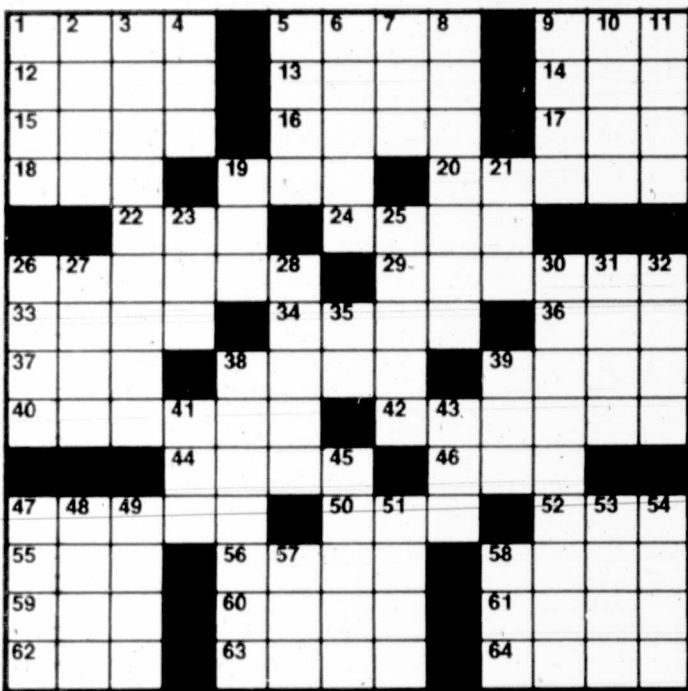
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DOWN

- 1 Back talk (sl.)
- 2 Bring to bay
- 3 Abnormal
- 4 Bachelors' degs.
- 5 Return enve-

- 6 Shady plants
- 7 Underground laborers' org.
- 8 TV serial
- 9 Average
- 10 E pluribus
- 11 Lions' homes
- 19 Fast aircraft (abbr.)
- 21 Off — wall
- 23 Actress Balin
- 25 Houston ballplayer
- 26 Corned beef
- 27 Awry
- 28 — Arabia
- 30 Pen name
- 31 Charged particles
- 32 Snack (sl.)
- 35 Regarding
- 38 Picks
- 39 Bi plus one
- 41 Norm
- 43 Short sleep
- 45 Stage whisper
- 47 Nonsense!
- 48 Tempt
- 49 In line
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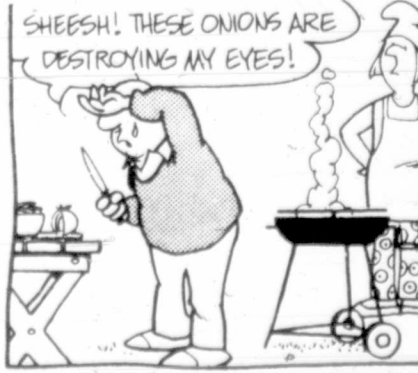


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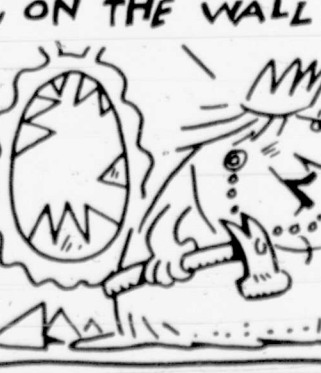
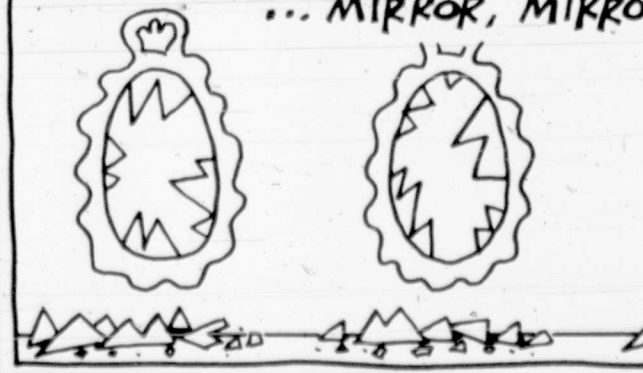
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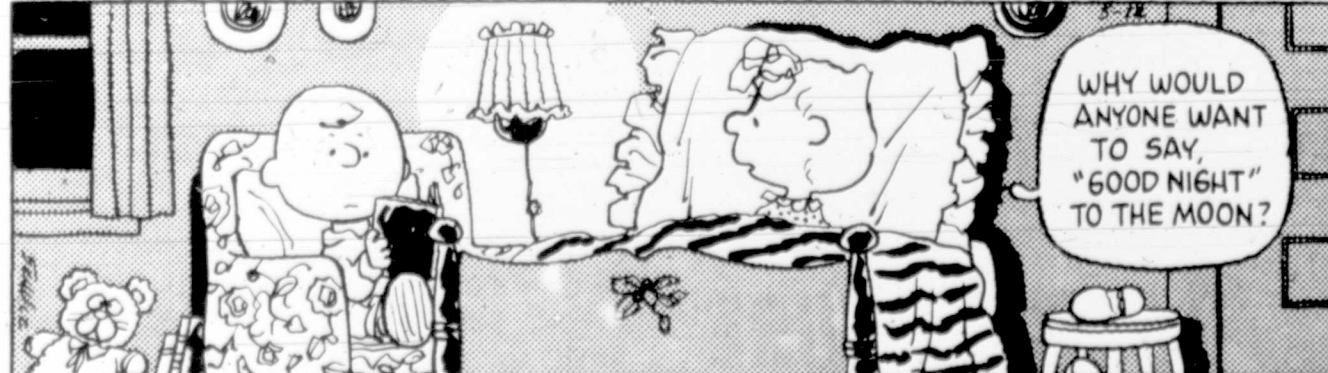
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Denton native supervises 'Funniest Home Videos' production



Bill Barlow

By MARTHA W. RAY
Denton Record-Chronicle

DENTON (AP) - ABC television's No. 1 show, *America's Funniest Home Videos*, rose to the top lightning quick. The going was slower for Denton native Bill Barlow, a University of North Texas graduate who is supervising producer of the hit comedy show.

Although the show was just introduced in mid-January, the half-hour hodgepodge of funny scenes from viewers' home videos has already taken the Nielsen ratings by storm.

Producers of the show knew they were onto something big when a rerun of the original pilot beat the unbeatable *60 Minutes*.

After only nine weeks on the air, the show nabbed the No. 1 spot, leaving *Roseanne*, *The Cosby Show* and *Murder She Wrote* on its cutting room floor. A recent week's ratings showed it No. 4 behind an original pilot of *I Love Lucy*, *Roseanne* and *Cheers*.

Barlow says he knew the show would be a hit when he saw the pilot.

"When I saw it, I rolled. I don't like a lot of what's on TV and I really don't watch it much. So it had to be something really special to stand out," he said in a recent telephone interview from his home in Los

Angeles. "It really made me fall down and laugh. I said, 'I know this show will be a hit.'"

Barlow, 34, said it took years of experience learning to shoot videotape, edit, produce and write for television before he landed the coveted spot producing a hit show.

He was a radio-television-film major at UNT when he got his first experience with videotape during an internship with Texas Instruments' television studios.

After graduation from UNT in 1976, he took a job with a television station in Beaumont as a camera operator, hoping he would have the opportunity to move up.

Soon he was producing commercials and ads for the station, mastering the process from lighting the set to shooting the videotape, editing it, and writing the copy.

Barlow moved on to WFAA-TV in Dallas where he again worked his way up from camera operator to crew chief to on-air promotions. At WFAA he made contacts that helped him get a job with Robert Faulk, Inc., a Los Angeles-based advertising agency. There he produced commercials and promotions for Paramount.

"I was just a kid from Denton going through those famous Paramount gates.

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and you think maybe they're there to keep people in," Barlow said with a laugh.

He produced commercials hyping popular shows like *Entertainment Tonight*, *Hard Copy* and *The Arsenio Hall Show*. Eventually he worked his way up to vice president of the company.

He also made more important contacts and got an unusual opportunity to learn how live audiences work, a skill that has helped with his current position at *America's Funniest Home Videos*.

"I did long-term presentations at year-end parties for WABC-TV in New York, showing clips of the new season. That gave me the opportunity to work in longer forms. I also learned how to write for live audiences. One of the hardest things to anticipate is how long the laughs will last on a particular joke," Barlow said.

Through his work with *Entertainment Tonight*, Barlow met his girlfriend, Cheri Brownlee, a director of the entertainment news program and a fellow Texan from Lubbock.

Ms. Brownlee eventually introduced Barlow to former *Entertainment Tonight* producer Vin Di Bona, who was looking for a supervising producer for the new video show he was modeled after a Japanese program.

After seeing Di Bona's *America's Funniest Home Videos* pilot with comic actor Bob Saget as host, Barlow was hooked and signed on.

"It's been great. You always want to work on a No. 1 show," he said. "The other producers felt the show would be a Top 20 show. But no one thought in six shows it would be No. 1."

Producers doubt that viewers will easily tire of the show, since the material changes each week with rapid-fire precision - about 40 to 50 video clips are used for each show.

Videos, which producers once had to place magazine ads to solicit, now pour in by the hundreds. At one point, the Hollywood Branch of the Post Office had to add workers to accommodate the 1,700 tapes that were arriving daily. The number has since leveled off to a steady 600-800 per day.

Barlow says if something is captured on your home videos that makes other people - not just family - laugh, chances are you could have a winner.

But be forewarned: the competition is stiff.

The show has already featured a woman with her head stuck in a dishwasher, a 3-day-old baby lip-synching Sinatra's "New York, New York" (her dad helped), and a dog that really does say "Mama."

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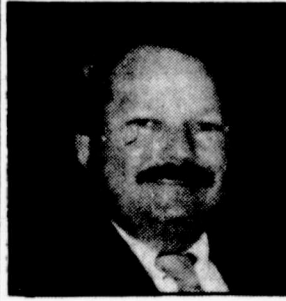


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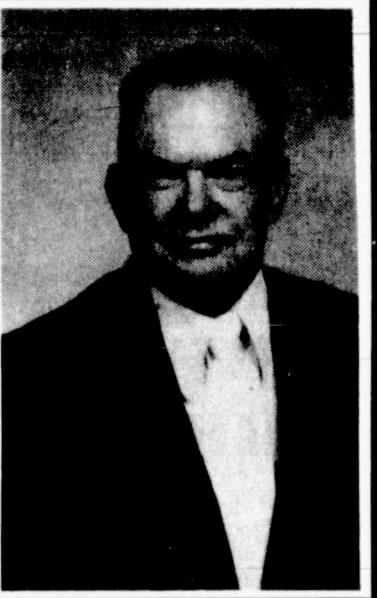


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